Freeman foresees exciting season

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At first glance, he doesn't show signs of being dangerous, but give Texas A&M tennis player Reid Freeman enough time and he will completely thrash an opponent with a calm, unassuming style that re-sembles that of Bjorn Borg.

"I think the comparison with Borg is a pretty accurate one," said the 6-foot-3 sophomore from Dallas Parkland High. "We both have about the same attitude on the court. I try to stay calm and not get too excited or angry. I know that I can't overpower anybody out there, so I play intelligently and hope I can outguess my opponent if I'm los-

A former Texas state high school champ in class AAAA, Freeman won more than he lost as he piled up an 11-10 record as a freshman for Texas A&M in 1978. Included in that record were several hard-fought matches won in the No. 1 and No. 2 seeded positions.

This year, with a new coach David Kent and new facilities to play in, Freeman sees the Aggies having a much better season.

I think we'll be exciting to watch, although the competition is going to give us a real workout, said the computer science major. "We're going to face some strong teams this season, both in and out of our conference.

One of the toughest teams that

Freeman looks ahead to is SMU. They've got seven players who can play anything from No. 1 to No. 6 (seed)," Freeman said. "If that isn't enough, they've got the added dimension of having an extra man to provide depth in case of injury.

Freeman got a chance to look at some really stiff competition when he played in the NCAA indoors singles tournament in Houston last month. With 30 All-America players already assigned to spots in the tournament, Freeman was among 16 people competing for two additional places.

Although he lost the first-round match to Matt Worwich of the University of Michigan 6-4, 6-1, Freeman says he was glad to be only during my senior year."

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"It felt good just to be there and

see all the quality play going on between the All-Americas," he said. Freeman, who started playing tennis at age 10, was elected captain of the Aggie team by his fellow players before the 1979 season started. Isn't it a bit unusual to be a

team captain as a sophomore? "Yeah, it really is," said Freeman.
"Even in high school, I was captain

Freeman and the Aggies will participate in the first team match of the season this weekend at the Lamar Invitational in Beaumont. His teammates include Alberto Jimenez, Mike Moss, Max King, Trey Schutz and Hendrick Roller. Freeman will pair with Jimenez in

Other teams in the tournament include North Texas State, Houston McNeese State, Lamar, North East Louisiana, Rice and Louisiana



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Texas A&M's men swimmers go west this weekend, competing against University of Pacific in Stockton, Calif., today and Stanford in Palo Alto, Calif., on Saturday. The Aggies then stop at Lubbock to

meet Texas Tech on Sunday.

Coach Dennis Fosdick's team beat Rice last week 65-30 and TCU 61-34 before losing to UT-Arlington 60-53. The team's dual meet record

is now 3-2.
Bob Leland and Mike Hoche were double winners against UTA. Leland won the 200-meter breast stroke in 2:10.62 and was on the winning 440 freestyle relay team. Hoche won the 500-meter freestyle in 4:48.9 and the 1,000-meter frees-

tyle in 9:41.33. Mark Holley won twice in the triangular meet with Rice and TCU, taking the 200-meter individual medley and the 100-meter

breaststroke. Fosdick will also take the women's swim team on the weekend tour. The Aggie Ladies will meet University of Pacific and the Uni-versity of California-Davis today. They will meet Stanford and Oregon

Saturday.
The Texas A&M Invitational scheduled for Februrary 9 will see the Aggie Ladies hosting Houston, Arizona, LSU, TCU, SMU and

Despite limited training due to bad weather and no indoor facilities, Texas A&M's Curtis Dickey will engage in two world-class races tonight and Saturday night in Los Angeles and Albuquerque. Tonight's 60-yard dash in Los

Angeles will feature four swift football players: Dickey, Johnny Lam Jones of Texas, James Owens of UCLA and Kevin Williams of USC. The four will wear their football jerseys in the race

Dickey will fly to Albuquerque Saturday where he will be in a special 60-yard dash with a field that includes Houston McTear and Clancy Edwards.

Two other Aggies will compete in

Albuquerque. They are quarter-miler Leslie Kerr and high jumper Force Academy, Oral Robert Jimmy Howard. The entry list includes 13

Kerr ran a 48.5 in the 440 at the North East Louisiana Invitational in Monroe last Saturday. This broke more Richard Cromwell, a Curtis Mills' school indoor record of

Howard broke the North East Astascosita Country Chi Louisiana meet record with a winning leap of 7-1. He then barely

Cromwell fired a d

There will be no Texas A&M Club to finish first in team meet this week but the squad 54-hole qualifying for the squades of the will get back into indoor action at the Oklahoma City Indoor meet on

The Aggie Ladies gymnastics Steve Bowman, 224; Dave team is on the road this weekend in San Marcos. Coach Jan Fambro and vlin, 230. her squad will participate in the Southwest Texas State University meet along with SWTSU, Texas and

Odessa Junior College. The third annual Texas A&M In- Invitational in Montere vitational is scheduled for Feb. 10.

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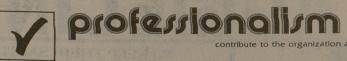




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