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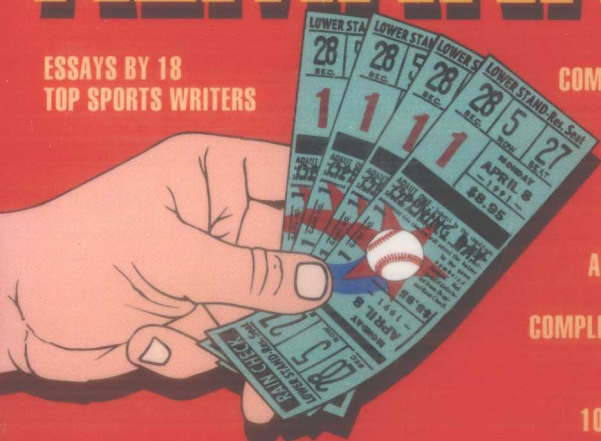
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## JANUARY

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### Days

- 1 New Year's Day
- 21 Martin Luther King Day

### Events

- 1 Eight Bowl Games
- 8-11 NCAA Convention (Nashville)
- 13-26 Australian Open (Melbourne)
- 19 NHL All-Star Game (Chicago)
- 20 NFL Conference Championships
- 27 Super Bowl XXV (Tampa)

## FEBRUARY

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### Days

- 2 Groundhog Day
- 13 Ash Wednesday
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 18 Presidents' Day

### Events

- 3 NFL Pro Bowl (Honolulu)
- 10 NBA All-Star Game (Charlotte)
- 10-17 US Figure Skating Championships (Minneapolis)
- 17 Daytona 500 (Daytona Beach)

## MARCH

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### Days

- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 20 First Day of Spring
- 29 Good Friday
- 30 First Day of Passover
- 31 Easter Sunday

### Events

- 11-17 World Figure Skating Championships (Munich)
- 29-31 NCAA Women's Basketball Final Four (New Orleans)
- 30-Apr 1 NCAA Men's Basketball Final Four (Indianapolis)

## APRIL

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### Days

- 7 Daylight Savings Begins (Spring ahead)

### Events

- 3 NHL Playoffs Begin
- 8 Baseball Opening Day
- 11-14 Masters Golf (Augusta)
- 15 Boston Marathon
- 21-22 NFL Draft (New York)
- 25 NBA Playoffs Begin

## MAY

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### Days

- 12 Mother's Day
- 27 Memorial Day

### Events

- 4 Kentucky Derby (Louisville)
- 18 Preakness Stakes (Baltimore)
- 26 Indianapolis 500
- 27-Jun 9 French Open Tennis (Paris)
- 31-Jun 8 College World Series (Omaha)

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### Days

- 14 Flag Day
- 16 Father's Day
- 21 First Day of Summer

### Events

- 8 Belmont Stakes (Elmont, NY)
- 13-16 US Open Golf (Chaska, MN)
- 24-Jul 7 Wimbledon Tennis

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### Days

- 1 Canada Day
- 4 Independence Day

### Events

- 9 Baseball All-Star Game (Toronto)
- 11-14 US Women's Open Golf (Ft. Worth)
- 12-21 US Olympic Festival (Los Angeles)
- 18-21 British Open (Royal Birkdale)
- 25-28 US Senior Open Golf (Detroit)

## AUGUST

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### Events

- 3-18 Pan American Games (Havana)
- 8-11 PGA Championship (Carmel, IN)
- 24-Sep 1 World Track & Field Championships (Tokyo)
- 26-Sep 8 US Open Tennis (Flushing, NY)

## SEPTEMBER

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### Days

- 2 Labor Day
- 9 First Day of Rosh Hashanah
- 16 Yom Kippur
- 23 First Day of Fall

### Events

- 1 NFL Regular Season Opens

## OCTOBER

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### Days

- 14 Columbus Day
- 27 Daylight Savings Time Ends (Fall back)
- 31 Halloween

### Events

- 6 Baseball Regular Season Ends
- 8 Baseball Playoffs Begin
- 12 Oklahoma vs Texas (Dallas)
- 19 World Series Begins
- 26 USC at Notre Dame

## NOVEMBER

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### Days

- 5 Election Day
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 28 Thanksgiving

### Events

- 2 Breeders' Cup (Louisville)
- 3 New York City Marathon
- 16 Miami, FL at Florida St.
- 23 Harvard at Yale
- Ohio St. at Michigan
- Oklahoma at Nebraska
- UCLA at USC
- 24 CFL Grey Cup (Winnipeg)
- 30 Alabama vs Auburn (Birmingham)

## DECEMBER

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### Days

- 2 First Day of Hanukkah
- 22 First Day of Winter
- 25 Christmas
- 26 Boxing Day (Canada)
- 6-15 National Finals Rodeo (Las Vegas)
- 7 Army vs Navy (Philadelphia)
- 23 NFL Regular Season Ends
- 28 NFL Playoffs Begin

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## Major League Cities &amp; Teams

There are 110 major league sports teams playing baseball, basketball, football and hockey in 61 cities and towns in the United States and Canada. Listed below are the cities and the teams that play there. If a team actually plays in a nearby suburb, that town is in parentheses. San Jose begins NHL play in 1991.

**Anaheim**

AL California Angels  
NFL L.A. Rams

**Arlington**

AL Texas Rangers

**Atlanta**

NL Braves  
NBA Hawks  
NFL Falcons

**Baltimore**

AL Orioles

**Boston**

AL Red Sox  
NBA Celtics  
NFL N.E. Patriots (Foxboro)  
NHL Bruins

**Buffalo**

NFL Bills (Orchard Park)  
NHL Sabres

**Calgary**

CFLStampeders  
NFL Flames

**Charlotte**

NBA Hornets

**Chicago**

AL White Sox  
NL Cubs  
NBA Bulls  
NFL Bears  
NHL Blackhawks

**Cincinnati**

NL Reds  
NFL Bengals

**Cleveland**

AL Indians  
NBA Cavaliers (Richfield)  
NFL Browns

**Dallas**

NBA Mavericks  
NFL Cowboys (Irving)

**Denver**

NBA Nuggets  
NFL Broncos

**Detroit**

AL Tigers  
NBA Pistons (Auburn Hills)  
NFL Lions (Pontiac)  
NHL Red Wings

**East Rutherford**

NBA New Jersey Nets  
NFL New York Giants  
NFL New York Jets  
NHL New Jersey Devils

**Edmonton**

CFL Eskimos  
NHL Oilers

**Green Bay**

NFL Packers

**Hamilton**

CFL Tiger-Cats

**Hartford**

NHL Whalers

**Houston**

NL Astros  
NBA Rockets  
NFL Oilers

**Indianapolis**

NBA Pacers  
NFL Colts

**Kansas City**

AL Royals  
NFL Chiefs

**Los Angeles**

NL Dodgers  
NBA Clippers  
NBA Lakers (Inglewood)  
NFL Raiders  
NHL Kings (Inglewood)

**Miami**

NBA Heat  
NFL Dolphins

**Milwaukee**

AL Brewers  
NBA Bucks

**Minneapolis**

AL Minn. Twins  
NBA Minn. Timberwolves  
NFL Minn. Vikings  
NHL Minn. North Stars (Bloomington)

**Montreal**

NL Expos  
NHL Canadiens

**New Orleans**

NFL Saints

**New York**

AL Yankees  
NL Mets  
NBA Knicks  
NHL Rangers

**Oakland**

AL Athletics  
NBA Golden St. Warriors

**Orlando**

NBA Magic

**Ottawa**

CFL Rough Riders

**Philadelphia**

NL Phillies  
NBA 76ers  
NFL Eagles  
NHL Flyers

**Phoenix**

NBA Suns  
NFL Cardinals (Tempe)

**Pittsburgh**

NL Pirates  
NFL Steelers  
NHL Penguins

**Portland**

NBA Trail Blazers

**Quebec City**

NHL Nordiques

**Regina**

CFL Saskatchewan Roughriders

**Sacramento**

NBA Kings

**St. Louis**

NL Cardinals  
NHL Blues

**Salt Lake City**

NFL Utah Jazz

**San Antonio**

NBA Spurs

**San Diego**

NL Padres  
NFL Chargers

**San Francisco**

NL Giants  
NFL 49ers

**San Jose**

NHL Sharks (1991-92)

**Seattle**

AL Mariners  
NBA SuperSonics  
NFL Seahawks

**Tampa**

NFL Buccaneers

**Toronto**

AL Blue Jays  
CFL Argos  
NHL Maple Leafs

**Uniondale**

NHL N.Y. Islanders

**Vancouver**

CFL B.C. Lions  
NHL Canucks

**Washington**

NBA Bullets (Landover, Md.)  
NFL Redskins  
NHL Capitals (Landover, Md.)

**Winnipeg**

NHL Jets  
CFL Blue Bombers

Back in the mid-1950s, Roger O'Gara, the late sports editor of the *Berkshire Eagle* in Pittsfield, Mass., would adjourn to a local watering hole for a quick beer on Friday nights with the admonition, "I'll be at the Rosa. Call me if the Yanks trade Mantle."

At the time, Mickey Mantle was the best player in the American League and the chances of the Yankees trading him were about the same as the Russians pulling out of Eastern Europe. Needless to say, nobody ever called.

Those were simpler times. These days, even Wayne Gretzky gets traded. And Pete Rose gets five months for tax evasion. And a woman reporter is the most talked about person in pro football. Blame it on whatever and whoever you like—free agency, Astroturf, ESPN, autograph shows, steroids, luxury suites, square-grooved golf clubs, the DH, the DL, the DeBartolos, the hole in the ozone layer—but sports has definitely gotten confusing.

**The Information Please Sports Almanac** is an attempt to bring some clarity to this confusion by combining a chronicle of the year at hand with a comprehensive review of what has gone on before. This unique coverage is enhanced by over 150 photos and 17 year-in-review essays from many of the country's top sportswriters.

This year there are also contributions from two Pulitzer Prize winners—editorial cartoonist Jeff MacNelly of the *Chicago Tribune*, whose hilarious view of 1990 appears on page 13, and architecture critic Paul Goldberger of *The New York Times*, whose piece on arenas and ballparks begins on page 419.

Readers of last year's almanac will notice that this year's edition is thicker (by 96 pages) and that chapter tabs have been added to the front and back covers to take the guesswork out of thumbing through the book. Also, last year's special chapter on Division I college football, which reviewed every season from 1936-88, has been replaced by a chapter recounting every Division I college basketball season from 1938-89.

If you're picking up the **Sports Almanac** for the first time, I hope you like it. If you enjoyed last year's book and have come back for more, your continued interest is appreciated.

That said, I'll be at the Rosa. Call me if the Red Sox or the Cubs win the World Series.

—Mike Meserole

Wolcott, Conn.  
October, 1990



Almanacs are like golf tournaments—you shouldn't call one an annual or the other a classic until at least the second year. The **Information Please Sports Almanac** becomes an annual with this edition, a milepost attained not without a lot of help.

My thanks to all the cooperative souls in public relations offices, sports information departments, libraries, halls of fame, chambers of commerce and newsrooms around the country—and, in some cases, around the world—who took my calls, put up with my requests and came through with the needed material.

If there was a game ball involved in putting this book together, it would go to my production supervisor Michael Michaud for the second year in a row. He held the project together. As I write this on Halloween night in Marblehead, Mass., I am again the guest of Mike, his wife Lynn and their daughters Annie and Molly. Whenever I'm up here, they make me feel like one of the family and with Lynn pregnant, soon we'll be six.

It's impossible to thank everybody who has contributed to the success of this book over the last two years, but there are a few folks who deserve to be mentioned: Charley Monagan; Dawn Longo; everybody at CopyRight typesetting in Bedford, Mass.; Steve Lewers and his troops at Houghton Mifflin, especially Margaret Ann Miles, Chris Leonesio and Marya Labarthe; Jim Murphy of Western Publishing; Nat Andriani of Wide World Photos; Maggie Hearn of the Bettmann Archives; Cynthia Gable and Jim Van Valkenburg of the NCAA; my agent Tom Hart; my mailman George Dostaler; and Mary Vaughn at the Wolcott, CT, post office.

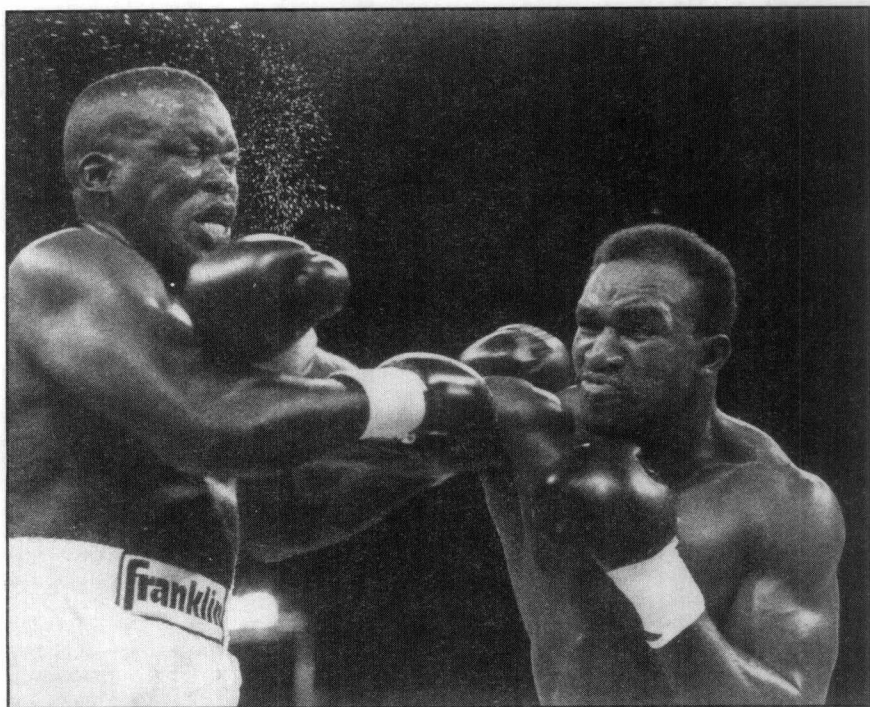
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Finally, a belated thanks to my brothers Cork and Brooke and my sisters Bam and Hilary for their encouragement and support. This second annual almanac is dedicated to them.

—M.M.

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## Holyfield dethrones Douglas

**Evander (The Real Deal) Holyfield** knocked out **James (Buster) Douglas** at 1:10 of the third round on Oct.25 to win the undisputed heavyweight championship of the world. The fight, billed "The Moment of Truth," was held before a stunned crowd of 16,000 at the Mirage in Las Vegas and came eight months and two weeks after Douglas upset Mike Tyson in 10 rounds to win the title in Tokyo.

The 30-year-old Douglas was the underdog, entering the ring for his first defense at a roly-poly 246 pounds—14½ pounds heavier than when he fought Tyson. Holyfield, 28, came in at 208 pounds and easily controlled the first two rounds. In the third, Douglas tried to land the same right uppercut that floored Tyson, but Holyfield was ready for it. The challenger stepped back and countered with a straight right that connected with the middle of the champion's face and sent him to the canvas until he was counted out by referee Mills Lane.

Holyfield, now 25-0 with 21 knockouts, will make his first title defense against another bulky heavyweight when he meets 42-year-old former champion **George Foreman** on Friday, April 19, 1991, at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas. Foreman, who ruled the division from 1973-74, won five times in 1990 to run his record to 24-0 since launching his comeback in 1987.

## Baseball

**Jim Leyland** of the Pittsburgh Pirates and **Jeff Torborg** of the Chicago White Sox were named managers of the year the last week in October by the Baseball Writers Association of America.

Leyland, who was 64-98 in his first year as Pirates' skipper in 1986, guided the Bucs to a 95-67 record and their first NL East title in 11 years. He outpolled Cincinnati's Lou Piniella, 99-49. Torborg turned Chicago around in only his second year at the helm, going from 69-92 in 1989 to 94-69 this year. Unfortunately, the White Sox were in the same division with the AL champion Oakland A's (103-59) and finished nine games back. A's manager Tony LaRussa placed second to Torborg in the voting, 128-72.

The remainder of the BWAA's annual baseball awards were given out in November. Shortly after the World Series, the Associated Press released its 1990 Major League All-Star Team, based on a nationwide vote by national sportswriters and broadcasters who regularly cover the sport.

**C**—**Carlton Fisk**, Chicago-AL  
**1B**—**Cecil Fielder**, Detroit  
**2B**—**Ryne Sandberg**, Chicago-NL  
**SS**—**Barry Larkin**, Cincinnati  
**3B**—**Matt Williams**, San Francisco  
**DH**—**Dave Parker**, Milwaukee

**OF**—**Ricky Henderson**, Oakland  
**OF**—**Barry Bonds**, Pittsburgh  
**OF**—**Bobby Bonilla**, Pittsburgh  
**RHP**—**Bob Welch**, Oakland  
**LHP**—**Frank Viola**, New York-NL  
**RP**—**Bobby Thigpen**, Chicago-AL

## College Football

**Virginia** held the high ground in the AP Top 25 poll with a 7-0 record through October. The Cavaliers, who began the season ranked No.15, were followed in order by **Notre Dame**, **Nebraska**, **Auburn** and **Illinois**.

Notre Dame was upset by Stanford, 36-31, in South Bend on Oct.6, but rebounded by beating Miami of Florida, 29-20, at home two weeks later in the last regular season meeting between the two schools. It was the second loss of the season for Miami, the 1989 national champ and consensus preseason No.1. The Hurricanes were jolted, 28-21, by **Ty Detmer** and **BYU** in their opening game Sept.8 in Provo. With five weeks left in the season, the Heisman Trophy competition centered on quarterbacks Detmer, Shawn Moore of Virginia, and David Klingler of Houston, who replaced 1989 Heisman winner Andre Ware. All-purpose back Raghib (Rocket) Ismail of Notre Dame was also a strong contender.

## AP Top 25

(as of Monday, Oct.29, 1990)

Writers' poll, including games through Oct.27, 1990. First place votes in parentheses, followed by record, total votes and ranking in preseason poll.

	Record	Pts	Pre-Season		Record	Pts	Pre-Season
1 Virginia (44)	7-0-0	1462	15	14 Texas	5-1-0	742	35
2 Notre Dame (6)	6-1-0	1380	2	15 Florida	6-1-0	638	31
3 Nebraska (5)	8-0-0	1350	7	16 Georgia Tech	6-0-1	612	34
4 Auburn (2)	6-0-1	1284	3	17 Mississippi	7-1-0	519	36
5 Illinois	6-1-0	1230	11	18 Clemson	7-2-0	424	10
6 Houston (2)	7-0-0	1196	24	19 Wyoming	9-0-0	407	—
7 Washington (1)	7-1-0	1189	20	20 Michigan	4-3-0	403	6
8 Miami, FL	5-2-0	1074	1	21 Southern Cal	6-2-0	333	9
9 Colorado	7-1-1	1009	5	22 Oregon	6-2-0	230	37
10 BYU	6-1-0	943	16	23 Arizona	6-2-0	225	26
11 Tennessee	4-1-2	870	8	24 Penn State	5-2-0	123	21
12 Florida St	5-2-0	807	4	25 Louisville	7-1-1	108	33
13 Iowa	6-1-0	759	—				

## Colleges

The reshuffling of major college conferences begun earlier in the year by **Penn State** (to the Big Ten) and **Arkansas** (from the Southwest to the Southeastern), continued into the Fall, with independents **Miami of Florida**, **Florida State** and **South Carolina** all moving to established leagues.

**Florida State** became the ninth member of the Atlantic Coast Conference on Sept.14, **South Carolina** made the SEC a 12-team league on Sept.25, and **Miami** threw in with the Big East on Oct.10, making that previously basketball-only conference a 10-team group. Boston College, Pittsburgh and Syracuse are the Big East's other major football schools and conference plans call for an aggressive marketing strategy, possibly with TV and bowl alliances with the ACC, SWC and others.

On the probation front, the NCAA Infractions Committee handed down two-year probations on Sept.20 to both the football and basketball programs at **Florida**. The football team, 6-1 under new coach Steve Spurrier and ranked 15th in the country going into November, was prohibited from participating in a bowl game this season.



Wide World Photos

**Miami joins Big East**  
Latest major conference call.

## Pro Football

**San Francisco** and the **New York Giants** were 7-0 at the end of October and the only unbeaten teams left in the NFL. Each held comfortable leads in their divisions—the 49ers by 4 games in the West, the Giants by three in the East—and were scheduled to meet Monday night, Dec.3, at Candlestick Park. Three teams had 6-1 records—**Buffalo** and **Miami** in the AFC East, the **LA Raiders** in the AFC West, and **Chicago** in the NFC Central.

Near or at the bottom of the heap were Cleveland (2-5), Minnesota (1-6) and New England (1-6). AFC finalists in 1989, the Browns headed into November with head coach Bud Carson seemingly one defeat away from losing his job. One year after the Herschel Walker-for-the-future trade with Dallas, the Vikings were so bad that GM Mike Lynn jumped ship on Oct.10 to take over as president of the new World League of American Football.

And the Pats? Their contribution to the season was the Zeke Mowatt-Lisa Olson controversy, involving Patriot receiver Mowatt's alleged sexual harassment of *Boston Herald* reporter Olson in the team's locker room, Sept.17. Two weeks later, Cincinnati coach Sam Wyche banned another woman reporter from the Bengals' locker room and was fined \$30,000 by league commissioner Paul Tagliabue.

Otherwise, after announcing that he planned to move the Raiders back to Oakland, managing partner Al Davis says that his club will remain in Los Angeles for the next 20 years, provided the LA Coliseum undergoes a promised \$145 million renovation. Stay tuned.

### Pro Basketball

When the 1990-91 season opened up on Nov. 2, both **Pat Riley** and **Doug Moe** were out of coaching. Riley, who led the LA Lakers to four NBA titles in 10 years, quit on June 11 to take a studio host job with the NBA's new TV network NBC. Moe was fired by the Denver Nuggets on Sept. 6, after 14 consecutive seasons coaching San Antonio and then Denver.

On July 31, the NBA salary cap rose to \$12 million per team, setting off a flurry of trades that sent **Danny Ainge** to Portland, **Paul Pressey** to San Antonio and **Manute Bol** to Philadelphia. Other major off-season deals included a 3-way exchange between Utah, Washington and Sacramento that ended up with **Jeff Malone** going to the Jazz, **Pervis Ellison** to the Bullets, and **Eric Leckner** and **Bob Hansen** to the Kings. The Lakers signed free agent **Sam Perkins** of Dallas for \$19 million over six years. Dallas signed free agent **Alex English** of Denver for one year. Cleveland won a \$26.5 million bidding war with Miami (Sept. 6) for the services of Cavs' forward **John (Hot Rod) Williams**. And Portland signed Clyde Drexler to a contract extension (Oct. 12) that will pay him \$8 million a year in 1995-96.

### Hockey

**Wayne Gretzky** scored his 2000th career regular season point with an assist against Winnipeg (Oct. 26). Going into November, the NHL's all-time leading scorer was tied with Pittsburgh's John Gullen for the league lead in points with 26.

Off the ice, on Sept. 27 the NHL suspended Edmonton goalie **Grant Fuhr** one year for admitted cocaine drug use during the 1980s; and the Pittsburgh Penguins announced that, despite successful surgery, recurring back problems would keep **Mario Lemieux** out of the lineup until at least January.

Gretzky (8-17—25) trailed only Pittsburgh's **John Cullen** (5-21—26) in scoring after one month. **Brett Hull**, last season's goal-scoring leader with 76, started off the new year with 15 in the first 12 games.

Off-season deals included: Winnipeg trading captain **Dale Hawerchuk** to Buffalo for **Scott Arniel**, **Phil Housley** and **Jeff Parker**; Chicago and Montreal exchanging stars **Denis Savard** and **Chris Chelios**; St. Louis signing free agent defenseman **Scott Stevens** of Washington, to a 4-year, \$5 million deal; the Detroit Red Wings firing coach **Jacques Demers** and replacing him with coach and GM **Bryan Murray**.

### Soccer

**Olimpia** of Paraguay defeated Barcelona of Ecuador by a 3-1 aggregate to win South America's **Copa Libertadores**. Olimpia shut out Barcelona, 2-0, at home (Oct. 3) then played to a 1-1 draw on the road (Oct. 10) to win the two-leg championship.

Next stop for Olimpia is the **Toyota Cup** in Tokyo (Dec. 9), where it will meet European Cup champion **AC Milan** for the world club championship. Milan won the Toyota Cup last year.

### Bowling

**Chris Warren** overtook Amleto Monacelli as the PBA's leading money winner by winning the Japan Cup in Tokyo (Oct. 14). Warren defeated Dave Husted, 226-163, in the final to collect \$18,500 and boost his overall winnings to \$190,825. Monacelli did not compete in the tournament. Meanwhile, the PBA fall tour got underway with the Budweiser Challenge in Rochester, N.Y. (Oct. 29-Nov. 3).

**Jimmy Certain** won the final PBA Seniors event of the year (Oct. 25), taking the Treasure Coast Open and \$7500 with a 218-202 victory over Bob Hart.

On the women's tour, **Tish Johnson** joined **Lisa Wagner** and **Patty Costello** as the only women to win three consecutive pro titles when she began the LPBT fall tour with victories in the Cobra Classic, Delaware Open and Eastern Open. Johnson's three winner's checks improved her 1990 earnings to \$71,420. Her bid for a fourth straight title the following week at the Brunswick Open in Hammond, IN, failed when she finished out of the money. **Leanne Barrette**, **Lorrie Nichols** and **Nikki Gianulias** also registered wins in October.

# Horse Racing

Death rode in the seventh Breeders' Cup at Belmont Park on Oct.27, as thoroughbreds **Go For Wand** and **Mr. Nickerson** died in separate races.

Mr. Nickerson died in the first race of the day, suffering a heart attack at the start of the Breeders' Cup Sprint and dying on the track.

Go For Wand, the champion 3-year-old filly who was a solid Horse of the Year candidate, shattered her right front ankle in the Breeders' Cup Distaff. Go For Wand was locked in a stretch duel with eventual winner **Bayakoa** when the injury occurred and she fell, throwing jockey Randy Romero. Romero was only shaken up but Go For Wand, her leg "torn to shreds" as one vet put it, had to be humanely destroyed.

Go For Wand's demise was the latest and most dramatic in a racing season cursed by bad luck and injuries that forced horses the caliber of Sunday Silence, Easy Goer, Criminal Type and Summer Squall to pass up the Breeders' Cup.

In harness racing, **Jake And Elwood** won the Messenger Stakes (Sept.8) and **Beach Towel** won the Little Brown Jug (Sept.20) to wrap up the pacing Triple Crown races, while Star Mystic won the final leg of the trotting Triple Crown, the Kentucky Futurity (Oct.5).



Wide World Photos

**Exercise rider Rose Badgett**  
Grieves for Go For Wand.

## 7th Breeders' Cup

Results from the seven Breeders' Cup races held Saturday, Oct.27,1990, at Belmont Park in Elmont, NY.

Race	Time	Top 3 Finishers	Jockeys	Trainers	Money won
Sprint (6 furlongs)	1:09½	1 Safety Kept 2 Dayjur 3 Black Tie Affair	Craig Perret Willie Carson Laffit Pincay,Jr	Alan Goldberg W.R.Hern Ernie Poulos	\$450,000 225,000 108,000
Juvenile Fillies (1½ miles)	1:44	1 Meadow Star 2 Private Treasure 3 Dance Smartly	Jose Santos Jerry Bailey Sandy Hawley	LeRoy Jolley Joseph Pierce James Day	\$450,000 225,000 108,000
Distaff (1½ miles)	1:49½	1 Bayakoa 2 Colonial Waters 3 Valay Maid	Laffit Pincay,Jr Jose Santos Marco Castaneda	Ron McAnally LeRoy Jolley Carlos Garcia	\$450,000 225,000 108,000
Mile	1:35½	1 Royal Academy 2 Itsallgreekto me 3 Priolo	Lester Piggott Corey Nakatani Cash Asmussen	M.V.O'Brien Wallace Dollase Francois Boutin	\$450,000 225,000 108,000
Juvenile (1½ miles)	1:43½	1 Fly So Free 2 Take Me Out 3 Lost Mountain	Jose Santos Bill Smith Chris McCarron	Scotty Schulhofer William Mott Tom Bohannon	\$450,000 225,000 108,000
Turf (1½ miles)	2:29½	1 In the Wings 2 With Approval 3 El Senor	Gary Stevens Craig Perret Angel Cordero,Jr	Andre Fabre Roger Attfield William Wright	\$900,000 450,000 216,000
Classic (1¼ miles)	2:02½	1 Unbridled 2 Ibn Bey 3 Thirty-Six Red	Pat Day Randy Quinn Jimmy Smith	Carl Nafzger Paul Cole Nick Zito	\$1,350,000 675,000 324,000

### Tennis

Playing one of his best indoor matches of the year, **Boris Becker** beat **Stefan Edberg** 6-4, 6-0, 6-3 to win the Stockholm Open (Oct. 28). Going into November, Becker and Edberg were two of four men's players who had secured berths in the first ATP Tour World Championship scheduled for Nov. 13-18 in Frankfurt. **Ivan Lendl** and **Andre Agassi** were the others. The remaining four positions figured to go to **Pete Sampras**, **Andres Gomez**, **Thomas Muster** and **Emilio Sanchez**, but **Brad Gilbert** and **Goran Ivanisevic** were still in contention.

On the women's tour, 14-year-old **Jennifer Capriati** won her first pro title at the Puerto Rico Open (Oct. 28), beating **Zina Garrison** 5-7, 6-4, 6-2. The victory clinched Capriati a berth in the 16-player Virginia Slims Championship, set for Nov. 12-18 at Madison Square Garden in New York.

### Golf

**Jodie Mudd** shot a final round 68 and birdied the last three holes to win the \$2.5 million Nabisco Golf Championships (Oct. 28) at Champions Golf Club in Houston. Mudd caught **Billy Mayfair** on the 18th, then beat him on the first hole of sudden death. The \$450,000 winner's check gave Mudd a total of \$911,746 for the year and moved him from 21st to 5th on the PGA money list. **Greg Norman**, who tied for 7th in the tournament, won the overall earnings title with \$1,165,477. Other PGA winners since the Canadian Open: **Nolan Henke** at the B.C. Open (Sept. 23), **Kenny Knox** in a playoff at the Southern Open (Sept. 30), **Mark O'Meara** at the Texas Open (Oct. 7), **Bob Tway** in a playoff at the Las Vegas International (Oct. 14), and **Tim Simpson** at the Disney World/Oldsmobile Classic (Oct. 20).

**Lee Trevino** turned in a nine-birdie 65 on the final day of the Transamerica Championship (Oct. 21) to win his 7th PGA Seniors title of the year. Trevino, in his rookie year with the Seniors, increased his earnings for the season to \$922,352. Other PGA Seniors winners since the Greater Grand Rapids Open: **Jim Dent** at the Crestar Classic (Sept. 23), **Mike Hill** in a playoff at the Space Coast Classic (Sept. 30), **Charles Coody** at the Vantage Championship (Oct. 7), and **Bruce Crampton** at the Gatlin Brothers Classic (Oct. 14).

**Beth Daniel** kept pace with Trevino as pro golf's top winner in 1990, taking her 7th title at the Centel Classic (Oct. 7). The victory also pushed Daniel's record one-year prize money total over the \$800,000 mark. Other late season winners on the LPGA tour were **Nancy Lopez** at the MBS Classic (Sept. 23), and **Cathy Gerring** at the Trophee Urban World Championship in Paris (Oct. 14).

### Auto Racing

**Al Unser Jr.** became the first second generation driver to win the CART points championship when he clinched his first Indy car title at the Bosch Spark Plug 200 in Nazareth, PA. Unser's father is a three-time CART champion. Little Al crashed on lap 109 of the 200-lap race and placed 16th, but points challenger **Michael Andretti** couldn't take advantage and finished 5th. **Emerson Fittipaldi**, the 1989 CART champion, won the race. Two weeks later, Unser finished second to **Danny Sullivan** in the Champion 300k to close the season.

Only 45 points separated Winston Cup points leader **Mark Martin** and **Dale Earnhardt** as they headed into November and the last two races of the 1990 NASCAR season. Martin and Earnhardt finished 1-2 in the Holly Farms 400 (Sept. 30), but Martin was able to increase his lead from 16 to 49 points the following week by placing 14th in the Mello Yello 500 while Earnhardt came in 25th. Earnhardt was 10th in the AC Delco 500 (Oct. 21), but Martin was 11th and lost only four points. Those two October races, by the way, were won by **Davey Allison** and **Alan Kulwicki**.

In Formula One, archrivals **Ayrton Senna** and **Alain Prost** crashed into each other at the Japan Grand Prix for the second year in a row (Oct. 21), only with much different results. Last year, the collision knocked Senna out of the race for the World Driving Championship and allowed Prost to clinch the title. This time, it was Prost who was eliminated and Senna who won. Only two months before, both drivers had agreed to end their feud and become friends. No such luck.





Park yourself curbside, folks,  
it's time for another year  
to pass in review.

# The Big Sports Parade of 1990

by Scott Ostler

**H**ello, ladies and gentlemen, and welcome to the Big Sports Parade, celebrating the heroes and villains of 1990 in a spectacular floral pageant that, quite frankly, makes all other parades look cheap and insignificant.

Remember, folks, please! No flash photography, no alcoholic beverages except those of our kind sponsors, and no pestering the athletes for autographs until after the parade, when you can buy all you want down at the big Autograph-Rama.

Now, let's all stand, and cover our ears for the National Anthem, performed by the lovely and cumbersome Roseanne Barr. She was chosen for the honor because our theme this year is "Sweat and Inspiration," and Ms. Barr's screeching, scratching and spitting rendition of the Star Spangled Banner before a San Diego Padres game in July inspired a lot of sweaty debate. Congress briefly considered replacing the anthem with a tune less musically challenging, like "A Hundred Bottles of Beer on the Wall."

As Ms. Barr is being led away in a large paper bag, I see that George Steinbrenner, our Grand Marshall, is about to fire the starting gun, setting in motion this colossal beast of an event.

You'll observe that George is standing under a banner that bears our motto for 1990—words spoken by Bucky Dent just before he became Steinbrenner's 19th managerial change in 17 years: "I don't know what's happening, but it's been happening all year."

Steinbrenner was the runaway choice for Grand Marshall because he brought so much happiness to the hearts of baseball fans this year. Who can forget the night of July 30 at Yankee Stadium when denizens of the Bronx Zoo rose as one, cheering and weeping with joy at the announcement that The Boss had been banished from baseball for life?

Steinbrenner's crime was giving \$40,000 to lowlife gambler Howie Spira, allegedly in payment for information that could be used to discredit Yankee outfielder Dave Winfield. Summoned to

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