

Rockies finish three-game sweep against Pirates 9-2

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Todd Helton homered and doubled to up his average to .394, and Brian Bohanon backed his own effective pitching with a two-run double as Colorado finished a three-game sweep of Pittsburgh, 9-2 Sunday.

Bohanon (8-9) allowed four singles in his first complete game since Sept. 3 against the New York Mets, and had two hits as the Rockies outscored the Pirates 26-9 in the series.

Helton was 2-for-4 and had four hits in the final two games.

This was the Rockies' first three-game road sweep since they started the 1998 season by sweeping Arizona, yet still raised his average



only two points.

Helton, trying to become the first since Ted Williams in 1941 to bat .400, must bat about .430 over the Rockies' final 31 games to reach .400. He is hitting .432 (54-for-125) over his last 34 games.

Bohanon is doing even better than that over his last three starts, going 6-for-12 with two doubles, a homer and six RBIs. He had the Rockies' key hit Sunday, a two-run double in a go-ahead three-run second against Pirates starter Dan Serafini (1-3).

Bohanon also singled following Butch Huskey's homer in the fourth, one of three solo shots by a team whose 128 homers are the second-fewest in the NL.

Helton hit his 32nd in the fifth off rookie reliever Bronson Arroyo, and Jeffrey Hammonds followed with his 20th.

One day after manager Gene Lamont held a closed-door meeting to emphasize the Pirates

can't give up the season, they lost their fourth in a row and 13th in 17 games.

They will lose 90 games for the second time in three years even if they win 20 of their final 34 games.

Huskey, who also singled in the three-run second, and Ben Petrick added sacrifice flies in the seventh against reliever Marc Wilkins. Petrick and Jeff Cirillo each had three of the Rockies' 16 hits.

Serafini allowed four runs and eight hits in 3 1-3 innings as a Pirates starter failed to pitch past the sixth inning for the 18th time in 24 games.

Notes: Rockies manager Buddy Bell turned

49 Sunday in the city where he was born. His father, Gus, was playing for the Pirates in 1951 when Buddy was born. The Rockies, usually a poor road team, have won eight of their last 11 road games.

Colorado had 35 hits Saturday and Sunday. The start of the game was delayed 42 minutes by rain.

Lamont was booed when he went to the mound to take out Serafini in the fourth.

The Pirates lost their 10th consecutive home day game. They are 3-14 in home day games, last winning May 14.

Until going hitless in his final three at-bats, Bohanon had six hits in his previous nine at-bats.

Royals take 5-3 loss

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Brian Daubach homered in a four-run first inning Saturday night, and the Boston Red Sox hung on for a 5-3 win over the Kansas City Royals.

Nomar Garciaparra, after sitting out three games with a pulled left hamstring, had three hits for Boston and raised his AL-leading average to .373. Garciaparra also scored two runs as the Red Sox handed Kansas City its sixth loss in seven games.

Daubach's homer to right field off Brian Meadows (2-2) made it 2-0, and Scott Hatteberg added a two-run single with one out. The Red Sox got six of their 12 hits off Meadows in

the first inning.

Meadows gave up five runs in 7 2-3 innings, walking one and striking out one. He was helped out by three double plays in the first four innings.

Red Sox starter Rolando Arrojo (3-1) left with one out in the sixth with a bruised right ankle. He gave up two runs and five hits, with no walks and three strikeouts. Derek Lowe pitched the ninth for his 31st save in 36 chances.

Both runs came on Johnny Damon's fifth-inning homer, a line drive into the right-field bleachers that cut Boston's lead to 4-2.

Chiefs' final cuts in, coach keeps youthful team

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Cris Dishman, a 12-year veteran and two-time Pro Bowl cornerback, was cut Sunday by a Kansas City Chiefs team that will be one of the youngest in the NFL.

But Dishman agreed to a contract later Sunday with the Minnesota Vikings.

The Chiefs kept their first seven picks from this year's draft and will have 18 newcomers, including nine with one year's experience or less.

Warren Moon, the 18-year veteran quarterback who waged a fierce training camp battle with Todd Collins to be Elvis Grbac's backup, survived the mandatory cut to 53 players. Moon was listed third on the depth chart behind

Collins.

Dishman started all 16 games last year in his only season with the Chiefs, making five interceptions and totaling 84 tackles. With the Houston Oilers, Washington Redskins and Chiefs, he had 42 interceptions and made 742 tackles.

He was beaten out in training camp by Eric Warfield, a third-year cornerback from Nebraska.

Also among the 17 players waived or terminated on Sunday were veterans Rashaan Shehee, Jeff Smith, Mitch Jacoby, Mark Word, Kirby Dar Dar and Tim Terry.

Shehee was a third-round pick of the Chiefs in 1998.

The Chiefs kept linebacker Andre

O'Neal, an undrafted rookie free agent, and second-year center Brian Waters, another free agent.

Five of the seven new players on defense could start in the season opener Sunday against Indianapolis.

including Warfield; tackle John

Browning; Larry Atkins or rookie Greg Wesley at safety; defensive end Duane Clemons; and linebacker Lew Bush.

Additionally, the Chiefs will have newcomers in long snapper Kendall Gammon and also kicker Todd Sauebrun.

Track star makes trial cuts

COURAN COVE, Australia (AP) — Philip Dunn called the 50-kilometer walk "the stupidest event in track and field."

"Only brave people would risk training for a 31-mile walk," he said.

Then, why is he a 50K walker and a member of the U.S. Olympic team?

Those disparaging remarks were Dunn's thoughts in January 1997 when he switched from the 20K walk to the 50K.

"A variety of circumstances pushed me into the 50K," he said.

The major reason was getting a new coach, Bohdan Bulakowski, a 50K walker from Poland.

"He encouraged me to try to the 50K," Dunn said.

Bulakowski also convinced some other walkers at the U.S. Olympic Training center at Chula Vista, Calif., to try the longer distance. His advice helped. The United States will have three 50K walkers at Sydney — Dunn, Curt Clausen and Andrew Hermann — and only one 20K walker, Tim Seaman.

The walkers also have a new coach, Enrique Pena, coach of 1996 Olympic 20K champion Jefferson Perez of Ecuador.

It took a while for Dunn to convince

himself that the 50K event was right for him. Injuries slowed his progress in 1997 and part of '98.

Before the Pan Am Cup in October 1998 at Miami, the U.S. team needed a third member to fill out its 50K team. Dunn won a last-chance qualifying race, then wound up the top U.S. finisher at the Pan Am Cup, fourth overall.

"Suddenly, I thought this 50K stuff is not so bad," he said. "It was a sick and demented thought. During the race, I threw up twice, and afterward, I was taken to a hospital and given four IV bags of fluids."

Why keep doing the 50K if it was so tortuous?

"I always like challenges," the 1993 Carleton graduate said. "I like to think I'm capable of doing what people think I can't do."

He also was the bronze medalist at the 1999 Pan Am Games at Winnipeg and fourth at the 1999 U.S. championships.

All that time, Dunn had a torn meniscus in his left knee. Finally, in August, he had surgery. He was on crutches for four weeks and did not train for another 3-4 weeks, delaying his Olympic preparations.

baseball scoreboard

By The Associated Press

National League			
East Division			
W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	78	52.600	—
New York	77	53.592	1
Florida	63	66.488	14 1/2
Philadelphia	55	74.426	22 1/2
Montreal	54	73.425	22 1/2

Central Division			
W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	73	57.562	—
Cincinnati	64	65.496	8 1/2
Chicago	56	73.434	16 1/2
Milwaukee	56	73.434	16 1/2
Houston	54	76.415	19
Pittsburgh	52	76.406	20

West Division			
W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	73	55.570	—
Arizona	71	58.550	2 1/2
Los Angeles	68	62.523	6
Colorado	66	64.508	8
San Diego	63	67.485	11

Saturday's Games			
Colorado 11, Pittsburgh 4	Chicago Cubs 6, Los Angeles 4	Philadelphia 5, San Francisco 2	Montreal 5, Houston 4
Arizona 5, N.Y. Mets 1, 10 innings	St. Louis 6, Atlanta 3	Milwaukee 6, San Diego 5, 10 innings	Cincinnati 3, Florida 2

Sunday's Games			
N.Y. Mets 2, Arizona 1	St. Louis 7, Atlanta 2	Houston 7, Montreal 3	Philadelphia 2, San Francisco 1, 10 innings
Colorado 9, Pittsburgh 1	San Diego 2, Milwaukee 1	Los Angeles 7, Chicago Cubs 6, 10 in-	

Florida 7, Cincinnati 6

Monday's Games			
Arizona (Schilling 10-8) at Montreal (Turman 3-4), 5:05 p.m.	St. Louis (Ankiel 8-7) at Florida (Burnett 2-3), 5:05 p.m.	San Francisco (Estes 12-4) at Pittsburgh (Ritche 6-7), 5:05 p.m.	Houston (B.Powell 1-1) at N.Y. Mets (Rusch 8-10), 5:10 p.m.

Tuesday's Games			
Arizona (Guzman 3-4) at Montreal (Vazquez 8-6), 5:05 p.m.	St. Louis (Hentgen 13-9) at Florida (C.Smith 2-5), 5:05 p.m.	San Francisco (Hernandez 13-9) at Pittsburgh (Benson 8-11), 5:05 p.m.	Houston (Miller 2-5) at N.Y. Mets (Leiter 14-5), 5:10 p.m.

Wednesday's Games			
Colorado (Rose 1-2) at Philadelphia (Daal 3-15), 5:35 p.m.	Cincinnati (Parris 8-14) at Atlanta (Ashby 8-11), 5:40 p.m.	San Diego (Eaton 5-2) at Chicago Cubs (Arnold 0-1), 6:05 p.m.	

Los Angeles (Park 13-8) at Milwaukee (Haynes 11-11), 6:05 p.m.

American League			
East Division			
W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	72	55.567	—
Boston	68	59.535	4
Toronto	68	62.523	5 1/2
Baltimore	59	71.454	14 1/2
Tampa Bay	56	73.434	17

Central Division			
W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	77	53.592	—
Cleveland	67	59.532	8
Detroit	64	65.496	12 1/2
Kansas City	60	70.462	17
Minnesota	59	72.450	18 1/2

West Division			
W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	71	59.546	—
Oakland	68	61.527	2 1/2
Anaheim	67	63.515	4
Texas	58	71.450	12 1/2

Saturday's Games			
Tampa Bay 4, Baltimore 1, 1st game	Baltimore 2, Tampa Bay 0, 2nd game	N.Y. Yankees 10, Oakland 6	Detroit 8, Minnesota 2
Toronto 9, Texas 3	Boston 5, Kansas City 3	Seattle 11, Chicago White Sox 5	Cleveland 9, Anaheim 5

Sunday's Games

Baltimore 3, Tampa Bay 2

Kansas City 11, Boston 7			
Minnesota 7, Detroit 6, 10 innings	N.Y. Yankees 7, Oakland 5	Chicago White Sox 2, Seattle 1	Toronto 6, Texas 4
Anaheim 10, Cleveland 9			

Monday's Games			
Boston (Ohka 3-2) at Tampa Bay (Rekar 4-9), 5:15 p.m.	Cleveland (Colon 11-8) at Texas (Rogers 11-11), 6:05 p.m.	N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 10-6) at Seattle (Abbott 8-4), 8:05 p.m.	Chicago White Sox (Parque 10-5) at Oakland (Hudson 13-6), 8:05 p.m.

Tuesday's Games			
Boston (P.Martinez 14-4) at Tampa Bay (Eiland 1-1), 5:15 p.m.	Detroit (Weaver 8-11) at Baltimore (Parrish 9-5), 5:35 p.m.	Cleveland (Woodard 0-2) at Texas (Glynn 3-2), 6:05 p.m.	Minnesota (Romero 2-3) at Kansas City (Stein 4-3), 6:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games			
N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 16-6) at Seattle (Moyer 11-8), 8:05 p.m.	Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 13-5) at Oakland (Zito 2-2), 8:05 p.m.	Toronto (Carpenter 9-10) at Anaheim (Karl 0-0), 8:05 p.m.	

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