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**I SAID NOT TO OPEN
THIS UNTIL AFTER THE
FIRST ROUND!**

Round 1 Playoff Predictions from the Past

Western Conference

Lakers – Nuggets

Nothing would have pleased my heart more than the sounds of Kobe tearing his way through the LA media and screaming all the way to Chicago if the Lakers had been eliminated in the first round. Unfortunately, that would have taken something the Nugs didn't have which was mental toughness and discipline.

Prediction: This was the highest scoring series of the 1st round. Lakers won in 6

Hornets – Mavericks

Dirk came back. Kidd had finally figured out how to play in Dallas (again) and Avery was still the most overrated coach in the league. In this classic battle of experience versus youth I went with the grey...

Prediction: CP3 learned a lot and the Hornets will come back a better team for losing in 7

Suns – Spurs

Not much else to add here...whipping that ass sure was fun!

Prediction: Spurs lost in 6 and San Antonio fans barely noticed

Jazz – Rockets

I couldn't figure this Jazz team out. You Suns fans think we had a case of the inconsistency bug. We ain't got nothing on the Jazz. Fortunately though, the Rockets were too young and too small to put up too much of a fight without Rafer Alston...or with Rafer Alston.

Prediction: Jazz dropped two on the road for old time sakes but took it in 6.

Eastern Conference

Abridged version:

yadda yadda yadda...blah blah blah....Celtic Pistons in the ECF. Pistons Win

Extended play:

Celtics - Hawks

The friggin Hawks didn't have the decency to give us our damn lottery pick and all they did was get rolled in the first round. Please.

Prediction: If you had to ask you shouldn't be reading this website

Pistons – 76'ers

The 76'ers got totally hosed out of the opportunity to lose to the Raptors instead they lost to the Pistons. Sucks for them.

The Pistons were rejuvenated this year thanks to a well managed rotation. Next year this should be the model for how a veteran Suns team handles young players and vets in the regular season.

Prediction: Pistons in 5

Cavaliers - Wizards

LeBron vs. a fairly decent team that sometimes played well but couldn't stay healthy long enough to figure it all out.

Prediction: No way was I betting against LeBron in the playoff's again...at least not against the Wiz

Magic - Raptors

These were two very similar teams. They had a dominant big guys and some three point shooters. The Magic were better on the wings but the Raptors had better point guards and the difference maker was Rasho Nesterovich the Dwight Howard Stopper.

Prediction: This was the best series in the East. Raptors won 7
(btw – WTF happened to Rashard Lewis? Is he still playing basketball?)