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With Christmas just a few days away it's time to put together a Christmas gift list for the wonderful people of sportsworld who seemingly have everything.

For Martina Navratolova-- a chance to turn back the clock ten years

For Monica Seles-- a shrink who can get her back on the tennis courts.

For men's tennis-- a new McEnroe and a new Connors

For Donald Fehr-- a sense of proportion

For Major League owners-- the ability to bargain collectively

For Gary Bettman-- platform shoes and an ego transplant

For the NBA-- a labor agreement before they go down the road after the NHL and Major League Baseball

For George Foreman-- the good sense to retire before Mike Tyson is out of jail

For Boxing-- a new star with some credibility

For the National Football League officials-- instant replay, continuously

For the Tampa Bay Bucs-- an end to the curse of Doug Williams without the need to bring in Jimmy Johnson

For NFL quarterbacks-- concussion free helmets.

For NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue-- a personality or an ID card.

For Dan Marino-- pass receivers who can catch the ball and a defense that can hold a lead.

For Brian Hill-- the sense to realize that a strong bench presupposes a strong Dennis Scott preferably in a starting role

For Shaq-- a major league baseball franchise

For Penny-- less fallout from the holdout

For Horace Grant-- decent looking glasses

For Pat Williams-- a meaningful role --- anywhere

For Dennis Rodman--a gallon of Clairol and an ounce of sense

For Universal Studios-- an NHL franchise in Orlando

For Rich DeVoss-- an IHL franchise in Peoria

For Marge Schott-- a translator and a cat

For Darryl Strawberry-- a tax consultant

For Larry Guest-- an idea, any idea

For Barry Cooper-- a clue

For Orlando Sentinel Sports-- a major league writer

For Marc Middleton--a free color blindness test

For Pat Clark and Mike Storms-- one way tickets

For Linda Chapin and Glenda Hood-- a major league baseball team.

For Fran Pignone-- two season tickets for the Orlando major league baseball team, not at taxpayer expense

For the Orlando Predators-- a season ending win

For UCF-- a hockey team

For FSU-- a footlocker

For the Gators-- a fourth quarter

For Bobby Bowden-- a Sugar Bowl tie

For Steve Spurrier-- all the cheese in the State of Wisconsin to go with his endless supply of whine

For Lou Holtz-- a sense of sportmanship and integrity

For Dick Vitale-- triple headers through the night

For Nebraska-- an orange bowl in Lincoln

For Penn State-- a dead duck and a conference that can count
past ten

For Magic fans-- a sense of proportion and a calendar

And for everyone out there in Central Florida radioland, a very
Merry Christmas!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

On Sport and Society this is Dick Crepeau reminding you that you
don't have to be a good sport to be a bad loser.

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