

SPORTS DIGEST

Likness At QB Club

The Yankton Quarterback Club will begin its 67th season on Wednesday at noon at the Elks Lodge, 504 West 27th Street, Yankton.

This week's speaker is Yankton High School football coach Arlin Likness, who will talk about the Bucks and their upcoming season.

The public is invited to attend.

USD Cross Country Teams

Make Preseason Regional Rankings

VERMILLION — The South Dakota's men's cross country team enters the season ranked 13th in the Midwest while the women will start the season 15th, according to the U.S. Track and Field/Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) Preseason Region Rankings.

Both teams dropped one spot from last season's final rankings. The Summit League placed two teams in each of the rankings with USD being the only member to have two ranked teams. South Dakota State (12th in Midwest) and USD represent the League on the men's side, while North Dakota State (6th in Midwest) and USD represent the League in the women's rankings.

The Oklahoma State men and Minnesota

women enter the season as the region's top-ranked teams.

The Coyotes will start the season on Friday in Fargo at the Bison Open, where they will compete against SDSU, NDSU and Omaha.

Lincoln Sweeps Gazelles

SIoux FALLS — The Yankton Gazelles committed 11 errors in a doubleheader as Sioux Falls Lincoln was able to win 7-2 and 11-3 in girls' softball action on Monday at Sherman Park.

In the opener, Andi Sprakel went 3-4 with two runs scored, and Jaclyn Arens had two hits and a RBI for Yankton. Brynn Albers also had two hits. Kalya Peterka had a hit and a RBI, and Heather Hauer and Madison Dangler added hits.

Arens took the loss.

In the nightcap, Hauer and Sprakel each had two hits. Dangler doubled, Abby Schulte had a hit and a run scored, and Jennifer Feilmeier had a hit, a RBI and a run scored for the Gazelles.

Peterka took the loss.

The Gazelles travel to Sioux Falls to face Roosevelt on Sept. 3.

SDSU Youth Football Clinic

Sept. 14

BROOKINGS — South Dakota State players

and coaches will conduct a free youth football clinic prior to the Saturday, Sept. 14 football game against Southeastern Louisiana.

The clinic is scheduled to run from 1:30-3 p.m. on the practice fields east of Coughlin-Alumni Stadium, and is open to children in kindergarten through eighth grade. Pre-registration will be accepted online through noon on Friday, Sept. 13, with on-site registration starting at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday. A parent or legal guardian must accompany the clinic participant to the on-site registration.

All clinic participants will receive a free ticket to the South Dakota State-Southern Louisiana game. Kickoff is set for 6 p.m.

Online registration can be found at GoJacks.com.

Wisconsin's Bo Ryan To Visit

Sioux Falls Friday

SIoux FALLS — University of Wisconsin head men's basketball coach Bo Ryan will make a stop in Sioux Falls on Friday to tour the Sanford Pentagon, the site of his team's regular-season game with the St. John's University on Nov. 8.

Ryan's tour will be open to the media beginning at 11 a.m., and he will field questions from the media beginning at noon in the Sanford Field-

house.

This will be the media's final chance to tour the Pentagon before October open house events.

Ryan enters his 13th season as head coach of Wisconsin in 2013-14. Ryan's Badgers have advanced to the NCAA tournament in each of his 12 seasons with the program, and his 291-113 record as the leader of Wisconsin makes him the school's all-time wins leader. Ryan's career coaching record of 674-2216 makes him just one of nine active Division I coaches who have accumulated more than 600 career wins (regardless of NCAA classification).

DUI Arrest Prompts Cancellation Of Ainge Speech

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — A Fargo treatment center has canceled an appearance by former NFL quarterback Erik Ainge, who was arrested in July for drunken driving in Knoxville, Tenn.

The Forum reports ShareHouse Jeans and Jerseys cancelled Wednesday's event at which he was going to discuss his drug and alcohol abuse. Executive Director Deb Soliah says ShareHouse decided not to have Ainge come because it wasn't sure where he'd be in the court system or in his "journey in beating drug and alcohol abuse." The 27-year-old started 37 games between

2004 and 2007 at Tennessee and was a fifth-round draft selection by the New York Jets in 2008. He retired after three seasons because of injuries to his throwing shoulder.

Some Mud Run Money Will Go Toward Fargo Athlete

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Officials with a charity mud run say part of the proceeds will go toward a standout Fargo high school athlete hospitalized with a brain injury.

The Viking Challenge includes an obstacle course that features treks through water, hay and mud. Its proceeds generally go toward cancer research.

Race officials say money from a separate fundraiser that will collect used running shoes after Saturday's event will go to the family of Lexi Bolstad, who has been unconscious since falling from an electric motorcar on Aug. 4.

Some of Bolstad's classmates tell WDAY-TV they plan to participate in her honor.

Bolstad led the Fargo Davies High School girls basketball team in scoring, assists, steals, and free throw percentage last year. She also participates in volleyball and track.

Nebraska Women Set To Play 20 Games At New Arena

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Nebraska women's basketball coach Connie Yori has announced a 20-game schedule for this coming season at the new Pinnacle Bank Arena.

The Cornhuskers will play exhibitions Oct. 27 against Pittsburg State and Nov. 3 against Nebraska-Kearney before opening the regular season Nov. 8 against UCLA.

Following a home game against Alabama on Nov. 11, the Huskers will play Utah on the road Nov. 15.

Nebraska plays at least 18 games against teams that appeared in postseason tournaments, including at least 12 games against NCAA tournament teams.

The UCLA game is the opener of a doubleheader.

The Nebraska men will play 2013 NCAA Sweet 16 qualifier Florida Gulf Coast later that evening.

Nebraska will host the University of South Dakota on Saturday, Dec. 21.

The Nebraska women were 25-9 and made it to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA tournament last season.

Haas Put Deal Together With Busch On His Own

KANNAPOLIS, N.C. (AP) — Gene Haas wanted to build a dream team, with an opportunity to see his name in Victory Lane. He wasn't going to let Tony Stewart stand in his way of making that happen.

Haas admitted Tuesday he went rogue in courting Kurt Busch for a non-existent fourth team at Stewart-Haas Racing while Stewart was incapacitated with a broken leg earlier this month. When he finally brought his business partner up to speed on his expansion plans, Stewart balked.

But Haas forged ahead anyway with a multi-year offer to Busch, who was introduced Tuesday as the newest driver at SHR, where officials are now scrambling to make room at an organization that will double from two cars in 2012 to four next season.

"I don't think Tony was exactly enthralled with what I did," Haas said. "But I think he saw it my way, you know? Either that or get out of the building."

Haas was laughing during two different recollections Tuesday of how he sidestepped Stewart during the lightning-fast courtship of Busch, which apparently began at a General Motors dinner in Indianapolis before the Brickyard in late July and ended last weekend at Bristol Motor Speedway with Busch accepting Haas' offer.

But the message Haas delivered was very clear: Stewart, the three-time NASCAR champion, is the front man of the race team but Haas is still very much a player in the organization he founded in 2002.

He brought Stewart aboard in 2009 in a co-owner role to bring legitimacy to the team and help get the cars to Victory Lane, and Stewart has delivered.

Now Haas wants to be bigger and better, and wants to see his CNC machine company, Haas Automation, enjoy the spoils. He'll fund Busch's car out of pocket and sponsor the 2004 NASCAR champion himself.

Busch, who spent Sunday with Stewart watching the IndyCar race at Sonoma on television, said Stewart got a kick out of the financials.

"Tony was slapping me a high-five, he says, 'We're tapping into Gene's wallet the way I wanted to,'" Busch said.

Haas insisted getting his name on a car was his primary motivation.

"It was an opportunity for Haas Automation to be a primary sponsor. This is going to be my shot at being a primary sponsor, going to the Daytona 500, the Brickyard as the primary sponsor," he said. "Haas Automation has never been in the winner's circle, and I'm sure that's going to change next year. So that's my primary reason for basically pushing this expansion. It's been met with a little bit of resistance."

Stewart, who broke his leg in two places in an Aug. 5 sprint car crash, was not present for the hour-long news conference to introduce Busch. But in a statement issued by the team, he praised Busch's talent and seemed neutral in tone on expansion.

"When Gene Haas laid out his plans for what he wanted to do in regard to this race team's future, which included bringing Kurt on board in a fourth car, it was impressive," Stewart said. "You can't stand still in this business. You have to constantly improve. Gene's investment in this race team ensures the success of Stewart-Haas Racing for many years to come."

Women: York 2, MMC 1

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roquin found Adan Garcia-Marquez for a pair of late goals to ice the victory.

MMC had a 29-17 edge in shots, with Oscar Martinez-Mojica recording five saves in goal for the Lancers. Luis Arevalo had seven stops for York.

The Lancers, 1-0 on the season, travel to Leavenworth, Kan., for a pair of matches this weekend, against Harris-Stowe on Saturday and the University of St. Mary on Sunday. Start time is 2 p.m. each day.

"Hopefully we have a couple of guys that will be cleared to play by the weekend," Epp said. "That will improve our depth."

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out flat. We stood around a lot and didn't work the ball up," Epp said. "We did play with some more intensity in the second half, but it was not enough to effect the outcome of the game."

Katy Keefer made three saves for York. Yankton native Courtney True, a transfer from Wayne State, stopped five shots in goal for MMC.

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AM 1450

MORNING COFFEE

WEEKDAYS 7:40AM MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

Yankton's Home Team!

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	78	55	586	
Tampa Bay	74	56	569	2 1/2
Baltimore	70	60	538	6 1/2
New York	70	62	530	7 1/2
Toronto	59	74	444	19

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	77	55	583	
Cleveland	71	60	542	5 1/2
Kansas City	66	64	508	10
Minnesota	57	72	442	18 1/2
Chicago	54	76	415	22

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	76	55	580	
Oakland	74	57	565	2
Los Angeles	59	71	454	16 1/2
Seattle	59	71	454	16 1/2
Houston	44	86	338	31 1/2

Monday's Games

Kansas City 11, Tampa Bay 1
Toronto 5, N.Y. Yankees 2
Oakland 6, Detroit 6
Houston 10, Chicago White Sox 8
Texas 8, Seattle 3
Tuesday's Games
N.Y. Yankees 7, Toronto 1
Oakland 6, Detroit 3, 6 innings
Boston 13, Baltimore 2
Atlanta 2, Cleveland 0
L.A. Angels 6, Tampa Bay 5
Houston at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.
Kansas City at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.
Texas at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Texas (M-Perez 7-3) at Seattle (A-Hernandez 12-7), 2:40 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 11-9) at Toronto (Redmond 1-2), 6:07 p.m.
Oakland (Straly 6-7) at Detroit (Fister 11-6), 6:08 p.m.
Baltimore (B.Norris 9-10) at Boston (Lackey 8-11), 6:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Masterson 14-9) at Atlanta (Mahom 9-10), 6:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Richards 4-5) at Tampa Bay (Archer 7-5), 6:10 p.m.
Houston (Cosart 1-1) at Chicago White Sox (Sale 9-12), 7:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Duffy 1-0) at Minnesota (A-Adams 2-1), 7:10 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Oakland at Detroit, 12:08 p.m.
Kansas City at Minnesota, 12:10 p.m.
Friday's Games
L.A. Angels at Tampa Bay, 12:10 p.m.
Baltimore at Boston, 6:10 p.m.
Cleveland at Atlanta, 6:10 p.m.
Seattle at Houston, 7:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	79	52	603	
Washington	66	65	504	13
Philadelphia	60	72	455	19 1/2
New York	59	71	454	19 1/2
Miami	45	81	377	29 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	78	54	591	
Pittsburgh	76	55	580	1 1/2
Cincinnati	74	59	556	4 1/2
Milwaukee	58	73	443	19 1/2
Chicago	45	78	420	22 1/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	77	54	588	
Arizona	67	63	515	9 1/2
Colorado	62	71	466	16
San Diego	59	72	450	18
San Francisco	58	73	443	19

Monday's Games

St. Louis 8, Cincinnati 6
Philadelphia 2, N.Y. Mets 1
Colorado 6, San Francisco 1
Arizona 6, San Diego 1
L.A. Dodgers 6, Chicago Cubs 2
Tuesday's Games
Washington 2, Miami 1
Milwaukee 7, Pittsburgh 6
Atlanta 2, Cleveland 0
N.Y. Mets 5, Philadelphia 0
St. Louis 6, Cincinnati 1
San Francisco at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.
San Diego at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
Chicago Cubs (E-Jackson 7-13) at L.A. Dodgers (Nolasco 10-9), 2:10 p.m.
Miami (H-Alvarez 2-3) at Washington (Strasburg 6-9), 6:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Gorzycki 3-5) at Pittsburgh (Morton 5-3), 6:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Masterson 14-9) at Atlanta (Mahom 9-10), 6:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Hameis 5-13) at N.Y. Mets (Matsuzaka 0-1), 6:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (H-Bailey 8-10) at St. Louis (Wainwright 15-7), 7:15 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 11-8) at Colorado (Chacin 12-7), 7:40 p.m.
San Diego (Erlin 1-2) at Arizona (Miley 9-8), 8:40 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets, 12:10 p.m.
Miami at Washington, 6:05 p.m.

FOOTBALL

Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, 6:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Atlanta, 6:10 p.m.

THE AP TOP 25

The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press preseason college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, 2012 records, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and final ranking:

Record

	Record	Pts	Pv
1. Alabama (58)	13-1	1,498	1
2. Ohio St. (1)	12-0	1,365	3
3. Oregon	12-1	1,335	2
4. Stanford	12-2	1,294	7
5. Georgia (1)	12-2	1,249	15
6. South Carolina	11-2	1,154	8
7. Texas A&M	11-2	1,104	45
8. Clemson	11-2	1,083	11
9. Louisville	11-2	1,042	13
10. Florida	11-2	894	9
11. Florida St.	12-2	845	10
12. LSU	10-3	802	14
13. Oklahoma St.	8-5	755	NR
14. Notre Dame	12-1	748	4
15. Texas	9-4	677	19
16. Oklahoma	10-3	579	15
17. Michigan	8-5	531	24
18. Nebraska	10-4	382	25
19. Boise St.	11-2	328	18
20. TCU	7-4	323	NR
21. UCLA	9-5	286	NR
22. Northwestern	10-3	199	NR
23. Wisconsin	8-6	185	NR
24. Southern Cal	7-6	134	NR
25. Oregon St.	9-4	129	20

Others receiving votes:

Michigan St. 95, Baylor 92, Virginia Tech 86, Miami 85, Arizona St. 53, Kansas St. 43, Fresno St. 36, Vanderbilt 19, Washington 17, N. Illinois 16, Mississippi 11, Utah St. 8, Georgia Tech 6, Arizona 3, Cincinnati 3, North Carolina 3, Penn St. 2, BYU 1.

NFL PRESEASON

Thursday, Aug. 29

Indianapolis at Cincinnati, 6 p.m.
Detroit at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Jets, 6 p.m.
New Orleans at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Jacksonville at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
New York Giants at New England, 6:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
Tennessee at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Green Bay at Kansas City, 7 p.m.
Houston at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Baltimore at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Arizona at Denver, 8 p.m.
Oakland at Seattle, 9 p.m.
San Francisco at San Diego, 9 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Acquired RHP Clayton Mortensen from the Boston Red Sox for OF Quintin Berry. Agreed to terms with 1B Carlos Pena on a minor league contract. Assigned Mortensen and Pena to Omaha (PCL).

TAMPA BAY RAYS—Options RHP Jeremy Hellickson to Charlotte (Carolina League). Recalled LHP Jeff Beliveau from Durham (IL).

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Designated OF Jason Kubel for assignment. Selected LHP David Holmberg from Mobile (SL).

COLORADO ROCKIES—Activated C Yorvit Torrealba from the seven-day DL. Optioned INF/OF Ryan Wheeler to Colorado Springs (PCL).

NEW YORK METS—Acquired 2B Dilson Herrera and a player to be named from Pittsburgh Pirates for C John Buck, OF Marlon Byrd and cash. Selected the contract of OF Matt Denker from Las Vegas (PCL). Recalled C Anthony Recker and LHP Robert Carson from Las Vegas.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Recalled RHP Fernando Salas from Memphis (PCL). Optioned LHP Tyler Lyons to Memphis.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Recalled RHP Ryan Mattheus from Syracuse (IL). Optioned LHP Xavier Cedeno to Syracuse.

Car-Am League

NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Released RHP Craig Heyer.

NEWARK BEARS — Exercised the 2014 contract options on RHP Wander Alvin, RHP Cameron Bayne, RHP David Dinelli, LHP Sergio Espinosa, LHP Adam Gabel, RHP Omar Javier, RHP Mike Ness, RHP Brian Parker, RHP Leondy Perez, LHP Jose Testa, RHP Jorge L. Vasquez, C Kyle Lafrenz, C Elvin Milani, INF Richard Arns, INF Emile Banks, INF Sean O'Hare, INF Joe Poletsky, INF Travis Weaver, OF Jonny Kaplan and OF Jamar Walton.

ATLANTIC LEAGUE

LONG ISLAND DUCKS — Signed OF Lew Ford. Released RHP Chris McCoy.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

AREA CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 28

GOLF, DAKOTAS TOUR Dakotas Tour Championship at The Ridge GC, Sioux Center, Iowa

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GOLF, BOYS' S.F. Christian Inv. at Bakker Crossing (Parkston, Vermillion, 7-45 a.m.)

Friday, August 30
CROSS COUNTRY, COLLEGE Bison Open (USD, 6 p.m.)

CROSS COUNTRY, PREP O'-Gorman Inv. (YHS, 4 p.m.)

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FOOTBALL, PREP Avon vs. Burke-South Central at Bonesteel; Baltic at Alcester-Hudson; Canton at Bon Homme; Corsica-Stickney at Gayville-Volm; Dakota Valley at West Central; Flandreau at Beresford (7 p.m., KVHT-FM); Freeman at Platt-

Geddes-Dakota Christian; Humphrey at Hartington; Irene-Wakonda vs. Menno-Marion at Menno; Parkston at Groton Area; Ponca at Battle Creek; Randolph at Elgin Public-Pope John; Scotland at Centerville; Tea Area at Elk Point-Jefferson; Tripp-DeMott-

Armour at Andes Central; Vermillion at Lennox (7 p.m., KVTK-AM); Viborg-Hurley at Parker; Wagner at Tri-Vailey; Walhill at Santee