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THE 1975 WCAC CHAMPIONS

THE TRAIL TO TEMPE . . .

PLAYER	G	FGM-FGA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB	AVE	PF-FO	TP	AVE	A
EDDIE OWENS	26	190- 383	.496	107-137	.781	119	4.8	69- 4	487	18.7	49
WCAC	14	102- 210	.486	57- 72	.792	57	4.1	37- 3	261	18.6	28
RICKY SOBERS	26	195- 376	.519	85-102	.833	94	3.6	88- 8	475	18.3	154
WCAC	14	102- 198	.515	48- 57	.842	52	3.7	46- 4	252	18.0	88
LEWIS BROWN	25	149- 336	.466	25- 46	.543	294	11.8	85- 3	323	12.9	23
WCAC	13	81- 177	.458	7- 17	.412	156	12.0	47- 0	169	13.0	14
GLEN GONDREZICK	26	124- 264	.470	69- 90	.767	162	6.2	102- 9	317	12.2	68
WCAC	14	76- 151	.503	30- 35	.857	99	7.1	53- 5	182	13.0	39
JACKIE ROBINSON	24	121- 239	.506	47- 76	.618	240	10.0	65- 1	289	12.0	35
WCAC	12	58- 110	.527	16- 24	.667	115	9.6	35- 1	132	11.0	17
ROBERT SMITH	26	96- 184	.522	50- 61	.820	31	1.2	49- 1	242	9.3	82
WCAC	14	55- 94	.585	23- 28	.821	18	1.3	26- 0	133	9.5	41
BOYD BATTS	15	59- 130	.454	20- 28	.714	63	4.2	47- 2	138	9.2	16
WCAC	14	52- 120	.433	20- 27	.741	57	4.1	43- 2	124	8.9	16
DON WEIMER	20	15- 43	.349	8- 15	.533	53	2.7	48- 5	38	1.9	4
WCAC	9	3- 12	.250	3- 8	.375	20	2.2	18- 2	9	1.0	3
MIKE MILKE	13	11- 30	.367	10- 12	.833	11	.9	9- 0	32	2.5	16
WCAC	9	9- 20	.450	10- 12	.833	5	.6	8- 0	28	3.1	10
JOHN FREEMAN	11	9- 17	.529	2- 3	.667	3	.3	7- 0	20	1.8	0
WCAC	7	8- 12	.667	2- 3	.667	1	.1	6- 0	18	2.6	0
MATT PORTER	8	6- 12	.500	3- 3	1.000	3	.4	0- 0	15	1.9	3
WCAC	6	6- 10	.600	3- 3	1.000	3	.5	0- 0	15	2.5	3
DON SILCOX	7	1- 3	.333	0- 2	.000	17	2.4	2- 0	2	.3	2
WCAC	5	1- 3	.333	0- 1	.000	11	2.2	0- 0	2	.4	2
JEEP KELLEY	7	8- 26	.308	1- 2	.500	9	1.3	7- 0	17	2.4	4
(TEAM REBOUNDS)						129-55					
UNLV	26	984-2043	.482	427-577	.740	1228	47.2	578-33	2395	92.1	456
WCAC	14	553-1117	.495	219-287	.763	649	46.4	315-17	1325	94.6	261
OPPONENTS	26	828-1866	.444	431-606	.711	1194	45.9	579-27	2087	80.3	380
WCAC	14	431- 959	.449	266-354	.751	599	42.8	294-10	1128	80.6	217

MINUTES PLAYED:
TEAM (5,200) — Sobers (893), Gondrezick (793), Robinson (777), Owens (769), Brown (709),
Smith (564), Batts (300), Weimer (182), Kelley (75), Milke (57), Porter (30),
Freeman (27), Silcox (24).

TURNOVERS:
TEAM (431) — Sobers (109), Brown (64), Owens (59), Smith (56), Robinson (45),
Gondrezick (43), Weimer (26), Milke (13), Batts (11), Kelley (4), Silcox (1),
Freeman (0), Porter (0).

RESULTS:

UNLV	OPPONENT	OPP	LEADING SCORER	TOP REBOUNDER	ATTENDANCE
75	CAL STATE, FULLERTON	56	Sobers - 16	Brown - 17	5,228
80	Univ. of Arizona	85	Gondrezick - 21	Brown - 8	11,123
77	Univ. of Oregon	94	Robinson - 17	Robinson - 9	10,000 SELLOUT
84	U.C. SANTA BARBARA	81	Owens - 26	Owens - 12	3,859
94	UNIV. OF RHODE ISLAND	80	Robinson, Owens - 20	Brown - 12	3,592
101	BUFFALO STATE COLLEGE	74	Robinson - 20	Robinson, Brown - 9	3,624
99	ILLINOIS STATE UNIV.	88	Brown, Sobers - 22	Brown - 22	5,981
99	#UNIV. OF SOUTH ALABAMA	80	Owens - 30	Robinson, Brown - 15	6,257 SELLOUT
80	#FRESNO STATE UNIVERSITY	64	Sobers - 23	Brown - 14	6,227
78	+ Texas A&M University	80	Owens - 20	Robinson - 17	5,673
89	+ University of Hawaii	77	Brown, Sobers - 22	Brown - 11	8,825
82	*Loyola Marymount Univ.	69	Owens, Sobers - 20	Brown - 15	2,123 SELLOUT
94	*Pepperdine University	82	Sobers - 24	Brown - 11	2,950
77	*UNIV. OF SAN FRANCISCO	75	Owens - 20	Brown - 11	6,257 SELLOUT
100	*UNIV. OF SANTA CLARA	79	Owens - 23	Brown, Gondrezick - 9	6,257 SELLOUT
126	*UNIV. OF NEVADA, RENO	87	Owens - 22	Robinson - 13	6,257 SELLOUT
84	*SEATTLE UNIVERSITY	62	Owens - 21	Brown - 20	6,257 SELLOUT
106	*SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE	94	Sobers - 23	Brown - 12	6,257 SELLOUT
77	*Seattle University	63	Sobers - 20	Robinson - 14	3,000
81	*Saint Mary's College	75	Gondrezick - 19	Robinson - 13	1,800 SELLOUT
103	*Univ. of San Francisco	113	Owens - 26	Brown - 23	5,488
81	*Univ. of Santa Clara	74	Sobers - 31	Brown - 9	2,335 SELLOUT
123	*PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY	86	Owens, Robinson - 16	Robinson - 15	6,257 SELLOUT
93	*LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIV.	81	Gondrezick - 26	Brown - 15	6,218
98	*Univ. of Nevada, Reno	88	Sobers - 30	Gondrezick - 12	3,500
114	PORTLAND STATE UNIV.	100	Sobers - 32	Robinson - 16	6,237

HOME GAMES IN ALL CAPS
#Las Vegas Holiday Classic

+Houston Bluebonnet Classic

*West Coast Athletic Conference

The Trail to Tempe for the 1974-75 University of Nevada, Las Vegas, has been a fruitful one, obvious by the fact the Runnin' Rebels are here today.

Coach Jerry Tarkanian is continuing his brilliant coaching career at this oasis in the Nevada desert and his 22-4 regular season record has maintained his winningest percentage among college basketball coaches at .845. In seven seasons of major college coaching, Tark's teams have compiled records of 23-3, 24-5, 24-5, 25-4, 26-3, 20-6, and this year's 22-4.

The Runnin' Rebel team on display here at Arizona State University is the finest in the 17-year history of UNLV and is the first-ever to win the West Coast Athletic Conference Championship and advance into the Division I NCAA playoffs. (In 1967-68 and 1968-69 when the school was called Nevada Southern University, it did play in college division playoffs.)

As the above statistics show, the Runn' Rebels are a fine-shooting, high-scoring team that has been built around teamwork. All Five Rebel starters average in double figures. Two "Super Subs" contribute heavily to

the team's performance, averaging 9.3 and 9.2 points respectively themselves.

Tarkanian has said several times this season that the Rebels of 1974-75 have played more to their potential than any other team he has ever coached.

The four losses the Rebels endured during the regular season were all on the road, one being on a neutral court. A meaningful experience was gained in losses at two tough arenas to play in — Arizona's McKale Center and Oregon's MacArthur Court (The Pit).

All-American Ricky Sobers is the team's captain and only senior, the other four starters are all sophomores. The two "super subs", Robert Smith and Boyd Batts are a sophomore and junior respectively.

The Rebels, who are 1-0 all-time against San Diego State, have nicknames, too. Tricky Ricky Sobers, Easy Eddie Owens, Big Lew Brown, Glen Gondo Gondrezick, Jumpin' Jackie Robinson, Robert Slick Smith, and Bouncin' Boyd Batts.

The WCAC champions have arrived, and they're just proud to be here.



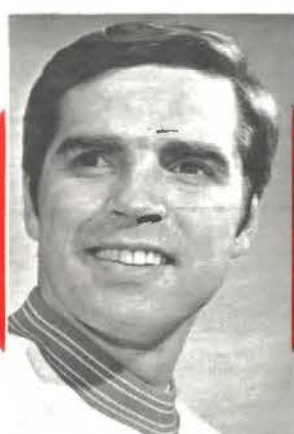
Jerry Tarkanian



Dan Ayala



Ralph Readout



Lynn Archibald

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LAS VEGAS HONORS ITS SENIOR

Definitely the toast of Las Vegas, the Runnin' Rebels ended the regular season at home with the Mayor of Las Vegas (Oran K. Gragson) proclaiming March 3, 1975 as "UNLV Basketball Appreciation Day", urging "all of our citizens in this great community to give due recognition for this tremendous effort by the UNLV basketball team and thank them for the honor they have won."

Over 6,200 Las Vegas fans honored "their" team at Rebel Appreciation Night against Portland State and watched the team's only senior, All-America guard and team captain Ricky B. Sobers, honored in a Las Vegas-style pre-game ceremony. The evening included UNLV athletic Director Bill Ireland presenting Ricky a special award from the Las Vegas Review-Journal newspaper for the best "single season performance ever by a Rebel basketball player", and, a three foot by five foot cake also presented to Ricky and his fans by the UNLV Booster's Club.

Mrs. Lois Tarkanian represented the Rebel Hoopster's Club (women's organization) and gave Ricky a collage photograph, highlighting his senior season as a Rebel.

The Rebel MVP for 1974-75 responded to the crowd's recognition of his efforts with his best game yet, scoring 32 points, dealing off 13 more assists, and pulling down five rebounds from his point-guard position.

Ricky B. Sobers had his cake, and, ate it, too. Las Vegas is a first-class town.

