

## **LAST WEEK'S TOP STORIES INCLUDED:**

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Each **week** in News Flash you can read brief outlines of some of the previous **week's** main news **stories** so you are aware of what'**s** going on in your local community, your country and the world.

Wildcats win championship

The Perth Wildcats won their eighth championship after beating Illawarra 95-86 in game three of the NBL grand final series on Sunday. Bryce Cotton scored 45 points in the game. Afterwards he said: "This is the **top** of the list. I couldn't imagine anything better." The championship win will be remembered as one of the most remarkable in Perth'**s** history. The Wildcats were in **last** spot in December. But the arrival of former NBA guard Cotton and the return from injury of Damian Martin helped them to a fairytale revival in front of 13,611 fans.

Everest climber dies

An Australian man has died after climbing to Mt Everest'**s** base camp in Nepal. The Melbourne man was trekking with three other Victorians when he became ill at the camp during **last** Thursday night. He began the 5300m climb back down with his team and their local Sherpa guides, but died on the way. The cause of the man'**s** death is not known. Mountain climbers are at risk of altitude sickness, which causes headache, vomiting, insomnia and poor performance and co-ordination. It can cause death. The base camp is one of two for Mt Everest - the other in Tibet - and is walked by thousands of trekkers every year.

Italian volcano erupts

Mt Etna has erupted in a fiery show of lava in eastern Sicily. The volcano'**s** eruptions, which can **last** days and even **weeks**, began on Monday evening. The giant orange fountains of lava, spewing towards the sky, could be seen in the city of Catania and the resort town of Taormina. Mt Etna is the most active volcano in Europe. Mt Etna'**s** frequent eruptions have been watched and feared for thousands of years. An especially large one in the 17th century changed the shape of Sicily'**s** coastline.

Melanie Coram

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