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She tore her labrum in her left shoulder and was forced to miss the remainder of the season. If there was a silver-lining, it was in the fact that Seabolt only played in 10 games and was eligible to redshirt.

Coach Davenport is well aware that redshirting is not what the former Lady Panther had in mind when she came to North Georgia, but he is also aware of Seabolt's work ethic and her determination to get back on the field.

"She is one of those players that during the recruiting process we would watch and after each game she would be covered head-to-toe in dirt and sweat from playing so hard," said Coach Davenport.

"And that is something

she continues to do here at North Georgia."

North Georgia's 2012 season was a jewel of a year. The Saints advanced all the way to the Super-Regionals of the College World Series before losing the third and deciding game to Flagler College. With this season as a foundation for next year, plus, still getting four more years from Seabolt has Coach Davenport enthusiastic about the future of his program.

"No player that is competitive wants to redshirt and Kaitlyn was no different and we completely understand," said Coach Davenport. "But when you have the option as a collegiate athlete to play four years of competition completely healthy then it becomes

easier to accept. All players want to prove that they are capable of playing at that level and you can't do so if you are not completely healthy, and as hard as Kaitlyn plays the game of softball, it was important for her to give herself and her teammates the best she has, and that could only be done by taking this season off to get her body as healthy as possible. We are excited to know that we will have her for another four seasons."

Seabolt will continue to rehab the shoulder injury and expects to back on the field as soon as July.

"From the day I had surgery, I have been working to get my strength and range of motion back," Seabolt said. "Once I get released from my

doctor to hit and field, I will work hard everyday to get ready to compete. Until then, I am continuing to do physical therapy and conditioning."

Seabolt and her Saint squad could win a College World Series someday but her heart will always remain in Union County and she will always be a Lady Panther.

"I would like to thank Terry Kelley, Steve Odom, Tony Hamby, Chris Dyer, Travis Swartz, all my previous teammates who I have been blessed to play with," Seabolt said. "I would also like to thank my father, David Seabolt for all the hours he has spent working with me and my Mom and sisters for always pushing me. I would not be where I am today without them."

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Open. Although, some of Edwards' best golf came overseas. The former two-time Big-8 Conference Champion at Oklahoma State, finished the 1973 British Open as the Low Amateur, then placed fifth in the 1975 British Open, his first year on the PGA Tour.

Dave Rummells, who placed fifth in the Blairsville Senior Open, is a two-time winner on the Nationwide Tour. The Iowan had two strong showings in the PGA Championship in the late 80s, finishing sixth in 1988 and fifth in 1989.

The sixth place finisher, Fred Wadsworth is also no stranger to success on the PGA Tour. Wadsworth was born in Munich, Germany, and grew up in Columbia, South Carolina. The former South Carolina Gamecock, picked



Senior Division Champ, Roger Rowland. Photo/Todd Forrest.

up a PGA Tour victory at the 1986 Southern Open and went on to make the cut at the 1987 U.S. Open.

This year marked the fifth year the Senior Sunbelt Tour has visited Butternut Creek. Last fall the Tour stopped at Butternut for

the Georgia Mountain Senior Open. Chancey won the Senior Division by seven strokes over Bucek. Flanagan also won last year's event in the Super Senior Division, defeating Jay Dolan by nine strokes.

Flanagan, a native Georgian, says that Butternut Creek

is one of his favorite events of the year and has played in this event in four of its five years.

"The course is in nice shape," said Flanagan. "It's great to come back here. I make it a point to try and get back here. I don't play a full schedule but I make it a point to try and get to this one."

Although the Tour continues on over the summer. Flanagan hopes his next event will be the big one. He will attempt to qualify for the the U.S. Senior Open.

"These events help me gear up to try and qualify for events like that," Flanagan said. "This one is a good one. It's close to home so I can drive up here every day. I make the trek over the mountains but my wife wouldn't let me bring the Corvette," Flanagan joked.

"She's always afraid I will get a ticket."

NASCAR 2012

By Gerald Hodges/the Racing Reporter

DALE EARNHARDT JR. IS BACK

Dale Earnhardt Jr. is back in victory lane.

Earnhardt snapped a four-year losing streak as he won Sunday's Sprint Cup race at Michigan International Raceway, the same track where he last won in 2008.

"Son of a gun, I can't really believe we won," said Earnhardt. "It was a great race. We had a good car, and the work in the pits was amazing. The most important thing about this win was it's for the fans. They've stuck with me and I appreciate it."

"Man, those last 15 laps were the longest I've ever run." Earnhardt led 95 laps and finished nearly six seconds ahead of runner-up Tony Stewart.

"Well, I think to finish where we did today was pretty amazing," said Stewart. "We were 42nd quickest yesterday, so for us to run this close to the front is really something."

Matt Kenseth started the race from the sixth spot, but fell back, and had to work his way back to the front.

"We had a good car, but we had to work on the car to get it where we wanted it," said Kenseth. "The crew did a great job, and overall it was a good day, but we didn't have what Dale did."

The remaining top-10 finishers were Greg Biffle, Jimmie Johnson, Jeff Gordon, Clint Bowyer, Juan Montoya, polesitter Marcos Ambrose, and Kevin Harvick.

A three-car wreck on lap 126 of the 200-lap race took out the cars driven by Joey Logano, Casey Kahne, and David Gilliland.

"It looked like we were going to be O.K. after the restart," said Logano. "I came up on a car (No. 38 David Gilliland) on my outside, and I just got loose."

It was also bad news for another Joe Gibbs Racing driver, Denny Hamlin. He spun out after another restart on lap 134, and finished 34th.

Top-12 Chase contenders after 15 of 26: 1. Kenseth-565, 2. Earnhardt-561, 3. Biffle-548, 4. Johnson-532, 5. Hamlin-514, 6. Harvick-504, 7. Truex-497, 8. Stewart-491, 9. Bowyer-481, 10. Keselowski-458, 11. Edwards-456, 12. Kyle Busch-432.

Logano takes fifth nationwide race

The roll continued for Joey Logano, who fought off a determined bid from James Buescher to win Saturday's Nationwide race at Michigan International Speedway.

After a restart with four laps left, Logano crossed the finish line .208 seconds ahead of runner-up Buescher to claim his fifth victory in 11 Nationwide starts this season and the



Dale Earnhardt Jr. wins at Michigan. Furnished by NASCAR

14th of his career.

"Racing there with James at the end was a lot of fun," Logano said. "I knew exactly what he was doing the whole time, laying back there and trying to make that run on the last lap. I knew he was going to slide it down into 1, and I felt like, as long as I had position on him, I could pin him down enough to get a big enough lead off the corner."

"He did exactly what I thought he was going to do, and I was able to work my game plan and come out ahead enough to win the race."

Kurt Busch came home third, followed by Cole Whitt, pole-sitter Austin Dillon, Sam Hornish, Michael McDowell, Paul Menard, Brian Scott, and Brad Keselowski.

Top-10 leaders after 13 of 33: 1. Sadler-488, 2. A. Dillon-480, 3. Stenhouse-461, 4. Hornish-443, 5. Whitt-407, 6. Allgaier-407, 7. Annett-396, 8. Bliss-333, 9. Nemechek-316, 10. Malsam-305.

Kurt Busch is wanted by team

Kurt Busch is back. After being suspended for a week by NASCAR, he has been reunited with team owner James Finch.

But for how long?

In a radio interview, Finch said all his friends told him to fire Busch, but he's sticking by him. He said the easiest thing to do would be to fire Busch. He said Busch should stop complaining, as he drives a racecar for a living and makes more money in a week than the shop guys make in a year.

He also said that if he doesn't get some more sponsorship soon, he might just pack it up and stop racing - leaving Busch without a ride.

However, crew members of the No. 51 car painted a different picture of Busch to ESPN.

Car chief Lee Dodson has been with Phoenix for three years. He says they're "Ten

shades better" than they were last year. The team loves last year's driver, Landon Cassill, but Busch's talent and experience, Dodson said, elevate the entire program substantially.

"He's a cool guy who dies to win every lap," Dodson said. "He's all passion, really. That's what we see -- the passion. Does he get mad? Yes. But we can handle that. He's really old-school. He rides to tests with us and hangs at the bar with us."

"Most drivers want stuff done for them. Kurt doesn't. He just wants to drive the hell out of our race car, and he's a champion and he expects to be up front. He'll get in that thing at any moment and own it. We love that."

Phoenix general manager Steve Barkdoll noted that, "To be competitive, we have to have a driver like Kurt Busch. We've never had that before. He covers up a lot of our weak areas."

What does the crew think when Busch loses his temper publicly?

"He's just answering the question how he knows to answer it," Dodson said. "A lot of guys out here sugarcoat things. He's straight up. I love that. Hell, we see Allison and Yarborough fighting every year before the Daytona 500. It's played up. We love that stuff. That is NASCAR. But now they're all in such a damn tight box it's crazy."

The message Finch sent was for Busch to stop talking, start finishing better, wreck fewer race cars, and do everything he can to attract a sponsor. Acting out won't attract a sponsor, so if he does it again I'm guessing Finch won't be as supportive.

The world of NASCAR is a world unto itself. If Busch and Finch could get a win, it would forgive much of their past.

Weekend Racing: This is road racing weekend for the Nationwide and Cup teams. The Nationwide series will be at Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin, while the Cup teams will be at Sonoma, California. The trucks do not race again until June 28.

Sat., June 23, Nationwide Road America 200, race 14 of 33; Starting time: 3 pm ET; TV: ESPN.

Sun., June 24, Sprint Cup SaveMart 350, race 16 of 36; Starting time: 2 pm ET; TV: TNT.

Racing Trivia Question: Which Cup team does Greg Biffle drive for?

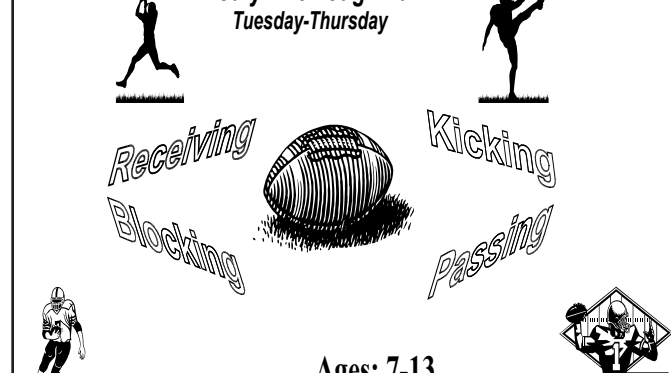
Last Week's Question: Where will the first race of the 10-race Chase for the Championship be held this year? Answer: Chicagoland Speedway, Sept. 16.

You may contact the Racing Reporter at hodges@race500.com. NTUJun20Z17) gg

First Friday Art Walk

First Friday Art Walk July 6, 5 - 8 PM, Murphy, NC. More excitement, art, food & fun. Free & open to the public. Info, Dianne 760-974-6583. NTUJun20Z4)CA

Future Panther Football Camp



July 24 through 26 Tuesday-Thursday
Ages: 7-13
Early Registration \$50
Day of Registration \$60

CONTACT: Coach Allison (770) 639-7331 | Coach McCombs (706) 781-9893
TIME: 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Union County High School Stadium
INFO: -Water and Gatorade will be provided. Please bring Water bottle with name.
-Wear shorts, t-shirts, and cleats.
- Each child will receive a Football camp T-shirt

Please Return With Payment

Name: _____ Age: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____
Parent: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____
Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

*Please make checks payable to Future Panther Camps. 153 Panther Circle, Blairsville, GA 30512
This is an offensive position oriented camp.

Please Circle Campers Offensive Position: Quarterback Line Receiver/Running Back

UC Rec Dept Football registration is underway

Registration for participation in the 2012 North Georgia Youth Football program opened June 1 for both football players and cheerleaders. Programs are available for 5/6 year old flag football and tackle football for all age groups, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 year olds. Cheerleading is open for ages 5 through 12. The age group football players will participate in is determined by the age they are on July 31.

The cost to participate in any of the programs is \$75. This year, along with their birth certificate, players must bring with them proof that they reside in Union County full-time or are enrolled in the Union County school district. Practice begins in July, so to ensure participa-

tion, all registrants must be signed up by the end of June. Players, cheerleaders, and potential coaches must register at the Union County Recreation Department, located at 310 Wellborn St., which is just below the Elementary School, and across the street from the Middle School.

For more details on football, you can contact Ed Webster at (706) 439-6037 or Larry Conley at (706) 439-6074. For cheerleading information, please contact Crystal Hart at (706) 439- 6074. If you would like to see the structure, by-laws or rules of the North Georgia Youth Football League, you can log onto our Website at NGYFA.org.

Blairsville School of Dance offers free Zumba classes

Blairsville School of Dance since 2006 and trained for 32 years in various dance styles including American and International style Latin. BSoD is also looking forward to the July Class of the Month, which is its annual Free Beginning Clogging Workshop. The annual event is a popular one, and the studio will begin taking reservations

at the end of June.

Blairsville School of Dance is located at 80 Blue Ridge Street in the Merchant's Walk Plaza across from the Blairsville Police Department. Participants should arrive about 5-10 minutes before the start of classes. For more information, call (706) 835-1415 or email blairsvilledance@yahoo.com. NTUJun20C2)CAC

Trout stocking sites week of June 11-15, 2012

Fannin: Rock Creek, Toccoa River, and Toccoa River Tailwaters (below Lake Blue Ridge Dam).
Lumpkin: Etowah River and Nimbleshaw Creek.
Union: Cooper Creek.
Note: Information is

subject to change. Please call the hatchery at 706-838-4723 for questions. The hatchery also provides trout for the state.

Please contact Georgia DNR for information on sites stocked by the state. NTUJun20Z6)CA

Basketball camps at Young Harris College

1st Camp is our "Junior Mountain Lion Camp" July 9 -12th - 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Boys & Girls ages 5-10 years old. T-shirts will be provided. Fundamental Individual/Group Work and Fun Games. Cost: \$100.

2nd Camp is our "Young Harris Basketball Camp" July 16-19th - 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Boys & girls ages 8-15 years old. Cost: \$150. Lunch pro-

vided w/ t-shirts. Fundamental stations, games and tournament play.

Learn with YHC coach's & players. Contact information for both camps: Heath Hooper at hwhooper@yh.edu (706) 781-5974. To download camp brochures please visit our website www.yhcatletics.com and click on the link inside athletics - 2012 Summer Camp. NTUJun20A2)SH

Summer baseball camps at Young Harris College

Head Baseball Coach, Rick Robinson, will coordinate all instruction. Website access: www.yhcatletics.com/sports/bsb/index or TheROCKSports.com.

Come learn from the best! 3 camps each week to accommodate all players at different levels. Camp weeks: June 18-22 and July 23-27. NTUJun20A2)SH

Free movie in Blairsville June 21

On Thursday, June 21 at 7 p.m., "Food, Inc." will be shown at the Haralson Memorial Civic Center, 165 Wellborn St. in Blairsville, GA. The admission is free and refreshments will be served. "Food, Inc." explores the food industry's effects on our health and the environment. It exposes how our food supply is controlled by a few corporations that put their profits over our health, the livelihood of farmers, the safety of workers and our environment.

The collapse of 2008-2009. The second was "Tapped," an exposé of the water bottle industry. The third in the series was "The Last Mountain" which detailed the results of mountain top removal as a cheap method of mining coal and made a strong case for developing alternative methods of generating energy.

This film is part of a series of thought provoking and award-winning documentaries that were selected because they represent important issues that could have local consequences. The first movie was "Inside Job" which presented the timeline and players that contributed to the financial

are sponsored by a local grassroots organization, the Association of Patriotic Progressives (APP). APP desires to provide opportunities for our community to explore, learn and make intelligent decisions on issues that impact our community, state and nation. Should you like to know more about the mission of APP, please email them at app.ga2011@gmail.com. All are invited to this free movie! NTUJun20Z1)SH



Jeep? Come join the Blairsville Jeep owners group

Do you wish you could be more adventurous with your Jeep? Then here is the perfect group for you to hangout with. No officers, no dues, just good fun-loving people who all own some kind of a Jeep!

We meet monthly every 4th Thursday night at Antonietta's Restaurant. If you need more information, please send an email to blairsvillejeepowners@yahoo.com to Jim, this group's creator. NTUJun20Z1)CA