

Pitching Stats



RICK SCHWARTZ
Top Aggie in ERA department.

GAME LOSES HUNTER
DENVER (AP)—Colorado has lost one of its more aptly named officials. Gilbert Hunter retired as state game manager for the Colorado Game, Fish and Parks Department.

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Sports Aplenty
Stingy Pitching Hefty Hitting
By GARY SHERER

Most baseball experts agree that pitching is truly the name of the game. This year's Aggie pitching staff proves this without a doubt. In fact, in the Aggie nine's recent seven-game streak, the pitching has been top-notch. Add to this, an improvement in hitting and you have the whole story of the win streak. Statistics prove far more than words the improvement of Coach Tom Chandler's 1968 baseball team. In this streak, the Maroon and White pitchers have turned in five shutouts and of the five runs given up, only two of them have been earned. Last season, the American League's perennial team pitching leaders, the Chicago White Sox, finished with a club ERA earned-run-average of 2.38. The Aggie staff makes that figure look large! Eight pitchers have seen duty for the Aggies this year and their combined ERA is 1.66.

Pitcher	G	GS	CG	W-L	IP	R	ER	H	BB	SO	WP	HB	BK	ERA
Benesch	2	0	0	1-0	9	0	0	5	4	12	0	0	1	0.00
Walker	1	0	0	0-0	1/2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Schwartz	3	1	1	2-0	17	5	1	10	8	19	1	0	0	0.53
Thompson	3	2	0	1-1	14 1/3	3	3	12	4	5	0	1	0	1.89
Rau	1	0	0	0-1	2	1	1	4	2	3	0	0	0	4.50
Larson	3	1	0	0-0	7 1/3	5	5	8	3	7	1	0	0	5.87
Sanders	3	0	0	0-0	1 1/3	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	16.12
Totals	6	4	1	4-2	52	17	13	40	22	46	2	1	1	2.25
Opp.	6	2	1	2-4	51	26	18	45	28	38	5	0	0	3.18

Pitcher	G	GS	CG	W-L	IP	R	ER	H	BB	SO	WP	HB	BK	ERA
Schwartz	5	2	1	2-1	31	9	2	18	13	28	1	0	0	0.59
Walker	3	1	1	1-0	8 2/3	2	1	5	4	10	0	0	0	1.04
Rau	5	1	1	2-2	21 1/3	3	3	16	6	20	0	2	0	1.27
Thompson	6	5	0	2-1	22 2/3	4	4	15	8	9	0	2	0	1.58
Benesch	4	0	0	1-0	18 1/3	6	4	15	6	22	1	0	1	1.97
Larson	5	2	0	1-0	17	5	5	13	10	14	1	0	0	2.85
Sanders	5	0	0	2-0	6 1/3	3	3	2	1	4	0	0	0	4.27
Varvel	2	1	0	0-0	3 2/3	3	2	4	2	1	1	0	0	4.89
Totals	15	11	4	11-4	129	35	24	88	50	116	4	4	1	1.66
Opp.	15	15	4	1-11	124 1/3	56	40	96	63	100	8	2	0	2.90

Sprint Champs Top JC Field

At least 10 sprinters who have been clocked in less than 10 seconds for the 100-yard dash are among entrants in the Texas A&M Junior College Track & Field Meet scheduled for Kyle Field Friday. Clifford Branch of Wharton has run a 9.4 this year and heads the field of speed merchants. San Jacinto's Robert Mitchell has run a 9.6 while Edwin Johnson of Dallas Baptist Gentry of Odessa and Doug Pennington of San Jacinto both have 9.7 clockings. In addition there are two 9.8 runners and a trio at 9.9.

Eleven teams are in the one-day meet. They are Wharton JC, Blinn JC, Victoria JC, Dallas Baptist, Lee College of Baytown, Odessa College, Temple JC, San Antonio JC, San Jacinto of Pasadena, Schreiner Institute of Kerrville and Hill JC of Hillsboro.

Preliminaries are scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday and finals get under way at 3 p.m.

Both individual and relay events will be scored on a 6-4-3-2-1 point basis.

The meet is free to the public.

Spring Sports

Fish Pace Ag Cindermen In 8 Of 16 Team Events

By JOHN PLATZER
Two school records have been established by the Aggie track team thus far this season.

Martin Rollins, a senior from Alabama, set the A&M standard for the pole vault at 16-1 1/2 in the team's first meet of the year March 1 in College Station.

The new record mile relay time of 3:10.1 was set by the team of Mike Boyd, Curtis Mills, David Dolton and Steve Bancroft.

GEORGE RESLEY, who has had a personnel war with teammate Ronny Lightfoot in the shot put all year, currently leads the team in the event with a top effort of 57.4.

Freshmen have really made their presence known on Coach Charley Thomas' squad this season as they have participated in eight team bests of the 16 events.

Curtis Mills has made the biggest splash among the freshmen. He is tied with Jack Abbott for the best time in the 220 at 21.6 and leads in the 440 at 47.2. He also is a member of the Aggie's best sprint and mile relay teams.

OTHER FIRST year men to lead the team in their respective specialties are Kelvin Korver in the discus (162-8), Marc Black in the javelin (193-4), Rockie Woods in the high jump (6-4) and Pat Boyle in the 100-yard dash (9.9).

The Texas Relays in Austin will provide the tracksters with their next competition Friday and Saturday. The relays will pit many of the best college teams in the nation as well as such individuals as Aggie's Randy Matson and Jim Hines of Texas Southern.

SOCCER

Defending champion Tunisia will face South America in the championship game of the A&M spring soccer tournament Sunday at 3 p.m. on the drill field across from the Memorial Student Center.

In a 1 p.m. preliminary contest, the Corps-Asians will take on the North America team.

In league action last week, Mexico beat the Corps-Asians 9-2 while Central America defeated North America 8-2.



MOE DRABOWSKY
This veteran righthander has taken over as the Baltimore Orioles senior relief specialist with the trading of the Atlanta Braves. (AP Photo)

AstroFacts

If there was such a thing as buying stock on a major league baseball team on the New York Stock Exchange, a good broker might advise you to buy a big hunk of shares in the Houston Astros.

Houston's "growth potential" looks very impressive. To come to this conclusion, all you have to do is analyze the ages and abilities of their probable starting lineup for April 8 when they meet the Pittsburgh Pirates in the Astrodome.

The probable lineup and their

ages are: Ron Davis, cf-26, Joe Morgan, 2b-24, Jimmy Wynn, lf-26, Rusty Staub, 1b-24, Hal King, c-24, Norm Miller, rf-22, Doug Rader, 3b-23, Hector Torres, ss-22, and Larry Dierker, p-21.

The average age of this talent is 23 and a half, which could be the youngest lineup ever to open a season for a major league club.

"Each of these players should have at least eight more years in the majors," said Astros general manager Spec Richardson. "And I wouldn't trade that lineup for any in the big leagues today."

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