



# Ags meet Oregon in Bluebonnet Classic

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The Texas Aggies and Oregon Ducks meet tonight for the first time ever in an athletic contest and, to the Aggies' misfortune, it may be the best basketball game in Oregon history that takes the court in the opening round of the 1970 Bluebonnet Classic in Houston.

The two are scheduled to play at 8 p.m. in the University of Houston's Hefkins Pavilion. In the first game at 7 p.m. the Houston Cougars will meet the Tulane Green Wave.

The winners of tonight's games meet in the finals Saturday at 9 p.m. and the losers meet in the consolation game at 7 p.m.

Tickets will be on sale for \$3 and \$4 for the tournament.

In the previous 10 years of the tournament, the Cougars have won eight of the championships, including the last seven.

Last year the Aggies lost to

Kent State 68-66 and Nebraska 78-69 in the tourney.

Mike Heilmann was chosen a member of the All-Tournament team as were Ollie Taylor and Dwight Davis of the Cougars. Heilmann and Taylor have graduated but Davis is back.

The Aggies have a 1-2 standard this season and the Ducks are undefeated in three starts.

Oregon returns four of five starters and six of the top seven players off last year's 17-9 team, one that had the best record for an OU team in the past 10 seasons.

Leading the way will be 6-9 senior center Stan Love, the defending Pacific Eight scoring champion, who has netted 25.7 per game in the first three games this year, after scoring at a 20.9 clip last year.

Love was a Helms Foundation All-American. Another Helms All-American, Tulane center John Sutter, also will be playing in the tournament.

The Ducks will have Bill Drosdiak, a senior, and Ken Strand in the back court. Drosdiak, a 49% shooter from the field, is averaging 14 points a game this year. Strand is hitting for an average of 12 points per contest.

Returning at the forward slots will be Rusty Blair, 6-9 junior,

who was the team's second-leading rebounder with 7.1 per game last year, and 6-8 Larry Holliday, who is scoring at an 11.7 clip this season.

The Ducks also have some top prospects off their freshman team which won 22 and lost only two.

Doug Little, a 6-4 forward, averaged 19.4 points and 13.4 rebounds, and 6-10 center Al Carlson lead the sophomores.

The Aggies will counter with Pat Kavanagh at the point, Bobby Threadgill and Jeff Overhouse at the wings and Rick Duplantis and Steve Niles at the posts.

Duplantis and Threadgill, both returning from last years team and sophomore Overhouse have shown much improvement in leading the Aggies.

Duplantis leads the scoring with a 12.3 clip while shooting .588 from the field, and is the team's second-leading free shooter with 17 of 22 of .773 and second leading rebounder with six per contest.

The junior from Groves apparently is fully recovered from a knee operation that psychologically may have hampered him in the opener. He has played exceptionally well in the last two games.

Threadgill, who moved in as a starter this season replacing Mike



Rick Duplantis

Heilmann, scored only five points hitting on one of nine shots in his opener.

Since then he's shaken off the first-game jitters and with his 14 of 33 in the past two games has been the most consistent outside shooter.

Overhouse has started two of the three games and leads the team in rebounding with 7.7 per game while shooting for a 9.3 clip in the Aggies' balanced scoring.

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## A&M faces ACC in game Monday

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The Aggies, who have found the going rough, losing two of their first three games despite playing them on their home court—tests the Southland Conference school in their last game before the break for finals.

ACC will be packed with veterans from a team that last year won only 10 of 26, and one of seven conference games in a league with Lamar Tech, UT-Arlington, Trinity and Arkansas State.

Heading the returners is two-time All-Southland conference Ronnie Hearne, who averaged 22 points a game last year. 6-8 Ronnie Massey averaged 14.1 a contest and 6-4 Randy Brown 10.3 a game.

Top junior college transfers are also on hand as 6-8 Kent Martins, a 28-point, 18-rebound star for Iowa Western Community College, and 5-10 guard Dean Bass from St. John's River JC in Florida head the list. Bass played for ACC coach Garnie Hatch in high school.

## Aggie swimmers compete in Arkansas tomorrow

By JOHN CURYLO  
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The Aggie swimming team will be competing with some 15-18 other schools Saturday in a swimming meet at Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas.

According to the times turned in, the Aggies of Coach Dennis Fosdick should be highly seeded, and they could fare very well.

Among the other schools in the meet are Hendrix, Tulane, Drury College, Southwest Missouri, Southeast Missouri, Central Missouri, John Brown, State College of Arkansas, Southern State, and Southwestern Memphis.

## Polo team loses to Houston, 8-1

The Houston Polo Association defeated the A&M Polo Team 8-1 in a recent match at Houston.

Houston scored two goals in the first chukkar and four more in the second and wrapped it up with single goals in the last two chukkas.

A&M's lone goal came on a 60-yard penalty shot by team captain Henri de Monsegou.

Five of Houston's goals were on penalty shots.

Riding for A&M were Bill Marden, Jose Argiellas, Monsegou and Los Spargo.

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