

Arizona beats out Rockies

DENVER (AP) — How bad was Randy Johnson's first inning? The Arizona Diamondbacks actually had reliever Miguel Batista start warming up in the bullpen.

Batista wasn't needed, though. Johnson righted himself after the shaky start and helped the Diamondbacks snap a three-game losing streak with an 8-4 win over the Colorado Rockies on Thursday night.

"Randy had trouble getting loose in the bullpen," manager Bob Brenly said. "His velocity was way down in the first inning. As his pitch count climbed into the 30s, we became concerned."

The Diamondbacks improved to 5-0 in games started by Johnson and Curt Schilling. When the World Series co-MVPs do not pitch, Arizona is 0-5.

In his marathon first inning, Johnson (3-0) gave up two runs on just one hit, faced four straight batters with the bases loaded and threw 37 pitches. He then limited Colorado to two hits over the next six innings, striking out nine overall.

The four-time Cy Young winner became the first NL pitcher to win three games this season.

Johnson said his shoulder has felt tired since his last start, calling it "dead arm."

"I'm not going to kid anybody," he said. "If I don't have an overpowering fastball and slider, I am as vulnerable as anybody out there. I minimized the damage in the first inning. As the game went on, I hit my spots better."

Damian Miller drove in four runs with two homers and a single, and Junior Spivey hit a bases-loaded triple. Luis Gonzalez broke an early season slump with three hits, including a solo homer.

Rockies right-hander Jason Jennings left in the third inning after being struck on his pitching elbow by a line drive off the bat of Steve Finley.

The team's medical staff said Jennings bruised his elbow. He was taken to Rose Medical Center for precautionary X-rays.

Jennings, one of Colorado's top pitching prospects, crumpled to the ground, grabbing his arm. After being attended to by trainers, he walked off the field and was replaced by reliever Chris Nighting.

Jennings went 4-1 with a 4.58 ERA in seven starts for the Rockies late last season. Jennings, who was 0-1 with a 4.50 ERA in his previous start this season, allowed four hits and one run in two-plus innings Thursday night.

Four people to be inducted

BOSTON (AP) — John J. Kelley is among four people to be inducted into the Utica, N.Y., National Distance Running Hall of Fame this summer for his 1957 Boston Marathon win cited by many for bringing credibility to the event and to distance runners.

Also to be honored July 13: Bill Bowerman, who trained dozens of champions at the University of Oregon; Browning Ross, founder of the Road Runners Club of America; Doris Brown Heritage, a two-time Olympian and 14-time national champion.



Cowgirl Adrienne Garcia got a base hit Tuesday against Garden City at Centennial Park. The Goodland High softball teams will play Hays Tuesday at home. Photo by Doug Stephens/The Goodland Daily News

Sports teams' schedules filled for next week

The upcoming seven days will be busy for Goodland High School athletes.

On Saturday, the golf team will play in Oberlin on what Coach Steve Raymer called a "tough course" along Sappa Creek.

There is no school on Monday, but the boys golf team doesn't get to take the day off. They will travel to Hays for a tournament.

Every spring sport at the high school will be active in Tuesday. The track team has a meet at 9 a.m. in Scott City, and the junior varsity tennis team competes in Colby at

noon. The junior varsity golfers will play at 1 p.m. at Sugar Hills Golf Club and the varsity golf team will travel to Scott City for a tournament at 2 p.m. The softball teams will play host to the class 5A Hays Indians at 3 p.m. at Centennial Field.

On Wednesday, the teams get to take a day for practice. The junior varsity tennis team will play at 8:30 a.m. Thursday in Wakeeney, and the varsity will compete in their own Goodland Invitational Tournament at 2 p.m. The track team will test its strength and endurance at 2 p.m. Friday in Holcomb.

baseball scoreboard

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
East Division			
	W	L	Pct
New York	7	3	.700
Boston	4	3	.571
Tampa Bay	4	4	.500
Toronto	4	5	.444
Baltimore	2	6	.250
Central Division			
	W	L	Pct
Cleveland	9	1	.900
Minnesota	5	5	.500
Chicago	4	4	.500
Kansas City	4	4	.500
Detroit	0	8	.000
West Division			
	W	L	Pct
Seattle	7	3	.700
Oakland	6	4	.600
Anaheim	3	6	.333
Texas	3	6	.333

Wednesday's Games			
Chicago White Sox 7, Detroit 5			
Kansas City 6, Boston 2			
Toronto 9, N.Y. Yankees 7			
Tampa Bay 3, Baltimore 2			
Cleveland 9, Minnesota 3			
Texas 4, Oakland 2			
Seattle 8, Anaheim 1			

Thursday's Games			
Toronto 11, N.Y. Yankees 3			
Texas 7, Oakland 0			
Kansas City 8, Boston 5			
Baltimore 15, Tampa Bay 6			
Cleveland 8, Minnesota 4			
Seattle 8, Anaheim 4			

Today's Games			
Baltimore (Towers 0-1) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 2-0), 12:05 p.m.			
N.Y. Yankees (O.Hernandez 1-0 or Lilly 0-1) at Boston (Oliver 0-0), 4:05 p.m.			
Kansas City (Suppan 1-0) at Cleveland (Sabathia 1-0), 5:05 p.m.			
Toronto (Cooper 0-1) at Tampa Bay (Rupe 1-0), 5:15 p.m.			
Detroit (Redman 0-1) at Minnesota (Radke 0-1), 6:05 p.m.			
Seattle (Moyer 0-1) at Texas (Valdes 0-1), 6:05 p.m.			
Oakland (Hudson 1-0) at Anaheim (Ortiz 1-0), 8:05 p.m.			

Saturday's Games			
N.Y. Yankees (D.Wells 1-0) at Boston (P.Martinez 1-0), 11:05 a.m.			
Kansas City (May 0-0) at Cleveland (Drese 2-0), 11:05 a.m.			
Baltimore (Erickson 1-1) at Chicago White Sox (Ritchie 0-1), 12:05 p.m.			
Toronto (Prokopec 0-1) at Tampa Bay (Sturtz 0-1), 4:15 p.m.			
Detroit (Weaver 0-1) at Minnesota (Milton 1-1), 5:05 p.m.			
Seattle (Abbott 0-0) at Texas (Irabu 0-1), 6:05 p.m.			
Oakland (Hiljus 0-1) at Anaheim (Washburn 0-1), 8:05 p.m.			

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N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 11:05 a.m.			
Kansas City at Cleveland, 11:05 a.m.			
Toronto at Tampa Bay, 11:15 a.m.			
Detroit at Minnesota, 12:05 p.m.			
Baltimore at Chicago White Sox, 12:05 p.m.			
Seattle at Texas, 1:05 p.m.			
Oakland at Anaheim, 2:05 p.m.			

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
East Division			
	W	L	Pct
Montreal	5	4	.556
New York	5	4	.556
Atlanta	5	5	.500
Philadelphia	5	5	.500
Florida	4	5	.444

Central Division			
	W	L	Pct
St. Louis	6	3	.667
Pittsburgh	5	3	.625
Cincinnati	5	4	.556
Houston	4	5	.444
Chicago	2	6	.250
Milwaukee	2	7	.222

West Division			
	W	L	Pct
San Francisco	7	2	.778
Los Angeles	5	4	.556
Arizona	5	5	.500
San Diego	4	5	.444
Colorado	4	6	.400

Wednesday's Games			
N.Y. Mets 3, Chicago Cubs 2			
Colorado 4, Houston 1			
Montreal 9, Florida 7			
Cincinnati 8, Pittsburgh 5			
Philadelphia 7, Atlanta 5, 11 innings			
St. Louis 6, Milwaukee 5, 11 innings			

San Diego 2, Arizona 1
San Francisco 2, Los Angeles 1

Thursday's Games			
St. Louis 6, Milwaukee 5			
N.Y. Mets 3, Chicago Cubs 2			
Los Angeles 4, San Francisco 3			
Florida 7, Montreal 5			
Cincinnati 3, Pittsburgh 2			
Atlanta 6, Philadelphia 2			
Arizona 8, Colorado 4			

Today's Games			
Atlanta (Maddux 0-0) at Florida (Beckett 0-0), 5:05 p.m.			
Chicago Cubs (Bere 0-1) at Pittsburgh (D.Williams 1-0), 5:05 p.m.			
Cincinnati (Reitsma 0-0) at Philadelphia (Wolf 0-0), 5:05 p.m.			
Montreal (Ohka 1-0) at N.Y. Mets (D'Amico 0-0), 5:10 p.m.			
Houston (Miller 0-1) at St. Louis (Morris 2-0), 6:10 p.m.			
Arizona (Schilling 2-0) at Colorado (Hampton 0-2), 7:05 p.m.			
Los Angeles (Ishii 1-0) at San Diego (Jarvis 0-2), 8:05 p.m.			

Saturday's Games			
Montreal (Vazquez 0-0) at N.Y. Mets (Leiter 1-0), 11:10 a.m.			
Chicago Cubs (Clement 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Fogg 1-0), 11:35 a.m.			
Houston (Oswalt 2-0) at St. Louis (Kile 0-0), 12:10 p.m.			
Arizona (Anderson 0-1) at Colorado (Neagle 1-1), 1:05 p.m.			
Milwaukee (J.Wright 0-0) at San Francisco (L.Hernandez 2-0), 2:05 p.m.			
Atlanta (Millwood 1-1) at Florida (Dempster 0-0), 5:05 p.m.			
Cincinnati (Hamilton 0-0) at Philadelphia (Person 0-1), 5:05 p.m.			
Los Angeles (Brown 1-1) at San Diego (Tollberg 0-2), 8:05 p.m.			

Sunday's Games			
Atlanta at Florida, 11:05 a.m.			
Montreal at N.Y. Mets, 11:10 a.m.			
Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh, 11:35 a.m.			
Cincinnati at Philadelphia, 11:35 a.m.			
Houston at St. Louis, 12:10 p.m.			
Arizona at Colorado, 1:05 p.m.			
Milwaukee at San Francisco, 2:05 p.m.			
Los Angeles at San Diego, 6:05 p.m.			

Teams finish fourth at home track meet

Four Goodland students won events at the annual Goodland ninth and tenth grade track meet Monday at home, with both teams finishing fourth.

For the girls, Whitney Carmichael won the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.6 seconds. Alisha McKee won the shot put with a 33' 4.25" throw and the discuss with an 87' 3" toss.

Daniel Blake won the 3,200-meter run finishing in 11 minutes 59.1 seconds for the Cowboys and Lane Winter won the high jump with a 5' 6" leap.

The Cowboys and Cowgirls both finished fourth, the boys with 74 points and the girls with 65.

Carmichael was second in the 200-meter dash with a time of 28.1 seconds. Jordan Bedore was second in the shot put with a 38' 9.5" throw and in discuss with a 113' 9" throw.

Shannon Showalter was third in the discuss with a 81' 1" toss. Winter was third in the 200-meter dash with a time of 25 seconds. Josef Felver was third in the 400-meter dash finishing in 57.3 seconds and was part of the third place team of Brett Jarmin, Jared Duke, Winter and Felver that finished third in the 4 X 400-meter relay with a time of 3 minutes 55.1 seconds.

Blake was third in the 1,600-meter run, finishing in 5 minutes 21 seconds, and Matt Heiter was third in the shot put with a 37' 8" toss.

Doke was fourth in the 800-meter dash, finishing in 2 minutes 19.4 seconds and fifth in the high jump with a 5' leap. Jarmin finished fifth in the javelin with a 114' 9" toss.

Clenisha Yarbrough was fifth in the 200-meter dash, finishing in 30.1 sec-

onds, and sixth in the 100-meter dash in 14.4 seconds.

Kara Angelos was fifth in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles in 57.6 seconds and sixth in the high hurdles finishing in 19.2 seconds. Showalter was sixth in the shot put with a 24' 4.5" throw.

Brock Lohr finished the 100-meter dash in 12.9 seconds and the 200-meter dash in 27.3. Heiter had a 92' toss in the discus. Kris Krayca threw the javelin 105' 1", the shot put 31' 4.25" and the discuss 76' 2".

Jarmin threw the discus 91' 11". Blake jumped 29' 8" in the triple jump.

Kelsi Ihrig finished the 800-meter dash in 3 minutes 21.6 seconds and the 1,600-meter run in 8 minutes 5.9 seconds. Amanda Jolly finished the high hurdles in 23.9 seconds and the 300-meter intermediate hurdles in 61.8 seconds.

Jenna McGinley threw the shot put 17' 7.5" and the discus 54' 6".

In boys team results, St. Francis won with 102 points, Norton was second with 101, Ulysses third with 90, Scott City fifth with 71 and Greeley County (Tribune) sixth with 49. Burlington was seventh with 32, Colby eighth with 13, Sharon Springs ninth with 10, Atwood 10th with six and Hoxie 11th with zero.

In the girls team results, Scott City won with 139 points, Sharon Springs second with 113, Burlington third with 80, Colby fifth with 61 and Ulysses sixth with 38. Norton was seventh with 16, Greeley County (Tribune) eighth with 15, Hoxie ninth with 12 and Sharon Springs 10th with zero.

Player chews for camera

DENVER (AP) — Weary of the month-long saga, Arizona Diamondbacks outfielder Luis Gonzalez chewed gum in front of television cameras on Thursday, then put the gum in a bottle so it could be mailed to an Arizona radio station.

The public chewing was intended to end any controversy over the authenticity of another piece of Gonzo-chewed gum being sold at auction on the Internet.

Prior to Thursday night's Arizona-Colorado game, Gonzalez chewed gum near the D-backs dugout at Coors Field while the media watched and cameras whirred. He placed the gum in an empty plastic water bottle, which was tagged with the date, 4-11-02. It was then to be sent to Tucson radio station KRQ.

KRQ disc jockey Johnjay Van Es said the station would auction the new gum off itself, bypassing the Web site operated by Wood Lake, Minn., memorabilia store owner Jason Gabbert, who said he collected the original gum at a spring training game in Tucson.

Gonzalez had originally agreed to chew the gum while on the air with Van Es on Thursday morning. Gonzalez did blow a bubble during a call from his Denver hotel room to Van Es' show, but then revealed his plan to do it at the ballpark before TV cameras.

"It's tacky at the top," Gonzalez said of the gum as he placed it in the container. "I'm hoping this craziness stops for a while. The first couple of days it was fun. But I'd like to get back to playing baseball."

"Fans at every ballpark I've gone to lately have asked me to throw my gum towards them. It used to be a wrist

band, a batting glove a bat or a ball and now it is bubble gum.

"I've never done tobacco. At least it is gum."

After hints that Gonzalez might have to provide DNA samples, the player decided to chew in front of witnesses and send the gum to the radio station.

"Whoever bids on it, they can have it," he said. "I'm through with it. This is it. This is not a once-a-week bubble gum show."

The proceeds from the auction will go to Lakeside, Minn., High School, which was to benefit from the original auction.

"We want to get it over with but we don't want the school to lose anything," Van Es said.

Bids for the gum offered by Gabbert had climbed to about \$3,400 by Thursday, with the auction scheduled to end Monday evening, but there have been questions about the gum's authenticity.

Tom Vigilante, who owns Vigilante Security Services of Phoenix, said he had an affidavit signed by one of his guards denying Gabbert's story that he had gotten the gum from the guard.

In fact, the guard said, he saw Gabbert pick up another piece of gum at the March 7 game and say "this will do."

Gabbert said the security guard is lying.

Gabbert said his site will still be taking bids, with the winner getting his piece and the gum donated by Gonzalez.

"If people have any questions about the gum, which we don't believe they should, the chain of custody of the new gum will be so tight that there will be no doubt left whatsoever," Gabbert said.

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