

Pats fans have it all over Sox loyalists

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Football fans, obviously, are ball fans. And Patriots fans, clearly, are smarter than Red Sox fans. All Bast bould for the second second bound for the second second second bound for the second second second second bound for the second second second second bound for the second second second second second that he richly desarrate second s

it. Check 'em when they show up at the polling place. If they identify themselves as Red Sox fans, turn 'em away. If they say they're Patriots fans, hand them a ballot.

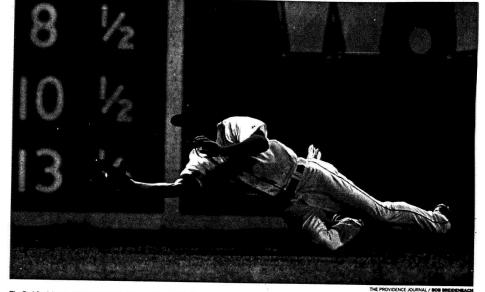
You've got to hand it to Pats ns - Coates was a great

fans — Coates was a great choice. The best tight end in team history, he averaged 73 recep-tions per season for six years, from 1993 through 198. He was the team's leading receiver in five of those seasons, setting an NEL record in 1994 for catches by a tight end, with 96, SEE DONALDSON, CS



Ben Coates, in action during a 1997 game, was a deserving choice of the N.E. fans for the Patriots Hall of Fame.

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The Red Sox' Jacoby Elisbury makes a diving catch of a fly ball to shallow left off the bat of Minnesota's Carlos Gomez during the eighth inning of last night's

Strong pitching, Ramirez's RBI just what Sox needed

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nome. It worked. The Red Sox eked out a 1-0 victory over Minnesota, thanks to solid pitching performances by Daisuke Matsuzaka, Hideki Okajima and Jonathan Papelbon and timely hitting by Dustin Pedroia and



Manny Ramirez looks into the Red Sox' dugout and gestures after he singled in Dustin Pedrola in the eighth inning with what proved to be the winning run.

Manny Ramirez. With the game stuck on a stalemate in the eighth, Pedroia extended his hitting streak to a career-high 15 games with a leadoff double. Then the strugging Ra-

mirez provided what proved to be the winning run with a single to right that scored Pedroia. "I didn't care who it was," said Red Sox manager Terry Francong. "Push a

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Vongphoumy holds her own in R.I. Amateur to some friends, "is really something. I've nicknamed her Jules. She's a jewel. She really is." He was talking about Juliet Vong-phoumy, the 14-year-old who just fin-ished her freshman year at La Salle A-cademy. Cloe is one of the veterans of Rhode Island golf, having played in at least 20 amateurs. He was on his way to shooting an 8, but all he wanted to do was talk about Vongphoumy, who also was on her way to the same score. Cloe was not alone, either. Vongphou-my clearly was the star of the day. Never mind that she finished 14 strokes behind the leader, Jason Hull of Fenner Hill,

While Juliet Vongphoumy, 14, was keeping up with her 81, Jason Hull took the first-round lead with a 67 at Agawam Hunt.

BY PAUL KENYON

JOURNAL SYNTE WHITE EAST PROVIDENCE — Nick Cioe was waiting for his turn to chip to the 18th green at Agawam Hunt. He was still minutes away from competing play in jube first round of the 103rd R.I. Golf As-sociation Amateur championship, but he decided not to wait to begin talking short his day.

out his day. "This girl," Cloe said as he walked up the leader, Jason Hull of Fenner Hill, who fired a 67. Hull had the misfortunate

of having his best day in a state cham-pionship on the same day a 5-foot1%, 90-pound girl made state golf history. While her drives often were 40 or 50 yards, or even more, short of other players, Yongphourny used her sweet swing, composure and considerable tal-ent to more than hold her own against the mert. She had one bad stretch in which she went 6-over from the 10th, through 13th holes, but responded by go-ing par, birlie's par over the next three boles. She had a chance to break 80 until driving into a bunker on 18 and making six on the par-4 hole.

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Juliet Vongphoumy (right) and her parents, who were all smiles after she won the state high school title, had another reason to smile yesterday.

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Coates gets thrill with his induction into Pats' Hall

BY SHALISE MANZA YOUNG

Jerson Stores Warts The first prominent player of Robert Kraffs time as owner of the New England Patriots and a member of the group who helped take the Patriots from perennal also-rans to NFL standard bearer will become the 13th member of the franchsies's Hall of Fame Ben Coates, the five-time Pro Bowl tight end, was announced yesterday as the fam' choice for induction in 2008. Coates, who played for nine

induction in 2008. Coates, who played for nine seasons with the Patrots, beat out running back Jim Nance and offensive lineman Jon Morris for the honor Last year, Kraft decid-ed to let fams make the utilimate decision on the annual class of one, a selection group of media, Pats alumni and team officials narrow the list to three finalists in the spring. "Around 11:30 this morning. I tailked to Mr. Kraft and he told me that 1 was the nominee. I was

that I was the nominee. I was thrilled," Coates said yesterday

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The same starts and 7 touch-downs. Pretty impressive numbers for a guy who wasn't drafted until the fifth round in 1991. Not that Joo Mendes, who made Coates the first player ever drafted out of Livingstone College, is taking any bows for the selection. "You don't wait until the

for 1,174 yards and 7 touch-

from his South Carolina home. Coates was runner-up to re-ceiver Stanley Morgan last year, and said there was no one he'd rather come in second to than his "homeboy" and fellow South Car-olinian "We are looking forward to honoring Ben for all of his many accomplishments as a Patriot He gave us all some wonderful me-mories during his career and our fans are eager to honor him as the franchise's Lith hall-of-famer." from his South Carolina home

franchuse's 13th hall-of-famer," Kraft said on a statement The Parnots fifth-round pick out of timy Livingstone College (Salisbury, NC in 1990, Coates' first two seasons with New En-gland were uneventful the 6-foot-5, 245-pounder had 30 catch-es and 4 touchdowns as the Pats sputtered to an 8-24 overall mark. But two arrivals in 1993 changed things for both Coates and the Patricts Bill Parcells and Drew Bledsoe.

Drew Bledsoe. As a coach, Parcells was known for relying on tight ends;

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Then, in '93, he went to the bench, losing his starting job to the bigger, more-talented

CAREER STATISTICS: BEN COATES

Year	Team	Rec	Yes	Ave	TD	Long
1991	New England Patriots	. 10	95	9.5	1	17
1992	New England Patriota	20	171	8.6	3	22
1993	New England Patriots	53	659	12 4	8	54
1994	New England Patriots	96	1174	12.2	6.1	62
1995	New England Patriots	84	915	10.9	6	35
1996	New England Patriots	62	682	21.0	9	84
1997	New England Patriots	66	737	11.2	8	35
1998	New England Patriots	67	668	10.0	6	33
1999	New England Patnots	32	370	11.6	2	27
2000	Baltimore Ravens	9	84	9.3	0	28
Totals	•	499	5555	11.1	50	84

Former Patriot Bến Coates, being pursued by the Jets' Mo Lewis (57) in 1998, ranks second in franchise history with 50 touchdowns, third with 490 catches and fourth with 5,471 yards.

Parentise filstory with be tokened quarterback Biedsoe, the No. 1 worrall pick had a big arm and an immediate rapport with Coates. "I think (playing for Parcells) helped out a lot, but what helped our more than anything was Drew Biedsoe; Coates said. We clicked together and the coach-ing staff wear." Coates led the Patriots with 53 receptions in Biedsoe's rookie year, the first of five seasons Coates would lead the club. He earned his first Pro Bowt nod in 1994, when he had a then-fran-chise record for a tight end. "If you were in the flat, he still threw it 100 miles an hour, but he knew he had someone he could depend on." Coates said of Bied-soe. The knew where I was going to be at al times. I guess it worked out hand-in-hand — for him and for me."

in the Pro Football Hall of Fame

Despite his own gaudy statis-tics. Coates said yesterday his most memorable moment as a Patriot was when the team made it to Super Bowl XXXI. Twish we had won it, but com-ing from 91 to 96, going from the bottom and to get to the Super Bowl, that is something I will al-way remember; "he said. Uny some while making sec out in forms is hid work with but to be a super the super bowl, that is something is and the super second second and the super second second second second in forms is hid work with bar outches and fourth with set outches and fourth with set cost is spent the 2000 season with Baltimore before calling it a crater said he seasks to Block. career. Coates said he speaks to Bled-soe about once a month, and also keeps in touch with former team-

Tippett and Ray Agnew. Speaking of Tippett, with the linebacker finally getting his bust

in the Pro Football Hall of Fame next month. Coates, named to the NFL's all-decade team for the 1990s, believes it's just a matter of time before he gets the call to Canton as well. He makes a good case. Of the seven tight ends in the Pro Foot-ball Hall, only Ozzie Newsome (662) and Kellen Winslow Sr. (541) had more career catches than Coates' 499. Now coacting helts, achool

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(541) hao more career carces than Coates' 499. Now coaching high school football and working at an alter-native school in South Carolina, Coates said he would like to re-turn to the NFL to coach tight ends and ultimately help some-one to be an even better player than he was at the position. Coates will be enshrined this fail during ceremonies in the new Hall al Patrico Place; the team will bonor its other 12 hall-of-famers during the festivities.

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Name	Position	Years with Pate	inducted	
Bruce Armstrong	Offensive tackle	1987-00	2001	
Nick Buoniconti*	Linebacker	1962-68	1992	
Gino Cappelletti	Wide receiver/kicker	1960-70	1992	
Ben Costes	Tight end	1991-99	2008	
Bob Dee	Defensive end	1960-67	1993	
Stave Gragen	Quarterback	1975-90	1995	
John Hannah*	Guard	1973-85	1991	
Mike Haynes*	Detensive back	1976-82	1994	
Jim Lee Hunt	Defensive tackle	1960-71	1993	
Stanley Morgan	Wide receiver	1977-89	2007	
Steve Nelson	Linebacker	1974-87	1993	
Babe Parilli	Quarterback	1961-67	1993	
André Tippett*	Linebacker	1982-93	1999	
* - member of the	Pro Football Hall of Fame	the former	J.	

Coates is like Ditka after the catch, but faster. He's danger-ous with the ball." The ball was all Coates ever vanted. He didn't care about publicity. "Most guys want attention," he said. "But most guys aren't me I'm just here to do a job. I just play hard. That's about it." Although Coates did his job as well as anyone in the league, he said it was 'nothing special, just part of the job." Patriots quarterback Drew Bledsoe would beg to differ. He blowd to get the ball to Coates, often referring to the big tight end as his "security blanket." "Any quarterback," said Coates is like Ditka after the

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Bledsoe, "would be stupid not to try and get the ball in his hands. He's really a weapon. Every week, I think teams will have something to stop him. But, every week, he finds ways to get open. He's a blig-time player. He makes the big catch when you need it. As far as I'm concerned, he's the best in the game."

game." As far as those astute Patri-ots fans are concerned, Coates is the best tight end in team

history. Too bad it's too late to turn the baseball All-Star balloting over to them.

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Schilling undeckled Two weeks after season-end-ing surgery on his right shoul-der, Red Sox pitcher Guet Schilling asid yesterday he haant decided whether he will try to play in 2009. "Were in the initial phase of my rehab" said Schilling, who wore a Doeoram McRabb jersey.

as he attended a movie screen-ing and fundraiser for skin canas he attended a movie screen-ing and fundraiser for skin can-cer awareness in Randolph, Mass. "Whether I was a plum-ber or a pitcher, I'd have to do it just to have use of my shoulder and arm. There's no real critical decision-making point for a good five, seven or eight weeks from now, until I need to decide whether I want to progress past the normal surgery rehab into very specific job rehab, and we'll figure that out then." Schilling's wife, **Shonda**, said he was in more pain than after previous surgeries. "I know my kids really aren't ready for him to retire," abs eaid. "They really are enjoying him at home, but my youngest is 6 and he's just at an age where he can understand it."

Gonzalez's season over Well, at least Julio Luge is having a better season than his predecessor. The Reds' Alex Gonzalez — the Boston shortstop prior to Lugo – had surgery on his left knee vesterday, ending his sea-son before he got to play in a game.

Gonzalez, 31, suffered a com pression fracture at the start of spring training in February. The team thinks he'll be ready for the beginning of spring training

the beginning of spring training next year. Cincinnati signed Gonzalez to a \$14-million, three-year deal before last season. He missed 28 games in 2007 while attend-ing to his ailing son and ended up batting .272 with 16 homers and 55 RBI.

and 55 NBI. Bruins' Development Camp The Bruins announced the schedule for the team's Devel-opment Camp, which will be held today through Saturday at Kitsuccia Aren, an Wilmington, Mass. Two players who missed injurics, Patrics Bergeren and Many Fernandez, will partici-pate. All on-ice camp practices, which begin tomorrow, are open to the public. The schedule: THURSDAY: 9:30:11:30 Am

.m. FRIDAY: 9:30-11 a.m., follo lowed by an on-ice skills ses-sion from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. SATURDAY: 9:30-11:30

a.m. The schedule is subject to change. Check the team's Fan Information Line daily at (617) 624-1910 for the latest updates.

"Box" to the rescue Michael David Smith of AOL's Fanflouse blog found this report from the Winnipeg Free Press: A former NFL football star from Los Angeles assisted with the rescue of a woman who rolled her mini-SUV sev-eral times Saturday afternoon near Falcon Lake and ended up trapped and hidden in a ditch.

up trapped and hidden in a ditch. **Brin Bosworth**, known as the Boc' from his inebacking days with the Seattle Seather Seathe

and automobiles. Among the other stories posted to the Projo Sports Blog vesterday were updates from the Newport tennis tourna-ment and the R.I. Amateur golf tournament, along with pre-game Red Sox news. To read the sports blog, go to projos-ports.com and click on Projo Sports Blog

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Her score was better than 24 of the 138 players and matched 12 others. Vongshoumy, who earned the right to play by winning the RL Interscholastic League cham-pionship, which carries with it an exemption into the Amateur, ad-mitted she felt a bit different than usual

"Having you guys follow me around was making me a little bit nervous," she said as several tele-vision cameras and tape recorders were pointed at her. She said she didn't drive the ball as well as she can. She was not happy with her

Weite Dourses as net: one same same didn't drive the ball as well as she can. She was not happy with her putting, either. But she realized she had done something special. 'It's nice knowing it made histo-ty,'' she said. 'I had my own little audence. It was good.'' Vongphoumy won the Inter-scholastic League title with rounds of 71 and 77 at Cranston Country Club. But yesterday she had to play from the men's tees, awaking the course about 1,000 yards longer. After learning the game at the Button Hole Short Course and Teaching Center, Vongphoumy has been playing

College, is taking any the selection. "You don't wait until the fifth round to pick a Pro Bowl tight end," he said yesterday from his home in portherm Virginia. Mendes was the Patriots' Mendes was the Patriots' vice president for player devel-opment when they chose Coates with their seventh over-all pick in '91, after Pat Har-low, Leonard Russell, Jerome Henderson. Calvin Stephens, Scott Zolaix and Jon Vaughn. 'I honestly can't tell you now what kind of grade we had on him, 'Mendes said. 'I don't think it was a 'make-it' grade.'

The bigger, more-takented Cates: "Ben was a player who real-by benefited when we hirrd Bill y benefited when we hirrd Bill provide the second second second "He fit in well with the way Parcella wanded to play the game. He was a big, tough guy who was good in all areas — blocking, passing, running after the catch Just like Mark Bavaro had been for Parcells with the Glaints." It was Coates' size — he was 64, 245 pounds and, as Mendes noted, "played even bigger" — and speed that first caught the team's eye. "When we came back from the combine." Mendes recalled we said: "We need to follow up on this guy."

We said: We need to follow up on this guy." So they sent Dante Scarnec-chia, who then was tight ends coach for Dick MacPherson, to North Carolina to take a closer look at Coates.

"He's as good an evaluator of talent as any coach I've ever known," Mendes said of Scarknown," Mendes said of Scar-necchia, who this season will be entering his 26th year with the Patriots, having been on the staffs of six head coaches. "He has a real good eye. The big thing we wanted to know from Dante was: 'Do you want

often, since school finished, at Metacomet, which has given her playing privileges and afforded her the chance to play a full-length oruge course. She had her father, Sam, cad-

course. She had ber father, Sam, cad-dying for her yesterday, which she said helped. The played well with my dad. We don't argue much. We com-promise." she said. "It was fun having him around." Vongphoumy's mother, Katie, her three sisters, high school coach Sue Mouchon and a num-ber of women who regularly com-pete in statewide women's events also came to see her. It was diffi-cult for anyone who watched not to come away impressed. Pat Mostit, he third member of the threesiome, was among them, although he waited until be had finished play to begin talking about Vongphoumy.

atthough he waited until he had finished play to begin talking about Vongphoumy. The one thing that impressed me the most about her was her composure," Monti said. "Noth-ing bothers her. She has talent." Does a 14-year-old girl belong in the event with the best men's golfers in the state, Monti was asked? "Absolutely." he responded. "She can play. She gets it done. She certainly does."

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NICK CIOE

Lost amid the attention given Vongphouony was an outstand-ing effort by Hull. He is one of the bright new names on the Rhode Island scene. Hull moved to Rhode Island from Kansas City eight years ago, but began playing in RIGA events

"Having you guys follow me around was making me a little bit nervous. It's nice knowing I made

history. I had my own little audience. It was good."

JULIET VONGPHOUMY

On the media following her

to coach him? After he'd seen Ben, he said: 'Hell, yest' " Coates was a quick learner. He'd gone to Livingstone be-cause he'd played just one year of totball in high school. But he caught 36 passes — 9 of them for touchdowns — in 1990, and proceeded to catch on quickly with the Patriots. A powerhul blocker, he did wern more damage to opposing defenses as a receiver Line-backers weren't fast enough to the more damage to opposing defenses as a receiver Line-backers weren't fast enough to backers weren't fast enough to backers weren't fast enough to backers weren't strong enough to backer his body to shield defenders from getting the ball. Even if they had him covered, Coates used his body to shield defenders from the ball or, more often, push them away without being called for offen-sive pass interference. Bucker klinetference. The had a variety of ways to get separation." Mendes said with a chuckle. Droke had the ball in his fordia. Coates was like an devastating combination of strong as a runner? therainds backs Kline Ditka. "Tota kwas fullback play. Thik was fullback play. Thik was fullback play. Thik was a fullback play. Thik was a fullback play.

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only four years ago. He has contended in several worst, including the Burke Me-morial earlier this season. Hull basemed a reputation as an out-standing ball striker whose con-cern is with the putter. But yeardray he putted well. The cup looked like a basket-ball hogy. The said. T made ever-the said to the said. T made ever-the said. Togy. The said and the collegion Brad Valois, a URI star, and David McAndrew, the top player for Steffschulder and another collegion, Garrett A, and another collegion, anot Vongphoumy's playing parter yesterday in the R.I.Amateur

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McAndrew, Vongphoumy achieve goals

BY PAULKENYON JOURNAL SPORTS WRITER

EAST PROVIDENCE - David EAST PROVIDENCE – David MCAndrew and Jiar Vongphou-my came into the R.I. Golf Asso-ciation Amateur Championship with different gods, which helps explain why their reactions were odifferent yesterlay when qual-ifying was compileed. MCAndrew had the best score in the tournamest at Agawam Faunt, earning GOLF.R.I. AMATEUR AMATEUR at 138. But he was not overly pleased.

pleased. Vongphoumy finished 21. strokes behind McAndrew, in a tie for 94th among the 138 players. Yet she was all smiles when it was

Yet she was all smiles when it was over. The 14-year-old put together a solid 78, for a 36-hole total of 159, nine strokes from qualifying for match play. That made no differ-ence. The 5-foot 14's inch 90-pounder won admirrers both, for the way she played and the way she handled herself as she be-came the first fernale to take part in the 103-year history of the event.

came the first female to take part in the 103 year history of the event. "Everything was fantastic," Vongphoumy said. "I had so much fun playing: with Nick (Cloe) and Pat (Monti). They were yery supportive and very friendly. It was a great opportunity. Couldn't turn if down. The whole experience was great." Vongphoumy accepted con-granulations and then headed to hew Jersey, where she will take part in qualifying for the U.S. Wohndrew, meanwhile, is very much focused on Agawam Hunt, the appears to be on the verge of jumpting to the top level of ama-tionally. The top player on the Stetson

tionally. The top player on the Stetson University team this year, McAn-drew played well against the best players in the country in the Northeast Amateur last month. Last week he was in Planburgt for Last week, he was in Pinehurst for the North & South, another of the top national events. He finished in a tie for eighth in the two qualify-



David McAndrey tosses his club into the air after a too-short chip shot yesterday at Agawam.

Acciardo and Exeter's Andy Cal-cione — came in at 140. Sullyan, a Hendricken grad who prepped this year at Worcester Academy and is headed for St. Anselm's, had a wild day. He double-bo-geyed the first hole but then had eight birds, at 3, 4, 7, 10, 13, 14, 15 and 16. "On two of them, 10 and 13, 1hit it within a fort," he said: "The oth-ers were 10- and 15-footers. My caddle, Brian (Disalvo), read them for me. There were some 1 ered different than he did, but 1 did what he said and made them."

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The two others in the second-place tile are both frequent conten-ders. They were not worried about how high they finished, but rather focused only on getting to match play. Calcione said he did not even think about his score while he was on the course, in part because one of his playing part-ners, Darren Corrente, also was playing well.

ners, Darren Corrente, also was playing well. "Darren made some putts, I made some putts. We wit some good shots. We were ralking as we were going along," Calcione said. "The next thing I knew, we both had 69."

Acciardo was similar. "I played well, very consistent," he said.

"I played well, very consistent," he said. The first-round leader, Jason Hull, settledfor a tie for firthat 141 after carding a 74. Brad Valois, bidding to become the first player since Bobby Allen (1988-80) to win three times in a row, put himself in excellent posi-tion with a 72 for 41 to te Hull for fifth. A rine-way playoff was held for the final two spots among those who finished at 150. Former final-ist Rob Grossguth was the olt take the 31st spot. Andrew Ma-the dial spot. the final spot. Two rounds of match play will be held today.



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Dent fails to add a finishing touch

Faylor Dent returns a serve against Frank Dancevic on Center Court in Newport.

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probably wouldn't have broken him." Dent, a four-time winner on the tour, is trying to come back from three back surgeries. The first was in May 2006. He had a rhizotomy, a procedure in which doctors probe for nerves causing pain and sever them. He missed the rest of that year. Dent played four tournaments in the first two months of 2007 but was in so much pain that in March of that year he had experi-mental fusion of his vertebrae. That procedure failed, and in September he had a traditional fusion using rock and screws to

That processes — September he had a traditional fusion using rods and screws to connect two vertebrae in his low-er back. He did not play a match last vear. Indeed, it was four



Frank Dancevic returns against Taylor Dent in the Campbell's Hall of Fame Tennis Championships at the Tennis Hall of Fame yesterday. Dancevic won the match, 3-6, 7-5, 6-1.

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Future circuits. "I don't have any ego about it whatsoever," he said. -I know-that I've got to not start over from scratch, but almost." In other matches yesterday, American Jesse Levine upset fifth-seeded John Isner of the U.S., 6-3, 6-1. Eighth-seeded Ke-vin Anderson of South Africa ral-lied for a 6-7 (3), 6-3, 6-3 victory over Gilles Muller of Luxem-bourg. Aisam-Ul-Haq Qureshi of Pakistan beat Benjamin Becker of Germany, 7-5, 7-6 (5), And Pra-kash Amitraj of India defeated Joseph Strianni of Australia, 6-7 (3), 6-4, 6-4. His father Vijay, a three-time Hall of Fame cham-pion, was in the crowd.

three-time Hall of Fame cham-pion, was in the crowd. Top-seeded Mardy Fish, an ar-dent Minnesota Twins fans who was at Fenway Park Tuesday night to throw out the ceremonial first pitch, will finally play a match today. He is third on the stadium court schedule against qualifier Rohan Bopanna of In-dia. Fish is ranked 41st in the world. world.

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"Jeff and have had it to foom-versations." Bartlestein, who is al-so the agent for Horness free agent Janneo Parge, told the Times-Pi-cayune. We're talking." The Horness, who tied for the second-best record in the Western Conference laat year, do face some financial hundles before they can bring Tosey aboard. Bower could not comment about free agency, under league regulations, until to-day. day.

day. **Preventive measure** The National Football League hierd Pennsylvania's police the for make sure there are no once signal sciolarity scandals like the one involving the New En-gind Particis last season. The National Statistical science of strategic security yesterday and begins work on Aug. 18. His job will involve overseeing everything for popule entering stadiums toen-ties of the there was appoint for programe security screening for popule entering stadiums toen-ties of the security screening for popule entering stadiums toen-ties of the security screening for popule entering stadiums toen-ties of the security screening for popule entering stadiums toen-ties of the security screening for program come to my school that's what want to do. Now to more to the private sector for an-there are an experiment of the sector of the sector of the private sector for the sector of the sector of the sector for the sector of the sector for the sector of the secto

League.

Surprise, Manny! You can take Manny Ramirez's name off the list of the famous and not-so-famous who have aban-doned property with the state of Massachusetts.

Massachusetts. An agent for the Red Sox slug-ger has completed the process with the state Treasury to claim a \$10,000 check that had languished after being written by the Reebok Corp. Ramirez also will get back an additional \$49.56 in interest in accordance with state rules for accordance with state rules for vendor payments that go un-claimed and are turned over to the

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Charles T. (Ted) Schmidt, Jr., a resident of Saunderstown, has been named Governor of Red Sox Nation for the state of Rhode Is-

Nation for the same or resord as a finite sector of the same sector of the scheder's Degree and Michigan State University (PhD). He is the founding director of the Schmidt Labor Research Center, which was named in his honor upon retirement from URI In 1999, where he worked for 31 years.

Impressive carbos Impressive actives Journal sports writer Tome Meade posted news, and pictures, of some impressive fish caught in local waters recently — including a 49-inch bass landed by Damee Hamilton at Block Island yester-day and a45-pound bass caught by Kevin Betternoeut last weekend in Newport — on his Hot Bytes blog. Go. to projesports.com/hot-bytes

Giambi 'endorsed'

Giambi endorsed? According to the New York Yankees Web site, Jason Giambi has picked up the endorsement of the American Mustache Institute in his "campaign" to be the final player selected to the American League All-Star team. The mus-tache institute, of course, is con-cerned with "protecting the rights of, and fighting discrimination against, mustached Americans by promoting the growth, care, by amount the other stories posted.

culture of the mustache." Among the other stories posted to the Projo Sports Biog vesterday were updates from the R.I. Ama-teur golf tournamient and the ten-its tournament at Newport, along with video of Olympic swimmer E1-izabeth Bessie's tearmates reac-ting to her victory in the trials and pregume Red Sox news. To read the sports blog, go to projosports acom and click on Projo Sports Blog

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Valois, McAndrew stand tall in the heat

Brad Valois, the two-time brait values, the two-time defending champ, and David McAndrew, the tourney medalist, lead a youthful charge to the R.I. Amateur quarterfinals.

BY PAUL KENYON JOURNAL SPORTS WRITER

Josson Seem Warns EAST PROVIDENCE — Consi-dering the heat that has dominat-ed the 103rd R.L. Golf Association **GOLF; R.I. Amateur Championship** that week at Awam Hunt, it has been even more of an ad-yantage than usual to be young and strong.

Annape, stars, and strong. The young stars are taking ad-vantage. Brad Valois, the I wo-time defending champion, won wrice yesterday to advance to the quarterfinals. So did David McAndrew, the tournament med-alist. Both nre college standouts, Valois at URI and McAndrew at Stetson.

Valois at URI and McAndrew at Stetson. To the other hand, the older guys who have dominated wat guys who have dominated wat fournament for so long have been orge Prire, both RIGA Hall of armers, were beaten. So player of the remperature, nearing 90 for the third day in a row ance challenge as a test of and reached the was rough our there," said Steve Royer, who trudged in the so have no have and reached the semifnals. Royer knows hot weather on a golf course. He works as a golf course superintendent. ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at work, "he said "I played great this work and the source of the source challenge as a test of and reached the semifnals. Royer knows hot weather on a golf course. He works as a golf course superintendent. ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at work," he said "I played great this work and the source of the source superintendent. ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Was rough out there, ¹ and ¹ I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Was rough out there, ¹ and ¹ Mat But I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Mat I get the source of the ¹ Mat I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Mat I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Mat I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Mat I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Mat I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Mat I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Mat I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Mat I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Mat I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Mat I get to ride in a cart at ¹ Ma



THE PROVIDENCE JOURNAL / GLENN OSMUNDSON Ben Tuthill of Wannamoisett, hitting a tee shot in the R.I. Amateur Championship yesterday at Agawam Hunt, won both of his matches en route to a spot in the quarterfinals.

"But I get to ride in a cart at

as you could. The shade was your friend." DeSilva was beaten, 5 and 4, by Garrett Medeiros, and other of the college stars. RIGA officials put water all over the course, and have gone through 110 cases thus far. Matacomet's Darren Corrente is the oldest quarterfinalist, at 45. Also moving on were Matting and Fenere Hill's Jack Start Bromes. Ben Tuthill, the 2000 champion, and Fenere Hill's Jack Start his approach within two son Hull. Even in the heat, there was

son Hull. Even in the heat, there was plenty of excellent golf. The best was the performance by Broome. The RICC product, who plays for Furman, had two very different matches. He was awesome in the morning against Jim Stallman. "He birdled the minth hole for 35 on the front," Broome pointed out. "And he was 5-down."

birdie puit from the back fringe on the 17th to nig Jason Pannone, I up, in the afternoon. The two were never more than one hole apart. Five tiftles McAndrew took a I up lead. Pannone came back to tie it every time, the last at the 15th, before McAndrew's birdie on 17 woh it. Walois, bidding to become the first player to win three times in a now since Bobby Allen did in from 1958-60, came from 2-down in the afternoon to eliminate Jonathan Pannone, 3 and 2. That came after the survived a major challenge from Barrington High star Eddie Hierpe, I up, in the first round. Hull bad the longest day. He won the 18th hole to nip Bily Au-ger, I up, in the mort round. Hull was 3-down early and never Hull was 3-down early and never

"I'm beat," Hull said as he wiped the sweat from his brow. "But that was fur."

But that was fun." The theory of the second Collevely by two noises earry on a series of the degrade of the scale of the scale

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Fish is latest to fall victim to Newport's curse But Boyanna kept his head and broke Fish in the 11th game for a 65 lead. His terrific backhand crosscout frop volkey at break point was the winner. And he stayed cool when he servedfor the match a second time, making four first serves in the six-point game. blasting an ace to Fish's forehand for match point. and driving a volkey that Fishcould not return for the winning point. "Just wanted to play ray game and be aggressive and keep it sim-ple," he said. Bopanna, who beat American Kerkin Kim in the first round Mon-day, wasn't concerned about play ing the top seed yesterday. "I was just concerned about playing my game and doing what Mardy Fish's loss to

Rohan Bopanna continues a trend in which the No. 1 seed has never won in the Hall of Fame tennis event.

BY MIKE SZOSTAK

JOUROL STORTS WATER NEWPÖRT — Yesterday was not a day for Minnesotans in New England.

not a day for Minnesotans in New England. While the Rod Sox were harm-mering the TWNIR, 185, at Fernway Park, Sochan Bopanna di India stunnet top-seeded Mardy Fish, 7-6 (n), 7-5, in the second round of the Camp-bell's Hald of Fame Tennis Cham-pionships at the Newport Casino. Fish, Dom in Edina and a big Twins fun, threw out the ceremo-nial first pitch at Fernway Tuesday night, visited with the Twins and watched six innings of the game before returning to Rhode Islandto rest up for his singles match sinching in the first singles match sinching in the first round a wind first pitch watered as the first singles match sinching in the first round sign. The Minnordon watered say. The

since losing in the first round at Wimbledon two weeks ago. The outcome was the same as a year ago, when he was the top seed and a first-round loser. "Tve had some draws these past couple of years than have been tough in the sense that gays who are pretty good on courts like this (have not had) not much success many other allows on the bound. many other places on true bounc-

BY MIKE SZOSTAK JOURNAL SPORTS WRITER



Top-seeded Mardy Fish, serving to Richard Gasquet at Wimbledon, lost in the second round yesterday at Newport. ing courts. When you can serve and you can volley like (Bopanna) can and the gov that I lost to lead to a serve the server of the server searct same of the server of the server sect same server by disaposit-ing to lose again here. Firsh said Fully's loss continued the Curue of the Casino. The No. 1 seed has never won here since the tourna-ment became part of the protour in 1977.

"I'm sorry about that," Bopanna said with a smile. Many top-seeded losers try to put this tournament in their rear-view mirrors as fast as they can. Not Fish, minked No. 41. "You know, I've nevers ever played well here. I've made the quarters a couple of times, and I've never, ever played real well here, and I is o desperately want to play well here. I want to do well here,"

Ex-Brown star Cerretani cashes in at Casino

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occurred when Bopanna was serv-ing for the match at 5-4 in the sec-ond set. Fish won five points on Bopanna's second serve and broke back to 5-5.

"I was just concerned about playing my game and doing what works for me. Serve and volley, keep aggressive all the time, keep jamped out to a 4-1 lead in the first 31 minutes of the match, but Fish broke serve in the seventh game of the first set. Serving at 6-6 in the tie-breaker. Boganna guesed correctly and moved left to pick off a Fish shot and volley a winner. At sep on the

moved left to pick off a Fish shot and volleg a winner. At set point he crushed a forehand down the line that Fish reached for and punched into the net. Bopanna broke ahead in the fifth game of the second set but lost his nerve and serve in the 10th be-fore rebounding with the second break that put him in position to claim the biggest win of his career.

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unlifter **Drandam Evans** of the US, 5-7, 6-4, 7-6 (5), a day after de-fouring the comebacking **Taylor** The ground for it. The legis and the taylor of the taylor of the row on the first round have the second time. The speed to the the round have the taylor of the the first round have and gaves the state. The played the best he could have played to the state were best match of his life He served well. He played unbelevable; Dancevic said. The difference was Evans

son. Prakash, 24, is ranked No. 305 and is here courtesy of a wild card from Hall of Fame CEO Mark Stemning.

Well, He payed undersevatore, Dancevic said. The difference was Evans seemed to get tight toward the end. "His balls were penetrating the whole match, except when it got close, Dancevic said. Dancevic is ranked No. 99 in the world, Evans No. 185. This was Evans first APP appearance this year. The 22-year-old had played 13 Challenger tournaments until qualifying for the main draw here.

Another Amitraj Will another Amitraj win an-other Hall of Fame championship? Prakash Amitraj took a step in that direction yesterday with a 7-5, 6-3 victory over Jease Levine in the second round-rand reached the

Steming: Debut for Santors Second-seeded Fabrice Santo-re of France, the defending cham-pip, will finally play a match when he takes the stadium court today at II. Because of the 28-man draw instead of the usual 32, the top four seeds received first-round byes. Top-seeded **lgor Kanitsyn** played yesterday. Third-seeded **lgor Kanitsyn lgor Kanits**

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Thursday, July 10, 2008

These are shortened versions of some of the stories that were posted yesterday throughout the day on Projo.com's Sports. Blog.

PC gives Army new deal Tim Army has signed a con-tract to remain as head coach of the Providence College men's hockey team through 2013. Ar-my has taken the Friars to the Hockey East Tournament in each of his first three seasons. "Coach Army has given so

"Coach Army has given so ach of himself to the men's ice much of himself to the men's ice hockey program over the years, as a player, an alum and now as our head coach, "PC athletic di-rector **Robert Driscoil J**, said, according to a university news release. "We look forward to achieving success under the di-rection of coach Army, as he fol-lows his vision and upholds the mission of the college."

own Elizabeth Beiest. Prisco: Brady over Manning Pete Prisco: Botady over Manning Pete Prisco: footall writer on CBS Sportsime, is convinced. After taking petny of flak from New Englanders last sea-ning as the best player in the son about ranking Peyton Man-ning as the best player in the league. Prisco schanging course and putting Tom Brady at the No. 1 position this year on his list of the top-50 players in the league. Prisco writes: "I's close, but coming off Bra-dy's sensational, record-setting season, coupled with Manning season, coupled with Manning the top-for most of last year. Brady Mass to take over as king of the NFL-Son. Randy Mass No. 4: Pet-awd

Other Patriots in Prisco's top 50: Randy Moss, No. 4; Richard Seymour, No. 30; Vince Wilfork, No. 41; Wes Welker, No. 48. Just departed cornerback Asante Samuel also cracks the Drivers 50, ar No. 32.

Prisco 50, at No. 37.

Prisco 50, at No. 37. Yankee trades on hold Hal Steinbrenner emerged from a closed-door meeting in manager Joe Girardfra office yesterday to say he was disap-pointed in the New York Yan-kees's performance this year but relation to trade prospects for veterans in hopes of a spark. He related in Unrade prospects for veterans in hopes of a spark. He related in Unrade prospects for veterans in hopes of a spark. He related in Unrade prospects for veterans in hopes of a spark. He related in Unrade prospects for veterans in hopes of a spark. He spark and the new York of the spark in the total memory count-ed on to be regulars in the rota-tion, but both are on the disabled list after combining to go 0-7 in 15 appearances. The young pitchers at the be-ginning of year." he said, "----it was upsetting at times, It wasn't was upsetting at times, It wasn't you know that's would on Ritt you know that's

what we inought it didn't go ex-actly the way we thought it would go. But you know, that's the way it is. We're highly confi-dent in Kennedy and Hughes and that they're going to come back strong when they do come back.

Gott-cart dangers Those small, harmless look-ing golf carts can be dangerous, according to two studies re-leased recently. One of them said nearly 50,000 people were hart in golf-cart accidents in a four-year span. It's enough to make you take caution when you get behind the wheel, although the good news is that it does not seem to be an

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shall a long the good level is that it does not seem to be an epidemic. "Knock on wood — and I'm knock on wood a – and I'm knock on wood a – and I'm we cover Long Island, we have 7.500 to 8.000 carts out there, and I only have heard of one or two incidents," said Anthony Frieko Fairway Golf Car Corp, in Medford, Long Island, NY. Arnorg the other stories post-ed to the Projo Sports Blog yes-tenday were updates from the Newport termis tournament and the R.I. Annetur golf tourna-ment, along with Red Sox news. To read the sports blog go to pro-poports com and click on Projo Sports Blog

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Greens, winning the French year in some poole's eyes and still could have, and could have, and could have, and could have, and possibly should have, won that the first should be and the source of the source source source source source of the source of the source source of the source source of the source of th University star Jamie Cerretani is Tournament in singles and dou-making his way on the pro lour in bits. He held Brown career rec-ords forvictories (212) and doubles to the singles list behind The Dono-draw in the world. FAMP JOURNAL JOURNAL I field for the main draw in the South Afri-can Kevia Andersona shis pant with south Afri-can Kevia Andersona shis pant with south Afri-can Kevia Andersona shis pant with and the final in Casabian-the Art Brown and Jone Start Start (difference "Spade asid. Two rots for IIII and Mary Romgina satistant prown, he worked ad-and Sevia Merking Present Start (IIII) and Mary Romgina satistant prown, he worked ad-and Sevia Merking Present Start (IIII) and Mary Romgina satistant prown, he worked data-mers for IIII and Mary Romgina and Song for the mixed doubles championship. In 2003 he defeated Ja-mine Gravit Corven and played base championship. In 2003 he defeated Ja-mine Gravit Deferitor and the Space Ampionship. In 2003 he defeated Ja-mand Rompf for the mixed doubles championship. In 2003 he defeated Ja-mand Rompf for the mixed doubles championship. In 2003 he defeated Ja-mand Rompf for the mixed doubles championship. In 2003 he defeated Ja-mand Rompf for the mixed doubles championship. In 2003 he defeated Ja-mand Rompf for the mixed doubles championship. In 2003 he defeated Ja-mine Gravit and Rompf for the mixed doubles championship. In 2003 he defeated Ja-mine Gravit and Rompf for the mixed doubles championship. In 2003 he defeated Ja-mine Gravit and Rompf for the mixed doubles championship. In 2003 he Romford Marken and Rompf for the mixed doubles championship. In 2003 he Romford Marken and Rompf for the mixed doubles championships for Jampionships for Jampionships for the double scarb Rhadon for the mixed doubles championships for Jampionships for Jampionships for the double scarb Rhadon for the mixed doubles championships for Jampionships for Jampionships for the double scarb Rhadon for the mixed d

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Battle of giants at Agawam

Valois must beat medalist McAndrew for third straight title

BY PAUL KENYON

EAST PROVIDENCE — There could be a first in Rhode Island Golf Associa-tion history today at Agawam Hunt. When the 36-hole tile match of the Bart Rhode Island Golf Associa-tion history today at Agawam Hunt. Marking the state of the state of the Bart State of the state of the state of the provide state of the state



THE PROVIDENCE JOURNAL 7 AN David McAndrew watches his putt stop short of the cup on the first hole in his semifinal vs. Matt Broome.

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nation that moved him through once again. He is making some major chang-es in his game after a disappointing sea-son for the URI golf team. He is now working with Eddie Kirby, the pro at Alpine, and he speaks enthu-siastically about howhe feels his game is back on mark.

back on track "Today was a long day, a real long day," he said, "I hit the ball well. But I didn't make any putts." He survived a grueling match with Steve Royer in the quarterfinals. Royer never led but came back to pull even af-ter 15. Valois won 16, but then Royer won

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17 to square it again. Valois won with a par on the final hole while Royer bun-kered his approach and bogeyed for the 1-up decision. That sent Valois against Garrett Me-deiros in the semis. Medeiros, a Wolford star who plays out of Metacomet, was riding high. He won an outstanding match with Ben Tuthil, the 2000 cham-pion. in the quarters. 1 un

Inding high. He won an outstanding match with Ben Tuthill, the 2000 cham-pion, in the quarters, 1 up. "That was one of the best matches I've ever played, just because of the quality of play," Mederics said. Mederics had a 32 on the front side. Tuthill was 33. Medei-ros finished with seven birdies. Tuthill five. Tuthill was three down with four to go but won three in a row, two with bir-dies. But Medeiros birdied 18 to win, hit-ting his approach from the rough over a tree and within three feet to win, 1 up. In the semis, though, Vaois won two of the first threg holes. He led by three through nine before Medeiros won 10, 12 and14 to pull even. Valois, who is bidding for his sixth RJ-GA championship in seven years — he also won the Junior Championship three times — showed the clutch ability he has displayed so othen in taking 16 and 17 to win, 2 and 1.

times — showed the clutch ability he has displayed so often in taking 16 and 17 to win, 2 and 1. "This tournament is something 1 al-ways look forward to," Valois said. "I think it's a little easier for me because 1 won the three juniors. I kind of know how to approach it and not get over-whelmed by it." McAndrew rallied past attorney Dar-ren Corrente in the quarters, 2 and 1, then faced a different kind of challenge in the semis. He had to play one of his closest friends, Matt Broome. "It was probably our 2,092nd round together. I think that's prety accurate," McAndrew said. "I's never fun when you play a really good friend because so-meone's got to lose." Broome twice had beaten McAndrew in the RIGA Juniors. Broome led early this time, too. But a run of four straight holes won by McAndrew, beginning at en enith, made the difference as McAn-drew won, 2 and 1. "We usual be bettore out the bart in each

holes won by McAndrew, beginning at the ninth, made the difference as McAn-drew won, 2 and 1. "We usually bring out the best in each other. That's the way we want to play," McAndrew said. The two had an unusual match, talk-ing to each other constantly and even congratulating each other with high-fives after a good shot. McAndrew car-ried his own bag. His brother, Mark, a Brown basketball star the last four years, had been caddying for him, but had to leave. When Broome rolled in a 20-foot par-saving putt on the 16th to keep the match alive, it made for a weird scene – both he and McAndrew gave fist pumps to celebrate the clutch putt. The title match, though, will not be about friendship. This one will decide not only this year's champion, but the No.1 marking among young golf stars in Rhode Island.

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Brad Valois releases his club after a drive during his semifinal victory over Garrett Medeiros in the R.J. Golf Association Amateur. McAndrew def. Broome, 2 and 1: Valo First 18, 8 a.m.; Second 18, about noor pkonyon#proje.com / (401) 277-7340 Perry stays on a roll at Deere Classic Joe Colborne, putting on a Bruins jersey after becoming their first-round pick in the NHL Draft in Ottawa last month, could become a real gem.

Colborne continues to 'grow' on Bruins

The BOSTON GLOBE Joe Collorne is big — so big, in fact, that even he is having trouble keeping up with the measuring tape that runs up his backside. Just some six weeks ago in To-ronto, the NHL Combine calculated the

wini the measuring tape that runs up his backside. Just some aix weeks ago in To-ronto, the NHL Combine calculated the now-promising Bruins PRO HOCKEY HOCKEY Combine calculated the now-promising Bruins energy and the source of the the source of the table of table of the table of table of table of table from Calgary. Alberta, topped out at from Calgary, Alberta, topped out at from source the table of the the week." Truth is, said Colborne, he thinks he's done growing. He's now 18, roughly 6-5, and really in need of adding only about 20-25 pounds to his frame of 190. That kind of mass and muscle ought to take him no more than a year or two to add, and he'll do that beefing up at the Uni-versity of Denver, where he'll enter this full as a wide-eyed freshman slotman on the perennial Division 1 powerhouse. Think you'll see him play pro at age thind of tike Bambi right now, you know, still growing into his arms and legs. But when he's up around, say, 20, he'll be this unstoppable machine, and the guys he's out there playing aqainst will be say-ing. Hey, where'd this guy come from?" Good question, in part because the AlHL, much like the British Columbia

he sout mere paying against will be say-ing. 'Hey, where'd this guy come from?' Good question, in part because the AIHL, much like the British Columbia Junior Riccky Laggue, remains a league with an asterisk invisibly attached to its manage the say of the say of the say of the event of the say of the say of the say of the trong and the say of the say of the say of the Western, Question as a skilled but average-sized high school player in Calgary. He was only 54 and about 160 pounds. At ge 15, just as a growth sport was about to trigger, he enrolled at Norte Dame in Wickox, Saskatchewan, the hockey fac-tory that churned out the likes of ex-Bruins Gord Kluzak and Lyndon Byers. (For the record, the mention of both names drew only what could be scribed as a polite stare and apologetic shrug from Colborne). Colborne played will at Norte Dame, but didn't dazzle to the point where he drew serious interest from the WHL. He went undrafted by The Dub," and was left with only a couple of training camp invites. Enter Rybalka, who had been charting Colborne's progress since be-fore. Norre Dame, and by the fail of 2006, Colborne was officially a Canrose Ko-dalk. "He said he liked my work ethic" re-

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to camp and we'll see what happens." Now the Bruins have what Rybalka calls "a real gem." Projecting him as a possible eithe scorer, and a commanding presence in the middle, the Bruins made Cohome the 18th pick in last month's anateur draft in Ottawa. Thus, he didn't have the 18th pick in last month's anateur draft in Ottawa. Thus, he didn't have the 18th pick of Bradley, the club's director of anateur scouting, the Bruins were more concerned with the player than the embroidered dossier. Bradley, who watched from the stands in Willington, Wednesday while Cohome skated with the rest of the ea-ger kids, seriously began tracking Co-borne early last season, and became in-creasingly intersted with each look. "The possesses a lot of the attributes we like - puck possession a power-play said Bradley. "We didn't have to get over mider junior vs. Tier 2 staff, because the NCAA has been a viable route for a lot of NIL players, and this is a kid that's pro-ven he's serious about making it, with his work ethic, and just things like leav-ing home at a young age (to go to Wil-

ing home at a young age (to go to wa-cox)." Wednesday, in the embracing chill of Ristuccia Arena, Golbome took his finst steps in the Hub of Hockey. An anony-mous No. 47 on his back, he zipped around the ice as one of the baby-faced Black-and-Gold dreamers. He will be here for the week (camp wraps up to-morrow), then head home to prepare for the college season.

here for the week (camp wraps up to-morrow), then head home to prepare for the college season. Cam Neely, the club's vice president of passion, was among the front-office cognoscent in the stands. Asked about the new top pick, the Hall of Fame right winger said that though Colborne looked 'pretty raw, obviously' his 'hockey sense was noticeable.' The same was true, said Neely, of Mikko Leh-tonen and Biake Wheeler. Coach Claude Julien said he was im-pressed by Colborne's size, sense and hands. "You can see all of that in him," said Julien, "and I think going to college will serve him well." For now, there is no telling how soon Colborne will return, or where all of the procisions and promise will lead. The last Jumbel of the Thouse the the normal the look or Thom the follow - Joe Thomron --to how there is for own this potential.

Revs' Parkhurst, Joseph, Reis are chosen for All-Star Game

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"I just feel very comfortable here," he said. "It's kind of in my element here, in

weeks and ited for third at the U.S. Open before taking first at the Graeter Mikway-kee Open a month later. This one is start-ed when he lost a playoff to Ryuji Imada at the ATAE Classic in May and contin-ued with victories at the Memorial and Buick Open last month. He usually plays well on those courses, and he'll be at an-other favorite stop next week when he returns to Brown Deer Park Golf Course in Mikwaukee next week. "They're all lined up one after another, and I think that's the reason why." Perry

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said "It's kind of in my element here, in my wheelboose." I he missed a 15-foot birdie putt on his final hole that would have put him in a tie for the second second second second second round, or for many in recent, weeks. "When the his, though, Perry had a memorable four-tourna-ment nu in 2003, when he won the Colo-nial and Memoral on back to back weeks and hel for third at the U.S. Open before taking first at the Greater Milwau-

shoot here? Sixty? I didn't know. I didn't realize it." The 21-year-old Creamer's round was her best by six strokes this season and broke Se Ri Pak's course mark by a shot. She matched the four record of raw score for nine holes with a 27 on the home half. Bun-Hee Ji and Gioria Park each shot a 65 and were largely overlooked in the wake of Creamer's round. Eva Dahllof and Young Kim had 68b. Defending champion Pak, trying to become the first player to win the same LPCA tourna-ment six times, shot a 68. Michelle Wie had a 70. Twenty-one players had yet to finish when play was suspended late in the day by lightning and heavy rain. They will complete their rounds today before the second round begins.

Kenny Perry follows his tee shot on the 17th hole during the first round of the John Deere Classic yesterday. Perry is one stroke off the lead.

Sortish Open Phil Mickelson and Ernie Els failed to break par in the first round of the Scot-tish Open, while Alexander Noren and Thongchai Jaidee shared the lead with 7-under 68 yesterday at Luss, Scotland. Angel Cabrera, the 2007 U.S. Open champion, was third with a 65 in this tune-up before the British Open at Royal Birkdale, which begins July 17. Mickelson and Els both returned from three-week Jaoffs. Mickelson had a 71 and Els was at 1-over 72. The golf course was ideal for scoring, soft with lift, clean and place. Just didn't get the ball in the hole. "Mickelson suit Thought 1 hit a lot of good shots bùt 1 didn't capitalize with my putts and let a good round slide a little bit."

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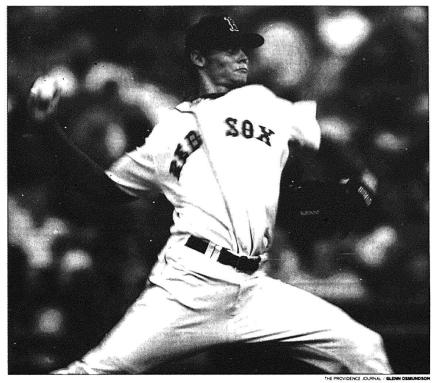
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Creamer rises to top Paula Creamer's first-round show-ing at the Jamie Farr Owens Corning Classic on Thursday is up there with one of the best rounds of golf ever played in an LPGA Tour event: PLAYER SCORE YEAR Annika Sorenstam 2001 Paula Creamer Meg Mallon 60 2008 Meg Mallon 60 2003 Jung Yeon Lee 60 2004 Anna Acker-Macosko 60 2004

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Wounded Sox come up short



Clay Buchholz, the starter for the Red Sox last night, hurts a pitch in the second inning of the game at Fenway Park

Buchholz's retooling still needs work



BOSTON — Never mind Sox Appeal. The Red Sox had their very own reality show at Fernway last night, as real as it gets. Clay Buchholz was sent to Pawrucket in late May, for a mid-season makeover. The Sox wanted him to spruce up his fastball some, and flaunt it a little more regularly. Nothing dramatic, mind you — just a little tinkering. Blessed with two-plus secondary pitches – an overhand curve and a devastating changeup — Buchholz too often forgot about his fastball, which he throws in the mid-S0s.

While in Pawtucket, the Sox adjusted his arm slot a bit and preached the value of getting ahead with his fastball — the better to utilize the curve and change In his first major-league start in almost two months last night, Buchholz showed himself to be a work in progress. He went five innings in the Sox 7-30 loss to the Bali-more Onoles and was saddled with the defeat oring un four runs on five hits.

Inve infings in the Sus 7-5 loss to the bain more Onoles and was saddled with the defeat, giving up four runs on five hits Against the same team he no-hit last Sept 1 in his second major-league start. Buchholz had two bad innings — his first and last.

In the first, he exhibited little feel, falling behad to nearly every hitter and walking three. The Onoles jumped to a quick 2-0 lead, and Bucholz needed 22 pitches to record the first three outs "I thought in the first innig he looked nervous, a little jumpy," manager Terry Francona sauk "After talking to him when he came out, he was feeling like he had a lot to prove."

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"I think, for the most part, it was nerves. Buchholz confirmed. "I hadn't been that

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Orioles overcome Boston's reserves

Manager Terry Francona says he's trying to keep a depleted team together until the All-Star break

BY JOE MCDONALD

BOSTON Clay Buchholz Sean Casey and Brandon Moss began last mgftr's game as the Red Sox starting pitcher designated hitter and ngftr fielder respectively Data a little

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game with a sore back. Coco Crisp was out of the lineup last night with a

sore forearm. The All-Star break can't come fast

The All-Star break can't come fast enough. Despite the loss, the news wasn't all that bad as Buchholz returned to the starting rotation last night after spending some much-needed devel-opment time with the PawSox, where he posted a 4.2 record with a 2.47 ERA in rune starts. During his time in Pawfucket, his delivery — mainly his am siot — was tweaked just bit, and Red Sox management felt he was ready to return to Boston for last night's game against the Oroles.

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"Anytime you're in the same sentence as Brad Faxon. Brett Quigley, Billy Andrade and whoever else has won ... it's an honor " - DAVID MCANDREW

McAndrew takes command, wrests Amateur from Valois

The Stetson University junior sinks 11 birdies and denies Brad Valois' bid for a third straight R.I. Amateur crown.

Brad Valois' bid for a third straight R.I. Amateur crown. BY PAUL KENYON JOJSNEJ SWER WHY EAST PROVIDENCE – Playing vid McAndrew responded yester-in the biggera-lid from Rhode Is-liade away the R.I. Golf Association The 20-year-old from Rhode Is-liake away the R.I. Golf Association Amateur Championship from Brad Statke away the R.I. Golf Association Walois. He npped It away, forcefully. Valois. He npped it away, forcefully. National Championship from Brad Statke away the R.I. Golf Association Walois. He npped it away, forcefully. National Responses and the best displayes en in dies in the moring 18. five in the the tournament's 103eyear history.

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bers to point out how wear was an drew played "I had six birdies this morning and twas I-down at the turn, "Valois noted. McAndrew also had six birds in the first 18: It turned out he was merely getting warmed up He took full advantage of the beautiful day and great conditions provided this week by Drew Cummuns, the new rourse superintendent at Agawam."

course superintendent at Agawam. McAndrew had finished the morning with burdles on both 17 and 18. He began the afternoon with a



David McAndrey David McAndrew was all smiles yesterday after winning the RIGA Amateur Championship at Agawam Hunt.

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PROJO SPORTS BLOG

These are shortened versions of some of the stories that wer posted yesterday throughout the day on Projo.com's Sports Blog

Late night with Pierce Paul Pierce was a guest Thursday night on Late Night With Conan O'Brien. He brou the MVP trophy with him. The conversation topics included: Why O'Brien - a Boston native -- would make a good Celtics mascot. Where the nickname "The Truth" came from (Shaquil

O'Neal). Why the Celtics were the last team Pierce ever wanted to play

Mixing it up with LeBron James' mom.

Artest. Artest. Why he doused coach Doc Rivers with Gatorade ("At the time. I just decided to dump ou all the Gatorade, because I was drinking the Powerade anounce"

anyway"). He can't put down the MVP trophy: "I went out to L.A. and I

took it out to eat, took it to the club, I took it to the pool. ... This club, i took it to the pool. ... This has been everywhere." Throwing out his wild first pitch at Fenway Park; "They told me when you get out there, throw it high and hard. ... I got it there."

Line of confusion Speaking to a Pittsburgh TV station this week during a campaign stop in Pennsylvania Ben. John McCaln taiked abou this affection for the Steelers. Baying that when he was first interrogated as a prisoner of wa in North Vietnam, he gave the name of the Steelers' front four as the names of his squadron mates.

mates. Two problems with the story. First, as noted by J.J. Cooper AOL's FanHouse blog, McCain was captured a few years before the Steelers glory days in the the Steelers glory days in the 1970s. At the time of McCain's capture, Cooper writes, "the Steelers front four consisted of Ken Kortas, Chuck Hinton, Ben and Lloyd Vess - I can

McGee and Loyd Yess — I can only tell you that because I looked it up. That's not all. As the same Pittsburgh TV station that aired McCain's original comment later pointed out, the Steelers story contradicts one he has written in the past, that under interrogation he recited the names of Green Bay Packers of frensive linemen. The station reported that McCain's campaine called the campaign called the contradiction an honest mistake

Beijing cans dog meet Canine cuisine is being sent to the doghouse during next month's Beijing Olympic Games Dog meet has been struck from the menus of officially design and Olympic astronomics designated Olympic restaurants, and Beijing tourism officials are telling other outlets to discourage consumers from ordering dishes made from dogs the official Xinhua News Agency reported yesterday. Waiters and waitresses should "patiently" suggest other options to diners who order dog, it said, quoting city tourism bureau Vice Director Xiong Yumel.

More problems for Baker A bank has taken over the Durham, Conn., home of former Cettic Vin Baker at a foreclosure

Cettic Vie Baker at a foreclosure auction. The house has six befrooms and is 9.300-quare-foot Georgian, briek Colonial on a 12-acre parce: The property also gain: as a two-lane bowling alle: basketbail court, guest ho - a and pool, in Old Baker, who grew up in Old Saydrook, starred for the University of Hartford and spent Wears in the NRA with the Cellics and six other teams. Among the other stories posted to the Projo Sports Blog to the Projo Sports Blog yesterday were Little League scores as they were reported, and updates from the R.I. Amateur golf tournament. To read the sports blog, go to projosports.com and click on Projo Sports Blog

In a tight match, Spadea tops Peya, gains semifinal

Avers MITD PRES NEWPORT - American Vince Spadea was at his best when he needed to be yesterday beating Austrian Alexander Peya, 7-6 (3). 7-5 to advance to the semifinal statuta alexander Peya, 7-6 (3). 7-5 to advance to the semifinal and the Hall of fame Tennis Spadea 33 will face defending champion French Open champion Michael Frank Open champion Michael Frank Open champion Michael Fame during afternoon ceremo-nes Santoro defeated Pan Na-varro, 6-3, 7-6 (4) Spadea 3 win over Peya

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In the tiebreaker. Spadea won the first of three consecutive points by converting an overhead smash. Peya was then barely able to get a racket on Spadea's serve on the next point, tipping the ball

spadea, of Boca Raton, Fla. closed out the match with a back hand slice at the net. His only ca reer title was at Scottsdale in 2004

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Peya said he didn't capitalize on the few opportunities Spadea gave hum

¹¹ left like (Spadea) ddn't give me too many easy chances on the important pounts) and 1 ddn't make many. 'he said Smilloro 15 is the olderal development of the second seed has not captured the title on the past 18 vers.
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Canada s top player in the other semifinal today MSATS rESTROAT Singles

"I felt like (Spadea) didn t give



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Vincent Spadea of the United States volleys to Alexander Peya of sustria at the Hall of Fame championships in Newport yesterday

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Perry remains hot. but MacKenzie tops field at Deere Classic

Avec LOTE: PRES Kenny Perry again sizzled fol-lowing a sluggish start and was two strokes off the lead after the second risking of the John Deere Classic vesterday in SitVis, III GOLF Haying as well

who jumped to the top of the lea-derboard earlier in the day and is 13-under, but it kept Perry in con-tention for his third victory in five

tention for his third victory in five starts. "Avesome round." Perry said Very proted this round." One stroke off the lead when the day began. Perry got going on the eighth hole after laking a drop fol-lowing his tee shot. He hat a 23-focter from the fings to save par and stay even for the round. That wing in momentum leid to burdes on the next three holes and kept hum in contention.

on the text tarter house and keps him in contension. His approach from 183 yards on the par4 numh landed two feet from the pin, and another good ap-proach on the 10th settled 12 feet from the hole He burset that put, then hit a² Arobert on the par4 lith to go 9-under "It just seemed like my whole state of mund changed, my feetings changed." Perry suid after his 10th straight round in the 608. First-round co-leader Ken Duke (72) fell seven strokes off the lead. hum in contention.

is still improving. He is long off the tee and was tre-mendously impressive around the greens in beating Valois. McAndrew dominated play all week, as he had been the medalist with back-to-back rounds of 69 in qualifying. As impressive as has game is, what was equally impressive was how he reacted to pressure. This was easily the buggest match of his life. He received a phone call before beginning play. — I missed it, he said — from PGA four pro Brad Faxon, another RICC product who has been helpful in his career McAndrew is low-key and affable off the course, sometimes too critical of hinself on the course But in the tile match, he showed the fire of a true com-pettor

in the tille match, he showed the fire of a true com-petitor "Compliments are hard to come by in our house, which is a good thing," he said. "It makes you tough." McAndrew spent much of the day charting with his brother as he went along. He did not show any real emotion until he drained an 18-focter for hos lith and final birdle of the match on the 30th hole At that point, he raised his club in the air and began to cele-brate. One hole later, he was the champion, the first trom RICC since Paul Quigley in 1991. He joins an impressive list of champions from the course. "Anytime you're in the same sentence as Brad Faxon, Brett Quigley, IBIJ Andride and whoever else has won, even Paul Quigley, he is in the Hall of Fame in Rhode Island, it's an honor," he said. "I'm going to try to enjoy the moment." Jamie Far Corning Classic Picking up where she left off af-ter a course-record 60. Paulo Creamer shot a 6-under-par 65 yesterday to build a six-stroke lead through two rounds of the Jamie Far Owens Corning Classic at Syl-yana. Ohio vania, Ohio.

year by five strokes. Creamer, 21, who missed the cut Average Pary pagna sci2de for the structure provides the scale for the lead after the science of the lead after the lead after the lead after the science of the lead after the lead afte

the final 11 holes. The 60 eclipsed by a shot the course record of de-fending champion Se Ri Pak. Eun-Hee Ji shot a 66 and is at 11-

Euri-rite dataset and under 131 No one else is within 10 shots of Creamer Creamer's 17-under score in re-lation to par matches the third best ever on tour

Scottish Open Phil Mickelson had a hole-in-one at the Scottish Open yesterday at Luss. Scotland, to make the cut and go into the weekend five strokes behind leader Angel Ca-burge

strokes benind leader Angel Ca-herra. After missing a succession of makable puts, Mickelson's 5-iron at his 14th hole, the 190-yard fifth, headed straight for the pin, landed 12 feet short, bounced once and rolled into the hole

Table into the hole "I was struggling to get the ball in the hole with the putter so I need ed to hole from off the green." he joked, adding that he's hald 15 to 20 aces as a professional "I don't remember the last one. It has been a little while" Mickelson shot a 4-under-parfo? for the day and picked up one stroke on Cabrera, who had a 68 for a 9-under 133. Cabrera bogeved two of the last

Cabrera bogeyed two of the last four. including the 18th, where he



ABACKATE PAGE ATLANTA – When Errs Shanteau tou-ched the wall second at the U.S. Olympic trads, he was overcome by the joy of reach-ing a lifelong goal. The celebration didn't last long. Shanteau had barrely **SWIIMING** locked up has the to the ling when he was forced to deal with a gut-wrenching choice. Should he have surgery for the testicular cancer hardly aryone knew about? Or, should he put it off for another month so he could swim at his for Olympics. Shanteau chose the Olympics. Surgery would have to wait. In an exclusive interview with the Asso-cianed Press. Shanteau sub the learned just

In an exclusive interview with the Asso-ciated Press, Shanteus such be learned just a week before leaving for the U.S. Olympic trials that he had cancer "I was sort of like, This isn't real. There's no way this is happening to me right now," he said by phone from the team's pre-Beij-ing training camp in Californa. You're try-ing to get ready for the Olympics, and you just get this hage bond bropped on you." His doctors cleared him to compete at the trials in Omaha, Neb, determining he wouldn't be at great risk to delay treatment.

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The shanteau surprisingly made the team in the 200 meter breastroke. Insish to see the surprise of the second abad of former world-record bolder and heady favorite Breathan Hansen. He to putting off surgery until after the Olympics because it world keep him out of the second second the second s

would have been easy go home and have the surgery," said Shanteau, who grew up in suburban Atlanta. "I made the team, so I

in suburban Atlanta. "I made the team, so I had a hard dession. But, by no means am I being stupid about hus." Still, there are no guarrages. "With any cancer, you want to find it early and treat it sayly for the best out-come." Dr. Brett Byler, the Austin, Texas-based unologist vidio delivered the news to -Shanteau, solid yesterday. "That was my

scenario what to expect. The risk, of course, is that time is an opportunity for disease

scenaro what to expect. The risk, of course, is that time is an opportunity for disease progression." Seeking out advice from team doctors and other outside experts, Shanteau came up with own plan. He will have has blood tested once a week and a CT scan done ev-ery two weeks through the Olympics, hop-ing that will be enough to keep a handle on the disease. If something comes up abnormal." he shad, "then that's kund of a barner I shouldn't cross." In most cases of this type, Baker said it what type of testicular cancer the patient has – or, even the very slight chance that it's not cancer at all — until the tumor is re-moved surgically for a biopsy. "Sometmens, the best decisions are not always exactly the way the doctor sees it." Baker said. 'I don't consider him crazy at all I think if he's happy and content with playing it out this way, that's the most im-parts thung." If Shanteau can't compete, the Amen-cans would add Scott Usher as their secondo swimmer in the 200 breast. The third-place

recommendation. It's difficult to say in his scenario what to expect. The risk, of course, condition the day after the race and encour

condition the day after the race and encour aged to keep training. The cancer was found after Shanteau no-ticed an abnormality and was finally per suaded by his griftiend to see a doctor in Austin, where he trains on a star-studded team that includes Hansen, Ian Crocker and Aaron Peirsol. On June 19, exactly one week before he was scheduled to leave for the trails, Shan-rean heard that aach lu aced

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was scheduled to leave for the thats, Shan-teau heard that awful word "It almost numbed me," he said. "I'll re-member that day for the rest of my life. Talk about a life-changing expension. It is a bug a one as you can have. I think You're changed for the rest of your tife." Mark Schubert, head coach and general manager of the U'S team. Supports Shan-teau's decision to swim in Beijing. "Enc is handling this studiation with cour-age and poise, and his decisions to compete at the Olympics and to share his story for the benefit of others, are evidence of that courage." Schubert said "While we are hopeful that he will be able to compete Er-ic's heath remains the absolute top prior-ty."

THE PR VIDENCE JOURNAL / AN David McAndrew, left, and Brad Valois congratulate each other after their play on the 13th hole in yesterday's final round of the RIGA Amateur at Agawam Hunt. champion himself, for developing him into a top-iev-el player. In high school McAndrew was just one part of an outstanding team. He has gotten better each of his two years at Stetson, to the point where he had the lowest stroke average for the Hatters this season. He entered the Anateur after a strong perfor-mance in the North & South Amateur at Pinehunzt, where he reached the round of 16. Clearly, his game is still improving. He is long off the tee and was tre-mendously impressive around the presens in beating

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conceded birdle on one, a bird on two and then an eagle on three He ran off a string of pars, then had birds on 82, 29 and 30. That means he was 9-under for the final 15 holes, 7-under in the 13 holes after lunch. The Steison Uni-versity junior was asked whether he had ever played better conceded birdie on one, a bird on two and then an

versity junior was asked whether he had ever played better "Probably not," he said. "I probably should go fin-sish that round. It was a lot of fun. When you see hard work pay off, it's fun. You are enjoying the moment and enjoying playing golf" "When a guy shoots 6-under (actually seven). he's tough to beat," Valois said. "He played great. He deserved it" If takes something special to beat Valois in an RI-GA match. The 21-year-old URI star now as 31-4 over-all, which includes three states junior titles and two Amateurs, in the seven years since he began playing RIGA competition.

Amateurs, in the beest pairs and a star and

Mark, who caddied for hun yesterday, just finished an excellent career al Brown, "the new champion "I was really into other sports," the new champion said. "didh'i commit to gold unit the eighth grade. I played soccer and basketball. Golf was second or third. I grew up in a basketball house, as you know, so I've watched three times the amount of basketball as I how arolf."

so Ive watched bree times the amount of basketball as I have got!" His family joined RICC when he was 8, so MAAn-drew has oeen around the grame for some time. He credited Chris Lamb, an assistant pro at RICC, for getting him started, and most notably Kyle Phelps, the RICC head pro and a former State Annateur