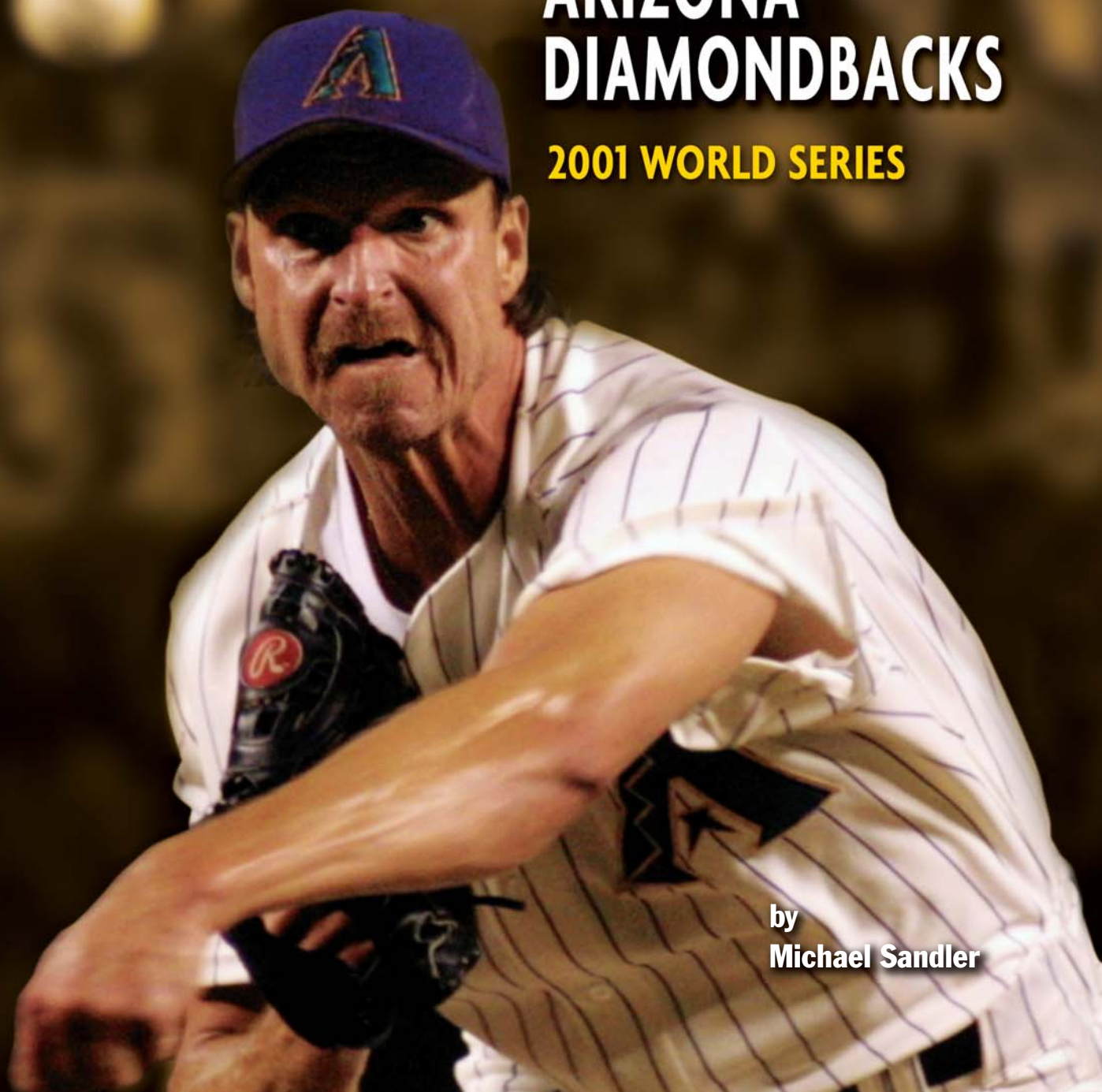


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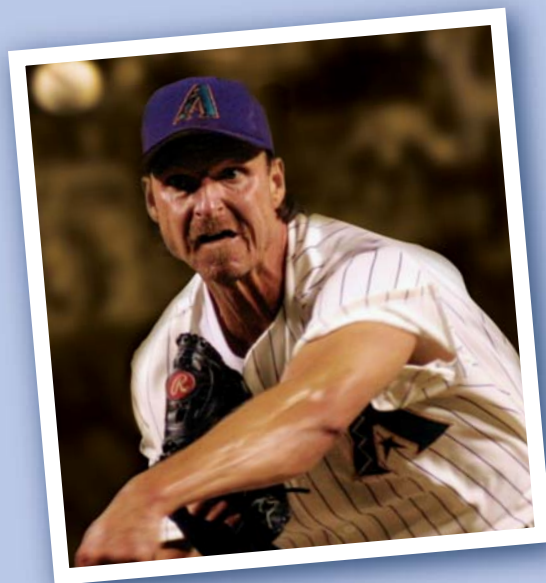
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Pitching Relief

Randy Johnson had always been a **starter**. Now, during Game 7 of the 2001 World Series, the Arizona Diamondbacks needed him to pitch in **relief**.

The Diamondbacks had no choice. They had to stop the New York Yankees. Otherwise, they would lose the series.

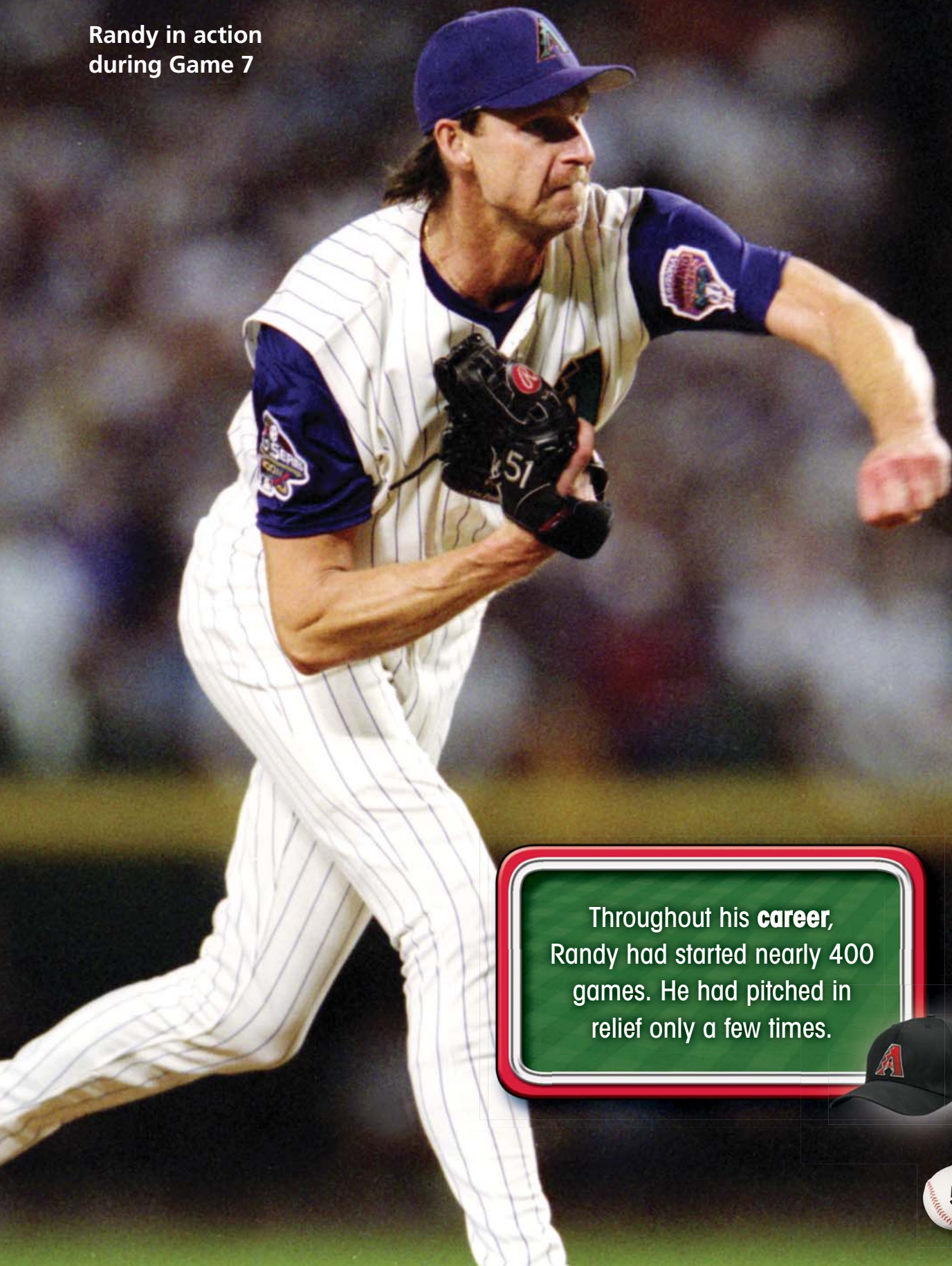
Randy walked to the mound. Reliever or starter, he didn't care. This was the chance he'd been waiting for.



Alfonso Soriano's eighth inning homer gave New York the lead in Game 7 of the 2001 World Series.



Randy in action
during Game 7



Throughout his **career**,
Randy had started nearly 400
games. He had pitched in
relief only a few times.

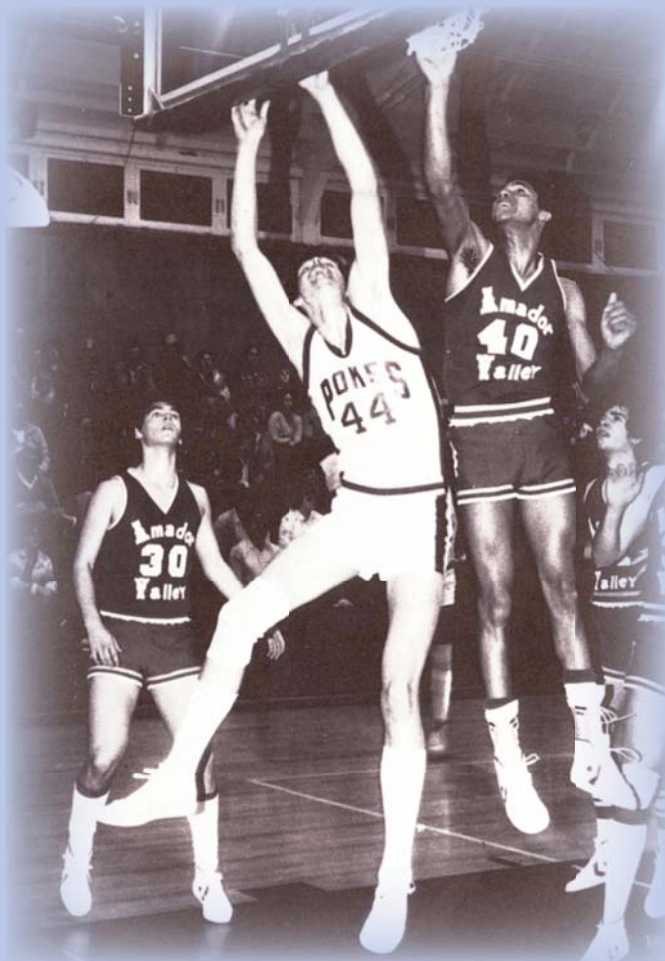


Practicing Pitches

Pitching had always been Randy's first love. As a kid, he practiced by throwing balls at the garage door of his family's home. Over and over, he aimed at a **strike zone** taped to the door.

Even when he was young, his arm was very strong. His height was impressive, too. By high school, Randy was well over six feet (1.83 m) tall. Batters worried whenever they saw Randy on the mound.

In high school, Randy (#44) played both baseball and basketball.





After high school, Randy pitched for the University of Southern California.



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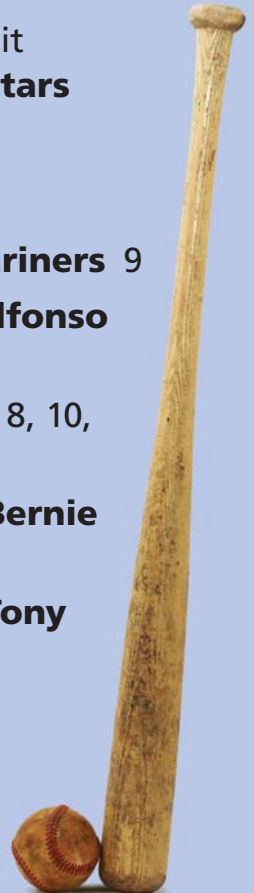
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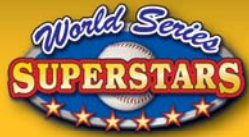
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