

Nichols, Martindale Slated To Play Golf Here May 2

Two professional golfers who have totaled \$272,663.92 official PGA winnings since 1959 take a turn around Texas A&M's golf course May 2 to assist the Aggie program.

The best score by Billy Martindale and Bobby Nichols will be the goal for competitors in the 1966 A&M International Golf Tournament. Players beating the Aggie duo's best in the Former Students Association sponsored tourney may win trophies and medals.

Tournament particulars may be obtained from local course shops and gallery tickets for the Nichols-Martindale match are on sale at locations in College Station and Bryan.

Nichols, Aggie who helped guide the Maroon to the first of four straight Southwest Conference golf championships, turned pro in 1959. Through the Jacksonville Open the 1962 Ben Hogan Award winner has pocketed \$221,163.02 in PGA winnings.

Coming back from a wracked and torn situation after an auto accident that hospitalized him for 96 days, Nichols has carded wins in the 1964 PGA, Carling World Open, St. Petersburg Open, Houston Classic, Greater Seattle Open and finished in the top 10 of 12 events in 1961. The same year he tied for second in the Canadian Open and lost a sudden death playoff in the Ontario Open.

Without winning a tourney, Martindale carved out \$44,583.10 in official money, 17th on the list, as a sophomore in 1965 after a \$4,892.80 abbreviated rookie season. His 1966 total is \$2,025.

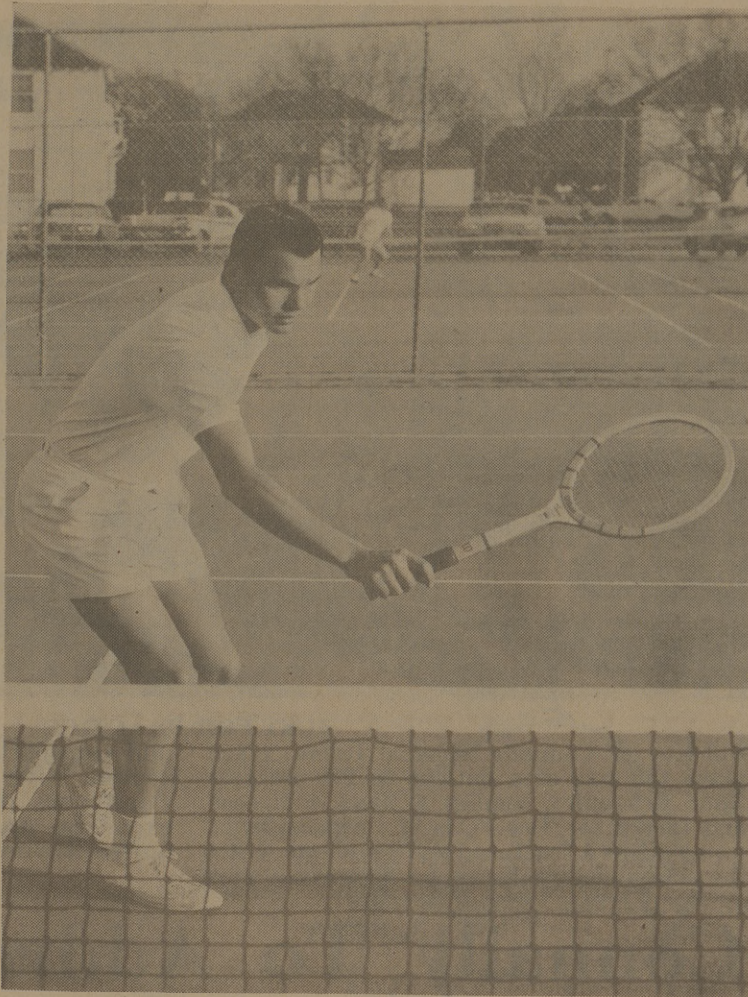
The 27-year-old bespectacled Martindale put second place finishes back-to-back at the Sahara Invitational and Almaden Open last October. He played well in the Houston Classic and Texas Open in 1964 but had his best chance for a win in that year's Greater New Orleans Open.

He placed a 274 on the scoreboard and watched Dick Mayer hole a wedge shot on the 18th green to beat him by a stroke.

Both Martindale and Nichols were stellar football and basketball players in high school, Nichols at Louisville's St. Xavier High and Martindale at Jacksonville, Texas. The auto accident took care of Bobby's future in either sport, but Martindale, an all-state quarterback, turned down several football scholarship offers to accept a golf scholarship at A&M.

Both are married. Bobby and Nancy Nichols have a son and a daughter. Bill and Dianna Martindale have a daughter, born late in 1965.

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TOP AGGIE TENNIS PLAYERS

Luis Rojas, who helped the Texas Aggies blast the University of Texas in tennis Tuesday, demonstrates his form which makes him one of the top layers in the Southwest Conference. The Aggies beat the Longhorns, 5-1, at the A&M courts. The win was A&M's eleventh in Southwest conference to go with only one loss. Texas' record is 8-3.

Matson Hurts Knee Again; To Miss SMU Meet Saturday

Randy Matson, who was just getting back into form after a round with basketball, re-injured his knee during a weight-lifting exercise.

The knee, which has been bothering Matson for most of his athletic career, was badly twisted in February in a basketball game against the Texas Christian Horned Frogs in Fort Worth. Matson played the rest of the basketball season with the knee heavily taped.

When the world's greatest shot putter started track workouts, the knee kept Matson from doing heavy weight training which he thinks helps more than actually throwing the shot in practice.

The injury will keep Matson out of the Southern Methodist meet this weekend, but Emil Mamaliga, Matson's weight-lifting coach, said Matson should be ready for competition Tuesday night when A&M hosts Baylor for a dual meet.

Matson last week threw the iron ball 65-4 1/2, his best of the year.

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Consol Tracksters Enter District Meet

A&M Consolidated High School track team will enter the District 10-AAA track meet in Conroe Thursday.

The six competing schools will be Consolidated, Furr of Houston, Conroe, Cypress - Fairbanks, Huntsville and Brenham.

Preliminaries in track and field events will start at 2 p.m. and the field events finals will

immediately follow the conclusion on the field preliminaries. Finals in the track events will be at 7 p.m.

In spite of a rather unimpressive record this year, coach Bright said:

"We will score a few points and we hope to surprise them at a few events."



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