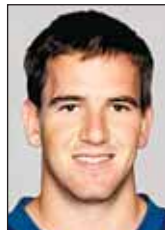


Peyton's brother wants own legacy

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NEWARK, N.J.

For however long he spends in Miami in the next 10 days, he'll be the other Manning, the one not preparing to make his first appearance in the Super Bowl.



E. MANNING

While Peyton Manning's public appearances will be tightly managed as his Indianapolis Colts focus on the challenges posed by the Chicago Bears, Eli Manning will have plenty of time to mingle with the common folk and probably hear all about his more accomplished older brother.

If nothing else, the overall

experience will give the younger Manning a whiff of the atmosphere every NFL player hungers to experience.

"I'm going to enjoy the time, and when it comes time for next year, I'll know what the feeling is," Manning said this week. "I know I won't want to be shaking hands with people congratulating me about Peyton. I'll want to be in the hotel studying film and getting ready to prepare to play for the championship."

The comparisons to his older brother are something Eli has had to endure since he was a youth. But a year ago, as he led the Giants to a playoff berth in his first season as a starter and Peyton failed once again to get the Colts to the Super Bowl, the gap seemed to be closing.

That was before the 2006 season. Numbers-wise, Eli Manning

in 2006 was virtually identical to Eli Manning in 2005 in touchdown-to-interception ratio (24-17 in '05; 24-18 in '06) and passer rating (75.9 in '05; 77.0 in '06). He also continued to be error-prone at key moments.

Peyton, meanwhile, finally shed his image as one of the best NFL quarterbacks never to reach the Super Bowl.

"I don't know if he felt he needed to get there," Eli Manning said. "I know he wanted to get there. It's every player's goal to get to the Super Bowl."

"You don't play for stats. You try to play well to win games. He's played well, and he's proven himself as one of best quarterbacks in the league, but he's been disappointed the first eight years of his career because he didn't get to the Super Bowl."

Whether Eli can follow in his

footsteps is a question that concerns many Giants followers who fear the team may have missed its window the past two years, sabotaged by injuries, inconsistent play from Manning and internal bickering.

With Giants career rushing leader Tiki Barber headed off to retirement, there will be even more pressure on Manning to produce.

His most reliable threat has been Plaxico Burress, and the two have combined for 139 catches, 2,202 yards and 17 touchdowns the last two seasons.

Manning conceded both he and Burress need a little more time if they are to develop into a combination to rival Peyton and wide receiver Marvin Harrison.

"We've gotten better over the last two years, but we've still got a ways to go," he said.

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BASKETBALL

SOUTH BEND

Notre Dame's McAlarney plans return to school

Notre Dame point guard Kyle McAlarney plans to return to school and basketball following his suspension for a marijuana possession arrest, his father said Friday.



MCALARNEY

"He's going back to school starting this summer," Patrick McAlarney said from his home in New York.

The player's plans were first reported by The New York Times.

Bernie Cafarelli, Notre Dame's sports information director, said Kyle McAlarney had told coach Mike Brey of his wish to return to Notre Dame for the summer session. She said McAlarney, a sophomore, would have two seasons of eligibility remaining.

Janice McAlarney said this week that her son was told Monday that he could not continue to attend classes this semester. He was suspended from the team following his arrest last month.

GREENSBORO, N.C.

ACC admits timing error took place in Duke win

The Atlantic Coast Conference admitted Friday that a timing error was made in the closing seconds of No. 10 Duke's 68-66 win against 19th-ranked Clemson.

Coordinator of basketball officials John Clougherty said the league reviewed the game film and discussed the clock controversy with the officials, Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski and Clemson coach Oliver Purnell.

The confusion started shortly after Clemson's Vernon Hamilton made a layup to pull the Tigers to 66-63 with 5 seconds left.

Josh McRoberts' inbound pass for Greg Paulus went to Hamilton just outside the 3-point arc. Hamilton hit a 3 to tie it with 1.8 seconds left, which seemed to have the game headed for overtime.

But officials stopped play to review the time remaining and restored the clock to 4.4 seconds.

McRoberts then inbounded the ball to Jon Scheyer. He pushed the ball near midcourt and passed to David McClure, who made a layup as time expired to give the Blue Devils the win.

BASEBALL

ROUND ROCK, Texas

Ryan hospitalized

Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan was hospitalized Friday and in good condition with an undisclosed ailment, his son said.

The 59-year-old strikeout king checked into Round Rock Medical Center for treatment of recurring symptoms from a pre-existing medical condition, Reid Ryan said.

Reid Ryan declined to specify the condition but said it was discovered when his father had double-bypass heart surgery in 2000. "This is something I've lived with for the last seven years," Nolan Ryan said in a statement.

His son said it was not an emergency.

BOSTON

Boston lands Drew

J.D. Drew didn't let the fact that he was, technically, an unsigned free agent for the past seven weeks get in the way of his preparations for the 2007 season.

"We've continued right on schedule with everything you'd normally do as far as the offseason routine goes," he said Friday after his long-ago agreed-to deal with the Boston Red Sox was announced. "It hasn't been bad at all."

The five-year, \$70 million agreement was reached on Dec. 5 but not finished until the lawyers worked out details.

COLLEGES

INDIANAPOLIS

Butler dropping men's swimming, lacrosse

Butler has decided to eliminate its men's swimming and lacrosse programs after this school year.

The decision comes after a study lasting several months of Butler's athletics program, the school announced Friday.

"This action has been taken in order to focus our efforts and seek success in our remaining 19 sports," said Barry Collier, who became Butler's athletic director in August.

Lacrosse players can stay at Butler on their scholarship through their senior years, the school said.

Scholarships are not offered for swimming at Butler, which has been using the pool at Carmel High School for home meets.

RACING

LAS VEGAS

Unser Jr. charged with DUI after traffic accident

Two-time Indianapolis 500 winner Al Unser Jr. is facing charges including driving under the influence after leaving the scene of a crash on a southern Nevada freeway, authorities said.



UNSER

Unser, 44, was arrested after he was identified as the driver of a black Ford Excursion that sideswiped a Mazda sedan on the Las Vegas Beltway shortly before 11 a.m. Thursday, Nevada Highway Patrol Trooper Kevin Honea said.

Unser's vehicle had little damage, but the Mazda crashed into a cement center median. The driver of the Mazda reported no injuries the scene, Honea said Friday.

Another driver who witnessed the crash called authorities and followed Unser's vehicle before it exited U.S. 95 in Henderson, Honea said.

Henderson police stopped Unser in the vehicle a short time later near the Black Mountain Country Club, about 12 miles southeast of the Las Vegas Strip.

TENNIS

MELBOURNE, Australia

Gonzalez vows to go for broke against Federer

The logic goes like this: Fernando Gonzalez can beat Rafael Nadal, and Nadal has beaten Roger Federer. Why can't Gonzalez upset Federer in the Australian Open final?



GONZALEZ

The fact: Gonzalez is 0-9 against Federer.

Still, Gonzalez is not without hope Sunday against a No. 1 player who won three majors last year and is going for his 10th Grand Slam title.

Gonzalez has a strong forehand, plenty of nerve and a revitalized game under a new coach. He is ranked No. 10, and he's not called Speedy for nothing.

Gonzalez overpowered Tommy Haas 6-1, 6-3, 6-1 in the semifinals Friday, winning the first 11 points and not making an unforced error in the first and third sets to reach his first Grand Slam final.

His reward: He'll face Federer, who routed No. 6 Andy Roddick 6-4, 6-0, 6-2 Thursday night, calling it his best match ever in Melbourne.

GOLF

SAN DIEGO

Snedeker remains leader of PGA Buick Invitational

Brandt Snedeker didn't know how golf could get any better than an opening-round 61 until he walked up the 18th fairway to a standing ovation Friday after expanding his lead and his gallery at the Buick Invitational.

Snedeker overcame some sloppy tee shots with brilliant iron play for a 2-under 70 on the menacing South Course at Torrey Pines, giving the 26-year-old rookie a three-shot lead at 13-under 131. Charles Howell III was second.

Tigers Woods fired a 72 that left him seven shots back.

Howell shot a 64 on the pitch-and-putt North Course. Former PGA champion Rich Beem had a 68 on the South Course and was 9 under along with Bill Haas (66 on the North) and Charlie Wi (72 on the South).

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