

Kings sign former Trojan

SACRAMENTO, CALIF. — The Sacramento Kings signed free agent Justin Williams to a contract according to Kings President of Basketball Operations Geoff Petrie. Per club policy, terms of the agreements were not disclosed.

Williams, a 6-10, 225-pound center, averaged five points, 6.4 rebounds and 1.8 blocks in five games for the Kings in the 2006 Las Vegas Summer League.

He averaged 10.1 points, 8.7 rebounds and 8.1 blocks in 58 games over his two-year career at the University of Wyoming. Williams started his collegiate career at Colby Community College, where he averaged 12.5 points, 9.7 rebounds and 4.3 blocks in 63 games.

Norton, Oberlin to host car races

Race fans of all ages will enjoy a great double header Sept. 2-3 in Norton and Oberlin.

On Saturday night the United Rebel Sprint Series (URSS) with local drivers Randy and Mark Bantam, Kyle Fields, and hard charger Billy Smith, along with the rest of the traveling series regulars, will attack the Elmwood Park Speedway for the first time to headline the fifth annual Vintage Classic being held at the historic big half mile in Norton.

Local businessman Don McMullen, former driver Jerry Bantam, and current URSS competitor Randy Bantam have built this event into one that now attracts one of the largest turnouts of nostalgic and history abundant race cars in the country. It combines the Colorado Vintage Oval Racers (CVOR), the Kansas Antique Racers (KAR), and the Big Car Racing Association (BCRA) on the famed fairgrounds half mile dirt track.

The (URSS) in their first season will be making their own history that evening as it will be the first visit to a big half mile track for the series.

While the nostalgic cars will continue on Sunday afternoon with an open play day for fans to enjoy more of what racing was like in the past, the Rebels will load up and head 30 miles west to prepare their machines for their last appearance at the Oberlin Speedway for the First Annual Outlaw Fall Classic.

Racing both nights start at 7 p.m. The Sunday afternoon vintage races will start after lunch. For more information contact Rick Salem at 785-475-7010 or by e-mail at rksalem@eaglecom.net.

Coach, player take argument into clubhouse tunnel

TORONTO (AP) — Blue Jays manager John Gibbons wound up with a bloody nose after tangling with pitcher Ted Lilly near the dugout during Toronto's game against Oakland.

It was not known whether any punches were thrown in the tunnel leading to the clubhouse.

Lilly was pulled in the third inning, when the Athletics scored seven runs to close to 8-7. Gibbons chewed out the pitcher, who refused to give him the ball.

When Lilly left the mound for the locker room, Gibbons followed him. A team trainer and a number of players then ran down the stairs.

Cameramen near the dugout saw Gibbons push Lilly first. A television camera later showed Gibbons with a bloody nose.



File photo

Registration for the 2006-07 season of the American Youth Soccer Organization is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday from at Pioneer Memorial Library in Colby. Youth from around the area, above, play their games on Saturdays at the soccer fields on the corner of 10th Street and Thompson in Colby.

Fall youth soccer sign up is Saturday

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Registration for the 2006-07 soccer season is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, at Pioneer Memorial Library, 375 W. Fourth St., Colby. Youth between the ages of 4 1/2 (by Aug. 1) to 18 years are eligible, said Tom Shoaff, regional commissioner. The cost is \$35 and will include a shirt, shorts, socks, shin pads and a soccer ball.

In addition, registration is open to youth in Colby, Oakley, Winona, Page City, Gem, Rexford, Mingo and other surrounding areas. All games will be played at the soccer field on the corner of 10th Street and Thompson in Colby.

"If anyone is interested in volunteering to coach, referee, help with field maintenance, or be a team parent administrator, please let us know," Shoaff said Tuesday.

All training is free, requiring only a small amount of time, depending on the level of expertise, he said. For example, someone interested in basic level soccer would need one day, while intermediate and ad-

vanced training might require two or three weekends.

"The American Youth Soccer Organization pays for all the training and transportation costs to the training location," Shoaff said.

The first game starts Saturday, Sept. 16 and the fall season continues through Saturday, Oct. 28. Spring season dates are in April and May.

For questions about registration or eligibility, call Emily Griffin, registrar, and for questions about volunteering, call Shoaff at 462-2391.

Broncos trade receiver for 2007 draft pick

ATLANTA (AP) — The Atlanta Falcons traded running back T.J. Duckett to the Washington Redskins as part of a three-team deal and acquired holdout receiver Ashley Lelie from the Denver Broncos.

The Broncos received Washington's third-round pick in the 2007 draft as part of the deal, according to two officials within the league who spoke on condition of anonymity because the trade had not been officially announced.

Washington had been shopping for a running back since star Clinton Portis partially dislocated his shoulder in the preseason opener against Cincinnati.

The Redskins are unsure if he'll

be ready for the start of the regular season.

The Falcons, meanwhile, were eager to land another receiver after losing Brian Finneran to a season-ending knee injury in the early days of training camp.

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