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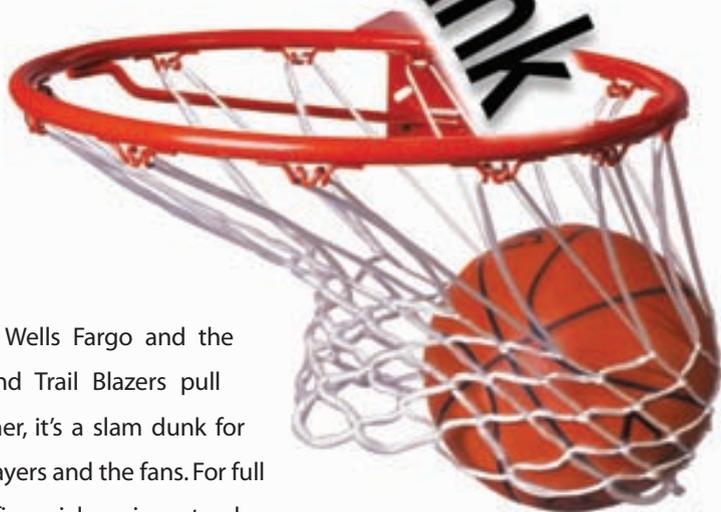
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Welcome to the 2006-07 NBA season and the first issue of the new and improved *Rip City Magazine*.

It seems like it was just yesterday that we were in the NBA Draft "War Room" working deals to land four rookies who we highly coveted. Not in my wildest dreams did I think we'd emerge with all of them, but in the end we did picking up LaMarcus Aldridge, Brandon Roy, Sergio Rodriguez and Joel Freeland.

Draft night set the stage for one of the busiest and I think most successful offseasons in franchise history, one that also included the trade to acquire Jamaal Magloire and the signing of Joel Przybilla to a new five-year deal.

When I arrived in Portland three years ago, we set out on a mission to change the culture of this team, both on and off the court. That's not to say we've completed that mission by any means, but I think we've made a great deal of progress and I hope you do as well.

My sense is that Portlanders are beginning to embrace this team again. Throughout the preseason I've heard nothing but positive comments about the direction we're heading. The best expression of this buzz is the measurable across the board improvements in everything from ticket sales and sponsorships to traffic on our web site.

I'm as excited and energized as I've been in my three years with the Trail Blazers. I hope you enjoy watching this young team to grow.

Go Trail Blazers!

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lamarquis **aldrige**

FORWARD >> 6-11 >> 245 >> YEARS PRO: ROOKIE

listening to... Rick Ross
my nickname... L Train, Big L
favorite nba player... Tim Duncan
favorite movie... He Got Game

stays home to watch... Sopranos,
 Grey's Anatomy
biggest influence... My Mom
favorite food... Spaghetti



2

dan **dickau**

GUARD >> 6-0 >> 180 >> YEARS PRO: 4

listening to... Paul Wright
my nickname... Double D, 3-D,
 Double Down
favorite movie... National Lampoon's
 Christmas Vacation

stays home to watch... Lost
biggest influence... Children
favorite nba player... Rony Turiaf
hobbies... Playing golf, Hanging out with
 my family



3

juan **dixon**

GUARD >> 6-3 >> 164 >> YEARS PRO: 4

listening to... Jay-Z, Pharrell
favorite food... Chicken breast, steamed
 vegetables and mashed potatoes
hobbies... Relax, shop, watch TV

favorite movie... Coming to America
stays home to watch... 24
favorite nba players... Kobe, Iverson
favorite hangout... Bridgeport Village



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stephen **graham**

GUARD >> 6-6 >> 215 >> YEARS PRO: 1

listening to... Gospel, R&B, Hip-Hop
favorite food... Any kind of pasta
favorite nba player... Michael Jordan
favorite movie... Life, with Eddie Murphy

stays home to watch... Jamie Foxx
my nickname... Stebo Like Zeb
hobbies... Flying airplanes and bowling



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jarrett **jack**

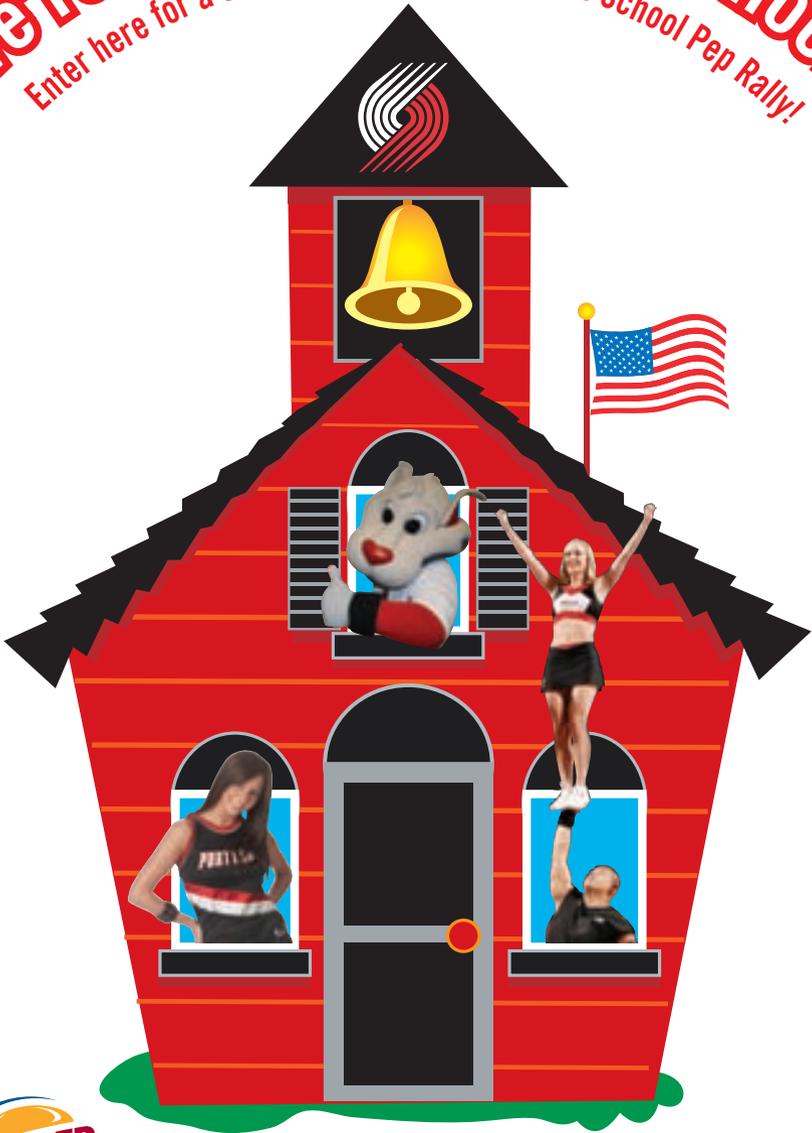
GUARD >> 6-3 >> 197 >> YEARS PRO: 1

listening to... Lil' Wayne, Jay-Z
my nickname... J Jack, J Rock
favorite nba players... Paul Pierce, Kobe
favorite local hangout... PF Chang's

stays home to watch... The Wire, Friends,
 Entourage, Martin
biggest influence... My parents
hobbies... Sleep

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FORWARD >> 6-11 >> 245 >> YEARS PRO: 8

raef lafrentz

listening to... Def Leppard
favorite food... Shrimp Cocktail
favorite nba players... Any Kansas alum
favorite former blazer... Sabonis

stays home to watch... Everybody Loves Raymond
biggest influence... My father
hobbies... Fishing, Outdoor activities



CENTER >> 6-11 >> 265 >> YEARS PRO: 6

jamaal magloire

listening to... Calypso
favorite food... Carribean
favorite former blazer... Drexler
my nickname... Big Cat

favorite nba players... Patrick Ewing
biggest influence... My parents
hobbies... Watching TV



FORWARD >> 6-9 >> 222 >> YEARS PRO: 6

darius miles

listening to... Young Dro
favorite food... Chicken
favorite nba player... Kobe Bryant
favorite movie... New Jack City

favorite former blazer... Cliff Robinson
biggest influence... My mother
hobbies... Watching TV



FORWARD >> 6-9 >> 215 >> YEARS PRO: 3

travis outlaw

listening to... L'il Wayne
favorite food... I'll eat anything!
favorite former player... Michael Jordan
favorite movie... Happy Gilmore

stays home to watch... Everybody Loves Raymond
biggest influence... Dad and brother
hobbies... Sleep and video games



CENTER >> 7-1 >> 235 >> YEARS PRO: 6

joel przybilla

listening to... The Doors
favorite food... My wife's beef enchiladas
favorite former player... David Robinson
favorite movie... Happy Gilmore

stays home to watch... NBA basketball
biggest influence... My parents
hobbies... Sleep and video games

zach randolph

FORWARD >> 6-9 >> 253 >> YEARS PRO: 5

listening to... Yo Gotti

favorite food... Spaghetti

favorite nba players... Garnett, Lebron

favorite movie... Scarface

biggest influence... My mother

hobbies... Video games

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sergio rodriguez

GUARD >> 6-3 >> 168 >> YEARS PRO: ROOKIE

listening to... R&B

favorite food... Spanish Ham

favorite nba player... Steve Nash

favorite movie... Spanish Comedies

biggest influence... My mother

hobbies... Going to the beach

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brandon roy

GUARD >> 6-6 >> 229 >> YEARS PRO: ROOKIE

listening to... The Game

favorite food... Fried chicken

favorite nba players... Kobe and Shaq

favorite movie... The Godfather

stays home to watch... College football

my nickname... B-Roy

hobbies... Video games and pool

7



lime udoka

GUARD/FORWARD >> 6-5 >> 220 >> YEARS PRO: 2

listening to... Rasheem DeVaughn

favorite food... Chicken fettucini

favorite former blazer... Clyde

favorite movie... Flavor of Love

stays home to watch... Martin

biggest influence... Damon Stoudamire

hobbies... Read

5



martell webster

GUARD/FORWARD >> 6-7 >> 229 >> YEARS PRO: 1

listening to... Jay-Z

favorite food... Cereal

favorite nba player... Kobe Bryant

my nickname... Lucky Number 7

stays home to watch... The Wire, House

biggest influence... Grandma

hobbies... Read and watch TV

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nba predictions

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You don't always get consensus from the Blazers Broadcast team when it comes to making predictions, but if this year's prognostications are any indication, San Antonio will be your NBA Champs, LeBron James will be MVP again and Portland's Brandon Roy will be crowned the NBA's Rookie of the Year.

Here's how our resident experts see the NBA playoff picture shaping up and who'll take home the hardware:



Brandon Roy sweeps the board as the panels choice for Rookie of the Year.



MIKE BARRETT

Eastern Conference

1. Miami
2. Cleveland
3. Detroit
4. Chicago
5. New Jersey
6. Indiana
7. Milwaukee
8. Orlando

Western Conference

1. Dallas
2. San Antonio
3. Phoenix
4. LA Clippers
5. NO-Oklahoma City
6. Denver
7. LA Lakers
8. Houston

NBA Finals: San Antonio over Miami

Most Valuable Player: LeBron James (Cleveland)

Coach of the Year: Greg Popovich (San Antonio)

Rookie of the Year: Brandon Roy (Portland)



BRIAN WHEELER

Eastern Conference

1. Detroit
2. Miami
3. New Jersey
4. Cleveland
5. Chicago
6. Washington
7. Indiana
8. Philadelphia

Western Conference

1. San Antonio
2. Phoenix
3. Denver
4. Dallas
5. LA Clippers
6. LA Lakers
7. NO-Oklahoma City
8. Utah

NBA Finals: San Antonio over Detroit

Most Valuable Player: LeBron James (Cleveland)

Coach of the Year: Greg Popovich (San Antonio)

Rookie of the Year: Brandon Roy (Portland)



MIKE RICE

Eastern Conference

1. Cleveland
2. Orlando
3. Chicago
4. Miami
5. Washington
6. Detroit
7. New Jersey
8. New York

Western Conference

1. Dallas
2. San Antonio
3. Phoenix
4. LA Clippers
5. Denver
6. Sacramento
7. LA Lakers
8. Utah

NBA Finals: Dallas over Chicago

Most Valuable Player: Dirk Nowitzki (Dallas)

Coach of the Year: Avery Johnson (Dallas)

Rookie of the Year: Brandon Roy (Portland)



ANTONIO HARVEY

Eastern Conference

1. Detroit
2. Miami
3. New Jersey
4. Cleveland
5. Chicago
6. Washington
7. Milwaukee
8. Toronto

Western Conference

1. San Antonio
2. Dallas
3. Phoenix
4. Clippers
5. Lakers
6. Denver
7. NO-Oklahoma City
8. Memphis

NBA Finals: San Antonio over Detroit

Most Valuable Player: LeBron James (Cleveland)

Coach of the Year: Flip Saunders (Detroit)

Rookie of the Year: Brandon Roy (Portland)



Hey fans, be sure to catch the new and improved Trail Blazers Courtside on it's new night this year, Thursday. This season, Brian Wheeler joins fellow broadcasters Mike Barrett and Mike Rice to share Courtside hosting duties. Antonio Harvey also becomes a regular on the show with his new segment, "Off the Court with Antonio," while Rice also adds a new feature aptly titled "Rice's Rant". Join us from 6 to 8 p.m. on KXL-AM 750 in the Portland area or you can listen live online at KXL.com. If you have any questions or comments for the show you can email them to us at courtside@trailblazers.com.



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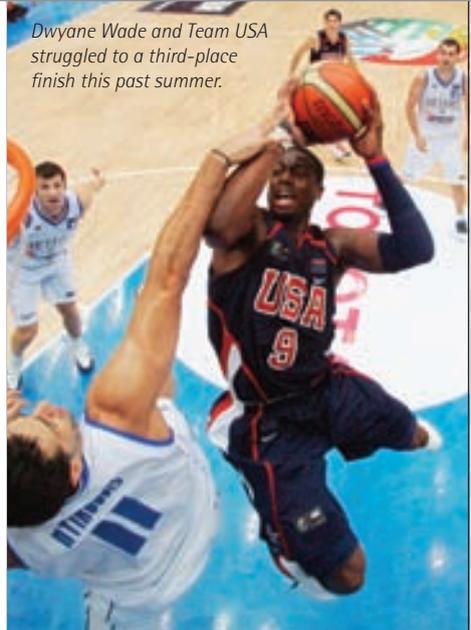


coaching isn't easy

When *Rip City Magazine* asked me to do a column on coaching in the NBA, I said yes before I really thought it through. Would I turn into a critic of every little move made by the people who have the most difficult job in the country? Would I become a jump-on, jump-off the bandwagon type of writer when a coach wins three in a row or loses three in a row?

Coaching in the NBA is a lot different than coaching in a sport like major league baseball. It's a game where you have to have people working together at all times in order to be successful, but NBA players are paid more for having great individual stats than leading their teams to winning seasons. So how do I judge coaches in the NBA, when I am writing this column? It will be something I'll put a great deal of thought into before ripping their hearts out.

The NBA has built a star system, where attendance goes up and down according to which star is coming to town. We put these stars on a pedestal for their individual achievements. If your star is unselfish like Steve Nash, you can win games; if he's like Stephon Marbury, forget about it. If you don't believe me, look at Team USA and their third-place finish in the World Basketball Championships this past summer in Japan. I mean, how could Dwyane Wade, LeBron James, or Carmelo Anthony lose to anyone? These are all max-contract guys in the NBA, and we put the best college coach in the world,



Dwyane Wade and Team USA struggled to a third-place finish this past summer.

Duke's Mike Krzyzewski, to lead them.

They were asked to play defense and pass the ball to each other. They did not have to do that on their individual NBA teams because offense in the NBA means let the stars have the ball all of the time. So how did the U.S.A. lose to the Greeks who didn't have one max guy on their roster? Well, the Greeks passed the ball to each other, picked for each other on offense, and played team defense that had the Americans almost playing together to beat them.

Now as a writer, I must point out which coaches in the NBA have no chance to win, which coaches are doing the best job of coaching, without talent, and with talent. I don't think I will make friends in writing these articles, so I guess I better not quit my day job.

by mike rice

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the new nba ball

players sound off on the new rock



"Most of the guys seem to be getting used to it. It is very different from the old ball."

—GEOFF CLARK, ASSISTANT TRAINER

It's been called the biggest headache that NBA Commissioner David Stern has had face this year and the season is just getting started. It doesn't involve a player, a team, the union, a certain NBA owner, or even a slimy agent. So what's all the fuss about?

The hubbub is over the new game ball Spalding has made for the NBA. Despite hearing early complaints, mainly from veteran players, the ball is here to stay.

The NBA game ball has been just about exactly the same for the past 35 years. The NBA is the only league, professional or college, which was still using a genuine leather ball. Everyone else has gone to synthetic, composite, or some kind of hybrid.

Stern's early comments indicated he would perhaps be willing to revert back to the old ball, if the new ball was flawed.

"Right now our plans are to stay the course, but we will monitor it and if we find there is something to it," Stern said in September. More recently, following a series of tests, Stern indicated the league is satisfied it made the correct decision in switching balls.

So, what do some of the Trail Blazer players think of the new ball?

"The reaction has been very mixed," said assistant trainer and equipment manager Geoff Clark. "Most of the guys seem to be getting used to it. It is very different from the old ball. That's why you're hearing all

by mike barrett

the complaints."

"I hate it," said veteran Raef LaFrentz. He then softened a bit and explained, "it's just a change, and guys at this level hate change. I'm sure I'll be fine with it in time. It really just gives guys something to complain about."

Another veteran, Jamaal Magloire, wasn't nearly as passionate about the subject. "I liked the old ball," he said. "But, I'm getting used to the new one. It's not that bad."

Rookie Brandon Roy, who used a similar composite ball in college, said, "I like it. The wetter it gets the better it gets." This goes directly against what some critics have said about the new ball.

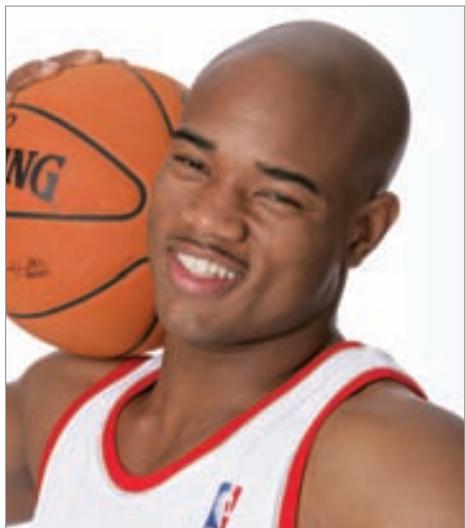
As for point guard Dan Dickau? "I hate the new ball," he said. "But, I'll get used to it. I'll be fine with whatever we use."

Joel Przybilla said, "I have small hands, so this ball has been great. I love it. It's much easier to grip and you won't see guys needing to dump rosin all over their hands and arms before they check into the game. That's the only way I could get a decent grip on the old, slick ball."

Martell Webster had more of a historical approach to his opinion. "I always looked forward to getting to the NBA and playing with that old-school ball," he said. "That leather ball wasn't used at any other level, and I thought that was kind of cool."

Rookie Sergio Rodriguez, not surprisingly, loves the new ball. They've used a ball very similar to this in Europe for years. "We used a ball just like this in the FIBA World Championships (where Spain won the gold). It's all I've ever used."

Finally, it was fitting to get the opinion of the guy who will likely be handling



"I absolutely love the new ball.
I love handling it and
I love shooting it."
-JARRETT JACK

the new ball more than any other Trail Blazer — point guard Jarrett Jack. "I absolutely love the new ball," said Jack. "I really don't know why so many guys have come out and complained about it. I love handling it and I love shooting it."

That's good for Trail Blazers fans because it seems the new ball is here to stay.



"I always looked forward to getting to the NBA and playing with that old-school ball."
-MARTELL WEBSTER

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No one's suggesting an NBA championship, but there are some amusing similarities between the Trail Blazers of today and the team that won it all 30 years ago.

the spirit of 76?

As you ponder the start of this new season, no doubt with cautious optimism, you probably won't suspect that the 2006 Trail Blazers have anything in common with the champion Trail Blazers of 1976. Just one year removed from being the worst team in the NBA, this year's Blazers bear an eerie resemblance to Portland's Cinderella team of '76. Young and inexperienced and new to one another—that's the common link.

But the comparisons don't end there. Consider this: Thirty years ago, the Trail Blazers assembled for fall training camp with their future a big unknown. Entering their seventh year as a franchise, the Trail Blazers had never had a post-season NBA appearance, or a winning season. Included in this group were seven new players and a new coach. Two

of the players were rookies just out of college; two others were making their NBA debuts after spending a few years in the rival American Basketball Association; and two others were entering just their second season in the league.

Overall, the Trail Blazers players in the fall of '76 had very little professional playing experience, but they did have youth on their side.

They also had street cred: Six of them were first round picks in the NBA draft, and under today's system, five of them (Bill Walton, Corky Calhoun, Lionel Hollins, Wally Walker and Herm Gilliam) would have been lottery picks.

The 1976-77 Trail Blazers were the youngest team in the NBA, their 12-man roster averaging just 24.3 years of age.

by wayne thompson



Portland's new skyline includes a total of eight new players including LaMarcus Aldridge, Brandon Roy, Sergio Rodriguez and Jamaal Magloire.

They won 37 games the year before, but had traded away their stars Geoff Petrie and Sidney Wicks in order to change the team's direction and get younger.

If all of this sounds familiar 30 years later, it's because this season's Trail Blazer edition has a similar MO.

Check this out: Eight of the 15 players on Portland's 2006 roster are new to the team. Two others, Jarrett Jack and Martell Webster, have only played one season of professional basketball. Their coach, Nate McMillan, is in his second year with the team.

Thirteen of the 15 Trail Blazers are first round draft picks, six of them (LaMarcus Aldridge, Darius Miles, Raef LaFrentz, Martell Webster, Brandon Roy and Joel Przybilla) are lottery picks.

The average age of Portland's roster entering the season is 24.5 years, second youngest in the league.

The current Trail Blazers team is bigger than the 1976-77 team and, arguably, better perimeter shooters. However, the 1976-77 Trail Blazers had Bill Walton and Maurice Lucas to lean on, as they recorded their first winning season and their only NBA championship. Enough said, perhaps.

But it also should be noted that the championship team, under Coach Jack Ramsay, recorded a 12-win improvement over the '75-'76 squad, finishing the regular season with 46 wins.

So while nobody, not even the most optimistic of Trail Blazers fans, would predict that the current squad will make the playoffs, let alone win an NBA championship this year, a 10 to 12-win improvement over the 21-61 record of last year could be in reach.

That's not a goal or an expectation, it's just a reminder of what can be accomplished when you bring new guns to town, get everybody reading in unison



Lloyd Neal and Bill Walton with Dr. J.

"The current Trail Blazers team is bigger than the 1976-77 team."

from the same testament, let alone the same page, and play selflessly as a team.

So no matter how close the personnel comparisons may seem to be over these past 30 years between the Trail Blazers of today and the Trail Blazers of yesteryear, it's clear that Portland's championship team had something that few other Portland teams possessed: Remarkable team unity rarely seen at the pro level.

This is what Coach McMillan means when he preaches ball movement, self-sacrifice, hustle, sharing the spotlight and committing to a cause that results in playing and winning as a team.

So a new season begins and curious fans, throughout Oregon, Southwest Washington and beyond, would agree that the Trail Blazers brain trust has laid a good foundation for the future.

And while the early results are encouraging, Blazer fans are anxious to see which team will show up—the one with the spirit of '76, or something else.

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no.	name	pos	ht	wt	dob	college	yrs
1	Jarrett Jack	G	6-3	197	10/28/1983	Georgia Tech	1
2	Dan Dickau	G	6-0	180	09/16/1978	Gonzaga	4
3	Juan Dixon	G	6-3	164	10/09/1978	Maryland	4
5	Ima Udoka	G-F	6-5	220	08/09/1977	Portland State	2
7	Brandon Roy	G	6-6	229	07/23/1984	Washington	R
8	Martell Webster	G	6-7	229	12/04/1986	Seattle Prep HS	1
9	Raef LaFrentz	C-F	6-11	245	05/29/1976	Kansas	8
10	Joel Przybilla	C	7-1	255	10/10/1979	Minnesota	6
11	Sergio Rodriguez	G	6-3	168	06/12/1986	Spain	R
12	LaMarcus Aldridge	F-C	6-11	245	07/19/1985	Texas	R
21	Jamaal Magloire	C	6-11	265	05/21/1978	Kentucky	6
23	Darius Miles	F	6-9	222	10/09/1981	East St. Louis HS (IL)	6
24	Stephen Graham	G-F	6-6	215	06/11/82	Oklahoma State	1
25	Travis Outlaw	F	6-9	215	09/18/1984	Starkville HS (MS)	3
50	Zach Randolph	F	6-9	255	07/16/1981	Michigan State	5

head coach Nate McMillan (North Carolina State)

assistant coaches Dean Demopoulos (West Chester), Maurice Lucas (Marquette),
Monty Williams (Notre Dame), Bill Bayno (Sacred Heart, CT)

athletic trainer Jay Jensen (Loma Linda) **assistant trainer** Geoff Clark (Oregon State)

strength & conditioning coach Bob Medina (UNLV) **video coordinator** Kaleb Canales

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timberwolves roster

WESTERN CONFERENCE, NORTHWEST DIVISION

no.	name	pos	ht	wt	dob	college	yrs
1	Rashad McCants	G	6-4	226	09/25/1984	North Carolina	1
4	Randy Foye	G	6-4	213	09/24/1983	Villanova	R
5	Craig Smith	F	6-7	272	11/10/1983	Boston College	R
6	Bracey Wright	G	6-3	210	07/01/1984	Indiana	1
9	Justin Reed	F	6-9	238	01/16/1982	Mississippi	2
13	Mike James	G	6-2	195	06/23/1975	Duquesne	5
16	Troy Hudson	G	6-1	178	03/13/1976	Southern Illinois	9
21	Kevin Garnett	F	6-11	253	05/19/1976	Farragut Academy HS (IL)	11
23	Trenton Hassell	G	6-5	233	03/04/1979	Austin Peay	5
30	Mark Blount	C	7-0	250	11/30/1975	Pittsburgh	6
31	Ricky Davis	G	6-7	226	09/23/1979	Iowa	8
35	Mark Madsen	C-F	6-9	250	01/28/1976	Stanford	6
41	Eddie Griffin	F	6-10	232	05/30/1982	Seton Hall	4
42	Vin Baker	F	6-11	253	11/23/1971	Hartford	13
55	Marko Jaric	G	6-7	224	10/12/1978	Serbia & Montenegro	4

head coach Dwane Casey (Kentucky) **assistant coaches** Rex Kalamian (Cal Poly Pomona), Vince Taylor (Duke), Aleksandar Dzokic (Serbia), Randy Wittman (Indiana), Bob Ociepka (Quincy College)



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matchup history

The teams split their series last season. Minnesota took the first two games, winning 90-86 on its own floor then taking a 94-84 decision in Portland. The Trail Blazers bounced back, beating the Wolves in Minneapolis, 91-83, to break a six-game series losing streak. Portland won for the seventh time in 11 games on February 3, downing the Wolves, 89-85 in the Rose Garden. Zach Randolph led Portland in the series, averaging 18.3 ppg and 11.5 rpg. Darius Miles tallied 32 points in his only outing against the T-Wolves.

Portland leads the all-time series, 45-22, and is 24-10 against the Wolves at home.

05-06 team leaders

PORTLAND

points per game

Randolph 18.0

rebounds per game

Randolph 8.0

assists per game

Blake 4.5

MINNESOTA

points per game

Garnett 21.8

rebounds per game

Garnett 12.7

assists per game

Davis 4.8



05-06 western conference standings

northwest	w	l	pct	gb	home	road	last 10	streak
Denver	44	38	.537	--	26-15	18-23	4-6	lost 4
Utah	41	41	.500	3	22-19	19-22	7-3	won 1
Seattle	39	47	.427	9	22-19	13-28	6-4	won 1
Minnesota	33	49	.402	11	24-17	9-32	3-7	lost 1
Portland	21	61	.256	23	15-26	6-32	1-9	lost 8

pacific	w	l	pct	gb	home	road	last 10	streak
Phoenix	54	28	.659	--	31-10	23-18	5-5	won 2
L.A. Clippers	47	35	.573	7	27-14	20-21	5-5	won 1
L.A. Lakers	45	37	.549	9	27-14	18-23	7-3	won 5
Sacramento	44	38	.537	10	27-14	17-24	8-2	won 3
Golden State	34	48	.415	20	21-20	13-28	4-6	lost 1

southwest	w	l	pct	gb	home	road	last 10	streak
San Antonio	63	19	.768	--	34-7	29-12	7-3	won 3
Dallas	60	22	.732	3	34-7	26-15	6-4	lost 1
Memphis	49	33	.598	14	30-11	19-22	8-2	won 5
NO/Okla. City	38	44	.463	25	24-17	14-27	3-7	lost 4
Houston	34	48	.415	29	15-26	19-22	2-8	lost 1

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Did you know that goat cheese is safe for many people who are lactose intolerant or who have other milk-related allergies? Also, it has twice as much protein as cow's milk cream cheese and has 1/2 the fat and cholesterol!

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ROSEMARY GOAT CHEESE CHICKEN

2 lbs. chicken legs
 8 ounces goat cheese, room temperature
 2 tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary leaves
 4 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, plus more for sautéing
 Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Preheat the oven to 450 degrees F.

In a small bowl, combine the goat cheese, rosemary, and olive oil. Season with salt and pepper and mash together with the back of a fork.

Gently loosen the skin by inserting your fingers underneath it to make a pocket. Stuff the rosemary goat cheese under the skin evenly over the legs. Tuck the skin back over the chicken. Season both sides of the chicken well with salt and pepper. Drizzle a little olive oil over the chicken and rub well.

Heat a large, ovenproof sauté pan over high heat. When the pan is hot, add enough olive oil to coat the bottom of the pan. When the oil is hot and begins to shimmer when swirled, add the chicken, skin side down. Cook the chicken until the skin side is a deep golden brown, about 8 to 10 minutes. Carefully turn the chicken over and transfer to the oven. Roast for 30 minutes, or until the chicken is cooked through and the juices run clear.

Serve immediately.

by antonio harvey



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trail blazers off-season wrap-up

out and about in the community



Travis Outlaw lends hands-on-assistance to the building of a new playground in a community affected by Hurricane Katrina in his home state of Mississippi.

As fans are seeing the new Trail Blazers team together for the first time on the court, many are no strangers to the Portland community, having stayed connected throughout the off-season.

In June, the youngest team member, Martell Webster, joined the city's biggest party for Portland's kids. Martell joined Blaze the Trail Cat in the 2006 Jr. Rose Festival Parade.

Three of the team's rookies quickly inserted themselves into the community by participating in a year-end celebration at Peninsula Elementary School. LaMarcus Aldridge, Brandon Roy and Joel Freeland presented a check for \$5,000 to help the school enhance their playground.

With Portland's downtown as the backdrop, the community welcomed Joel and Noelle Przybilla at a resigning celebration on the Vera Katz Eastbank Esplanade. The celebration hosted kids from Doernbecher Children's Hospital and featured jet boat tours of the Willamette River.

In July, Jarrett Jack, the honorary chairman of the team's annual Trail Blazers Street Jam, participated in both days of the tournament that attracted over 1,000 athletes of all ages. The event is an outdoor 3-on-3 basketball festival hosted at the Rose Quarter benefiting Special Olympics.

Local community organizations assisted in welcoming new Trail Blazers to town. The annual Street of Dreams hosted a welcome event for Raef LaFrentz and his wife Joie. Open Meadow High School was the location for the introduction press conference welcoming Jamaal Magloire.

Mississippi natives, Trail Blazers alum and radio analyst Antonio Harvey, and Travis Outlaw returned to their home state on the one-year anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. They visited with students and assisted in building projects throughout the region.

by traci rose



1) More than 1000 athletes of all ages participated in the third annual Trail Blazers Street Jam host at the Rose Quarter

2) Joel Przybilla and his wife, Noelle, were guests of honor at a Portland riverbank celebration of the Trail Blazers center's decision to re-sign with the team.

3) Antonio Harvey and Travis Outlaw share a break with Central Elementary students during a rebuilding project in Harvey's hometown of Pascagoula, Mississippi.

4) LaMarcus Aldridge, Brandon Roy and Joel Freeland receive an enthusiastic welcome from students at Peninsula Elementary School.

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2. During the past **4 weeks**, how often have you had shortness of breath?

More than once a day	1	Once a day	2	3 to 6 times a week	3	Once or twice a week	4	Not at all	5	<input type="text"/>
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3. During the past **4 weeks**, how often did your **asthma** symptoms (wheezing, coughing, shortness of breath, chest tightness or pain) wake you up at night or earlier than usual in the morning?

4 or more nights a week	1	2 or 3 nights a week	2	Once a week	3	Once or twice	4	Not at all	5	<input type="text"/>
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4. During the past **4 weeks**, how often have you used your rescue inhaler or nebulizer medication (such as albuterol)?

3 or more times per day	1	1 or 2 times per day	2	2 or 3 times per week	3	Once a week or less	4	Not at all	5	<input type="text"/>
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5. How would you rate your **asthma** control during the **past 4 weeks**?

Not controlled at all	1	Poorly controlled	2	Somewhat controlled	3	Well controlled	4	Completely controlled	5	<input type="text"/>
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20
or more

- If you scored 20 or more, your asthma seems to be well controlled, but you should discuss your Asthma Control Test score with your doctor at your next appointment.
- Asthma is unpredictable. Your asthma symptoms may seem mild or nonexistent, but they can flare up at any time.
- Take the Asthma Control Test periodically no matter how good you feel, and continue to see your doctor on a regular basis to ensure you are taking the necessary steps to keep your asthma in control.

JARRETT'S PICKS

We asked Jarrett Jack which six match-ups he's most looking forward to playing and why...

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- Sat. Nov. 4 Minnesota 7 p.m.
- Wed. Nov. 8 L.A. Lakers 7 p.m.
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- Wed. Dec. 20 Houston 7 p.m.
- Fri. Dec. 22 Toronto 7 p.m.
- Wed. Dec. 27 NO/Oklahoma City 7 p.m.
- Fri. Dec. 29 Philadelphia 7 p.m.

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- Mon. Jan. 1 Boston 7 p.m.
- Wed. Jan. 3 New York 7 p.m.
- Sun. Jan. 7 Miami 6 p.m.
- Fri. Jan. 12 Sacramento 7 p.m.
- Sun. Jan. 14 Denver 6 p.m.
- Wed. Jan. 17 Cleveland 7 p.m.
- Sun. Jan. 21 Milwaukee 6 p.m.
- Wed. Jan. 24 Minnesota 7 p.m.
- Wed. Jan. 31 Denver 7 p.m.

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- Wed. March 14 Detroit 7 p.m.
- Sun. March 18 Seattle 6 p.m.
- Tues. March 20 Washington 7 p.m.
- Thurs. March 29 Memphis 7 p.m.
- Sat. March 31 L.A. Clippers 7 p.m.

APRIL

- Wed. April 4 Utah 7 p.m.
- Wed. April 11 Houston 7 p.m.
- Sat. April 14 Seattle 7 p.m.
- Wed. April 18 Golden State 7 p.m.



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"I admire guys who have been doing it in this league for a long time and have been really successful no matter where they have been."

Brian Wheeler: Considering that you weren't physically 100% last season due to your lingering ankle injury, how satisfying was it to lead the team in games played? You missed only 3 the entire year.

Jarrett Jack: I think it shows a lot about me as a person and a player, that I will fight through any type of adversity to get out there, get on the court and help the team.

Wheels: How much better physically do you feel going into this season than you felt probably all of last year?

Jarrett: I feel 100% better, my weight is down because I was able to work really hard and come into this season in great condition, so taking all that stress off my knees and off my ankle is something that I feel is going to pay dividends this season.

Wheels: You've been given the opportunity to earn a lot of playing time for this young Blazers team. How do you see your role for this group?

Jarrett: Um, you know...just going out there, leading the team, controlling the tempo. Just doing normal point guard play and going out there and being consistent every day.

Wheels: In the NBA it seems that when you are point guard there just aren't any off nights. There's a lot of talented players at this position in this league aren't there?

by brian wheeler

Jarrett: Definitely, I think I have probably the toughest position in the league as far as night in and night out and I just have to really step up to the challenge.

Wheels: Who do you most admire among the point guards in the league?

Jarrett: I have to probably go with Steve Nash or Jason Kidd. Guys who have been doing it in this league for a long time and have been really successful no matter where they have been. Then also you have guys like Baron Davis and Stephon Marbury...the list goes on and on.

Wheels: We're told that you are reportedly an avid collector of sneakers. How many do you own?

Jarrett: Right now I probably have like eighty something. Right when I just came home after we left practice I had a box on my doorstep with like eleven pairs in there, so you know my collection is getting bigger and bigger.

Wheels: Do you have mostly new ones, classic ones or everything in between?

Jarrett: A little bit of both.

Wheels: How many of them do you wear? Do you wear them all?

Jarrett: Yeah, I mainly wear all of them...you know... I might wear some more than others. Some might just be worn on special occasions.

Wheels: Are you thinking about the day when some young man is going to say, "I want to make sure that I have a Jarrett Jack's shoe for my collection?"

Jarrett: Man, that would be a crazy day (laugh).

Wheels: It's coming I think. Your favorite food is baked macaroni and cheese, where did your love

of that come from?

Jarrett: It came from my mom. She makes the best macaroni and cheese. I could just have that and that could just be my whole meal if she's cooking it.

Wheels: How about you as a cook? Do you have any specialty?

Jarrett: I'm terrible. I can't even make cereal (laughs).



"I'm terrible. I can't even make cereal." (laughs)

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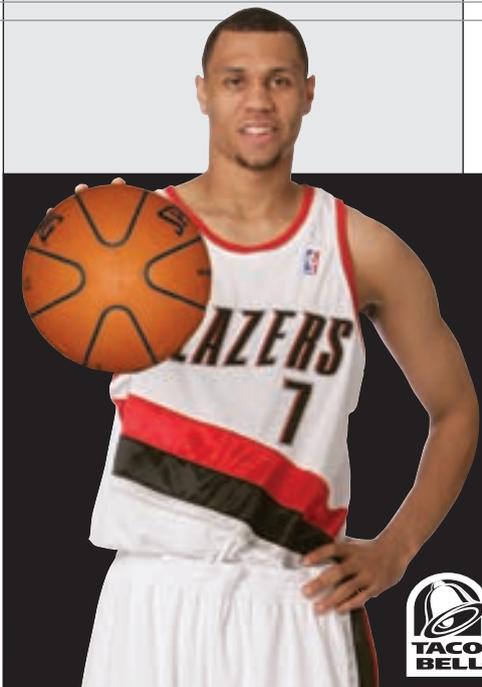
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			1 SEA 7:00 PM KGW	2	3 GS 7:30 PM FSN	4 MIN 7:00 PM KGW
5	6 LAC 7:30 PM	7	8 LAL 7:00 PM KGW	9	10 NO 7:00 PM	11
12 DAL 6:00 PM FSN	13	14 MIN 5:00 PM FSN	15 CLE 4:00 PM FSN	16	17 BOS 4:30 PM FSN	18 NJ 4:30 PM
19	20 SA 7:00 PM FSN	21	22 NJ 7:00 PM FSN	23	24	25 SAC 7:00 PM KGW
26 PHO 6:00 PM FSN	27	28 IND 7:00 PM FSN	29	30		

DECEMBER 2006						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 ORL 7:00 PM	2
3 ATL 6:00 PM	4	5 DET 4:30 PM FSN	6 MIL 5:00 PM KGW	7	8 IND 4:00 PM FSN	9
10 TOR 10:30 AM	11 PHI 4:30 PM FSN	12	13 MEM 5:00 PM	14	15 LAC 7:00 PM FSN	16
17	18	19	20 HOU 7:00 PM	21	22 TOR 7:00 PM FSN	23
24	25	26 PHO 6:00 PM KGW	27 NO 7:00 PM FSN	28	29 PHI 7:00 PM FSN	30 UT 6:00 PM KGW
31						

JANUARY 2007						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 BOS 7:00 PM KGW	2	3 NY 7:00 PM	4	5	6 SAC 7:00 PM
7 MIA 6:00 PM KGW	8	9 SA 5:00 PM FSN	10 DAL 5:30 PM KGW	11	12 SAC 7:00 PM FSN	13
14 DEN 6:30 PM	15	16	17 CLE 7:00 PM KGW	18	19 PHO 6:00 PM KGW	20
21 MIL 6:00 PM	22	23	24 MIN 7:00 PM FSN	25	26 HOU 5:30 PM KGW	27 MEM 5:00 PM KGW
28	29 NO 5:00 PM FSN	30	31 DEN 7:00 PM			

FEBRUARY 2007						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 DEN 6:00 PM KGW	2 CHI 7:30 PM KGW
4	5	6 PHO 7:00 PM FSN	7	8	9 CHA 4:00 PM	10
11 WAS 10:30 AM	12	13 MIA 4:30 PM FSN	14 ORL 4:00 PM	15	16 ALL-STAR	17 ALL-STAR
18 ALL-STAR	19	20 UT 7:00 PM FSN	21 LAL 7:30 PM KGW	22	23 MEM 7:00 PM	24
25	26 SEA 7:00 PM FSN	27	28			

MARCH 2007						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 CHA 7:00 PM	2	3 SAC 7:00 PM FSN
4	5	6 SA 7:00 PM FSN	7	8	9	10
11 GS 6:00 PM FSN	12	13 DEN 6:00 PM KGW	14 DET 7:00 PM FSN	15	16 LAL 7:30 PM KGW	17
18 SEA 6:00 PM FSN	19 WAS 7:00 PM	20	21	22 NY 4:30 PM FSN	23 ATL 4:30 PM	24
25 MIN 12:30 PM	26 CHI 5:30 PM KGW	27	28	29 MEM 7:00 PM FSN	30	31 LAC 7:00 PM KGW

APRIL 2007						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 UT 7:00 PM FSN
1 SEA 6:00 PM FSN	2	3	4 HOU 7:00 PM FSN	5	6 SEA 7:00 PM FSN	7 UT 6:00 PM KGW
9	10 DEN 7:00 PM FSN	11	12 LAC 7:30 PM KGW	13	14 LAL 7:30 PM KGW	15 GS 7:00 PM FSN
16	17 GS 7:30 PM KGW	18	19 PHO 7:00 PM KGW	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

★ FAN NIGHTS

February 23 Memphis - Black History Month Celebration
 April 18 Golden State - Fan Appreciation Night

▲ GROUP NIGHTS

BOY SCOUT NIGHTS

November 4 Minnesota
 January 12 Sacramento
 April 14 Seattle

FAITH & FAMILY NIGHTS

December 1 Orlando
 March 3 Sacramento

GIRL SCOUT NIGHTS

December 3 Atlanta
 March 31 LA Clippers

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 January 17 Cleveland - LaMarcus Aldridge Bobblehead
 February 6 Phoenix - Jamaal Magloire Bobblehead
 March 14 Detroit - Raef LaFrentz Bobblehead
 April 14 Seattle - Jarrett Jack Bobblehead

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