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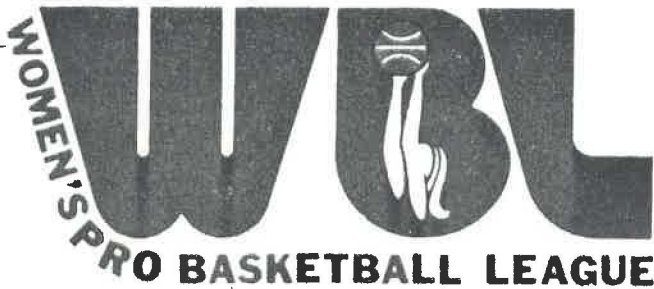


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(New York, N.Y.) The teams with the two best records in the WBL during the 1979-90 regular season, New York Stars and Iowa Cornets, will square off in the Championship playoff series, tonight at Queens College in New York City.

The Cornets advanced to their second consecutive Championship series, by defeating the Minnesota Fillies, 2 games to 1. After dropping the first game in Minnesota 108-87, the Cornets bounced back with two victories on their home court. In their 128-111 victory in game two, Molly Bolin, scored 50 points for the Cornets. In their clinching victory (95-92) Monday, Bolin propelled the Iowa team with 25 points. On three occasions this season, Bolin scored 50 or more points against the Fillies. The Iowa fans hope she will do just as well against the Eastern Division champion New York Stars.

The Stars swept their series with the San Francisco Pioneers, in two close contests. Coming onto the semi-final round, the Stars had lost to the Pioneers 2 out of 3 times, but once the playoffs started it was, as they say, "a new season". The Stars defeated the Pioneers, 104-97 on the strength of six players scoring in double figures, at Queens College. When the teams returned to the coast, the Stars ended the Pioneers season, with a 91-90 victory. Center Althea Gwyn, hit 1 Of 2 free throws, with 49 seconds remaining to put the winning point on the board. Former Olympian, Gall Marquis, led the Stars with 23 points.

The dates for the best 3 of 5 series are as follows:

Thurs.	April 3rd	Iowa at New York	7:30pm	(Queens College)
Sat.	April 5th	Iowa at New York	2:00pm	(Queens College)
Mon.	April 7th	New York at Iowa	7:30pm	(Grandview College - Des Moines)
Wed.	April 9th	New York at Iowa	7:30pm	(Coe College - Cedar Rapids)if necessary
TBA		Iowa at New York		(Queens College)if necessary

The United States Women's Olympic Team will compete against the WBL All-Star Team in Chicago, April 19th and New York, April 21st, was named Monday. The team consists of:

Nancy Lieberman(guard/Old Dominion), Carol Blazejowski(forward/Montclair State), Denise Curry(forward/U.C.L.A.), Ann Donovan(center/Old Dominion), Tara Heiss (guard/Maryland), Kris Kirchner(center/Maryland), Cindy Noble(center/Tennessee), LaTaunya Pollard(forward/Cal.St-Long Beach), Jill Rankin(center/Tennessee), Rosie Walker(forward/Stephen F. Austin), Holly Warlick(guard/Tennessee), and Lynette Woodard(guard/Kansas).

The game on the 19th will be held at DePaul University, while the contest on the 21st will take place at St. John's University, in New York.

For additional information on the playoffs or the U.S. Olympic Team vs. the WBL All-Stars, please contact Bill Eaton at (212) 977-7711.