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Schmidt gives NL All-Star win



Photo courtesy of Philadelphia Phillies

Mike Schmidt's home-run form was put to use in last night's All-Star Game and gave the National League a 5-4 win.

Rose oblivious to pressure, Bibby to pain for 2nd opener

By The Associated Press

Pete Rose insists there is no pressure on him to get the hit he needs to break the National League all-time hit record tonight when the major league baseball season resumes after a seven-week strike.

"Naturally, I'm confident that I'll get the hit," said the Philadelphia Phillies first baseman, "but I'm realistic enough to know I could go hitless."

Rose explained that he knows he's going to get the hit, if not tonight against the St. Louis Cardinals, then another day.

"So, how can there be any pressure?" Rose asked. "It's a foregone conclusion I'll get it, just a matter of when."

When Rose gets the hit, 3,531 balloons will be released to mark the occasion. Most will be on hand to congratulate the new record holder. Baseball commissioner Bowie Kuhn also is expected to attend tonight's game.

Bob Forsch is slated to be the Cardinals' starting pitcher, and Rose is three for seven this season against the St. Louis right-hander. Phillies manager Dallas Green has announced that Larry Christenson will be his starter, probably followed by at least two others.

Jim Bibby, who escaped injury in a recent traffic accident, is scheduled to pitch for the Pittsburgh Pirates when they re-open the 1981 season tonight in Montreal against the Expos.

The crash occurred early Friday after the Pirates returned from an exhibition game in Cleveland. A van driven by Bibby was knocked onto its side when struck by a taxi at a downtown intersection.

Bibby said he escaped with no aches or pains.

Bibby, 43, will oppose Montreal's Scott Sanderson, 62. Tomorrow night in Montreal, Rick Rhoden, 61, will pitch for the Pirates against Bill Gullickson, 36, of the Expos.

By HAL BOCK AP Sports Writer

CLEVELAND (AP) — Philadelphia's Mike Schmidt capped an All-Star power show with a come-from-behind two-run homer that carried the National League to a 5-4 victory over the American League last night as major league baseball returned with a bang after a staggering seven-week strike.

It was the 10th straight victory for the NL in this showcase series and built their overall lead to 33-18, with one game ending in a tie. The Nationals have won 18 of the last 19 games between the two leagues.

A record All-Star crowd of 72,086 jammed Cleveland Stadium for the game and punctuated their welcome back to baseball with derisive whistling through the early innings. The whistlers were part of a protest by one of the many fan groups organized to protest the recent strike.

Both teams seemed to play tentatively at the start, slow to warm to the action, perhaps as an after-effect of the 59-day layoff. The action did not pick up until the middle innings when the outcome hung in the balance.

Gary Carter of Montreal smashed a pair of homers, becoming only the fifth player in All-Star history to hit two in one game. Dave Parker of Pittsburgh also connected as the Nationals equaled an All-Star team record with four home runs. NL teams hit four in 1951 and 1960, and the AL did it in 1954.

Both Carter and Schmidt came on the first pitches in the fifth and seventh innings off California's Ken Forsch and the New York Yankees' Ron Davis, respectively. Parker's sixth-inning homer also came with the bases empty off Oakland's Mike Norris.

The shot traveled west over 400 feet and brought the NL team out of its dugout to steal second. Cleveland catcher Bo Diaz, trying to nail him, unloaded a high, wild throw that sailed into center field. Smith bounced up at second base, hesitated for a moment and then set out for third. He never made it.

Center fielder Dave Winfield gunned the ball to third base, and Smith was trapped in a rundown, finally tagged out by Milwaukee reliever Rollie Fingers, who tripped and nearly fell on the play.

A moment later, though, the Nationals had that important tying run back on base when Fingers, normally a control pitcher, issued another bases on balls — this one to Pittsburgh's Mike Easler.

That brought up Schmidt, one of the few starters still in the lineup at that point. The slugging third baseman rifled a 1-1 pitch from Fingers under the low fence that circles the outfield. A desperate leap by fielder Winfield fell short.

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Weekend round-up: NFL, Roberto Duran, PGA, U.S. Clay Court

By The Associated Press

Benny Ricardo's right foot got coach Bum Phillips and the New Orleans Saints off on the right foot this year.

Ricardo's 35-yard field goal with 33 seconds to play in the Louisiana Superdome boot the Saints — the team which went 1-15 during the 1980 season — to a 24-23 victory over the Baltimore Colts on Saturday night in the teams' National Football League exhibition opener. The difference in the game was a missed extra point by Baltimore's Obed Ariño following the Colts' first touchdown.

Also Saturday night, it was Detroit 21, Buffalo 14; Cincinnati 24, Tampa Bay 17; the New York Giants 23, Chicago 7; St. Louis 12, San Diego 10; Green Bay 21, Dallas 17; Miami 20, Minnesota 6, and Oakland 16. In a pair of Friday night games it was Washington 16, Kansas City 10, and the New York Jets 33, Denver 7.

Tonight, New England visits Los Angeles.

The Saints' victory, the first since Phillips left his banishment from Houston, was hardly an artistic success. Only a fumbled snap on attempted punts enabled them to score their 10 fourth-quarter points.

Rookie quarterback David Wilson managed to get his only two completions on last night's pass attempts in the match with Ricardo's decisive field goal. Running back George Rogers spent the second half on the bench after making a modest pro debut, eight carries for 34 yards.

At West Chester State College, the Philadelphia Eagles returned to their "best day on the field." Berkey Phillips said he planned to cut about a dozen players before this Saturday's exhibition game against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Yesterday's full workout was the first since the Eagles lost their NFL preseason opener to the Houston Oilers, 13-10, Thursday. A total of 89 players suited up for the game while 93 are still on the roster. Vermeil said some cuts will come this week.

"I don't have any specific number in mind," he said. "But this week we're going to put more emphasis on playing football players who are likely to be here in the regular season."

Vermeil said yesterday's workout was marked by linebacker Bill Bergey's "best day on the field." Bergey is currently hurt and not starting on the team. But the Dallas Cowboys are located in the NFL East with teams like the Philadelphia Eagles and New York Giants. Dallas has nothing in common with Philadelphia, except that both cities have professional football teams, and that doesn't count.

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The NFL's defiance of logic... And making some sense of its nonsensical divisions

I have the answer to these and every other NFL alignment abuse. I have realigned the NFL using such criteria as regional interest, travel expense considerations and obvious rivalries.

I've even retitled the divisions with spicier names and added two final expansion teams so each division can finally have the same amount of teams in it. Here goes:

The NFC Atlantic Division: New York Jets, New York (Jersey) Giants, Washington Redskins, Baltimore Colts and New England Patriots.

This division features five cities along the Atlantic Ocean. Imagine the potential Jets-Giants rivalry, especially if either team ever has a respectable football record again — unfortunately, this may take about 28 years. Consider the hype that would surround a Redskins-Colts confrontation at our nation's capital.

The NFC East Division: Philadelphia Eagles, Pittsburgh Steelers, Cleveland Browns, Cincinnati Bengals and Buffalo Bills.

To add on to this impact, I would allow only one interconference game a year for each team. This way, barroom arguments would be funner, and bookies wouldn't be able to compare the Super Bowl teams on the basis of a regular season confrontation like they did last year with the Eagles and Raiders.

The AFC North Division: Pittsburgh Steelers, Philadelphia Eagles, Cincinnati Bengals and Cleveland Browns.

This division features four cities along the Ohio River. It would allow only one interconference game a year for each team. This way, barroom arguments would be funner, and bookies wouldn't be able to compare the Super Bowl teams on the basis of a regular season confrontation like they did last year with the Eagles and Raiders.

The AFC South Division: Dallas Cowboys, Houston Oilers, St. Louis Cardinals, Kansas City Chiefs and the expansion Phoenix Sanderscratchers.

A feat of rivalry games including battles of Texas and Missouri. This is where Cowboy fans could wear their tenuous faith without freezing their ears off and where Oiler fans could hold up their cute and silly "Lay ya blue" signs without worrying about getting clobbered with swinging black and gold beater-sized towels.

I gave Phoenix a franchise because it's an expanding city in the sunbelt along with the fact that I needed another team to fill the division.

The AFC Pacific Division: San Diego Chargers, San Francisco 49ers, Seattle Seahawks, Anaheim Rams and Los Angeles Rams or Oakland Rams or Oakland Raiders.

It is vital to leave California and its myriad of shifting cities (caused by earthquakes or Al Davis) in one division — poor Seattle. All of these cities lie along the Pacific coast, and this makes for an excellent regional layout of teams regardless of who ends up being the Rams or playing in Los Angeles.



Charles M. Tocci

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Sports camps grow with age, in every direction

Editor's Note: This is the first in a two-part series profiling Penn State's sports camps.

By SHARON FRYK

Sometimes they're highly noticeable — groups of three or four wrestlers ranging in age from elementary school to high school, with wrestling sneakers hanging over their shoulders or limp from sores and arms. They walk slowly from Rec Hall toward a dining hall and their next meal. Their hair is teased, socks hang around their ankles and wrestling uniforms are half on and half off.

At other times, they look no different from anyone else — a group of five small, skinny girls in shorts and T-shirts running down the sidewalk toward White Building with a college-age girl following them. They look like hundreds of other small, skinny girls running down any street with an older girl right behind. But these girls want to be, or are already, gymnasts and are on their way to learn how or to refine what they know.

Both these groups, wrestlers and gymnasts, are campers — typical of the participants in the annual Penn State sports camps offered by the Office of Continuing Education in conjunction with the College of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. Every summer since 1975, camps have been offered in several sports, with the number of sports and the number of sessions offered in each growing every year.

This year, from the third week in June until last week, 59 camps were offered in 18 sports, plus athletic training and cheerleading. And in that period of time, the people making up those little groups walking to and from sessions totaled approximately 4,000 people.

Those figures also represent quite a seven-year growth spurt. In '75, six camps were offered in four sports — two each in wrestling, basketball and football — and attracted 900 campers. This year, three football camps alone attracted 1,150 boys.

The general organization and administration of the camps is done by four conference coordinators in Continuing Education because the camps are considered conferences.

The coordinators publish the brochures that promote the camps, establish the budget each camp has to work with, do the actual marketing of the camps, take care of all the registration, arrange for dormitory space and meals in the dining halls, provide special equipment such as volleyballs and basketballs and transportation to and from the airport and bus station for campers who need it — among other things.

In the first year of the camps, all those things were done by one man — conference coordinator Bob Beam. The idea for the camps was brought to him to organize into reality. He says part of their development was the realization that Penn State has the athletic facilities to offer high-quality instruction to the campers.

"The kids are into their sport, whether they are for cheerleading or soccer," Beam says. "The camps give the youngsters a chance to learn about their sport with a coaching staff that is experienced in its area and using these great facilities."

The director of each sport's camp is the corresponding Penn State coach. He or she hires a staff and is in charge of the camp's routine and instruction. And by having the coaches as camp directors, Beam says, they get an indirect recruiting advantage.

"Some coaches have the opportunity to take a look at some of the kids in their junior and senior years in high school," he says. "But it's a two-way street. The kids can see if they're interested in Penn State. You can expect the kids in the sports camps to have Penn State as a college choice."

The camps also bring in money. The prices for each camp range from \$120 (wrestling) to \$200 (tennis and diving), depending on the cost of running the individual camp. Conference coordinator Norm Lathbury says some of the things that determine the cost are the number of people on the staff, special equipment (several) and the cost of housing and feeding the campers over the usual six days — Sunday to Friday — they're here.

The reason for the expense of tennis and diving, Lathbury says, is because the enrollment for each is limited to 30 to accommodate the size of the facilities used and to allow for individualized attention because they are individual sports.

Every effort is made to keep the price low, Lathbury says, because it has to be consistent with the philosophy of Continuing Education.

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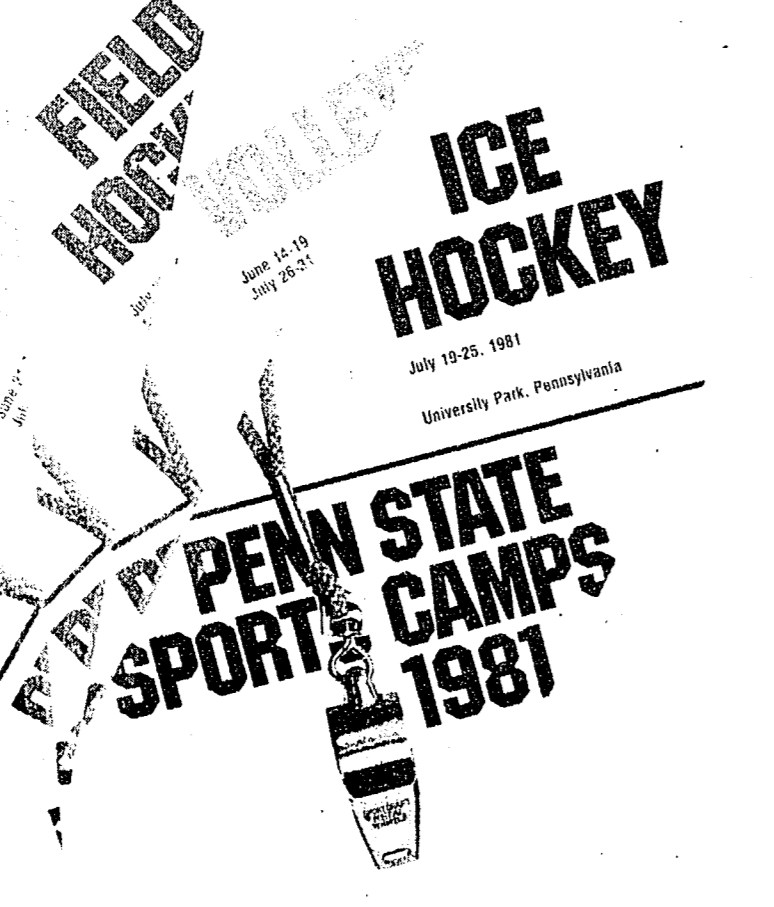
—Conference coordinator Bob Beam

"It is to be of service to the community," he says. "We want to give everyone an equal opportunity to attend. In that regard, the effort is made to go as low as possible, to keep the fee uniform."

Still, the price climbs. In 1975, football camp was \$75. This year it was \$175.

The University does not offer financial assistance in the form of camp scholarships to those who might not be able to attend because of lack of money. Beam says the main reason for that is because there is no place to get scholarship money. And, he says, there's always ways for the campers to raise money.

"We had nearly 1,150 boys in football camp. They had to get the \$175 from somewhere," Beam says. "Some youngsters do babysitting. The cheerleaders worked for it with bake sales. And Wednesday: A close-up look at one camp.



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Stoudt keys Steelers; Ham out 8-10 weeks

CLEVELAND (AP) — In your typical early preseason football game, defenses are likely to dominate while offenses work on polishing their attacks. Obviously, this was no typical preseason game.

Both teams moved the ball almost at will as the Pittsburgh Steelers outscored the Cleveland Browns 35-31.

"It was like an NBA game," quipped Steelers coach Chuck Noll, who watched his club with its 11th straight preseason bout Saturday night. "I felt it was a typical first outing — the defense was ahead of the offense."

The Steeler defense was headed a setback in the third quarter of the game when linebacker Jack Ham broke his left arm in a pileup near the goal line. He is expected to be out of the lineup eight to 10 weeks.

But Cliff Stoudt, the second string Pittsburgh quarterback who hails from nearby Oberlin, Ohio, played like a Terry Bradshaw in midseason form. The veteran Bradshaw watched from the sidelines.

Stoudt took advantage of his starting role, completing 14 of 19 passes for 225 yards and three touchdowns and taking the ball over twice by himself. He fired touchdown strikes of 17 yards to running back Russell Davis, 25 yards to Lynn Swann and 5 yards to John Stallworth.

"It was fun," Stoudt said. "It means a lot more to me than a preseason game because it was home, and I don't like the Browns. It's an emotional thing to get fired up for the game."

Stoudt started one regular-season game against the Browns last year in place of an injured Bradshaw, passing for 310 yards but losing 27-26. Pittsburgh running back Franco Harris, like Bradshaw, sat this one out, but the Steelers nonetheless ran up 161 yards rushing, including a game-high 44 from Sidney Thornton.

"Our inability to stop the run and contain the quarterback was our Armageddon," said Browns coach Sam Rutigliano, whose team was last in the National Football League in passing defense last year.

The Browns' offense performed admirably, as starting quarterback Brian Sipe hurled touchdown passes to Ricky Feacher and Dave Logan in the first half, while Paul McDonald hit Feacher and Ozzie Newsome with fourth-quarter strikes that made the game interesting.

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