

# Cowboys get big welcome in Tempe

□ Hundreds of cheering fans greeted the Dallas team at the airport Monday.

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Maybe the Dallas Cowboys have taken this America's Team stuff too far.

When they arrived in Arizona for the Super Bowl, they were greeted by hundreds of fans at the airport — in a town that has another NFL team, a division rival, no less.

At their first news conference of the week, a prime topic was their popularity throughout the nation, the world. Even before the Pittsburgh Steelers, their foes in Sunday's title game, had shown up Monday night, it seemed as if the AFC champions were forgotten.

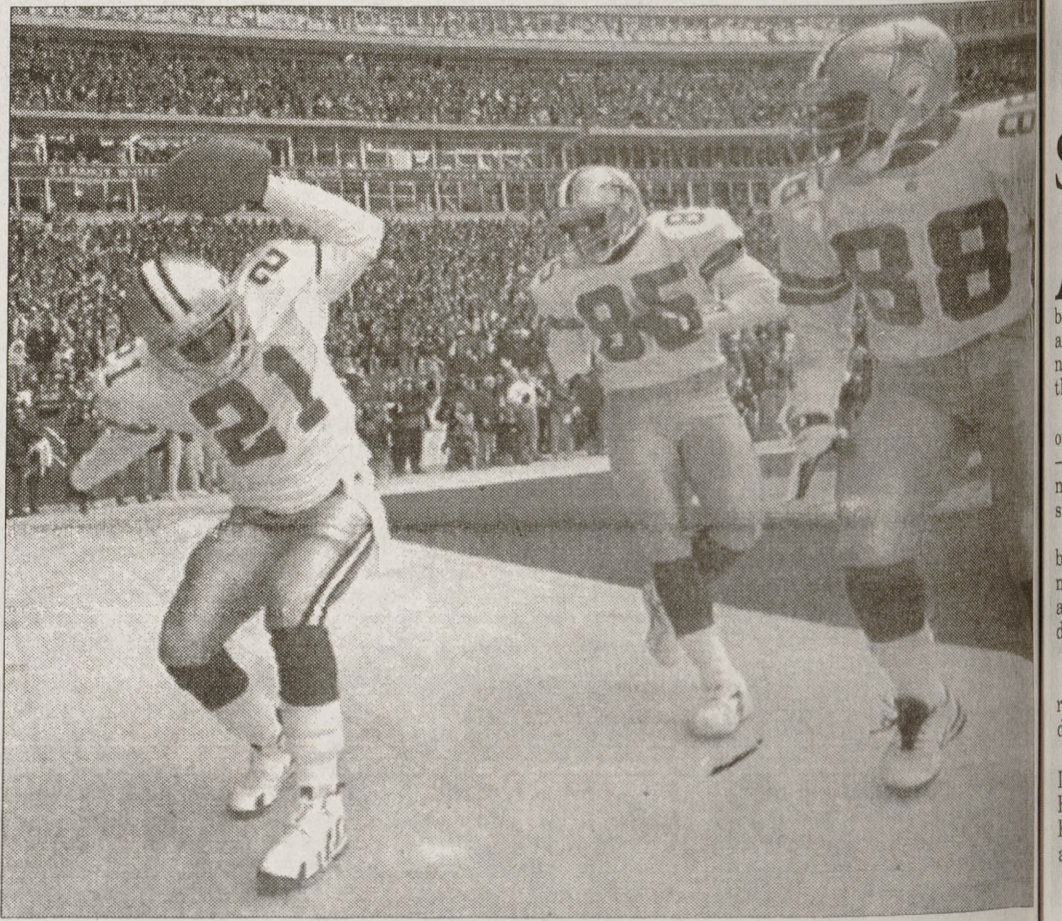
"You've even got true blue Cowboys fans up East," said safety Bill Bates. "You know they've got to be severe, hard-core fans to live up there with the Eagles and the Giants. They have to really love you, and that means a lot to us."

It also puts more stress on being a Cowboy; the players have to deal with far more attention, at home and on the road, than most teams.

"It says a lot about the character of our team," said Emmitt Smith, the man the Steelers must neutralize to have a chance for the championship. "It's hard to stay focused. Everybody's got their opinion. It's easier to jump off the bandwagon."

Adds Troy Aikman, who carries a 9-2 playoff record into his third Super Bowl, "It's mind-boggling that so many people are interested."

It shouldn't be surprising, considering how well marketed the Cowboys are. Owner Jerry Jones claims they are second in merchandise sold in every NFL city.



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## Kirkland

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the 400 hurdles at the SWC's with a time of 1:00.81.

At the NCAA Championships, she finished second in her preliminary heat with a time of 13.47, which qualified her for the semifinals where she ran a 13.63, good enough for a sixth-place finish.

At the SWC indoor meet, she won her preliminary heat in the 55 hurdles with a time of 8.05, but did not advance to the finals after posting a 8.48 in the semifinals.

What motivates Kirkland to run?

"My mom is my motivator," Kirkland said. "Ever since I started running, she has been my motivation."

Brown said the maternal influence is very evident in Kirkland's style on and off the track.

"She's from a good background," Brown said. "Her mother is very supportive. Anjanette is one of those elite individuals who wants to succeed and make contributions to society."

She will have a big opportunity to contribute to society when she runs in the Olympic Trials in June. She will be running the 100 hurdles in hopes of qualifying for the Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta in August and September.

Brown said that in order for Kirkland to qualify, she will probably have to run a 12.6 or a 12.7. Her best wind-aided time is 12.89.

Kirkland got off to a great start for the 1996 season, winning the 55 hurdle event at Saturday's Sooner Invitational Relays at the Myriad Convention Center in Oklahoma City.

After the race, Brown said Kirkland's greatest ability is her desire.

"You've got to have a special talent and gift, and Anjanette has it," Brown said. "We're proud to have her in our program."

## Anderson in limbo while trade transaction stalls

□ The new Charlotte Hornets point guard has been unable to suit up because of medical tests being done on other players.

from playing or practicing with their new teams.

The Hornets had Sunday off, but when they went through a 90-minute workout Monday, Anderson and reserve guard Gerald Glass, the other player the Nets sent to Charlotte, had to stay on the sidelines.

"They could dress like Hornets in the team's standard practice attire. They could speak with their would-be Hornets teammates. They could use the Hornets' exercise equipment. They just couldn't go out on either of the teal and purple courts and take part in the drills at the team's practice complex facility.

"I'm just waiting, just waiting it out and working out," Anderson said. "I'm doing the treadmill, doing the bike. Hopefully, it will all work out for the best."

While he passes the time, Anderson fights thoughts that the deal might not go through, a scenario that is not without precedent in the NBA. Anderson remembers the February 1994 attempted trade of Detroit's Sean Elliott to Houston for Robert Horry and Matt Bullard, a deal that was rescinded after Elliott failed his physical.

"I don't want to talk about negative things, but you also have to look at what happened with Robert Horry and

FORT MILL, S.C. (AP) — Would-be Charlotte Hornet Kenny Anderson spent day No. 3 in trade limbo Monday, trying to get as close as he can to a team that's still not allowed to officially embrace him.

"It's a Catch-22 situation, but I've got good vibes about this," Anderson said after he was reduced to the role of a bystander during the Hornets' practice.

Charlotte acquired Anderson from the New Jersey Nets in a four-player trade Friday. The Hornets, eager to fill a void at point guard, had planned to start Anderson in Saturday night's home game against Golden State.

But 45 minutes before the contest, word came down from New Jersey that the Nets wanted to run more tests on Khalid Reeves, one of the players they got in the deal. Reeves sprained his left ankle on Dec. 11, and New Jersey wants to make sure there's no significant damage in the joint.

The Nets have been given until Tuesday afternoon to complete their tests. Until then, all four players are barred

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