

## Connors powers past Kodes

# Evert wins again

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FOREST HILLS, N.Y. — At Wimbledon, it was Evert and Goolagong. Four times on the women's pro tour this winter, it was Evert and Goolagong. At last year's U.S. Open, it was Evert and Goolagong.

It always seems to be Evert and Goolagong — and the 1976 U.S. Open Tennis Championships is shaping up the same way. Top-seeded Chris Evert of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and second-ranked Evonne Goolagong of Australia took another stride on the road toward their expected showdown in the women's singles final by scoring easy quarter-final victories Wednesday.

day, Miss Evert overwhelmed Natasha Chmyreva, the 18-year-old Russian, 6-1, 6-2 in an afternoon quarter-final match, while Miss Goolagong beat gritty veteran Rosie Casals 6-1, 6-2 in the featured night match at the West Side Tennis Club.

In men's action, top-seeded Jimmy Connors of Belleville, Ill., overpowered Jan Kodes of Czechoslovakia 7-5, 6-3, 6-1 and third-seeded Guillermo Vilas of Argentina wore down plucky Eddie Dibbs of North Miami Beach, Fla., the No. 9 seed, 6-1, 2-6, 7-6, 7-6 in a two-hour, 57-minute marathon. Connors will meet Vilas in one men's semifinal Saturday.

The remaining men's semifinal berths were to be determined today, with No. 2 Bjorn Borg of Sweden playing No. 6 Manuel Orantes of Spain, the defending champion, and No. 5 Ilie Nastase of Romania facing unseeded Dick Stockton of Dallas.

Miss Evert's victory was her 99th in a row on clay or slow artificial surfaces, a streak which dates back to the Western Championships in July, 1973 — when she lost to Miss Goolagong.

After the customary disclaimers about playing one match at a time and not looking too far ahead, both distaff rivals conceded they never are far from each other's thoughts.

"Playing Evonne is always something special," Miss Evert said. "It's always in the back of my mind that we may meet in the finals, and I know she thinks the same way."

"I really don't like to look ahead," Miss Goolagong said with a smile. "But it would be nice to beat Chris, especially here in the U.S. Open, and on clay."

Standing in the way of a rematch between the tennis queens are a pair of upset-minded 20-year-olds, Mima Jausovec of Yugoslavia and Dianne Fromholtz of Australia. Both breezed into the semis, Miss Jausovec beating her doubles partner, Virginia Ruzici of Romania, 6-2, 6-1, and Miss Fromholtz defeating pig-tailed, 16-year-old Zenda Liess of Daytona Beach, Fla., 6-1, 6-3.

Neither was expected to do much in this tournament. Both are happy to have gotten as far as they did — and hopeful of getting further.

"It's fantastic, I can't believe I've gotten this far," said Miss Jausovec. "I'm looking forward to playing Chris. I'm playing well now, and I'm anxious to see how I'll do against her."

"Each day my game seems to get better," said the perky Miss Fromholtz. "I'm playing very steadily. I think I can give Evonne a good match."

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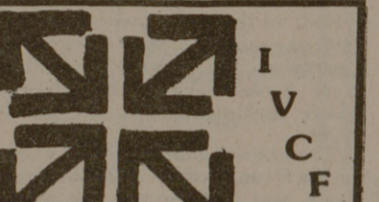


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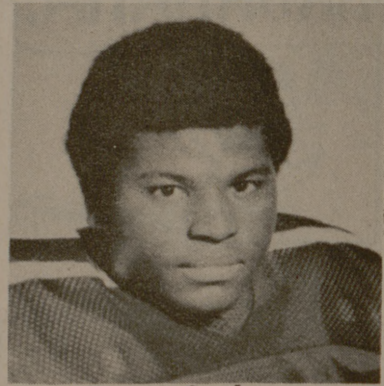
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# Sanders finds a home at end

By PAT EDMONDSON

For four years, the light, but bruising frame of Blake Schwarz was stationed at the right defensive end position of the A&M defense. The consensus all-Southwest Conference candidate and Honorable Mention All-American finished his illustrious career at Aggieland last December in the trenches of the defensive line in the Ags post-season bowl appearance at the Liberty Bowl.



Eugene Sanders

In 1972, Schwarz was one of a small number of freshmen to acquire a starting position in the Southwest Conference.

Two years later, a young freshman at Washington University was bringing ball carriers to the earth in similar fashion. His name was Eugene Sanders. Playing defensive end for the Huskies, the 6-4, 265 pound rookie earned the honor of being named Freshman of the Year in the Pacific 8 Conference.

But as success stories go, the football career of Eugene Sanders was momentarily interrupted.

The Huskie coaches, who had recruited Sanders out of West Jefferson High School in New Orleans, left the campus and were replaced by an entire new coaching staff. The fresh, arriving coaches took to the gridiron and almost immediately, Sanders was transported to nose guard.

The youngster became disenchanted with the new coaches and their system. And he too left the university. He transferred to Texas A&M and he sat out all of last year, maintaining a year's residency.

Blake Schwarz's departure left a huge gap and now Eugene Sanders is itching to plug it.

"It sure feels good to be back in the swing of things," he said. "It's always better than sitting on the sidelines. I got so disgusted and the attitude I had was really bad. I didn't want to do anything. Finally," he said, "I got my head right."

Why did he leave Washington after a year of fame and glory?

"The new coaches changed everything," he said. "When they moved me from end to nose guard, I didn't really like it. I'm

said. "I trust and believe in me and I hope they feel the same way with me in there. When you have a line with that attitude you have to worry about other things."

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# Cross country lead by Kohrs

By MARLA GAMMON

The Texas A&M cross country team begins practice Friday with their first meet scheduled for Oct. 2.

The Aggies return one letterman, sophomore Manfred Kohrs, from last year's squad. Assistant track coach Ted Nelson said it is extremely hard to letter in cross country since the runner must finish in the top ten at the SWC meet to receive a letter.

Kohrs and senior Kyle Hefner will be competing for the number one position on the Aggies' team. According to Nelson both men kept in shape this summer by running 85 to 100 miles a week.

"We expect them to be the team leaders," Nelson said.

The number three position on the team will be filled by either Lane Mitchell or Walter Jachimowicz. Mitchell was the number five man for the Aggies last year.

Teams are allowed to bring seven runners to cross country. The top five places count toward the team's

total score, with the low score winning the meet.

The Aggies begin workouts at 6 a.m. Friday. The 26 men currently on the cross country team will run twice a day. They will run four to six miles in the morning and six to fifteen miles in the afternoon.

Coach Nelson and head track coach Charlie Thomas will time some of the longer runs to get a pace for the runners. Nelson said they aim for a six minute mile or better in practice. He said later in the season

the team will meet together three times a week to run miles, miles and 440s. The runners cover 85 to 100 miles a week throughout the season.

"We feel now we have four cross country runners," Nelson said. "It'll be between the other two to make the top seven."

Nelson said the last three spots the team will be taken by Jacob Yemme, Tommy Glass, Vogt or Phil Edelen.

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