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Buffalo seeks answer to '84 lethargy

United Press International

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. - The Miami Dolphins appear to be rolling along at a steady pace. The Buffalo Bills would like to get rolling real soon — any week will do.

The Bills got their offense and defense rolling in the second half, but it was too little too late as the Dol-phins scored a 21-17 victory over Buffalo Monday night.

Miami, now 3-0 on the season and atop the AFC East Division, got another stellar performance from second-year quarterback Dan Marino, who threw touchdown passes to Mark Duper, Mark Clayton and Nat Moore to give the Dolphins what appeared to be an insurmountable 21-

3 lead in the third quarter. But the winless Bills showed some character in battling back, scoring two second half touchdowns in a rally that just fell short.

'Buffalo hung in there tough and made some great plays," said Miami Coach Don Shula. "Give Buffalo a lot of credit.'

Much of the credit for the Bills fine second half showing went to the defense, which intercepted Marino once and forced two Miami fumbles, recovering two.

"We're the type of team, that if we don't play with emotion," said Bills defensive end Ben Williams, "we're not going to be any good. We've got to stay at an emotional peak.

The Buffalo defense, hobbled by injuries was forced to use Gary Thompson, a second-year man mak-ing his first start in the NFL at left cornerback and Donald Wilson, a free agent rookie making his second start at free safety.

Except for the first half, when the Bills fell behind 14-3, Buffalo played the game with intensity.

"Our people came out and played with a great deal of enthusiasm and intensity, which I expected," said Bills Coach Kay Stephenson. "We made a number of mistakes. You can't make mistakes and beat the Miami Dolphins.

Shula saw some flaws in what appeared to be a near-perfect performance by Marino, who has thrown 10 touchdown passes in three games

'He has to become a little more aware of defense, different cover-ages," Shula said of his quarterback, who completed 26 of 35 passes for 296 yards in the game. "And he must get more comfortable with our offset performance of the set of the offensive philosophy.

With a lot of that," Shula added, "he's still in the learning stages."



Switzer's Sooners wary of a tough Bear defense

United Press International

NORMAN, Okla. — Oklahoma Coach Barry Switzer Tuesday gave his team an A-plus for effort in the 42-10 conquest of Pittsburgh, but said Baylor will present a tougher defense for the third-ranked

Sooners. "It was a just a great, great effort," Switzer said at his weekly media lun-cheon. "I can't think of anyone who didn't give total effort in the game." Switzer quickly turned the conver-

sation to the Bears, saying, "Baylor will be the best defensive team we have faced so far.'

"Basically they have the same de-fense as last year," he said. "They are big, strong people. Their defensive schemes are similar to Texas - they run a 4-3, and play man-to-man in the secondary.

Offensively, Baylor graduated several top players from last year's Bluebonnet Bowl team to the pro ranks. Nevertheless, Baylor coaches had felt, with the return of co-starting quarterbacks Cody Carlson and Tom Muecke, the Bears' offense would muster more than it did in a

47-13 opening loss to Brigham Young two weeks ago.

Thank God they don't have the receivers of last year," Switzer said. "The only difference between their team from last year is that their skill people have graduated." Regarding his team's mental out-

look for Baylor after beating Pittsburgh and vaulting from 12th place to third in the UPI coaches' ratings, Switzer said, "I talked to the squad a long time after practice about that. We've got to be able to handle the past

"Hopefully, we are smart enough to handle it," he said. "Good teams do.

Switzer said halfback Spencer Tillman, who missed the first two games with an injury, would attempt to practice this week.

We had three doctors meet with Spencer separately, and each of them said it was all a muscle prob-lem," Switzer said. "There was no nerve involvement.

Switzer said Tillman's status for the Baylor game will depend on how much he is able to practice with the urday's game against Baylor

The Oklahoma offense that scored 42 points against Pittsburgh last week is "beat up," Sooner head coach Barry Switzer said Tuesday.

"We are beat up 'on offense," Switzer said. "We are practicing the same backfield we used in the Pittsburgh game.

That backfield consists of Steve Sewell, Lydell Carr and Patrick Collins.

Running back Spencer Tillman, a starter who missed the first two games, was still being hampered Tuesday by a pulled hamstring. Running back Earl Johnson also missed the second half of the Pitt game with an injury.

However, defensive lineman Jeff Tupper and linebacker Paul Migliazzo, who both suffered leg inju ries, returned to practice at full speed Tuesday.

Tight end Keith Jackson did not practice because of a sore shoulder but he is expected to be well for Sat-

Ag Intramurals are for sports fiends

By JOHN MAKELY

Reporter

Ever dream of being Robin Hood? Or competing in an Oympic wrestling event?

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Paula Opal, Assistant Director for extramural clubs said the Athletic Department estimates 42,000 player positions are filled by students, staff and faculty members this semester. The majority of these sports fiends are involved in one or more of the 44 different intramural sports offered.

To sign up, one can either form a team or go by the Athletic Department's team locator service in the Intramural Office in 159 East Kyle. This service assists individuals in finding other people interested in forming a team or filling empty spots on already formed teams.

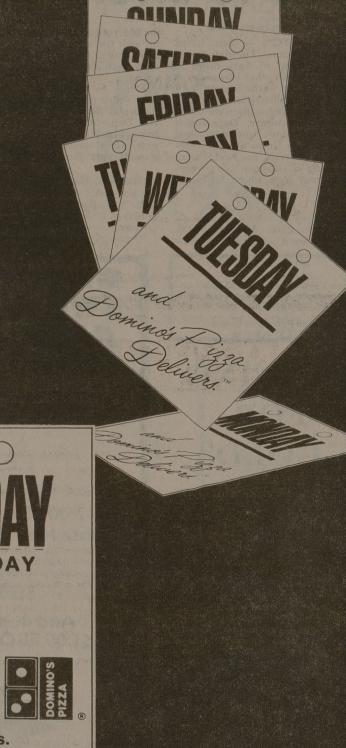
Participants may check out bats, balls, horseshoes and other sports equipment at the checkout windows in East Kyle or DeWare Field House with a student identification card. The Extramural level of competition offers athletes stiffer competition.

Thirty-one teams make up the Extramural Club level. Clubs at this level must be of a competitive nature to the extent that they can compete with other universities. Clubs are partially funded by student fees alloted from student government, but the clubs receive the bulk of their money through fund raisers, Opal said.

Most clubs must compete with other teams in that particular sport to continue to receive funds from student government, while teams like badminton and judo don't emphasize competition, Opal said. They primarily teach classes.

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