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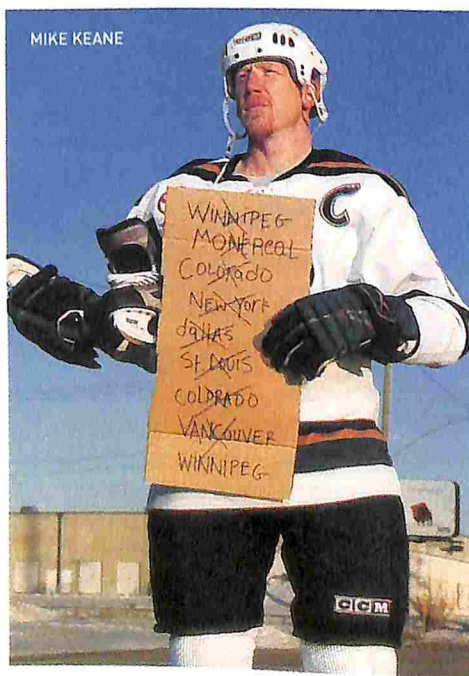
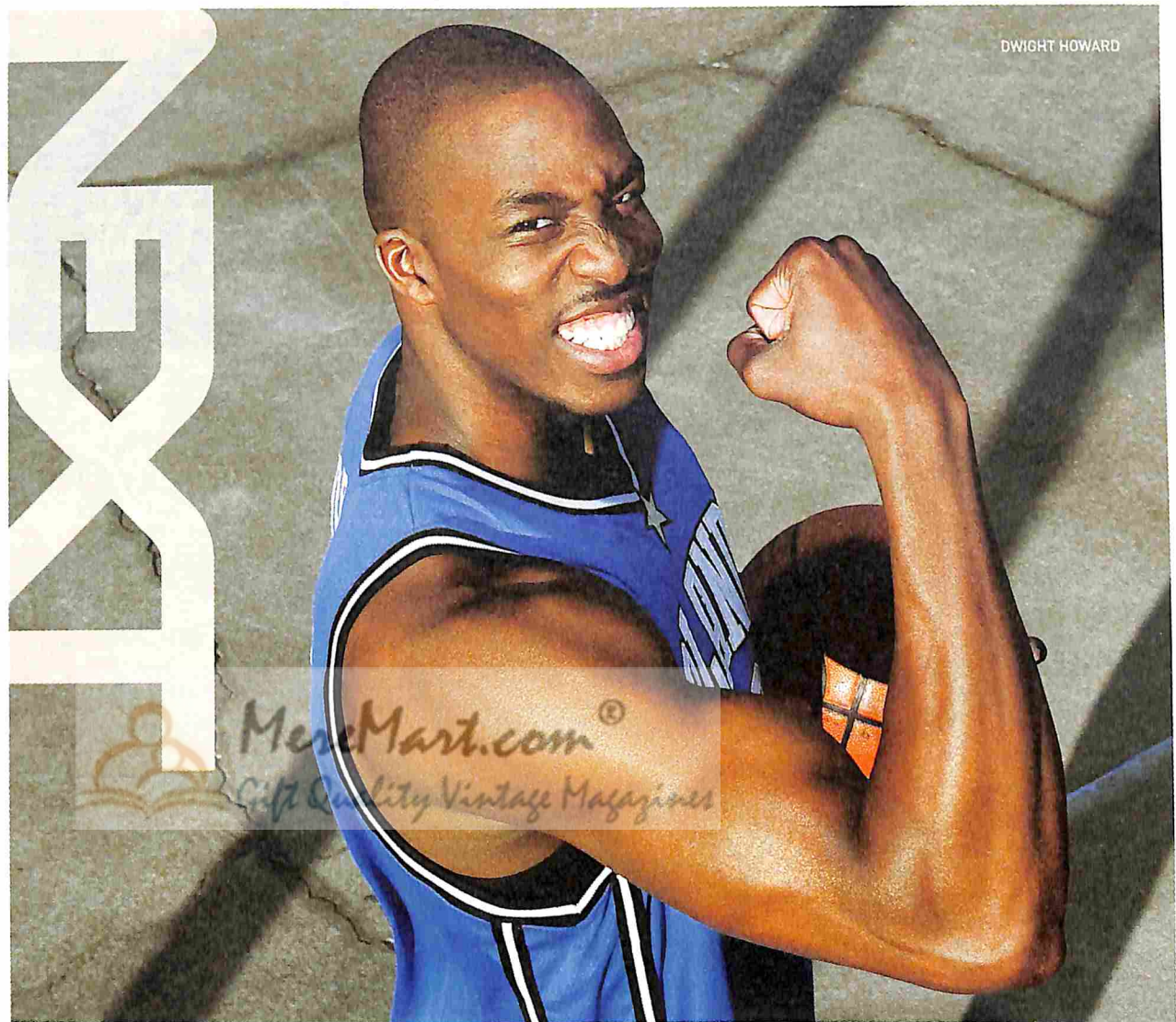
We asked SportsNation to tell us which of five athletes is most ready to make the leap to superstar status. Calvin Johnson, Evgeni Malkin, José Reyes and Juan Pablo Montoya all showed plenty of strength. But the winner? Dwight Howard. A devout Christian, a dedicated son, a caring teammate and, oh yeah, an outrageous talent who's only begun to flex in the NBA.

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Now that you've met the leading men, check out the athletes who are hot on their heels, and the innovations turning their world—and ours—inside out. Three-dimensional, virtual BP, anyone?

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We've seen their game faces, so we handed cameras to our NEXT athletes and asked them to show us a different side.



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Three years into his NBA career, everybody's waiting for Shaun Livingston to justify the hype—including Shaun Livingston. "I can be The Man," he says. So what is he waiting for? **BY RIC BUCHER**

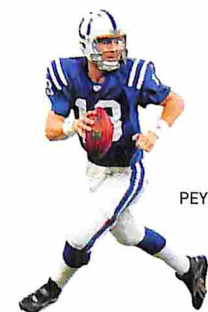
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They're about the same size, they play the same position, they went to the same high school and they share the same goofy sense of humor. Now Duke's Gerald Henderson and UNC's Wayne Ellington are wearing different shades of blue. **BY CHRIS PALMER**

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After 1,161 NHL games and three Stanley Cups, 39-year-old veteran Mike Keane will do anything to keep playing hockey. That includes signing on with the Manitoba Moose.

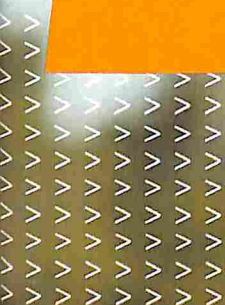
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