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## Pats got bath with their battering

Court figures show  
N.E. lost big in '89  
off and on field

By KEVIN McNAMARA  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer

For years, New England Patriots management has moaned and groaned about its troubles in steer-

ing the franchise through difficult financial circumstances. After previously confidential financial documents were made public yesterday, it is clear the Patriots' situation is as bad as everyone claims.

A report of NFL club finances, compiled by the Associated Press from papers released during the antitrust suit against the league by

seven players shows the Pats lost a whopping \$24.558 million in 1989, by far the most of any NFL team. The Seattle Seahawks, with nearly \$18 million, followed the Pats on the deficit list.

The Patriots problems in '89 were plentiful. They took in nearly \$31 million in revenues, less than all but three franchises. The team's non-player expenses totaled \$15.262 mil-

lion. All costs relating to playing personnel including salaries, travel and equipment were another \$19.874 million.

The AP figures specified that income and expenses provided may not total the listed final surplus or deficit because of interest expenses, interest income and taxes. These are not included in tabulations.

On top of the huge loss on the

books in '89, the most recent year for which figures are available, the Pats struggled to a 5-11 record on the field.

The documents disclosed much about the inner workings of the NFL, listing salaries of owners, executives and head coaches throughout the league. The attorneys for the players suing the league wanted the

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### NFL report

- NFL club owners, who have cried poverty, paid themselves \$60 million in salaries during period from 1987-90. D-2
- A chart, with figures supplied by the teams, shows which clubs made money and which ones lost it. D-2
- NFL head coaches were also paid some hefty salaries in recent years. D-2

## Bears find one of own to coach their nine

Ex-star, big-leaguer Almon chosen for diamond vacancy

By DICK LEE  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer

PROVIDENCE — Billy Almon made a homecoming of sorts yesterday when the 1975 Brown University graduate and former big-league veteran was named baseball coach at his alma mater.

Almon, the No. 1 pick in the 1974 major-league draft who had 15 years in the big leagues, succeeds Frank Castell, who coached the last two seasons. Castell, taking over from another ex-major leaguer, Dave Stenhouse, had a 13-24 record this spring.

"Billy's presence will be a shot in the arm for the Brown baseball program," said Brown athletic director Dave Roach. "He's everything we were looking for in a head coach, a Brown graduate, an exceptional player, a great communicator and teacher and a wonderful role model."

A native of Warwick, who graduated from Warwick Veterans High School, where he was an All-State baseball and basketball player and a Journal-Bulletin Honor Roll selection, Almon, 39, retired from baseball four years ago. He now lives in East Greenwich with his wife Katie, sons Billy and Daniel and daughter, Meghan.

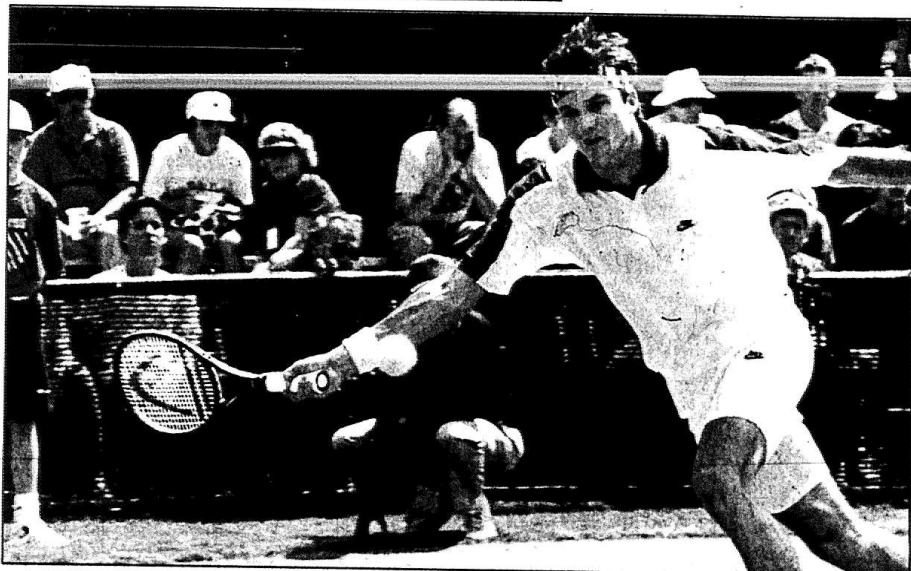
Almon, who was drafted by the San Diego Padres, played for seven teams in his career, including two stints with the New York Mets. He also played for the Montreal Expos, Pittsburgh Pirates and Philadelphia Phillies in the American League and the Chicago White Sox and Oakland A's in the American.

His best year was with the Chisox in 1981, when he batted .301, tops among A.L. shortstops, and had 41 runs batted in, the second-best figure at that position. He played 143 games for Oakland in 1983, hitting .266 with a career-best 67 RBI. He also had 26 stolen bases that season.

With the A's in 1984, he got into a game as a catcher, giving him appearances at every position except pitcher during his major-league career. He moved to the Pirates in 1985 and returned to the Mets — with whom he had played in 1980 — in 1987, before closing his career with the Phillies.

Almon is excited about returning to Brown as a

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### Running one down at Newport Casino

David Wheaton, No. 1 seed at the Newport Hall of Fame tournament, scrambles to return a shot against Jim Pugh yesterday. Wheaton, despite erratic serving in first set in which he had 11 aces and 9 double faults, won the first-round match, 6-4, 6-1, in one hour and 14 minutes.

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## Sox finally get one right on Bruno's hit in 11th

By SEAN McADAM  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer

BOSTON — Too often this season, the Red Sox have been unable to deliver the big hit when they need it most. Last night, they came through twice, once more than they would have liked.

After reliever Jeff Reardon negated one potential game-winning

### Tonight

- Kansas City Royals (Hippo-Richard, 3-4, 3.36) at Boston Red Sox (Frank Viola, 7-5, 3.26)
- 7:35 p.m. (WEE) WPRO, WERI, WSAR, WBSM Radio

hit, Tom Brunansky provided another one, driving a bases-loaded single past the reach of outfielder Jim Eisenreich, and giving the Sox a 3-2 win over the Kansas City Royals in 11 innings.

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## Cubs file expected lawsuit over N.L. realignment plan

By PAUL A. DRISCOLL  
Associated Press

CHICAGO — The Chicago Cubs filed suit in federal court yesterday to stop commissioner Fay Vincent from forcing the team to move to the National League West next season.

The Cubs, ignoring a clause in the major-league agreement that prohibits lawsuits against the commissioner, asked for a preliminary injunction to block Vincent from imposing National League realignment. On Monday, Vincent ordered the Cubs and the St. Louis Cardinals to the N.L. West next season, and the At-

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#### AT A GLANCE

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## 63 score in R.I. Amateur makes golfers genuflect

REHOBOTH, Mass. — Dr. George Pine came by to shake his hand.

Bruce Wilks just wanted to hold his hand.

"I just want to hold on for a while," Wilks said, taking Gary Leroux's right hand in both of his own, "to try to get that feeling in my hands before I tee off."

Tom Goryl walked over, genuflected, and then asked what Leroux had had for breakfast.

"An English muffin with grape jelly and a glass of orange juice," Leroux replied.

"That's what I'm having tomorrow," Goryl said. Several other golfers nearby chimed in, "Me, too."

That's the way it is when you shoot 63, as Leroux did yesterday in becoming the medalist in the Rhode Island Amateur at Crestwood Country Club.

If there's ever been a better round in the R.I. Amateur, RIGA president Joe Sprague can't remember it, and he's been around local golf for the last 40 years.

"Somebody came up to me," said Sprague, "and said, 'A guy on 14 is



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5-under. I said, 'Yeah, sure.' I just couldn't believe it, because I knew the players who are supposed to be capable of doing that — Paul Quigley, Pat Sheehan, Rodney Butcher — hadn't teed off yet."

Leroux isn't supposed to be capable of shooting 63.

A self-described "75 kind of guy," Leroux had barely qualified for the Amateur, just making the cut last month when he went bogey, double-bogey, triple-bogey on the final three holes at Warwick Country Club and finished with 82.

Three weeks ago he played in the R.I. Stroke Play tournament at Wauwatomony and wound up 16 shots behind Quigley.

"I usually hit the ball well," Leroux said, "but I don't see I've been giving away too many shots

around the green. If I have a 5-foot putt for par, I've been missing it."

Leroux, who shot 75 in Monday's opening round, didn't miss many putts yesterday. He had eight birdies, no bogies. Starting on the 10th tee, he shot 33 going out, 30 coming in, and needed only 27 putts.

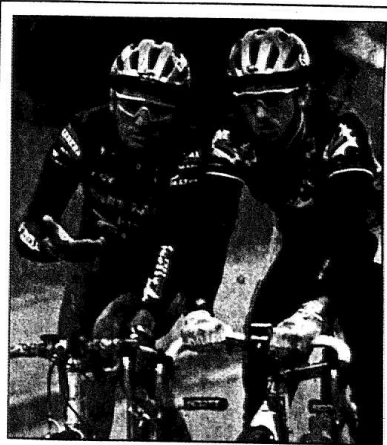
When it was over, everybody at Crestwood was asking who this guy was, where he came from.

Leroux, 34, comes from Attleboro, Mass., where he was a good schoolboy golfer, and now plays out of Norton (Mass.) Country Club, where he holds the competitive course record of 69, and New England Country Club in Bellingham, Mass.

But there have been several, far-flung stops in between, and a period of almost 10 years when Leroux virtually gave up golf.

When he got of high school, he headed for Houston. This was in the late '70s, when the city was booming. It sprawled across the plains as big oil money paid to erect huge, glass, office buildings, and the movie Urban Cowboy.

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### Pack chat

While pedaling in the pack during third stage of Tour de France yesterday, Greg LeMond of U.S. (right) gets earful from fellow competitor Claudio Chappucci of Italy.



# Leroux shows mettle to medal field

## Bay State golfer scorches Crestwood record with 8-under par 63

By BUD BARKER  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer

REHOBOTH, Mass. — Gary Leroux said he had never hit the ball as he did yesterday, and there was nobody doubting him.

Leroux surprised everyone, maybe even himself, on the final qualifying day of the Rhode Island Golf Association Amateur Championship being played at Crestwood Country Club.

His brilliant, 8-under par, 63 took medalist honors with ease, and had everyone doing a double-take checking the leader board in the scorers' tent.

"Are you sure he didn't skip a hole or two?" was the most frequent question put to officials. They answered by putting up a king-sized version of Leroux's card — hole-by-hole — showing the numbers were fact, not fiction.

A member at the New England Country Club, Leroux — with his girlfriend, Terri Turgeon, as his caddy — was on 16 greens in regulation and dropped 30-foot putts as though they were gimmes, while dominating the 6,500-yard course like it was a pitch-and-putt.

"I can't ever remember anyone shooting eight-under par in one of these tournaments," said Joe Sprague, RIGA executive director, who has seen over 40 years' worth. "No matter how you look at it, it was simply a great round, something that doesn't come along often."

But the 34-year-old Leroux said he wasn't really doing anything differently than he did Monday, when he shot a very respectable 75.

"I've been hitting the ball real well this season, but today my putts were dropping. I've been burning the edges all year."

Leroux was on fire yesterday, with nine 3s, including birdies on 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 12, 13, and 16. He finished the back side, which he played first, with 3s on four of the last five holes. And he could have done better, he said. "I missed an eight-foot birdie

putt on 5," a 201-yd. par-3.

Monday's leader, Bob Bigonette, who had a two-under 69, ballooned to an 80 yesterday, but still made the cut with plenty to spare.

Jim Stallman, who finished his late afternoon round with a four-under 67, had little time to relish his terrific round highlighted by 8-birdies, and a climb back from a triple bogey on the front-side par-3.

Stallman, who plays out of Rhode Island Country Club, got off to a good start with a bird on his first hole of the day, the par-4 10th, a 430-yarder that starts over water, and has a host of fairway bunkers on the left. "I didn't get any birdies yesterday," said Stallman.

The steady, three-time former champion, Paul Quigley, a Stallman clubmate at Rhode Island, carded a solid 72-73-145 and finished third in the qualifying round.

Dan Chabot, out of Triggs, and 1970 RIGA champion Norm Lutz had the other two best rounds of the day. Chabot had a one-under 70 for a two-day total of 146, while the 62-year-old Lutz logged a par-71, making the cut by a couple of strokes.

Eric Ashworth completed the field of 32 that begins match play today by winning a sudden-death playoff among six other golfers who finished at 153. Ashworth sank a 20-foot birdie putt on the first extra hole. He will tee off against the red-hot Leroux at 8.

### RIGA STATE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

#### Qualifying Round

Gary Leroux, New England	75-63-138
Jim Stallman, Rhode Island	77-67-144
Paul Quigley, Rhode Island	72-73-145
Robert Grossguth, W. Warwick	72-74-146
Dan Chabot, Triggs	76-70-146
Rodney Butcher, Potowomut	71-75-146
Matt Lucchesi, Kinkbrae	75-73-148
Kyle Phelps, Green Valley	74-74-148
Pat Sheehan, Woodland Greens	74-74-148
Michael McCormick, Triggs	77-72-149
Anthony Iasa, Wanumetonomy	73-76-149

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Thomas A. Goryl, Wannamosett	73-76-149
Charles Hayes, Newport	76-73-149
Dr. George Pine, Valley	75-74-149
Robert Bigonette, Kinkbrae	69-80-149
Joseph Iacofano, Metacommet	76-73-149
Peter McBride, Lincoln	76-74-150
Norm Lutz, Pawtucket	73-71-150
Andrew Young, Green Valley	78-72-150
Steve Travis, Wanumetonomy	73-77-150
Thomas Accardo, Cranston	75-76-151
Mike J. Harrington, Woonapiug	76-75-151
W. F. Campbell, Wanumetonomy	77-74-151
Joseph Fogarty, Potowomut	76-75-151
Stephen Sampson, Crestwood	78-73-151
John Davis, Salomon	76-76-152
Brad Adamons, Pawtucket	78-74-152
Dave Cohen, Crestwood	77-75-152
Dan P. Cregan, Rhode Island	75-77-152
Dave R. Herzog, Metacommet	76-76-152
Vinny Marcello, Wannamosett	76-76-152
Eric Ashworth, unattached	78-75-153

#### Did Not Qualify for Match Play

James Mahoney, Pt. Judith	78-75-153
Bernie McCrink, Triggs	78-75-153
James Birge, Triggs	72-81-153
Bruce Clendenen, Pt. Judith	79-74-153
Steve Cole, Valley	78-75-153
Peter C. Edes, Wanumetonomy	78-75-153
Jason Buffardi, Crestwood	81-73-154
Doug Robinson, New England	80-74-154
Matthew J. Hall, Cranston	79-75-154
Tom Cullen, Crestwood	81-73-154
Harvey Bennett, Warwick	78-76-154
Jim Squatrito, Quiddessett	72-82-154
David Tinkoff, Crestwood	75-79-154
George Butler, Quonset	77-78-155
Peter Laurilli, Quonset	75-80-155
Bill Lumme, Wannamosett	75-80-155
Tom Hebert, Gloucester	80-75-155
John Gordinho, Pawtucket	75-80-155
Lance Burdon, Potowomut	80-75-155
Peter Erickson, Potowomut	80-75-155
R. E. Cooney, Wanumetonomy	80-76-156
Matt Brennan, Warwick	82-74-156
Joe Ryan, Wannamosett	83-73-156
Leo Marcotte, Triggs	77-79-156
Kevin Hiller, New England	80-76-156
Robert DiFilippo, Crestwood	77-79-156
John Winters, Wannamosett	79-78-157
Harold M. Najarian, Valley	79-78-157
Brad Edgerton, Wanumetonomy	79-78-157
Mark Savies, Warwick	82-75-157
Craig Gardner, Wanumetonomy	80-77-157
Joseph Curran III, Lincoln	79-78-157
Tom Siler, Quonset	78-79-157
Bob Murphy, Wanumetonomy	83-74-157
Cam Moore, Wanumetonomy	76-82-158
George Peters, Jr., Crestwood	75-83-158
Mark Lipin, Woodland Greens	80-78-158
Kevin Cary, Potowomut	80-79-159
Joseph G. Das, Wanumetonomy	83-76-159
Mark Krieger, Wannamosett	81-78-159
Charles A. Wojtowicz, Montaup	75-84-159
Dan Pares, Cranston	80-79-159
Tom Mendiko, Crestwood	86-74-160
Cosmo Minicucci, Cranston	79-81-160
John Riccio, Metacommet	82-78-160
Richard Leary, Cranston	81-79-160

Kevin McLoughlin, Montaup	76-84-160
Paul Barber, Potowomut	75-85-160
Don J. Harrington, Woonapiug	78-82-160
Gl C. Baker, Woodland Greens	80-80-160
Michael J. Lurgo, Laurel Lane	81-79-160
Gary Delude, Pawtucket	79-82-161
Greg Richard, Kinkbrae	82-79-161
Richard Bernard Jr., Triggs	82-79-161
David Adamons, New England	81-80-161
Robert Harrison, unattached	79-82-161
Jon Moore, Woonapiug	80-81-161
Tom Fielding, Woodland Greens	83-78-161
John Barber, Potowomut	79-82-161
Dr. John S. Carrocci, Alpine	79-82-161
Charlie Blanchard, Warwick	82-80-162
Wally Quinn, Crestwood	83-79-162
Nick Coe Jr., Rhode Island	83-79-162
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Paul J. Petrarca, Quiddessett	81-81-162
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John J. O'Brien, Cranston	81-81-162
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Chris Hurd, Warwick	81-83-164
Bruce Waks, Agawam Hunt	83-81-164
John Montaquila Jr., Metacommet	81-88-164
Chris Simmons, Lincoln	77-87-164
Michael Gelinas, Kinkbrae	82-82-164
Larry Moran, unattached	80-85-165
Dave G. Appuzzo, Metacommet	78-87-165
Richard Marchetti, Triggs	83-82-165
Jay Clifford, Rhode Island	79-86-165
Kevin Almeida, unattached	84-81-165
Gary M. Lazaroff, Crestwood	81-84-165
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James Taylor, Triggs	82-84-166
John G. Piccone, Pt. Judith	85-82-167
John C. Mello, Montaup	85-82-167
Scott Marshall, Woodland	87-81-168
Bill Viganit, Montaup	81-87-168
Todd Prentiss, Warwick	88-81-169
Chris O'Donnell, unattached	86-83-169
Tom Maselli, Triggs	82-87-169
Stephen Boehm, Valley	84-87-171
Frank Kennedy, unattached	86-86-172
Karl Augenstein, Potowomut	89-83-172
David J. Smith, Laurel Lane	86-86-172
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Michael B. Hogan, Triggs	81-82-183
Jon Nickowal, Woodland Greens	DNF
William Pariseau, Cranston	WD

#### TODAY'S PAIRINGS

8:00 — Leroux vs. Ashworth; 8:07 — Hayes vs. McBride; 8:14 — Sheehan vs. Accardo; 8:21 — Lucchesi vs. Fogarty; 8:28 — Grossguth vs. Davis; 8:35 — Pine vs. Travis; 8:42 — Chabot vs. Cohen; 8:49 — McCormick vs. M. Harrington; 8:56 — Stallman vs. Marcello.
9:03 — Bigonette vs. Young; 9:10 — Phelps vs. Cregan; 9:17 — Iacofano vs. Campbell; 9:24 — Quigley vs. Herzog; 9:31 — Iasa vs. Lutz; 9:38 — Butcher vs. B. Adamons; 9:45 — Goryl vs. Sampson.

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glamorized its lifestyle.

Leroux lived in Houston four years, driving a cement truck and working as a dispatcher for a delivery company, before oil prices started to plummet, the economy turned sour, and he decided it was time to head back to New England.

On the way he stopped to visit a friend in tiny New Castle, Va., and wound up staying four years, living on a farm and finding work as a carpenter and mason.

"I was just passing through," Leroux said, "but the culture shock was so unbelievable I wound up staying. When I was in Houston, 1,400 people were moving to the city every month. In New Castle, there were 211 people in the whole town."

**'I work seven days a week, but I can pretty much make my own hours. It's great for my golf game.'**

GARY LEROUX

Occasionally, Leroux would hit balls in a nearby field, whacking them from one end to the other with a couple of borrowed clubs. But he didn't take up golf again seriously until he returned to Massachusetts in 1985.

"After four years in Virginia, I was starting to get cabin fever," he said. "I knew all 211 people in the town."

So he came back home and was living on the Cape, working as a house painter, when he drove past the Wareham Country Club one day and got the urge to play some golf.

"I hit it pretty good," he said, "and the bug bit me."

Leroux eventually started his own catering business, Fairway Foods, in Norton — as much for the flexibility it provided him as for the income.

**'I hit every green but one and I made a lot of putts. It was one of those days when everything was going in.'**

GARY LEROUX

"I work seven days a week, but I can pretty much make my own hours," he said. "It's great for my golf game."

That was obvious yesterday when, with his girlfriend Terri Turgeon caddying for him, Leroux cruised through a dream round.

"I hit every green but one and I made a lot of putts," Leroux said. "It was one of those days when everything was going in."

"It was incredible," said Turgeon. "It was like the holes were just swallowing the ball. Everything he hit was right on the money. He just kept playing so well."

Leroux finished with a flourish, leaving a birdie putt on the final hole hanging tantalizingly on the lip for several seconds before it dropped into the cup.

"I always wondered what a round like this would feel like," Leroux said. "I've played in a lot of these things, but I've never been in the limelight. It feels pretty good."

**'It was incredible. It was like the holes were just swallowing the ball.'**

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TERRI TURGEON

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## HALL OF FAME TOURNAMENT

### Wheaton ousted

MacPhie wins 6-4, 7-6  
over faulty top seed

By MIKE SZOSTAK  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer  
NEWPORT — Brian MacPhie is 20 years old, lives in San Jose, studies business at the University of Southern California and plays tennis for the school team.

Oh, he's also ranked No. 871 in the world of men's tennis.

But yesterday, on the century-old lawn at the Newport Casino, young Brian MacPhie shocked David Wheaton, the No. 1 seed of the Miller Lite Hall of Fame Tennis Championships.

Capitalizing on Wheaton's 15 double faults and blasting 13 aces of his own, MacPhie served and volleyed his way to a 6-4, 7-6 second-round victory.

Wheaton, Wimbledon semifinalist in 1991 and

winner of the Grand Slam Cup and \$2 million last December, is ranked No. 41.

"That's the biggest win of my entire career so far, to say the least," MacPhie said after reaching the quarterfinals in the main draw of an IBM/ATP Tour tournament for the first time.

MacPhie will be a junior at USC. His exposure to professional tournaments has been limited to qualifiers and Challengers. This year he did get wild cards to the main draw at San Francisco and Indian Wells, Calif. He lost in the first round at each tournament.

Not exactly the stuff of which legends are made.

Until he arrived in Newport a week ago, MacPhie had not played tennis on grass in 2½ years. He hit some balls on the stuff on Thursday and then worked his way through the qualifier.

In his first-round match Tuesday, MacPhie upset Peter Lundgren, the veteran who reached the

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FAME FRAMES:  
Top men's singles  
seed David Wheaton,  
left, reacts to one of  
the 15 double faults  
he served up in his  
match against Brian  
MacPhie. At bottom,  
MacPhie volleys a  
Wheaton shot during  
his 6-4, 7-6 upset  
victory in the Miller  
Lite Hall of Fame  
Tennis  
Championships at the  
Newport Casino.

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BOB BREIDENBACH



## Red Sox KO KC

Boston regroups  
to earn 5-4 win

By SEAN McADAM  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer

BOSTON — File this one under Lost and Found.

With three innings to go, the Red Sox had a victory in their pocket, leading by three runs after six innings. By the eighth, it had mysteriously disappeared. Then, out of nowhere, it turned up again.

The Sox are doing nothing to shed their reputation as a mediocre team. In fact, with their season exactly half over after last night, they have some ways to go to truly qualify as mediocre, since they remain three games under .500.

But of late, they have ceased to become boring, especially at home. Of their last four games at Fenway, three have been one-run affairs, all won by the home team, including last night's edging of the Kansas City Royals, 5-4.

This one turned on a number of bizarre plays, none more strange than the one which culminated with the winning run in the eighth.

Tony Pena was on second after a double, and with two outs, Jody Reed hit a chopper to third baseman Gregg Jefferies.

Pena broke from second as soon as Reed made contact, only to find himself staring into the final out as he approached Jefferies.

Wisely, Pena held up and backed away from Jefferies.

Foolishly, Jefferies followed him, then, wracked by indecision, threw to first, too late to get Reed.

Phil Plantier, whose two-run homer had put the Red Sox up 4-1 in the sixth, then drilled a single to center, scoring Pena to account for the winning margin.

"I saw a slow grounder," said Pena, "and I said, 'What the heck, he's going to throw out Jody Reed.' When I stopped, I stopped about

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### Tonight

■ Chicago White Sox (Jack McDowell, 11-4, 3.54) at Boston Red Sox (Joe Mauer, 4-5, 3.46)  
■ 7:35 p.m. (EST) WPRO, WERI, WSAR, WBSM Radio

## Foxboro simulcasts need horsemen's OK

By ED DUCKWORTH  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer  
FOXBORO, Mass. — When Dan Buccellacci learned Monday that the long-awaited bill to increase the number of out-of-state simulcasts of thoroughbred races in Massachusetts had been enacted into law, he jumped out of his chair and danced around his desk in glee.

Foolish man, it appears. See, Buccellacci figured that because the measure had been approved by the legislature and signed by Lt. Gov. Paul Cellucci, Foxboro Park could begin televising the big-time, big-money, big-profit races from Belmont Park in New York by Friday or Saturday at the latest. But in the crazy-quilt, cutthroat business of New England racing, things rarely are as they seem, and few changes come without at least a

R.I. native training  
top pacer, Page D-8

few bumps along the road.

Foxboro was able to begin comingling its pools with New Hampshire's Rockingham Park yesterday, but as late as 5 p.m., it was not clear that simulcasting from Belmont would ever appear on the menu.

"To say I'm frustrated and frazzled would be understatement," said Buccellacci, who is Foxboro's general manager. "We need the revenue we can generate from New York simulcasts to survive."

But the federal Interstate Wagering Act of 1978 requires that race track managements obtain the approval of local horsemen's groups

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## Sudden-death breathes life into Lutz

Beats Herzog for berth  
in R.I. Amateur tourney

By BUD BARKER  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer

REHOBOTH, Mass. — What made Norm Lutz one of the best amateur golfers in the state over the years was working as good as ever yesterday.

A golden putter and a million-dollar short game came through hole after hole, as the veteran Lutz edged 19-year-old Dave Herzog on the fourth sudden-death playoff hole to gain a berth in today's quarterfinals of the Rhode Island Golf Association amateur championship at Crestwood Country Club.

Lutz, who won the RIGA title in 1974, parred the 331-yard par-4 with a beautiful shot to the green from a fairway sand trap, then rolled a 20-foot putt downhill to the lip of the cup.

Herzog, a young rising star, who had upset another RIGA legend, Paul Quigley, in a morning round, missed his putt for par to end the match.

Lutz said he hasn't been happy with his game lately, and thinks some changes he made this winter are starting to pay off. He said earlier in the week that he was swinging the club like he was 20 years ago.

"I've been playing, but I haven't been playing very well, so I kind of restructured my game in Florida."

"I wasn't getting the club back far enough. I changed my grip, changed my takeaway, so I bring the club back a lot farther now," he said.

Yesterday was a flashback to yesterday. "When you get in something like this tournament, you concentrate so much, it comes back to you," he said.

"I've been working at it, trying to make my game better because, like they say, there is nothing like the roar of the crowd. I feel good, there isn't any weakness in my game right now."

Pride had a lot to do with his performance, too. "I just wanted to play good in front of the gallery. I did want to be hitting ground balls in front of all those people."

"I guess it is a sense of pride that makes you play as good as you can. It was like deja vu," he said. "It's great playing with these younger guys and still being able to compete with them."

Entering his second year at Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla., this fall, Herzog had a one-hole lead coming into the 18th, but punted a 3-wood into the water that runs along the left side of the par-5 fairway. Lutz went on to win the hole in a match that neither player led by more than one.

"I hit the wood a little too quick," said Herzog, who had closed out Quigley on the 16th with a 35-foot birdie chip shot. "It was just a bad swing." The former La Salle star didn't second-guess himself. He would use the wood again if he had another chance.

Herzog wasn't the only golfer in the match-play field of 32 whose game didn't live up to form.

Gary Leroux, the talk of the Tufts to GOLF



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THREE-TIME RIGA champion Paul Quigley tosses a towel to his caddy yesterday.

### Briefly

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## Hall of Fame Tennis

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finals here in 1989. MacPhie won the first-set tiebreaker, 12-10.

Yesterday, the left-hander was in the right place at the right time. Wheaton couldn't hit a ball into Newport Harbor, never mind the service box on the Stadium Court. All MacPhie had to do was serve reasonably well and hit a few returns. He did exactly that.

"I don't want to take anything away from him, but the way I was serving today, I wouldn't beat too many people," Wheaton said.

MacPhie won every phase of the service game. He hit 13 aces, Wheaton's 6, and 5 double faults to Wheaton's 15. He won 42 points on his first serve to Wheaton's 33, and 54 service points to Wheaton's 46.

He blasted a faster fastest serve, 120 mph to 117 mph, a faster average serve, 103-100, and a faster slowest serve, 86-77.

Wheaton, unhappy with his spin serve at Wimbledon, is trying to return to a more consistent, powerful flat serve. "Trying is the operative word. I haven't got it yet," he said.

Wheaton started having big trouble with his serve in the fifth game of the first set. He double-faulted twice and lost the game.

MacPhie returned the favor in the eighth game by double-faulting three times. But in the ninth game, Wheaton topped that. He double-faulted four times and lost his serve again.

"Four double faults... you can't do that," Wheaton said, shaking his head. "Ridiculous... embarrassing."

MacPhie held serve in the 10th game and took the first set. "When I won the first set, I felt more comfortable. I could start worrying about the game and not who I was playing," MacPhie said.

The second set was fairly even, considering the 830-point difference in their rankings meant Wheaton was struggling mightily and MacPhie was playing the match of his life. Neither player managed a service break. MacPhie did save two break points in the fourth game, one

In the 10th and one in the 12th.

Wheaton rallied from a 0-30 hole in the 11th game. MacPhie owned the tiebreaker. He served an ace for a 2-1 lead, watched Wheaton double-fault for a 3-1 lead and snipped a crosscourt forehand winner for a 4-1 advantage. Serving again, MacPhie went ahead 5-1 when Wheaton netted a volley. MacPhie made a great volley off a big Wheaton service return for a 6-1 lead.

One point from defeat, Wheaton held serve twice and watched a MacPhie volley sail out.

With the score 6-4 for MacPhie, the crowd of 1,837 sensed a comeback in the making.

But Wheaton netted his next return. "Yes!" MacPhie shouted before dancing to the net for a handshake he will always remember.

"It could have been anyone today. It could have been you. Fifteen double faults!" Wheaton roared.

The cure? "I'm going to Florida to train. I'm in good shape, but I haven't found my serve. I'll go and work on my serve. What else is there to do?"

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

#### Singles

Second round  
Brian MacPhie, San Jose, def. David Wheaton (1), Lake Merritt, Calif. 6-4, 7-6 (7-4). Christo Van Rensburg (4), Austin, Texas, def. Rikard Vess, Ponte Vedra, Fla. 6-3, 6-3. Tim Lincecum, Australia, def. Luis Hernandez (1), Houston, Tex. 7-6 (7-4), 6-3. Alex Katch, Australia, def. Todd Martin, Lansing, Mich. 7-6 (7-5), 6-4.

#### Doubles

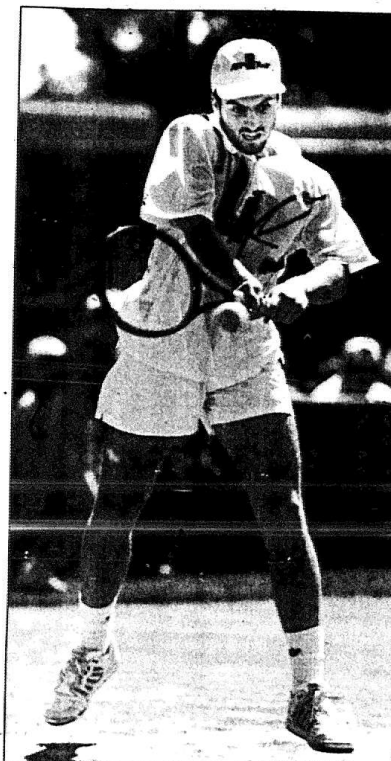
First round  
Bryan Black, Gary Muller, def. Guillermo Pizarro, Bryan Shotton, 6-3, 6-4. Royal Dwyer, David Rist, def. John Street, Grant Staffard, 6-4, 6-3. Jeremy Bates, Peter Adams, def. Neil Brown, Simon You, 6-4, 7-6 (11-9). Paul Amatore, David Wheaton, def. Jim Fugl, Michael Schepers, 6-2, 7-6 (7-3).

Quarterfinals  
Francisco Montana, Greg Van Emburgh, def. Javier Faria, Luis Hernandez, 7-6 (7-4), 6-4, 7-6 (10-8).

Today's matches  
Stadium Court (noon)  
Evan Burgin vs. Anna Bleszynski, followed by Sandra Thier vs. Guillermo Pizarro (12). Followed by Bryan Shotton (15), Anne Truitt, followed by Shota Shturbaev vs. Amatore Wheaton or Fugl Schepers.

Court 3 (1 p.m.)  
Simon You (8) vs. Javier Faria, followed by Jonathan Stark vs. Grant Broom, followed by Beckman/Dwyer vs. Bates/Katch.

Court 5 (1 p.m.)  
Black/Muller vs. Deppe/Rist, followed by Pam Nielson vs. Pizarro/Lance Harper.



GETTING INTO IT: Brian MacPhie puts his all into returning a David Wheaton shot. MacPhie ousted the top seed 6-4, 7-6.

## Mingling of sexes make tourney history at Casino today

NEWPORT — History will be made today at the Newport Casino.

When ELISE BURGIN and ANIA BLESZYNSKI open play in the Virginia Slims Hall of Fame Invitational at noon, it will mark the first time since the Casino was built in 1880 that men's and women's tournaments have been played at the same time.

Second-round matches in the Miller Lite Hall of Fame Tennis Championships also are scheduled for today.

Burgin is a 30-year-old tour veteran from Baltimore. Bleszynski is a 15-year-old nationally ranked junior from Thousand Oaks, Calif.

PAM NELSON, 17, of Ross, Calif., and PEANUT LOUIE HARPER, 31, of San Francisco, also are scheduled to play today.

Top-seeded MARY JOE FERNANDEZ will make her Casino return tomorrow in the doubles.

She will play singles Saturday morning. She practiced today.

ZINA GARRISON is scheduled to play her quarterfinal singles match tomorrow.

Six players are in the exhibition.

Tourney over for Herrera  
Top-seeded DAVID WHEATON was not the only seeded player to drop from the Hall of Fame Championships yesterday.

NEIL BORWICK of Australia dispatched No. 7 LUIS HERRERA of Mexico, 6-3, 3-6, 7-6. Borwick won the third-set tiebreaker, 8-6, despite some erratic volleying.

"Things started to get tight," Borwick said.

"A couple of matches help you adjust from Wimbledon," he said. "I thought I'd come over early and get ready. It paid off today."

The Aussie was impressed by Herrera's quickness.



HALL OF FAME NOTES  
Mike Szostak

"I watched him play Connors at Wimbledon. He played a great match. He was all over the court," Borwick said.

It was a tough day for Herrera. He lost in doubles, too.

He and partner JAVIER FRANCISCO dropped a quarterfinal to FRANCISCO MONTANA and GREG VAN EMBURGH.

This is Bruins territory

CHRISTO VAN RENSBURG, a familiar face at the Newport Casino, advanced to the quarterfinals and showed up at his postmatch press conference sporting a Hartford Whalers cap.

The native South African said he is going to learn about ice hockey.

"When I came here eight or nine years ago, I didn't know anything about baseball, football, basketball or ice hockey. I stayed with a family in New York and became a New York Mets fan. Now I'm learning about ice hockey," van Rensburg said.

But the Whalers instead of the Bruins?

Van Rensburg said IVAN LENDI, likes the Hartford team.

It's more than likely that RICHARD GORDON, owner of the Whalers, summer resident of Newport and director of the Hall of Fame, supplied van Rensburg with the cap.

Lendi stays with Gordon and his family when he visits Newport.

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IN THE DRINK: Gary Leroux (white shirt) searches water hazard for missing ball yesterday.

## Golf

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ment Tuesday, after shooting a brilliant 8-under-par, 63, was looking for some of those shots yesterday. Leroux's driver deserted him. He found himself in the rough, under trees, and a lot of places he would rather not have been, as he lost to the seasoned Charlie Hayes, 3-and-2, in an afternoon match.

Leroux beat Eric Ashworth in the day's opening round, 4-and-3.

There were no surprises in other opening round matches that cut the field to eight players. Favorites Rodney Butcher and Pat Sheehan, a couple of young men who expect to turn pro after this tournament, coasted past the opposition.

Butcher, a graduate of Florida Southern, eliminated Brad Adamonis after 15 holes in the morning, and made even shorter work of Tom Goryl in the afternoon, closing him out on 13.

Sheehan, a outstanding golfer at Pilgrim High School and the University of Hartford, shot a 148 in the qualifying round.

Tom Acciaro of Cranston Country Club, and Joe Fogarty of Potowomut will attest to that. Sheehan beat Acciaro, 2-up in the morning, and Fogarty, 3-and-3 in the afternoon.

Tournament first-day leader, Bob Bigonette, with a 69, was eliminated by Andy Young of Green Valley, 2-and-1 in the morning.

Herzog had three chances to put Lutz away in sudden death, but 61-year-old veteran wouldn't let it happen.

On the par-4 second, Herzog put a

nice chip 4-feet from the pin, and Lutz made him sink it, after he dropped a 10-footer for par.

Then it looked like it might be over on the third hole, a 165-yard par-3 when Lutz's tee shot hit some tree branches, and fell 25-yards short of the green. Herzog put his drive, pin high, 12-feet away.

With another great chip, Lutz was on in two, about the same distance away as Herzog, on the opposite side of the pin. Lutz canned his 12-footer, but Herzog came up short and had to settle for a draw.

Again on the 331-yard fourth, Lutz looked in deep trouble, laying in the bunker, and Herzog in the middle of the fairway. But the youngster spanked a short iron over the green, and veteran came out of a sand storm for a safe landing 20 feet from the pin.

After beating Quigley, a three-time RIGA champion, and battling Lutz shot-for-shot, Herzog, playing in only his second RIGA tournament, had no complaints.

Herzog went two-up on Quigley on the 381-yard 14th, sinking a 12-foot birdie putt, and finished him off on the 16th, with another bird.

Lutz will have his hands full again today when he takes on the young, talented Butcher in the quarterfinals. But Butcher, and today were a million miles away for Lutz, who just wanted to talk about yesterday.

"It was great, I felt like I did 20 years ago, my swing held up beautifully all day long under the pressure."

"Sure I was getting tired, but when your adrenaline is pumping like it was today, you just don't feel tired," he said.

In another overtime match, Dr. George Price of Valley Country Club, beat John Davis of Sakonnet,

on the first extra hole. Leroux, who set a RIGA tournament record with his sparkling round Tuesday, had to make some great recovering shots to stay with Hayes, a guy who has been in tournament finals three times.

His best effort had to come on the par-5 12th, a dogleg right, after he found his tee shot laying among a bunch trees. He hit a great iron shot out of that mess to about 100 to the right of the green, then plunked a wedge 15 feet from the pin. Leroux made par, and got even.

It would be the last time Hayes, who played in his first amateur tournament in 1970, rolled in a 15-foot birdie putt in 13 to retake the lead, and went two-up after a landing 35 feet from the pin on the 190-yard 15th.

Hayes will tee off against Sheehan at 8 a.m. in today's first quarterfinal match. Other quarterfinalists are Mike McCormick, Triggs, Vin Marcello, Wannamaker, Pire, Lutz, and Butcher.

### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

#### MORNING ROUND

Leroux def. Ashworth, 4-and-3. Hayes def. McBride, 2-and-1. Sheehan def. Acciaro, 2-up. Fogarty def. Luchese, 2-and-1. Davis def. Goryl, 2-and-1. P. He def. Faria, 6-and-4. Cohen def. Chabot, 2-and-1. McCormick def. M. Harrison, 3-and-2. Marcello def. Skramm, 2-and-1. Young def. Bigonette, 2-and-1. Phelps def. O'Ryan, 1-up. Campbell def. Acciaro, 6-and-5. Herzog def. Dwyer, 3-and-2. Lutz def. Lutz, 3-and-2. Butcher def. B. Adamonis, 4-and-3. Goryl def. Sampson, 5-and-3.

#### AFTERNOON ROUND

Hayes def. Leroux, 3-and-2. Sheehan def. Fogarty, 4-and-3. Pire def. Davis, 1-up (13 holes). McCormick def. Cohen, 5-and-4. Marcello def. Young, 7-6. Campbell def. Phelps, 2-and-1. Lutz def. Herzog, 1-up (12 holes). Butcher def. Goryl, 5-and-3.

#### TODAY'S PAIRINGS AND TIMES

8:00 — Hayes vs. Sheehan, 8:10 — Pire vs. McCormick, 8:20 — Marcello vs. Campbell, 8:30 — Lutz vs. Butcher.

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## Sheehan misses by one on 18th.

It's Butcher, vs. McCormick

By BUD BARKER  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer

REHOBOTH — Mike McCormick dashed any hopes of a dream match for the Rhode Island Amateur Championship with a slice of reality yesterday at Crestwood Country Club.

McCormick beat pro-bound Pat Sheehan in a dandy semi-final round match that wasn't decided until Sheehan's putt rimmed the cup on the 18th hole. McCormick will face another pre-tournament favorite, Rodney Butcher — today for the R.I. Golf Association championship.

Sheehan and Butcher, who will also turn pro after today's competition, were the two players many golf enthusiasts thought would make ideal state finalists before moving to the professional level.

But the 45-year-old McCormick wasn't very excited about the prospects of the facing his former high school rival.

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## Slow Joe tries for 162 in row

Associated Press

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. — Trebho Joe will try not to make harness racing history tonight. The nine-year-old hand-me-down gelding might lose his 162nd race in a row.

In tonight's first race at Pocono Downs against the likes of Joy's Choice, Iron Stone and Grateful Grandy, the loss is on the line.

Since the magic night of June 4, 1986 — with a victory at Saratoga Raceway — Trebho Joe has lost 161 consecutive races, tying a North American harness racing record. Shawway Moses shied away from the finish line in each of his 161 starts from 1978 to 1989.

"I thought that maybe when he won the first time, he didn't like being in the winner's circle with all the flash bulbs going off," owner and driver Willie Mitchell Jr. said.

The black gelding has become the black sheep in his family. His sire, Sonsum, is a well-known sire who earned \$820,104 in just two years of racing. Sonsum has fathered 454 winners since retiring to stud in 1980. Of those, 274 have won a mile-long race in two minutes or less.

Trebho Joe isn't among those.

Trebho Joe has gone to the post 173 times in eight years and earned just \$13,956. In addition to the victory at Saratoga, Trebho Joe has 10 seconds and 16 thirds. He finished fourth June 28 in a race for "non-winners of their last four." Joe qualified as a non-winner of his last 160.

"Most people would have gotten rid of him, but Joe is like my pet," Mitchell said.

The 43-year-old Mitchell believes Joe has another victory in him, but because he has the reputation as a loser limited to the lowest grade races — \$2,500 claimers — and must take his chance in track lotteries for post positions.

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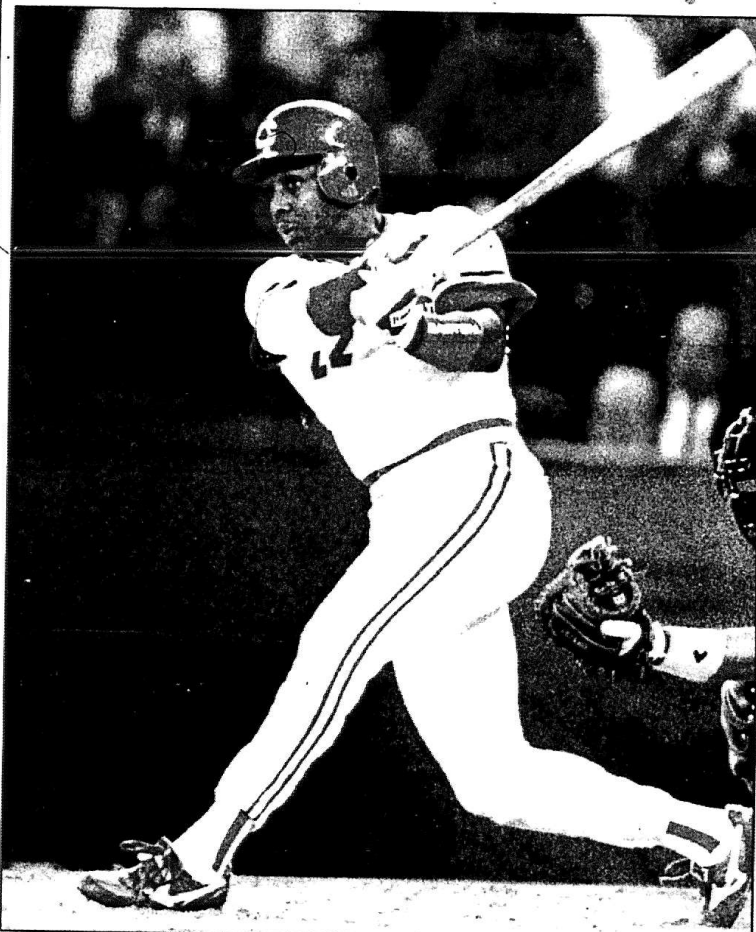
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## Trade can't keep Sox from 6th



THE NEW GUY: Billy Hatcher, shown here hitting for the Reds in the 1990 World Series, yesterday became a Red Sox.

## White Sox amass 17 hits

By ART MARTONE  
Assistant Sports Editor

BOSTON — Frank Thomas thought he deserved to make the American League All-Star team. You'll certainly get no argument from the Boston Red Sox.

Thomas, angry after he was bypassed for a spot as a reserve on the All-Star team, took his displeasure out on the Red Sox last night. He went 4-for-4, including a double and a home run, and was the point man of a 17-hit attack that carried the Chicago White Sox to a 10-3 pasting of the Red Sox at Fenway Park.

"I'm very ticked off," said the White Sox first baseman, who is hitting .304 with 13 home runs and 56 runs-batted in. "I felt like I should have been on the team. Last year they said I didn't make it because I was a young player. Well, I'm not a young player any more."

The whole process, I don't understand. Turn to RED SOX, Page B-4

## Tonight

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## Hatcher likes 'to eat dirt'

By SEAN McADAM  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer

BOSTON — Making good on a promise to do something — anything — to shake their team from its three-month lethargy, the Red Sox made their first trade in 15 months yesterday.

The deal is unlikely to alter the immediate course of the team, since Billy Hatcher, the newest member of the Red Sox, was a bench player with the Cincinnati Reds. But it may be a start. At the very least, Hatcher, 31, gives the Red Sox some depth in the outfield, and potentially some speed on the basepaths.

Following days of talk of an imminent move, the Sox finally followed through yesterday and obtained Hatcher for lefty pitcher Tom Bolton.

"I think I can steal some bases, score some runs and put some pressure on the defense," said Hatcher after his debut for the Sox.

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## Thoms says he was victim of fix

Rips officials in loss to Shelton at Casino

By MIKE SZOSTAK  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer

NEWPORT — Accusations of incompetence and favoritism spiced the second round of the Miller Lite Hall of Fame Tennis Championships yesterday.

Arne Thoms, a 21-year-old German who was one point away from upsetting defending champion and sixth-seeded Bryan Shelton before losing in three sets, charged chair umpire Jorge Dias of Portugal with incompetence and tournament officials with assuring Shelton every close call.

Thoms vented his anger after Shelton rallied for 4-6, 7-6, 6-2 victory and a ticket to the quarterfinals today.

A foot fault that cost him an ace in the 12th game of the second set riled Thoms, but a non-call on the sixth point of the tiebreaker made him go berserk.

Shelton mislaid a service return and popped the ball crosscourt high over the net. It landed near the sideline about five feet from the net. The lineswoman at the baseline signaled the shot was good, but Thoms, facing the net, hesitated, as if he expected to hear an out call. When he didn't hear the magic word, he swung his racket quickly and hit the ball into the net cord, giving Shelton a 4-2 lead.

When Dias failed to overrule immediately, Thoms lost his cool. He slammed his racket to the turf, shrieked twice and glared at Dias and the lineswoman. Then he kicked his racket across the court to his chair and sat down.

"The ball was this far out," Thoms said later, holding his hands about six inches apart. "Maybe the lineswoman can't see it, but the umpire can see it. The ball came so slow."

Thoms returned to the court after about 30 seconds. On the next point he hit a high backhand volley to the same spot, but the lineswoman called his ball out.

"So ridiculous," Thoms spat. The German smashed his racket to the grass after his forehead sailed long for a 6-2 Shelton lead and stomped back to his chair.

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RETURN TO SENDER: Second-seeded Sandon Stolle sends a shot back at Gianluca Pozzi. Stolle prevailed 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.

## Rhody's new A.D. sends wake-up call

By KEVIN McNAMARA  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer

SOUTH KINGSTOWN — As all native Rhode Islanders have come to understand, this state has some peculiar — and often ridiculous — quirks.

Where Texans might never meet a state politician, nearly everyone in Rhode Island grew up next to, went to school with, dated or landed their job thanks to a friendly pol.

And where else in America do people fret about a 45-minute car ride as Pawtucket residents do when told about an upcoming appointment in Narragansett?

At his official introduction as the new athletic director at the University of Rhode Island yesterday, Ron Petro chose to use the opportunity to wake up Rhode Islanders' sleepy attitudes about the URI athletic department. He can't understand why the hundreds of thousands of alumni living in the state seem to forget where Meade Stadium is on fall Saturdays and Keaney Gym is on winter nights.

Petro is brand-new to Rhode Island's peccadilloes and, like all newcomers, doesn't quite understand them. He says one of his goals as Rhody's new A.D. is to get the state's citizens on the Ram bandwagon.

"We are in the big time in the Atlantic 10 and the Yankee Conference. Sometimes people don't realize that," Petro told a crowd at URI's Mackel Forum. "Everyone in this state should realize that and it's my job to make us known."

Throughout the interview process (which saw URI whittle through a stack of impressive resumes before settling on Petro), it became clear to the new boss that public relations must be one of his highest ranking duties.

"This is the state university and



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RON PETRO: "Everyone in this state should realize that and it's my job to make us known."

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## Conner a-sailin'

### Yachting star vs. Everyman

NEWPORT — So there I was, reading the paper the other day, and I saw a story that said Dennis Conner was going to be in Newport this weekend for the Michelob Regatta. Obviously, he wasn't bringing Stars & Stripes, his America's Cup boat, with him.

So what, I wondered, would he be sailing?

Then, like a sudden squall, it hit me: Conner was going to compete in the International Etchells Class.

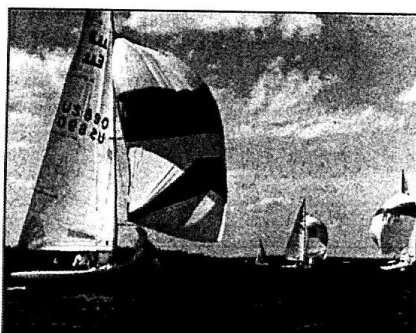


JIM DONALDSON

Faster than you can "Hard-alee," I was on the phone to my friend, Pete Savickas.

"Hey, nut boy!" I said, which is descriptive — not derogatory — since he works as a salesman for a bolt and screw company. He used to

Turn to DONALDSON, Page C-4



BAY DAY:  
In top photo, skipper Dennis Conner, left, steers his boat, Menace XI, in yesterday's Michelob Newport Regatta. At left, Menace XI (number 890) sails against other International Etchells.

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## Hall of Famer at 29

Tracy Austin to be installed at Newport

By MIKE SZOSTAK  
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NEWPORT — Tracy Austin is "excited beyond belief" to be among the 1992 inductees to the International Tennis Hall of Fame.

But she would rather be swatting winners on the women's pro circuit than standing in the stadium of the Newport Casino today as her name goes up with the greats of the game.

"Definitely. I'd prefer to be playing," Austin said during a recent telephone interview from her home in Redondo Beach, Calif.

Austin is only 29, which makes her the youngest inductee in the Hall of Fame. Her competitive career ended Aug. 3, 1989, when a driver ran a red light and hit Austin's car. She suffered a broken leg that required surgery.

Austin, a two-time U.S. Open winner (1979, '81) and the youngest champion in the history of the tournament (16 years, 9 months), just about quit tennis in mid-1983 because of chronic back pain caused by a sciatic nerve problem. After she had visited many doctors, a chiropractor finally determined what was wrong and treated her. She returned to the tour in August 1988 as a doubles player. In March 1989, she played her first singles match in a sanctioned tournament in five years. She was playing for the New Jersey Stars of the Domino's Pizza Team Tennis League at the time of the 1989 auto accident.

"That accident was very unlucky, but I'm lucky I'm still alive, considering," she said.

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WINNER'S WALK: Rod Butcher heads to ninth hole in yesterday's RIGA tournament. Butcher won, 9 and 8.

## Butcher plays it like a pro

Wins Amateur by wide margin

By BUD BARKER  
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REHOBOTH — Rodney Butcher played like a pro in winning the R. I. Golf Association Amateur Championship yesterday at Crestwood Country Club.

The 22-year-old Butcher, who will turn professional in a few days, beat Mike McCormick on the 28th of 36 scheduled holes, but not because McCormick didn't play well himself.

Indeed, McCormick, out of Triggs Memorial, parred the last 10 holes — 11 of the last 12 — and still lost six of them to the sizzling Butcher.

Butcher cruised past McCormick, 9 and 8.

"I was hitting the driver well, but my timing was a little off," said Butcher, while accepting congratulations. "And all week long I tried to slow myself down, a little each day. Finally today I got in a groove with it and I felt like I could hit it pretty much where I wanted. This is the best I've ever played."

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## Zupcic slam ignites Sox

Hatcher's hit in 9th wins it

By PAUL KENYON  
Journal-Bulletin Sports Writer

BOSTON — Forget the Tall Ships.

The place to be in Boston for excitement and thrills this weekend is at Fenway Park.

It was last night, anyway, as the Red Sox staged easily one of their most exciting shows of the season in downing Chicago, 6-5.

In the last two innings alone, this one had enough heroes to staff one of the Tall Ships spending the weekend in Boston harbor. Newly acquired Billy Hatcher, Mo Vaughn, Bob Zupcic and Roger Clemens took turns starring for Boston and Carlton Fisk, Robin Ventura, Frank Thomas and George Bell for Chicago.

Vaughn and Hatcher played out the last act.

Vaughn, who also had a key hit during a five-run Boston eighth, tripled with two-outs in the bottom of the ninth. He then scored when Hatcher ripped a line drive to the fence in left off Terry Letcher, the fifth White Sox pitcher in the final two innings.

Chicago had forced a bottom of the ninth with three runs in the top of the inning. Ventura, Thomas and Bell all had hits but Boston was still ahead, 5-4, with two outs and two strikes on Fisk, Chicago's last closer Jeff Reardon to tie it.

What had been a pitchers' duel between Clemens and Greg Hibbard through seven innings began turning into a thriller in the eighth. Before it was over, the closers on both teams had blown saves. Zupcic had

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### Today

■ Chicago White Sox (Kirk McCaskill, 6-6, 3.85) at Boston Red Sox (John Dopson, 6-4, 3.38)  
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## Rams fill big void in frontcourt

By KEVIN McNAMARA  
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For the last two years, the University of Rhode Island coaching staff has searched high and low for an inside force to strengthen an undersized frontcourt. Now one has fallen into the Rams' lap.

Rafael Solis, a bruising 6-foot-8, 240-pounder and one of the top players in the East Coast Conference the last two years while playing for Brooklyn College, will transfer to URI in September. Solis is eligible immediately because Brooklyn is dropping basketball because of financial woes. A three-year starter at Brooklyn, Solis will have one year of eligibility as a Ram.

When word leaked out a month ago that Brooklyn might disband its team, Solis instantly became a hot commodity. He was reportedly interested in LaSalle and Bowling Green but canceled all of his other visits once he met the Rhode coaching staff and players in Kingston last week.

Solis is expected to fill the large void created by Jeff Kent's graduation. Solis, senior Mike Moten and junior Damont Collins are expected to battle for the starting center position.

Solis shined while playing for poor Brooklyn teams. He was largely unrecruited coming out of high school.

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