

Ags end season with wild series

By DERRICK GRUBBS
The SWC champion Texas Aggies wrapped up regular-season play for the 1978 baseball season last Friday by sweeping a doubleheader from the Lubbock Christian College Chapparals in a pair of the wildest games the Ags have been involved in this season.

A&M pounded 18 hits and scored in every inning to coast to a 21-1 win in the opener but had to scratch for their lives in the nightcap to claim an 11-10 victory.

The Aggie bats, having been somewhat silent the past few weeks, came alive Friday — especially that of centerfielder Mike Hurdle. The Victoria sophomore went 8-for-10 with 12 RBIs in the two games and also had the game-winning hit in the ninth inning of the second game.

While the A&M hitters took batting practice at the expense of three LCC pitchers, lefthanders Mark Thurmond and Jim McWilliams were putting the Chapparral batters

down without much difficulty. The two Aggie hurlers combined for a four-hitter, the only LCC run coming on a solo homerun by Tommy Inman in the third.

Thurmond pitched five innings and struck out nine in picking up his 12th win of the year without a loss. He also ran his consecutive regular-season winning streak to 23 games.

Offensively, the show belonged to Hurdle. He went 5-for-5 in that first game with a school record nine RBIs. Included in that barrage was the first grand slam of his baseball career which came in the fifth inning. The homer was Hurdle's sixth of the year.

The 21 runs were the most scored by the Aggies in a game this season.

The victory in the second game did not come as easy as LCC scored eight runs in the third inning off Aggie starter David Pieczynski to take an 8-2 lead at that point.

McWilliams came in again and did a superb job of cooling down the

Chapparral bats as he retired the side in order through his three innings on the mound. McWilliams also struck out five of the nine batters he faced.

Meanwhile, the Aggie offense, which had been shut down since the first inning when they scored two runs on three straight singles, perked up again.

A&M scored twice in the fifth on three hits and an LCC error. A towering three-run homer over the 400-foot sign in centerfield by freshman Rodney Hodde brought the Ags to within a run at 8-7.

The Chaps made it 9-7 with a run in the seventh, but A&M tied the game in the eighth on an RBI triple by Hurdle and two LCC errors.

Lubbock Christian took the lead again in the ninth on a solo homer by Tim Leslie off A&M reliever John Pockrus.

Robert Bonner led off the Aggie ninth by flying out to deep centerfield. Robert Verde then ripped a double off the leftfield wall that mis-

sed being a homer by a foot.

Gary Bryant then appeared to have won the game as he belted a long drive to left. The LCC leftfielder raced back and made a nice over-the-head catch, however, for the second out.

Randy Vinson then come on in relief for the Chaps and gave up successive walks to Kyle Hawthorne and Steve Robinson to load the bases.

Hurdle then capped off a great day by bouncing a hit past the LCC shortstop to drive in the winning run.

The doubleheader win completed a four-game sweep by A&M over LCC. The Chaps drop to 42-22-1 on the year.

The Ags finished the regular season with 13 straight wins at Olsen Field.

Other highlights of the Friday doubleheader were Kyle Hawthorne tying the school record for RBIs in a season with 45. The big first baseman also broke the A&M mark for total

bases in a season with 101.

The Aggies will now take a 36-12 season record into the SWC Tournament this coming weekend in Austin. A&M will battle the Houston Cougars in Friday's first-round action at 8 p.m.

Arkansas takes on Baylor at 2 p.m. the same day in the other first-round contest.

The double-elimination tourney will conclude Sunday unless an extra game is needed to determine the champion. That contest will be

played Monday night.

The winner of the tournament will be the host team at the South Central Regional at Ranger Stadium in Arlington May 19.

Should the Aggies not win the SWC Tournament, they will still likely get an at-large bid to play in the Midwest Regional. The date and site for that tournament have not been set, but should A&M be a participant, there is a good chance it will be held at Olsen Field.

Yankees defeat Texas in front of large crowd

United Press International
NEW YORK — Chris Chambliss slammed his first homer of the season with one out in the 12th inning Sunday to give the New York Yankees a 3-2 victory over the Texas Rangers before a Helmet Day crowd of 53,829 — largest in the majors this year.

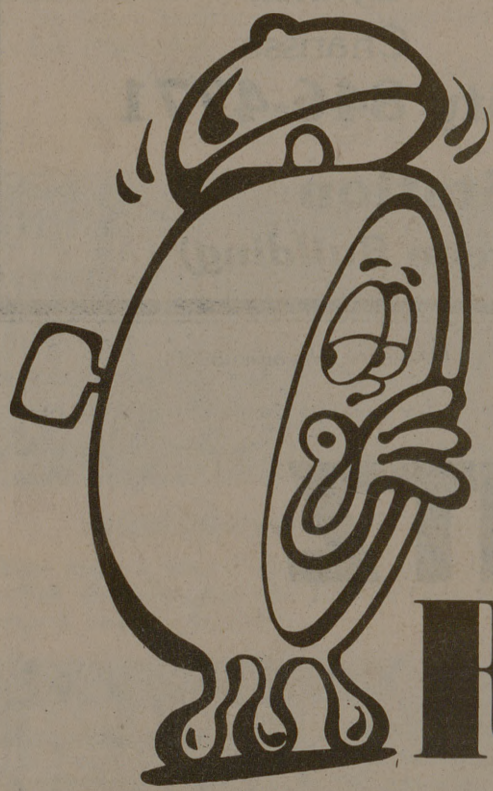
Texas reliever Len Barker, 1-2, struck out Reggie Jackson to open the 12th before Chambliss, used as a designated hitter, smashed a 2-2 pitch over the right-center field fence.

Rich Gossage, 2-2, the last of three Yankee pitchers, fired four innings of

hitless relief and struck out five to gain the victory.

The Rangers tied the game in the sixth inning when they chased starter Jim Beattie. With one out, Beattie hit Bump Wills with a pitch and Al Oliver followed with an RBI double into the right-field corner. Richie Zisk then singled up the middle to score Oliver with the tying run.

New York grabbed a 2-0 lead off Dock Ellis in the second inning. Wills booted Chambliss' bounce to second and Craig Nettles belted Ellis' next delivery over the right-field wall for his third homer of the season. Nettles also added a single and a double.



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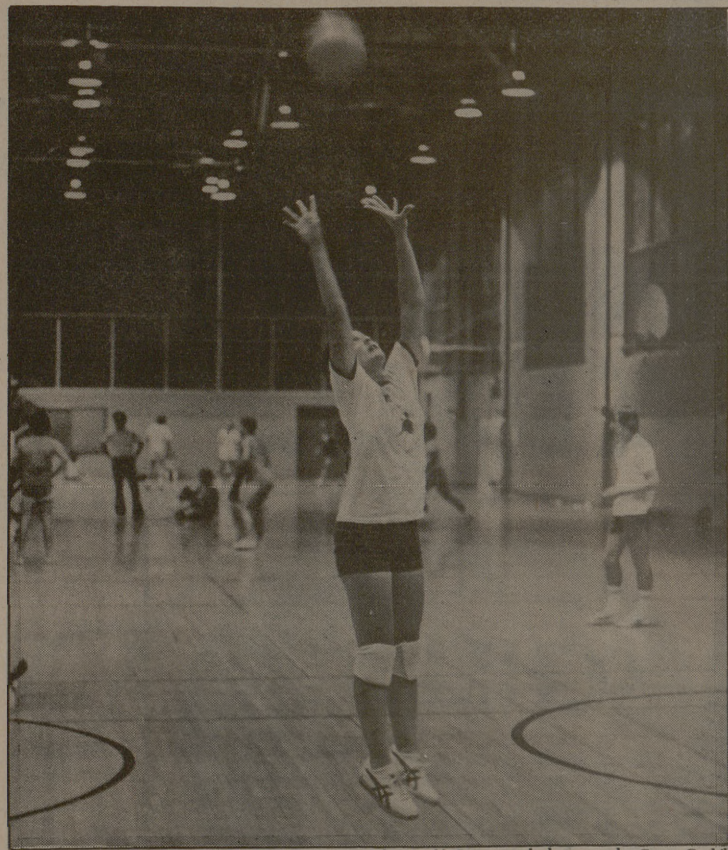
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McDONALD'S INTRAMURAL HIGHLIGHTS



This week's Intramural photos are by Corey Gaskill

"I SPYS" PARTICIPANT OF THE WEEK
Vickie Maxwell stretches out to set the volleyball during the Women's Class "A" All University Championship game. Vickie played for the Tang Gang team and she should come by the Intramural Office to pick up a free "Be Our Guest" card from McDonald's.

A Softball Variation

Fast pitch softball has had its last pitch thrown for the season and new winners' names appear on the scoreboard. Three rahs to:
Men's Champions Vet III, Etc.
Women's Champions Lemon Drops

Super Novae

The superstars update this week is the final episode. It was an exciting contest and all who participated had a good time.

TENNIS

- Men**
1) David Cardwell
2) Larry Ellis
3) Steve Cagle
4) Ken Irvin
5) Brian White

- Women**
1) Cindy Rogers
2) Rhonda Naylor
3) Deeann Cisco
4) Jeannie Buckles

OBSTACLE COURSE

- Men**
1) Steve Cagle
2) David Cardwell

- 3) Mark Klima
4) Bob Bruchmilller
5) Brian White

- Women**
1) Jill Neans
2) Cindy Gremillion
3) Cheryl Houghton
4) Tina Kormanik
5) Rhonda Naylor

THE FINAL STANDINGS

Men	Pts.
1) Steve Cagle	41
2) Brian White	36
3) Kurt Amst	34

Women	Pts.
1) Jill Neans	53 1/2
2) Deeann Cisco	52
3) Rhonda Naylor	37

Do it in Spades

IM is in to a little bit of everything. Our bridge tournament ended recently with two teams coming out on top. Congratulations to the All-University winners:

Class A
Henry Robin

Dr. C. L. Hogg
John Blackstone
Sashi Sathaye
Class B
Mark Burns
Beau Sharbrough
Wendell Hodde
Robert Denton
Steven Fine



Just a reminder that the water polo finals will be in Downs Pool between 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Both innertube and standard water polo games will be played. Spectators are welcome. Come back your favorite team.

In The Interim

Yes, your friendly neighborhood IM staff will be working during the interim break between the spring semester and the first summer session. (Of course, we all know they'll be there during summer school.) If you will be around between May 12 and June 4, come on up and use the facilities. Here are the hours the buildings will be open.

Weekdays

G. Rollie White	4:00-8:00 p.m.
DeWare Fieldhouse	4:00-10:00 p.m.
Tennis Courts	4:00-8:00 p.m.
Weight Room	5:00-7:00 p.m.

Weekends

G. Rollie White	CLOSED
DeWare Fieldhouse	10:00-6:00 p.m.
Tennis Courts	2:00-6:00 p.m.

Double Your Fun

What doubles your pleasure and doubles your fun? Why, golf doubles, of course. Expert witnesses to the fact are these new All-University golf doubles champions.

Class A Men's
Wayne Tiner and David Hickson
Class B Men's
Gene Fulcher and Ken Barbutti
Class C Men's
David Winslow and Miles Johnson
The co-rec competition has been delayed. Hopefully, the results will be available for Wednesday's issue.

The New Racquetball Champions

A flip of the racquet and a twist of the wrist — Garlands of flowers to these who we list. Those enduring young souls who have last it out —

To the new All-University champs, congrats we do. Men's Class A
Men's Class B
Men's Class C
Women's Class A & B
Women's Class C

Short But Sweet

The 3-man volleyball season wasn't as long as some of the other team sports but it was exciting.

Ref's Corner

Calling all sports-oriented persons — would you like to officiate this summer? The IM Office is looking for summer referees for all sports. Clinics will be held to train people for the job. If interested, come see James Wellford at the Intramural Office in DeWare Fieldhouse before June 8.

nevertheless. Just ask the champs about the competition. The new All-University are:

Men's Class A
Duros
Men's Class B
Jedi Knights
Women's Class A
Wall-eyed Spikes
Women's Class B
BB's
Co-Rec Class A
Deep Digs
Co-Rec Class B
Wrecks



Robert Mills and Tom Wilkes prepare to feast during the Intramural's annual Steak-Fry. The IM department uses this opportunity to recognize special individuals and to distribute awards.

Watch For Wednesday's Issue

Due to finals, the Battalion schedule, and playoff dates, Wednesday's paper will have the final edition of the McDonald's Highlights for this semester. It will include a wrap-up of the semester's last events still going on at the time of writing and information for the summer session. Don't forget to watch for it.

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