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Woods

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fifth; and three weeks ago, tied for third in the B.C. Open in Endicott, N.Y.

At 20 years and nine months, Woods, who many feel to be the most accomplished amateur golfer to come along since Jack

Nicklaus nearly thirty years ago, became the youngest player to win a PGA Tour event since Phil Mickelson in 1991, and the 12th youngest ever. In addition, should he earn \$170,000 or more the next two weeks, he would have enough to qualify for the Tour championship, for which only the top 30 would qualify.

Woods finished the five-day tournament with an 8-under-par 64 on Sunday. He started the final round 4 shots off the lead, after finishing the first round tied for 20th place.

Citing exhaustion, Woods took heat from some fellow golfers for skipping the Buick Challenge in Georgia, as well as an awards ceremony in his honor, two weeks ago, but silenced critics at the \$1.65 million LVI who said he turned pro too soon.

"It felt good to be rested and back to close to 100 percent," Woods said. "I was too worn out. It (the rest) did me good."

Just a week ago, during a practice round before the LVI began, Woods, who nearly attended the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) on an athletic scholarship before choosing Stanford to play his college career, commented on



20-year-old Tiger Woods displays the Las Vegas Invitation trophy Sunday after winning the tie breaker on the first hole. Photo by LV News Bureau

what it was going to take to win. "I've got to score low," he said. "Here in Vegas, tradition is you've got to shoot really low numbers. I hope my game will be good enough to where I can produce that."

"It's nice being in contention," he added, "knowing that you have a chance to win. That's always a good feeling. That I have learned. I've learned how to get into that position, now I've just got to learn how to win out here, and that's just going to take time and hopefully it will happen one week."

Little did he know it would happen that week.

"Something I've always strived to do is to be in contention and win one down the stretch and that's exactly what happened," said Woods, who is currently in San Antonio for this week's Texas Open. "I go out and expect to win every tournament," he said. "Or else there's no reason to show up."

The one good thing, especially for Las Vegas fans, about Woods winning here, is that it all but ensures that he will return to defend his title next year, as the LVI has been slated for October 22-26, 1997, just one week before the Tour Championship.

"It can only help the game to have a guy like Tiger," Love said after the playoff loss. "The more exposure Tiger gets, the more the Tour gets, and that just benefits everybody."

SPORT BRIEFS

"BAYNO HOLDS COURT" FOR FANS; OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY

Second-year UNLV Runnin' Rebel basketball coach Bill Bayno held "Bayno Holds Court" from 6-9 p.m. Wednesday at the Thomas & Mack Center. Designed as an effort to introduce female fans to the UNLV program, Bayno and his staff of assistants were on hand to discuss the upcoming season and answer questions. No one was denied entrance based on gender. In addition, UNLV basketball fans will have a chance to meet Bayno and the 1996-97 UNLV team Sunday at the "Meet the Rebels" night at the Thomas & Mack. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and the session will begin at 6. There will be no charge for admission. The entire UNLV team and coaches will be introduced, and highlights of past Rebel seasons will be shown. Practice for the Runnin' Rebels officially opens Tuesday.

UCLA RECRUIT'S SISTER BUYS COACH'S CAR

LOS ANGELES — The sister of a prized UCLA basketball recruit purchased a car owned by coach Jim Harrick two days after her brother committed to play for the Bruins, the Los Angeles Times reported. A black 1991 Chevy Blazer, with Harrick as the registered owner, was sold to Lisa Hodoh, the older sister of Santa Monica, Calif., Crossroads High senior Baron Davis on Sept. 20, according to Department of Motor Vehicle records. The transaction is a possible NCAA violation. UCLA athletics director Peter T. Dalis, who said he advised Harrick not to speak to the Times' reporters when confronted with the issue Monday afternoon, confirmed that the car was registered to Harrick, but said that Glenn Harrick, Jim's son, sold the car to Hodoh.

PURDUE REPRIMANDS ASSISTANT COACH

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Purdue reprimanded and fined an assistant coach for violating NCAA rules by giving a basketball recruit a 2-mile ride from Mackey Arena to a West Lafayette hotel. "I was trying to help a kid, but what I did was wrong, and I know I must pay for that," assistant coach Frank Kendrick told the Lafayette Journal and Courier. Athletic director Morgan Burke confirmed the disciplinary action against Kendrick, who drove recruit Jamal Davis from the Purdur arena to the University Inn on June 13, during a period when coaches were not to have contact with recruits.

RODMAN SAYS THIS WILL BE HIS LAST YEAR

DEERFIELD, Ill. — Dennis Rodman ripped Chicago Bulls management and said this season will be his last. In other words, Rodman was in midseason form during the team's media day last week, even though the team's training camp had yet to start. "I don't hate the people here, I just hate the business aspect of the game," said Rodman, who liked his own \$9 million contract but was upset because he thinks Phil Jackson was treated unfairly. The always outrageous Rodman said that, with upcoming movie and television deals, "I don't need basketball any more."

TESTS SHOW NO HEART PROBLEMS FOR CELTIC

BOSTON — Three days after a scare that brought back memories of Reggie Lewis, Boston Celtics forward Eric Williams rejoined the team after tests revealed no problems with his heart. A routine physical last week showed a cardiac abnormality, and Williams stayed behind for more tests while his teammates left for training camp at North Carolina-Greensboro. But the Celtics said that tests at New England Baptist Hospital revealed "no problems of concern."

TEMPLE'S DICKERSON RETRACTS RESIGNATION

PHILADELPHIA — Temple University coach Ron Dickerson pledged to continue into the next season, retracting the emotional resignation he made a day earlier after the Owls' 53-52 loss to Pittsburgh. "For the first time in my professional career, I let my emotions do the talking," Dickerson said in a statement released by the university.

FUTCH TO NO LONGER TRAIN BOWE

NEW YORK — Eddie Futch will no longer train Riddick Bowe. Futch said he had not talked to the former undisputed heavyweight champion, but had informed manager Rock Newman. "I told him I can't deal with it anymore," Futch said. "He told me 'I could see it coming.'" Futch said he was embarrassed by Bowe's performance against Andrew Golota in a July 11 fight at Madison Square Garden which Bowe won in the seventh round when Golota was disqualified for low blows. Bowe was behind and was being battered when the match was stopped. Futch will continue to train other fighters.

JONES RETAINS TITLE WITH KNOCKOUT

NEW YORK — Roy Jones Jr knocked Bryant Brannon down in the first round and twice in the second in defense of his International Boxing Federation (IBF) super middleweight championship last Friday night at Madison Square Garden. The referee stopped the bout at 2:23 of the second round after Jones floored Brannon with a left hook.

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