

Texas Relays too tough

# Ags place in 5 events

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Texas A&M thinclads placed in five events as the 48th annual Texas Relays came to a close last Saturday.

Sophomore hurdler Shifton Baker took sixth in the 440-yard hurdles with a 52.7 clocking. Bill Newton also took a sixth in the javelin with a short toss for him of 215-2. Both men finished their events on Friday.

Saturday at Memorial Stadium saw pole vaulter Brad Blair finish in a three-way tie for fourth place with a vault of 16-0. The mile relay foursome of Chuck Butler, Baker, Horace Grant and Doug Brodhead ran a 3:13.4 time for fourth place. Dashman Charles

Dawson was clocked at 9.8 in a photo-finish 100-yard dash to capture sixth.

"I thought we all did real well," said Head Track Coach Charles Thomas. "Just to qualify for finals is doing pretty good."

The University of Texas at El Paso was named the outstanding team of the Relays and world record holder in the pole vault, Dave Roberts, was voted the most outstanding individual by the writers. The 69 team field included five world record holders including Roberts. Al Fuebach took the shot put as expected and hurdler Jim Boldring ran away with the 440-yard hurdles. Dwight Stones had a comparatively mediocre

leap of 7-1 (his world mark is 7-6 5/8) to take first in the open high jump. Roberts had a vault of 18-1 to take a first and then made three unsuccessful attempts at 18-8, nearly two inches off the record he set just a week before. Women's mile specialist, Francie Larrieu, captured that event with a 4:35.4 time.

One highlight of the meet had to be the narrow victory of TCU's Bill Collins in the 100. Thomas said all eight challengers finished within a foot and a half of one another and second to fifth place was within a foot. Collins won

## Grid scrimmage proves physical

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13 yards on six runs and Jay collecting 21 on eight carries.

The passing game didn't go well for the No. 1 unit as they connected on two passes in 14 attempts with two interceptions. Wilson said breakdowns in blocking and missed passes were the main problems. Both starting receivers, Carl Roaches and Richard Osborne, grabbed one aerial.

The defense played their usual aggressive style and made quite a bit of noise themselves. All-Americans Pat Thomas and Ed Simonini stole a pass each for the No. 1 unit with cornerback Tony Blankenship doing the same for the reserve unit.

Assistant Head Coach Melvin Robertson probably felt a lot better about the middle linebacker spot vacated by John McCrumby as both Robert Jackson and Grady Wilkerson had great days. Jackson, a transfer from Henderson Junior College, was in on 16 collisions and caused a fumble and Wilkerson made ten stops.

The whole defense performed well with Thomas, Simonini, Blake Schwarz, Jimmy Dean, Garth Ten Napel and Edgar Fields drawing special praise from the coaching staff.

The Aggie football team will rest Monday and get back to action Tuesday afternoon at 4:30.

with a 9.5 on the chronometer. The University of Texas also broke the sprint relay record by A&M in 1970 at 39.7. Longhorns were first timed 39.6, but it turned out the was in haste as their actual time was recorded as 39.8.

Thomas had kind words for nearly everyone of his team. "We're real proud of the (Gerald) D'Ambrosio run. It was some question whether he could run all out but he came through. I was pleased with the way (Ray) Brooks ran and Bill ran real well." All three Aggie sprinters had 220-yard times under 21 seconds in the preliminaries. "Horace Grant is coming in real strong," he said.

Thomas also spoke well of distance men, Bruce Smith and Manfred Kohrs. Smith ran 4:14.0 leg and Kohrs a 4:10.0 the four-mile relay.

In addition to the meet was a 26-mile marathon in which Richard Adams, from A&M but running unattached, finished second with a time of two hours and 40 minutes. Charles Cottle came second in the half-marathon. Thomas says he may take Adams to the Drake Relays after he gets his eligibility.

"Overall, I'm pretty pleased. The relay teams did real well. The mile relay was not quite as fast as we've had," said Thomas.

Three Aggies remained on the sidelines in Austin with a variety of leg ailments. Sprinters Steve Dierschke and Robert Harris have never expected to be ready for the Baylor dual meet in two weeks. Stellar hurdler Scott Jones "is not coming around real fast, but he's a little bit better. He may return to action in three to four weeks. "Adolph Ting can run now, but he's not in the shape," Thomas said about A&M top half miler.

A&M was scheduled to have an open date this weekend but because of two previously cancelled meets, Thomas said he will take the team to Lafayette, La., to compete in the Southwestern Relays. The Aggies will leave Friday for the trip to Bayou country.

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## Women thinclads take 3rd in meet

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The women tracksters took third as they hosted the first annual Texas A&M Women's Invitational Track Meet.

The Aggies came off the lanes with 83 points to Baylor's 118½ and West Texas State's 106½. The A&M women took two firsts and five seconds to bring in the majority of their marks.

Marsha Mitchell took first place points in the 440-yard dash and Lucy Neiman used her 119-5½ discus throw to take first in that event. Her toss was six and one-half inches short of qualifying for nationals.

The 880-yard medley (220-110-110-440) team of Jane Weisenfelder, Rita Kuntz, Debbie Wootan and Mitchell took second with a 1:58.6. Margaret Grant leaped to second with a 4-6 high jump.

Sharon Boyle ran the mile to the tune of 5:44.7 for another Aggie second repeated that finish in the half mile with a 2:32.3. Mardi Alexander grabbed the last A&M second points with a 15-0½ long jump.

Sandra Lyman took third behind Neiman in the plate toss with a 111-6 throw. Wootan finished fourth in the 100-meter high hurdles at 16.6 and the mile relay quartet also took fourth with a time of 4:39.1. Neiman finished fifth in the shot after a throw of

31-7/8 and the 440-yard relay squad took fifth with a 54.1.

The last event the Aggie women placed in was the javelin, where Ruth Whiteley had a toss of 98-1½.

"I was very pleased with their performance," said women's coach Connie Karcher. "This was the first time we had competed in a lot of events so the times we did get I was very satisfied with."

"The running events really came through for us," said Karcher. The field events had previously been the women's strongpoint. "I was really excited about it."

Karcher said she was especially pleased with Boyle, who took two seconds, and Mitchell, who won the quarter and anchored the second place half mile medley relay. Karcher also spoke well of Neiman and Alexander. This was the first time Alexander had high jumped for A&M.

## Ag golfers take second at 'Doches

After playing a fine weekend of golf, the Texas Aggies finished no better than second at the recent Stephen F. Austin Tournament, in Nacogdoches.

The University of Houston Cougars, who seem to be at the top every weekend, set the winning pace with a team total of 736 for the 36-hole, 12-team affair.

The Aggies, led by Steve Whiteside, finished with a team score of 772. McLennan Community College came in third at 785 ahead of Wharton County Junior College which finished at 793.

Whiteside finished third in the individual scoring, with a 147, six strokes behind tournament winner Keith Furgus of Houston, who posted a 141 total. Van Gillen, of Houston, finished second at 145.

Other Aggies and their scores at the tournament included Ed Pennington at 152, Monte Schauer at 154, Tom Sutter at 159 and Bobby Baker at 160.

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