

Uphill battle

New Arkansas golf coach says Hogs need tough schedule to reach goal

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Loy, the man entrusted with the task of making the University of Arkansas' golf program competitive nationally and the Southwest Conference, and the Razorbacks will need a tough schedule and respect to achieve that goal.

Loy, who coached Scottsdale Community College to the last two national junior college national championships, named Sunday as Arkansas' full-time golf coach by a unanimous vote of the board of trustees Monday in a telephone interview from Phoenix, Ariz., that he expects an uphill battle to improve Razorback

and we'll do that by traveling over the country — any weather problems we'll have in Fayetteville will be overlooked because of the schedule and competition."

The harsh weather of Fayetteville and the lack of top courses in the area have been cited as reasons why Arkansas hadn't (or couldn't) develop a national contender in golf. Loy discounted that notion.

"Oklahoma State's weather can't be any better than Arkansas," he said. "Brigham Young must have more snow than anybody, and they are both very competitive. The schedule should overcome any problems with weather or facilities."

Loy, a native of Albuquerque, N.M., who attended Eastern New Mexico University and the University of Utah, said he already has commitments from three junior college players to join him in the Ozarks. Two of those players, who both played for Loy at Scottsdale, finished first and third in the national junior college tournament this year.

sign all three.

Loy also said he would visit the national high school tournament in Albuquerque and other major amateur tournaments. "My first priority is making sure the recruiting is firmly in hand," he said. Loy said he and Broyles had talked to top golf coaches around the country to find what ingredients were needed to make Arkansas golf successful.

"When a man of his (Broyles') stature decides to commit to the golf program, it's going to succeed," Loy said. "He's the only person I know in sports administration that is a member of Augusta National. That tells you what an advocate he is for golf. We have to take that and run with it."

Loy said Broyles' commitment was a reason he decided to leave his job as Scottsdale's assistant athletic director.

"He asked me what would it take," Loy said. "I told him we have to have what Texas and Houston have. That's the only way we can compete with them."



"This going to be tough for the first couple of years," Loy said. The Southwest Conference is the toughest golf conference in the United States, and it will be tough for Arkansas to gain respect. Once we gain respect as a competitive golf program, I think it will completely change the program. It's going to take a complete facelift for it to do so."

Loy said Broyles told him that Arkansas' program would have all the advantages of any of the nation's top college golf programs, such as Oklahoma State or Houston. Loy said a top schedule was foremost on that

"Our players will find by the end of the first year that we are going to play the most outstanding golf schedule in the country," he said. "Once we establish the strongest golf schedule —

No decision yet on Howe

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LOS ANGELES — Los Angeles Dodgers reliever Steve Howe, treated twice for cocaine use, was interviewed Monday by an official of the baseball commissioner's office, but no decision was made on possible disciplinary action.

agent; a lawyer representing Howe; Dodgers' counsel Bob Walker, and a representative of the Players Association.

Gibbs was to fly back to New York to report to Commissioner Bowie Kuhn today.

Both Kuhn and the Dodgers have the authority to act in the case.

Room will have to be made on the team when Howe comes off the disabled list, but the Dodgers

made no announcement. Howe was planning to join his teammates in San Diego for tonight's opener of a three-game series.

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This year he went 19-1 during the regular season. All his wins were complete games, and his sole loss came in relief.

USFL teams feeling heat from old Mother Nature

The Saturday forecast for the greater Chicago area wasn't unusual. A National Weather Service prediction called for sunny skies, with a high of 93 degrees. It was perfect weather for a summer's day.

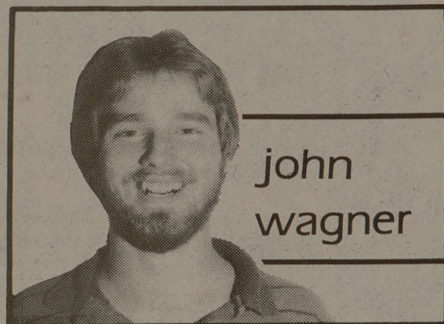
Unless, of course, you're a professional football player. Football, as rumour has it, is supposed to be a winter sport. Who could forget the Green Bay Packers, playing in sub-zero weather on a field that resembled a tundra, with players on the sidelines bundled up like Eskimos?

But some like it hot. Count the United States Football League in. The USFL has said "phooey" to that cold-weather notion, opting for a spring-summer schedule instead of bumping schedules head-to-head with the NFL. The impact of that decision, however, is just starting to make itself known.

The USFL is definitely feeling the heat.

Back to Chicago. The NWS was off by about six degrees, and the temperature reached a record high of 99. If you were a member of the Chicago Blitz or the Michigan Panthers, however, 99 would have seemed like an icebox.

The Panthers and the Blitz squared off Saturday to determine who would have the upper hand in the USFL's Central Division (Michigan won 34-19). The score was secondary, though, to an even more impressive statistic — on the floor of Soldier Field, where the teams battled it out, the mercury soared to 134 degrees.



john wagner

That's hot.

A crowd of 25,041 — 7,100 more than the Blitz's average home attendance — sat in the heat to watch the contest. You have to wonder, however, how long that will last. And even more importantly, how long can the players stand it?

An example: Late in the fourth quarter, Chicago's Trumaine Johnson caught a nine-yard touchdown pass to cut the Panthers' lead to 27-12. After leaving the field, Johnson sat on the bench, a wet towel draped over his head, and four sideline attendants hovered over him, trying to revive the burned-out — and no doubt overheated — wide receiver.

And the USFL's season is far from over. The teams have played seventeen of the eighteen-game schedule, not counting the playoffs. Baseball's All-Star

game will have come and gone, and the USFL will still be playing.

The 12-team league, in its first season, is planning to expand to sixteen teams for the 1984 campaign. Houston is among the cities that have already been granted a franchise. The Gamblers are still in the process of looking for a place to play, but Rice Stadium appears to be owner Dr. Jerry Argovitz's first choice.

Talk about gambling. Houston in July? Outdoors? With all that humidity? It could be dangerous. This is something Argovitz ought to think about. If he is a kind man — and judging from the salary he lavished on the No. 1 Gambler, quarterback Jim Kelly, he must be — then he should put his team in the Astrodome.

Kelly played his college football at warm-weather Miami, but what about the rest of the team? What if their idea of hot is a date on Saturday night, not a game on Saturday afternoon?

Playing in heat is one thing. Playing in heat and humidity is another. Houstonians can tell horror stories about the taxing effects of living in all that humidity. Sweating, dehydration, lack of energy, loss of memory — and that's just after walking to the mailbox. Try tackling 230-pound fullbacks for 60 minutes. It's enough to make your face mask melt.

Then again, some like it hot, and the USFL may find battling the summer heat more palatable than battling the NFL in the winter. And like they say, it's better to burn out than to fade away.

Rockets to pick Ralph today in draft

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HOUSTON — With the No. 1 pick in today's NBA draft decided months ago, wider speculation in Houston has been devoted to whom the Rockets will select with their second choice — the third pick in the first round.

The Rockets have already advertised a "Welcome Ralph Sampson" promotion for tonight in their home arena, the Summit.

Houston ended tied with Cleveland with the worse record in basketball last season and won the right to select first in a coin

flip. It has been no secret owner Charlie Thomas will call the name of the 7-4 Virginia center when the draft begins.

Monday it appeared the team was intent on taking Rodney McCray of Louisville as the third player selected, despite some efforts in Houston by fans to get the club to take Clyde Drexler, a member of the NCAA runner-up Houston Cougars. Drexler, a junior last season, announced he would forego his last year of college ball.

McCray, a 6-7, 220-pound forward, apparently was the

choice of coach Bill Fitch.

"I would say that we are leaning heavily toward McCray," Fitch said. "He can do a lot of things on the basketball floor. In looking at films, we have been extremely impressed with him."

McCray was voted player of the game in the Aloha Classic, a post-season tournament for NBA prospects. At Louisville, he averaged 11 points and 8.4 rebounds.

Rockets spokesman Jim Foley said the team was leaning toward McCray over Tennessee's Dale Ellis.

"McCray is a fine shooter from 15 feet in. He's a great passer and a hard worker," Foley said.

It was possible an 11th-hour trade Monday of the No. 3 choice could send McCray elsewhere. The Rockets entertained offers, but Foley said the team did not get anything it was interested in.

Thomas and Rockets General Manager Ray Patterson Monday flew to New York, where the NBA will hold the annual draft. Sampson and McCray are expected to be in New York also.

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