

AMERICAN SPORTS RADIO NETWORK TO AIR 1993 CBA DRAFT LIVE

The Continental Basketball Association, in conjunction with the American Sports Radio Network, has announced that the 1993 CBA Draft will be broadcast live on the ASRN on Tuesday August 10. A subsidiary of the Business Radio Network, ASRN will tip-off its second year of season-long CBA coverage with a three-hour broadcast of the Ninth Annual CBA Draft, beginning at 5 p.m. PST, from the Royal Hall at Las Vegas' Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino Resort.

"We are truly pleased to announce that the CBA's second year on the American Sports Radio Network will begin with expanded coverage of our annual college draft," said CBA Commissioner Terdem L.

Ussery II. "ASRN has been a tremendous partner for the CBA, and we look forward to another exciting season in 1993-94. We are also very pleased to be working with a world-class facility in the Imperial Palace."

ASRN's comprehensive coverage will be anchored by David Grisar, co-host of the popular Sports Panel program, and the CBA Draft will be carried live on ASRN's national network of affiliate stations. Expert analysis will be provided by NBA superscout Marty Blake; former UNLV and San Antonio Spurs coach Jerry Tarkanian; Utah Jazz president Frank Layden; and USA Today sportswriter Jerry Bonkowski. Live interviews with CBA coaches, potential CBA draftees, and NBA player

personnel executives are also scheduled.

In addition to the live draft broadcast, a number of fan participatory events will take place at the Royal Hall, including Imperial Palace prize giveaways, basketball contests, free food and beverage, and a unique fantasy radio announcer contest, which will provide area fans with a chance to call the action on a simulated CBA radio game broadcast.

In recent years the CBA Draft has provided the league's 16 teams with a number of high-impact players, including 1993 CBA Rookie of the Year Gerald Madkins, a 1992 second round pick of the American Conference Champion Grand Rapids Hoops. The former UCLA standout re-

cently signed a multi-year contract with the NBA's Cleveland Cavaliers, after averaging 20.2 points per game during his inaugural CBA season.

The 1993 Midwest Division Champion Rapid City Thrillers own the first overall selection in the 1993 CBA Draft, by virtue of a November, 1992, trade with the Rochester Renegade, while Grand Rapids has three of the first seven overall selections. A total of 112 top collegiate and foreign players will be selected in the CBA Draft, which consists of seven rounds.

A unique addition to this year's draft will be the inclusion of 1993 NBA Draft picks to the pool of players eligible to be selected by CBA clubs. Prior to this year, only players eligible

for the NBA Draft, who were not selected, were eligible for the CBA Draft. However, with the increasing frequency of NBA draftees eventually playing in the CBA, the CBA board of directors voted at the annual spring meet-

ings in May to allow for the selection of the rights to NBA draftees in the CBA Draft. More than 400 percent of the second round NBA Draft picks in 1991 and 1992 have played in the CBA during the past two seasons.

LV STARS MOVE FURTHER IN TOURNAMENT

The Las Vegas Stars all-star basketball team advanced to the "Sweet Sixteen" of the Nike Prep Basketball Championship, topping Rockfish II of Los Angeles 82-46 Wednesday evening at UNLV's North Gym.

Western High School star Prince Fowler dazzled the crowd Tuesday afternoon at Chaparral High's Gym, when he placed second in the slam dunk contest. Fowler got an enormous roar following his one-handed behind-the-back, through his legs, off the backboard slam, and then a dynamic one-handed slam after bouncing the ball off the floor.

Melvin Levett of St. Joseph High in Cleveland used his "oomph" dunk to capture the slam dunk title. Levett, who lofted over three players and came down with a thunderous one-handed slam, owns a 42-inch vertical jump entering his junior year.

The Stars will face Utah Valley at 4 p.m. this afternoon.

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CHICAGO'S GRANT PARK

Bulls fans following Chicago's NBA championship season.



....a thousand words.

iously awaiting all those grunts and snarls and aren't worried about peanuts and cracker jack. Here in Las Vegas, there are 74-year-old grandmothers that are down at the Gold Coast or Palace Station looking to get into those crazy football contests. Nobody is worried about the run line, or the pitching matchup, even Neon Deion is wearing thin.

Last season Neon Deion was coming at you with his '24 nicknames, *Ho Ho Ho*, but as a multi-sport athlete. No Glitz for the Neon.

I even doubt he's been takin' the ol' limo to the game lately either.

Teams such as San Diego



Baseball fans were puzzled by Gary Sheffield's shift to Florida now resemble a minor league squad, after squandering away their only hopes of staying out of the cellar in the N.L. West. Sluggers Fred McGriff and Gary Sheffield have been shuffled off to Atlanta and Florida, respectively, and the Padres will have to watch their backs with the Rockies on their tail. Yes folks,

when speaking of America's Pastime, we're now talking about cellar races not pennant races.

Maybe if the league had a commissioner as devoted as Stem is to the NBA, or even had a commissioner at all, baseball would be more appealing to the public than the likes of this year's NBA draft picks.

Oh well, baseball fans, times are tough in the Jordan era, and folks are startin' to sing new lyrics to the same ol' tune:

For its one, two, three strikes your out,

Its a new ball game!!!

I LOVE THIS GAME- IT'S FANTASTIC!!!

LAS VEGAS NATIVE DON PITTMAN ON WASHINGTON REDSKINS STAFF

Texas A&I backfield coach Don Pittman is currently serving on the coaching staff of the Washington Redskins during the team's pre-season workouts.

Pittman was selected as a part of the National Football League's minority internship program.

This is the third NFL team Pittman has worked with since joining the Javelins. He had internships with the Chicago Bears and Dallas Cowboys previously.

Pittman has been with the Texas A&I program for nine seasons. The Las Vegas,

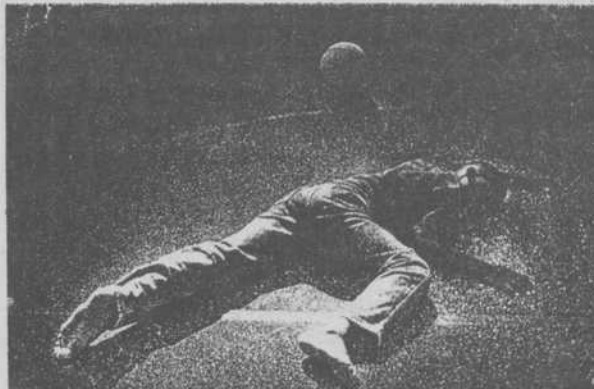
Nev., native served as a graduate assistant coach in 1979-80 and returned in 1982 as the offensive backfield coach.

Backs he has coached at Texas A&I include Johnny Bailey, now with the Phoenix Cardinals and college football's all-time leading rusher, and Heath Sherman, a starter for the Philadelphia Eagles.

One of the Washington Redskin players taking part in the pre-season drills is defensive back Darrell Green, an All-Pro performer who is a Texas A&I product.



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