

Ex-PSU diamond star's dream becomes reality

By TIM EYSTER
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For the vast majority of people playing baseball at the high school and college levels, playing in the World Series is something they dream about but never experience. That dream came true, however, for former Behrend College baseball player Tom Lawless this past season.

Lawless, who played shortstop for the Commonwealth campus from 1975 to 1978, is a utility infielder for the National League champion St. Louis Cardinals, which recently lost the Fall Classic in seven games to the Kansas City Royals.

He made only one appearance in the World Series, pinch-hitting for Brian Harper in Game Six but he did not score. The 28-year-old Allison Park resident said, however, that just being a member of a team that has won the World Series is something he can always cherish.

"You always dream of that, but you never expect it to happen," Lawless said on making it to the World Series. "It was a good feeling. Regardless of your winning or losing, the memories that you carry, they'll last with you forever."

Indeed, when Lawless played baseball at Strong Vincent High School in Erie, the World Series may have seemed like a longshot to an outside observer. Penn State Head Baseball Coach Shorty Stoner, who was coaching at Behrend then, originally tried to recruit Tom's older brother Pat, but noticed the playing ability of Tom in the process and tried to recruit him.

Lawless decided to enroll at Behrend because he liked Stoner as a coach and he hadn't been offered any baseball scholarships.

When Lawless first arrived at Behrend, Stoner noticed he had the potential and the basic tools for playing well. Stoner said the only talent Lawless had at the time that really stood out was his speed, exemplified by his 6.6-7 times in the 60-yard dash.

As Lawless' years at Behrend passed, however, he became a consistent hitter who also had a good arm and could play any position, Stoner said.

Lawless' name can be found all over the Behrend College record book. He ranks second all-time for career marks in batting average (.378), runs scored (87), walks (55) and stolen bases (40). He also

ranks third all-time at Behrend in career hits (106) and career doubles (13).

In 1976, Lawless led Behrend and received the Rawlings Adirondack Big Stick Award for the highest batting average in Area Eight of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. He also made the NAIA District 18 All-Star team in 1976, 1977 and 1978.

Stoner said Lawless was the kind of offensive player who "caused the opposition a lot of grief." He said Lawless could turn a single, walk or one-base error into a triple by stealing second and continuing to third on an errant throw into center field.

"He was a core of my program those four years, and without him, there would have been a tremendous void there," Stoner said. "He's probably the most outstanding player to come out of that program."

Lawless' shot at the major leagues came when he was drafted by the Cincinnati Reds in the June 1978 draft and assigned to their Pioneer Rookie League team in Billings, Mont., where he played one season. In 1979, he played on the Reds' Class A Florida State League team in Tampa and was its Most Valuable Player.

He went to University Park for one term in February 1980 to earn his bachelor's degree in political science. He then spent his next two seasons with the Reds' Class AA Eastern League team in Waterbury, Conn., garnering MVP honors in 1981.

Lawless moved up to the Reds' Class AAA team in Indianapolis, Ind., in 1982 and became an all-star second baseman in the American Association. On July 15, he stepped into the major leagues with Cincinnati, where he remained the rest of the season. He was back in Indianapolis for all of the 1983 season.

He started the 1984 season in Cincinnati, was sent down to the Reds' new AAA team in Wichita, Kan., after the All-Star break for three weeks, and then was traded to Montreal as the player-to-be-named-later in the Pete Rose deal. The Expos assigned him to their new AAA team in Indianapolis, but Lawless was with the parent club in September.

Lawless began spring training 1985 with Montreal, but was traded to the Cardinals Mar. 20 and assigned to their AAA team in Louisville.

Stickwomen wary of Lady Rams

By GLENN SCHUTZ
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The record doesn't show it and this week's poll position doesn't show it, but the field hockey team's contest against the Lady Golden Rams of West Chester will be a formidable one.

The sixth-ranked Lady Lions (14-3-1) will clash with No. 17 West Chester (10-6-1) in a 2:30 p.m. game at Lady Lion Field in a key National Collegiate Athletic Association Midwest Division game.

Despite the Lady Rams' lackluster record, the team has defeated some perennial powers, and the losses have been close games.

"The games that they have lost could have gone either way," said Head Coach Gillian Rattray. "They also tied and defeated Rutgers and Temple, teams that we lost to and tied respectively."

Rattray attributed West Chester's ranking as compared to an average record to the fact that the Lady Rams defeated Temple.

"They had a big win over Temple, and that really pushed them up in the polls," Rattray said.

The Lady Lions are aware of the power the West Chester team possesses, but they are ready to take on the challenge.

"It's going to be a really tough game," said Team Captain Lorraine Razzi. "There is no doubt that they are a tough team."



Penn State's Shari Pribula (33) tries to stickhandle past a Penn defender during a game earlier this season at Lady Lion Field. Pribula and her teammates will be trying to slip past West Chester when the Lady Lions and the Lady Rams go head to head at 2:30 p.m. today on Lady Lion Field.

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With the recent No. 6 ranking, Penn State has gained a great deal of confidence and the Lady Lions know they are tough.

"We are very happy about the ranking," Rattray said, "and I think that the girls have even more confidence now."

Razzi agrees with Rattray that the team now has confidence but she is also aware that West Chester will be shooting for them.

"They are going to want to knock us out of that spot," she explained, "and we are going to want to stay there."

Since the playoff berth will be decided on Sunday, the Lady Lions see

this game as a very intense and vital one because the winner of the Midwest Division receives an automatic berth.

"There is no doubt that this game will be more intense than the Penn game since they (West Chester) are in our division," Razzi said.

One of the factors that makes the Lady Rams such a tough opponent is the overall play of the team.

"They have some really good girls, and I remember them as being aggressive from our last game," Razzi said. "Everyone was pushing and shoving."

Razzi pointed out some additional factors which make the Lady Rams impressive.

"They have several good players who can play at a line," she said. "They are also very fast and use good stick work."

With the playoffs just around the corner, Rattray and the team refuse to look beyond this game.

"We can't second guess and think about the playoffs," Rattray said. "Razzi agreed."

"We have the attitude that we take things one game at a time," she said. "Hopefully this will be a big win."

Jennings makes an impact with booters

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Before he left his hometown of Mbabane, Swaziland, in December 1983 to visit his father who was lecturing within the College of Education at Penn State, Kevin Jennings was unimpressed as to collegiate life in the United States, much less, collegiate soccer in America.

Yet that visit to Happy Valley would make such an impact that it would change his life for the next four years.

During that introduction to the campus, he was also introduced to the sport that Jeffrey Field fans adore most — Penn State soccer. It goes without saying that when one gets a formal introduction to Penn State soccer it's simultaneous to an introduction to Head Coach Walter Bahr.

"I was very impressed with the program here. People (at home) really don't realize what standard soccer is over here. I was really surprised at how good they were," Jennings said. "It's a different kind of style between home and here. Soccer back home is more so individual skill than here, where it's a lot of hard work and team work and that's the way I like to play."

For six months, Jennings tried out for various English soccer teams with no luck and after his visit here, decided that this was the ideal place to not only play soccer but to finish his education.

Bahr was eager to sign the skillful but somewhat shy South African who would undoubtedly develop into one of the Lions' most valuable assets.

"Kevin's a very skillful player who seems to get better each year. There's really no one strong point of Kevin's play," Bahr said. "He has above average speed, above average ball control and an above average sense of field vision. Kevin is the type of player that would be an asset to any team. I'd like to have a Kevin Jennings as a team player every year. His attitude and his talent are exceptional."

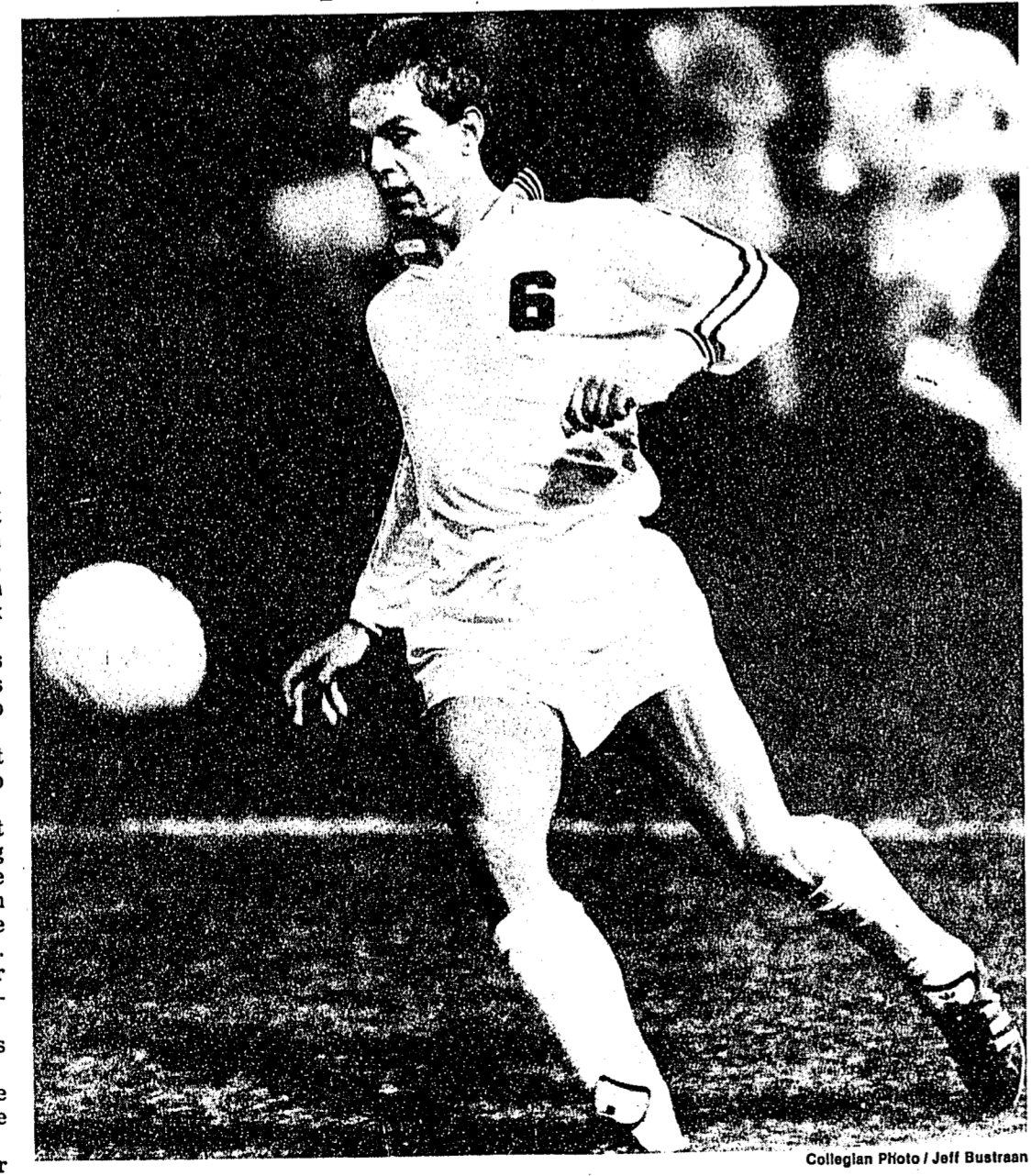
One particular unique skill Jennings possesses is his ability to make things on the field look easy.

"Kevin just shows such smoothness on the field," senior defender Larry Miller said. "He makes difficult moves look really simple."

Bahr said that Jennings is the type of player whose subtleness with the ball is outstanding. He added that the senior midfielder can also work extremely well under pressure.

Assistant Coach Marco Bulatovic, who was a three-year teammate of Jennings, said that "Silk" acquired his nickname during his sophomore year.

"People have been known to stare at Kevin for his smoothness on the field. We used to say that he was as 'smooth as silk' on the field," Bulatovic



Penn State midfielder Kevin Jennings moves the ball downfield in the Lions' upset victory over Connecticut.

said, "I haven't seen anyone with his skill level and his soccer background in a while."

Yet, Jennings isn't the type of athlete who enjoys talking about himself, despite his abilities and accomplishments.

Currently, Jennings is 14th on Penn State's all-time individual record list with 25 career goals and 11 assists. Jennings was the Lions' lead scorer last year with 14 goals and three assists. This season he is third in terms of individual scoring with six goals and two assists and follows forwards Thomas Greve and Niall Harrison.

Kentucky booster cited in recruiting scandal

NEW YORK (AP) — Dave Batton, a former Notre Dame basketball player, said he was offered \$20,000 by South Hancock, owner of the Claiborne Farm, to attend the University of Kentucky, according to the latest Sports Illustrated released yesterday.

Batton told the magazine he was offered the money in October 1973 in return for four summers' work on the horse farm outside Lexington.

"Kentucky was illegal from Day One," Batton told Sports Illustrated.

Hancock has denied Batton's allegations.

Hancock was one of 12 university boosters disassociated from the school's athletic program in 1976

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Mullin signs NBA pact

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Chris Mullin signed a four-year contract with the Golden State Warriors yesterday, ending his holdout six games into the season, and said he was eager to begin his NBA career.

"I'm in great shape. It's going to take me a little time to get into the team system, but I'm anxious to start," the All-American guard from St. John's said after signing with the team at a news conference.

Mullin, the seventh player chosen in this year's NBA draft, was the last of the first-round selections to agree to terms. No money details were announced, but the settlement is believed to be in the \$500,000-a-year range.

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PSU favored over Bearcats

By HERSCHEL NISSENSON
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They're making a lot of noise this week in Gainesville, Fla., where the 7-0-1 Florida Gators are ranked No. 1 for the first time in the 50-year history of the Associated Press college football poll.

"It will give our team the incentive to play 100 percent," crows linemaker Patrick Miller.

There's noise in State College, Pa., as well, where Penn State (8-0) again finds itself in a brouhaha over the rankings.

"I don't think weekly (i.e., regular-season) polls are worth a nickel, and I've said that consistently," says Coach Joe Paterno, who usually conducts his own postseason Paterno Poll when he thinks his Nittany Lions have been treated unfairly.

But the most noise of all comes from the Big Ten where Iowa Coach Hayden Fry said he almost pulled his team out of the field last Saturday because of what he considered excessive noise by the crowd at Ohio State.

"We had a fourth-and-one and our line is just sitting there and didn't hear the snap call," Fry said. "When it rains, it rains on both sides of the field. Crowd noise is one-sided."

"Chuck Long got to the top of the list of quarterback candidates in passing efficiency because of his ability to call audibles. That was taken away from him. He became mentally disturbed for the first time since

he's been a starter with us because of his inability to communicate," says Ohio State's Earle Bruce: "You are going to have noise when you have enthusiasm. I think Fry is overreacting because he lost (22-13). I think the officials did a good job. Crowd noise will be there. You have to prepare for it. You have to call a play in the huddle and go with it."

This week, Illinois is having the recorded sound of screaming fans piped in to its practice sessions. The Illinois play, of all places, at Iowa.

Will Fry try to keep the decibel count down?

"You try to talk to 90,000 people over the P.A. system and say, 'You better stop that or we're going to suspend play for a while,' and they're just laughing," he says. "It has to be controlled some way and the referee is the only one that can have the leverage, and we just don't have the rule for it."

Rest assured it will be noisy in Jacksonville's Gator Bowl where No. 1 Florida is a 5½-point favorite over No. 17 Georgia in their annual interstate blood-letting. The Gators are unbeaten in 18 games, the Dawgs in seven.

The pick... Florida 21-14.

Last week's score was 41 right — the Upset Special of Illinois over Michigan ended in a tie, but the Illini covered the spread — 10 wrong and one tie for a percentage of .803 for the year, 238-121-11 — Maryland: Last year, the Hurricanes blew a 31-0 lead and lost 42-40 to the greatest second-half comeback in history. Revenge... Miami 24-17.

Purdue at No. 9 Michigan (by 14): The Boilers can be spoilers and decide the Big Ten against Michigan and Iowa the next two weeks. Upset Special of the Week... Purdue 24-21.

No. 2 Penn State (favored by 13) at Cincinnati: The Bearcats upset the Lions two years ago and have a chance to catch them looking ahead to Notre Dame — a fat chance... Penn State 28-7.

Iowa State at No. 3 Nebraska (by 40): Coach Tom Osborne says it's too early to be talking Big Eight and national championships for the Huskers but it's too late for Iowa State... Nebraska 41-14.

No. 4 Ohio State (by 25) at Northwestern: The Buckeyes' defeat of Iowa left the Big Ten and national championship races up for grabs... Ohio State 35-7.

Army at No. 5 Air Force (by 12½): Son of War of the Wishbones... Air Force 24-14.

Illinois at No. 6 Iowa (by 7): They'll pipe down in Iowa City when Long asks for quiet... Iowa 28-20.

No. 7 Oklahoma (by 2½) at Missouri: Woody Widenhofer, who built the Pittsburgh Steelers' "Steel Curtain" defense, tries to contain the Sooners' explosive Wishbone... Oklahoma 28-14.

No. 8 Miami, Fla. (by 3) at Maryland: Last year, the Hurricanes blew a 31-0 lead and lost 42-40 to the greatest second-half comeback in history. Revenge... Miami 24-17.

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Ex-Blue Jay skipper Bobby Cox named AL Manager of the Year

By HAL BOCK
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — Bobby Cox, who managed the Toronto Blue Jays to their first divisional title and then left the club to become general manager of the Atlanta Braves, was named the American League Manager of the Year by the Baseball Writers Association of America yesterday.

Cox received 16 first place ballots and 104 points from a 28-voter panel composed of two writers from each of the league's 14 franchise cities.

Dick Howser of the Kansas City Royals, who defeated Cox's Blue Jays in the American League playoffs and then won the World Series against St. Louis, finished second with four firsts and 86 points. Gene Mauch of California was third with eight firsts and 57 points.

The Blue Jays won 99 games under Cox and beat the New York Yankees two games to win the AL East title. In the playoffs against Kansas City, Toronto took a 3-1 lead only to have the Royals recover by winning the last three games to capture the title.

During the World Series, Atlanta asked permission to talk with Cox, whose contract with Toronto had expired. He then signed a five-year contract to join the Braves as GM, returning to the team he had managed for four years from 1978-81.

Cox was attending the general managers' meeting in Inverness, Fla., when yesterday's announcement was made.

It was the second year in a row that

Howser has finished second in the BBWAA balloting. He lost by one point last year to Sparky Anderson of Detroit.

Mauch, who returned to manage the Angels last season after a two-year retirement, had his team in the West Division championship race in the season's final week and finished one game behind Howser's Royals.

Billy Martin, fired for the fourth time by the New York Yankees after the season ended, finished fourth in the balloting with 19 points followed by Oakland's Jackie Moore, who had four. Tony Larussa of Chicago and John McNamara of Boston received one point each.

Whitney Herzog of the St. Louis Cardinals was named National League Manager of the Year.

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