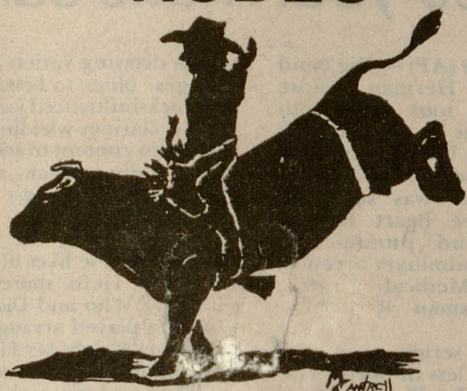


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## Tigers' Anderson earns AL managing honor despite pennant loss

NEW YORK (AP) — Sparky Anderson, who led the Detroit Tigers to the best record in baseball this season, on Thursday was named American League Manager of the Year by the Baseball Writers' Association of America for the second time in four years.

Anderson, also named manager of the year in 1984 when the Tigers won the World Series, received 11 first-place votes and a total of 90 points in balloting by a panel of two BBWAA members from each AL city.

Tom Trebelhorn of the Milwaukee Brewers was second with 78 points and seven first-place votes, followed by Tom Kelly of the World Series champion Minnesota Twins with 74 points and 10 first-place votes.

Balloting was done on the basis of regular-season performance only. Each panel member was asked to vote for three managers with five points awarded for a first-place vote, three for second and one for third.

Anderson's Tigers lost the AL playoffs in five games to the Twins, but in many ways the series was anticlimactic to the one that got them there. Trailing Toronto by two games going into a season-ending series with the Blue Jays, the Tigers swept three to win the division.

In the final two weeks of the season, the Tigers played seven one-run games with the Blue Jays, winning four.

Throughout the season, Anderson claimed this team, which won 98 games, was better than the club that

won 104 games in 1984 after a 35-5 start. He claimed this despite a start that had them in sixth place, 11 games out, on May 5.

"Sparky did a good job of keeping us positive early in the year when things weren't going well," Tigers outfielder Kirk Gibson said. "He told you guys (reporters) in May we would be here, and you walked away laughing at him."

Anderson pointed to pitching as the difference between '84 and '87. In 1985, the Tigers traded third baseman Howard Johnson to the New York Mets for pitcher Walt Terrell, who has won 47 games in the past three years. The Tigers added Frank Tanana in June, 1986, and he has won 27 games since, including a six-hit, 1-0 season-ending victory over Toronto that clinched the division.

"I told my people, 'If you don't get too down, you'll have a smile on your face in September,'" Anderson said. "I always felt we'd be within reach when we got to the stretch. You only had to look at our pitching to see that."

Although the smiles did not last into October, Anderson was right.

By the All-Star break, the Tigers were 11 games over .500 and only five games out of the AL East lead. On July 21, they moved into second, and they were in the race for real. The Tigers won five in a row from Aug. 15-20 to take over first place briefly, then finished the season by winning five of six while Toronto lost its last seven games of the season.

## Spurs relying on mixture of youth and experience to return to winning ways

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — The San Antonio Spurs are coming off their worst season in the NBA and aren't picked to do well this year, but that may be the team's best weapon for winning. Spurs coaches and players say.

Second-year Coach Bob Weiss has been concentrating on the fundamentals and believes his team is ahead of last year.

Veteran players dismiss the notion they will do poorly again this year and are encouraged by the abilities of the younger athletes.

"I think our progress is good. I think we're ahead of where we were last year, conditioning-wise, talent-wise, everything," Weiss said. "I think a lot of people have improved. I know our team has improved as a unit."

During training camp, Weiss said stressing the fundamentals has helped the team's defensive play.

"I'm pretty happy with the way things are going. We weren't picked to do very well, but I think we'll surprise some people," Weiss said.

The Spurs finished at 24-58 last year and had the first pick of this year's NBA draft. They tabbed Navy center David Robinson, but the 7-1 Robinson is spending the next two years in the Navy.

Robinson has not made up his mind about signing with San Antonio and debate around him has centered on when the Spurs would lose rights to him. Still, San Antonio is doing all it can to lure him.

"We're in negotiations. We're talking," Spurs Chairman Angelo Drossos said.

Robinson, management and players said, would be the driving force behind a new Spurs organization.

For now, however, the veterans are helping some of the younger players improve their skills.

Forward David Greenwood, a 6-9, eight-year veteran, said the team has improved dramatically in the past few weeks.

"The kids are doing things that they're not supposed to be able to do right now, especially in playing defense," Greenwood said.

One of the younger players who has impressed the veterans is 6-10 forward Greg "Cadillac" Anderson, a second first-round pick from the University of Houston.

"Cadillac looks real good. He's out there hustling. He's out there playing hard," Greenwood said. "There are other kids who have come along, but Cadillac is just more noticeable because he dunks the ball a lot."

Anderson said he is feeling comfortable with the veterans and doesn't dwell on the prediction of the team doing poorly.

"We can't drop our heads because of how they pick us to do," Anderson said.

Guard Johnny Moore, a 6-3, seven-year veteran who is still fighting back from a bout with desert fever two seasons ago, said the team is doing well.

"You don't want to peak too soon. I'm not saying we're peaking, but we are making improvements every day," Moore said.

Moore, like team members, doesn't mind the Spurs' dormat image.

"I don't mind the underdog role. It may be to our benefit, even so. People don't expect us to do anything and if we play solid, we'll have the opportunity to win some games," Moore said.

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