

# Fall is Fantastic for Charlotte Sports Fans

The Carolina Panthers, Charlotte Checkers, Charlotte Hornets and teams of all ages bring excitement to our city every fall. Enjoy the fun and cheer on your team for a great time with family and friends.

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KEEP POUNDING! The Panthers are on the field and back in action after a winning season and trip to the Super Bowl last year. We love our Carolina Panthers!



Defensive End Kony Ealy made Super Bowl history and serves as spokesperson for Allegro Foundation... A Champion for Children with Disabilities. See the story on page 72.



Quarterback Cam Newton continues to break records and in September became the NFL's all-time leader in rushing touchdowns by a quarterback, passing Hall of Famer Steve Young.



Linebacker Luke Kuechly was voted the 7th-best player in the NFL by his peers leading into the 2016 season. He was the youngest recipient of the AP NFL Defensive Player of the Year Award in its history.

Summertime is a blast for sports lovers, too.



Braylon Beam and Charlotte Knights mascot Homer enjoy the fun at the Triple-A All-Star Game at BB&T Ballpark in Uptown Charlotte.



Charlotte Knight Brad Goldberg was one of the winning pitchers in the All-Star game where the International League defeated the Pacific Coast League by 4-2.



USA Olympic medal winners Anthony Irwin, Katie Meili and Katherine Baker return home for a celebration in Lake Norman with Coach David Marsh.

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