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## Comets claim fourth title

*Dynasty continues as Houston wins championship*

HOUSTON (AP) — Winning does not seem to get commonplace for the Houston Comets, who now own a string of titles unmatched in pro sports in two decades.

Cast as underdogs, the Comets completed another championship run by beating the New York Liberty 79-73 in overtime Saturday for their fourth WNBA championship in a row, remaining the only champions in the league's history.

They swept all three playoff opponents in best-of-three series and the latest title has coach Van Chancellor considering a change in jewelry.

"I pretty well always have worn that first ring, but I'm going to switch to the fourth one, because all this time they've been crowning the Los Angeles Sparks the champion or Sacramento or somebody besides the Comets," Chancellor said.

The Comets took a place in pro playoff history with their fourth title.

The only NBA team to win at least four in a row was the Boston Celtics, who won eight in a row, ending in 1966. The last major sport pro team to win four in a row was the NHL's New York Islanders, from 1980-83.

With typical heart, emotion and the Big Three — Sheryl Swoopes, Cynthia Cooper and Tina Thompson — the Comets lost the lead late in Saturday's game but tied it on a

clutch 3-point basket by Cooper to force the overtime.

"It's hard to go out there night after night and just play," Chancellor said. "I thought we just had to get to the playoffs. Can you believe we swept Sacramento, LA and New York?"

During the season, Cooper, 37, said she would retire once the year was out, and if she holds firm — some players think she will play next season — the Comets might just be vulnerable enough for another team to win.

**"Can you believe we swept Sacramento, LA and New York?"**

— Van Chancellor  
Comets head coach

New York, which has lost to the Comets in three of the four WNBA championship series, is not so sure.

"They're just going to step up and score more points because they have three MVPs on the team," said Liberty forward Sue Wicks. "You lose one, you still have two, and they're still going to handle business."

Cooper won her fourth straight championship finals MVP by getting 25 points, seven assists and four rebounds in the clinching game.

"When everyone counted us out, we hung in there and showed character, perseverance," Cooper said. "We could have let down today, but we've got a game tomorrow and we came out and played tough the single minute."

The Sparks beat the Comets in straight times in the regular season and were the favorites to unseat the defending champions. But the Comets won their last five regular season games and went 6-0 in the playoffs.

Cooper bid the fans farewell in a post-game celebration.

"I've had a wonderful career in the WNBA," she said. "You can't ask for a better time to go than on top with the Houston Comets as No. 1. This is it."

Later, she hedged.

"You know, right now I'm savoring the moment," she said. "There's some great years with the Comets in the past, but the WNBA is right now concentrating on the four championships we won."

If Cooper doesn't return, Swoopes has shown she's at her peak, missing most of the 1997 season following childbirth.

## Eusebio hits homer, Astros down Expos

MONTREAL (AP) — Even Tony Eusebio did not know how well he is been hitting.

Eusebio doubled twice and hit his seventh homer to extend his career-best hitting streak to 23 games and Scott Elarton pitched his second career complete game as the Houston Astros beat the Montreal Expos 7-3 Sunday.

Moises Alou went 3-for-4 with his 25th homer off Trey Moore (1-4), a two-run shot down the left-field line as Houston scored four in the fourth.

Eusebio doubled following Alou's two-run homer to tie the Astros' team record by hitting safely in his 23rd consecutive game.

"I didn't know the record streak for the Astros was 23 games," Eusebio said. "When you play the game, you don't pay too much mind to it."

He added an RBI double in the fifth and hit a solo homer in the eighth to make it 7-2.

"I just tied it, I didn't pass it, so we'll have to wait until tomorrow, another game," Eusebio said. "Hopefully I'll pass it and I'll be happy."

Elarton (15-4), who also pitched

a complete game against Montreal on Aug. 6, allowed six hits, including Brian Schneider's two-run double in the sixth, and seven walks. He struck out six.

The Astros won for the 10th time in their last 13 games.

"We definitely need some momentum going into next year," Elarton said. "We've got a lot of young guys. We're playing hard; it's good to see. The only thing we can really do is build momentum for next year."

Montreal has lost 14 of its last 17 games, including five of its last six. The Expos have lost 14 of their last 16 games at Olympic Stadium.

Jeff Bagwell got his 31st RBI in August on a run-scoring grounder in the first to tie the team record he already shared with Derek Bell for most RBIs in a month.

Roger Cedeno and Julio Lugo singled to lead off the game. Cedeno advanced to third, and Lugo went to second on Moore's balk, and Cedeno scored on Bagwell's grounder to second.

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Astros pitcher

## Cowboys acquire Santiago

IRVING (AP) — After a month of auditions for a third tight end, the Dallas Cowboys acquired Carlos Santiago from Atlanta on Sunday for two late-round draft picks.

A season-ending injury to Matt Luckey early in training camp in Dallas without a backup to Dan LaFleur and Jackie Harris, who was to have joined LaFleur as second blocking tight end on much as 20 percent of the Cowboys' new offense.

Dallas' search included training for one candidate, claiming another off waivers, signing free players and looking at another ready on the roster.

The Cowboys were leaning toward keeping two — a blocker back up and complement LaFleur and a receiver to back up Harris. Then the Falcons called Saturday, and after a few hours of negotiations, Dallas agreed to give up a fourth-round pick next year and a seventh-rounder in 2001.

"They'd been watching me bring in tight ends, so they were potentially interested," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said.

Santiago caught 27 passes for 428 yards and five touchdowns in 1998, the year Atlanta reached Super Bowl.

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