

# Little Aggieland bike races off to a winning tradition

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It was a great day for racing Sunday with the first running of the Little Aggieland bicycle races, an event sponsors hope will become a yearly tradition at Texas A&M University. Judging from the enthusiastic response from both the crowd and the participants, the tradition is off to a great start.

Fifteen teams turned out for the men's team race, the feature race of the afternoon.

The event, sponsored by the A&M Cycling Team and Baskin Robins Ice Cream Parlors, was patterned after the Little Indy, a yearly race held at the University of Indiana that has gained national fame since being featured in the movie "Breaking Away."

Each three-man team went 24 laps, approximately 10 miles, around the drill field in front of Puryear and Law halls.

Other events held were the women's team race, men's and women's individual races and an A&M Cycling Team race.

Each team was allowed to use only one bike, and "pit" areas were arranged where the teams made the switches.

Switching bikes made the race a strategic competition with teams losing and gaining ground as they struggled to exchange the bike quickly.

The end of a great day of competition was marred slightly as a con-

troversy over first place in the men's team race developed. After some debate between members of the two teams, the score cards were refigured and the victory was given to the "Down Unders."

The team walked away with a trophy and the first prize of a 16-gallon keg of beer.

Scott Dethloff, Diego Restrepo and Robert Coreale met at the race and organized the winning team only minutes before the start.

Coreale, a sophomore finance major, said he had been on his way to the library when he stopped to watch some of the other events.

Two of the men said they had no previous racing experience but Restrepo said he raced about eight years ago in Venezuela.

Second place in the event went to the team of Vince Tavarez, Jim Orr, and Deven Anthony with Fred Clossmann, Jim Clossmann and Doug Williams finishing third.

First place the women's team race went to the Basement J's, made up of

Shirley Hill, Lori Foreman and Tammy Crafton. The women's team also won a trophy and keg of beer.

Hill took second place in the 5-mile women's individual event held immediately before the team race and went on to ride a strong six-lap leg for her team.

Second place went to the Cutters — Debbie Dominey, Leigh Starlan and Sarah Bateman with third going to the Battalion Beauties — Rhonda Watters, Diane Blake and Carol Thomas.

First place in the women's individual was taken by Laura Baker with Jill Cooper taking third.

Terrence Spencer, a sophomore management major, took first in the men's individual competition. This was his first race, but Spencer said he is now considering racing more in the future. Spencer had also entered in the team race, but didn't have a chance to perform when one of his teammates went down in the early laps of the race.

## Cruz homers in ninth; Astros beat Twins 3-2

ORLANDO, Fla. — Jose Cruz belted a home run to lead off the ninth inning Sunday to give Houston

a 3-2 exhibition baseball victory over Minnesota.

Cruz's homer came off reliever Doug Corbett, who gave up just his second run of the spring in 15 innings. Astro relief ace Joe Sambito stopped a Minnesota rally in the bottom of the ninth, retiring the final two batters after two hitters had singled.

An error by Twins starting pitcher

Jerry Koosman scored Joe Morgan in the second inning and Alan Knicely singled home Jeff Leonard in that same inning.

Astro pitchers Bobby Sprowl and Dave Smith limited Minnesota to one hit through six innings but singles by Roy Smalley, Pete Mackanin, John Castino and Bobby Randall added two runs off Sambito in the seventh.

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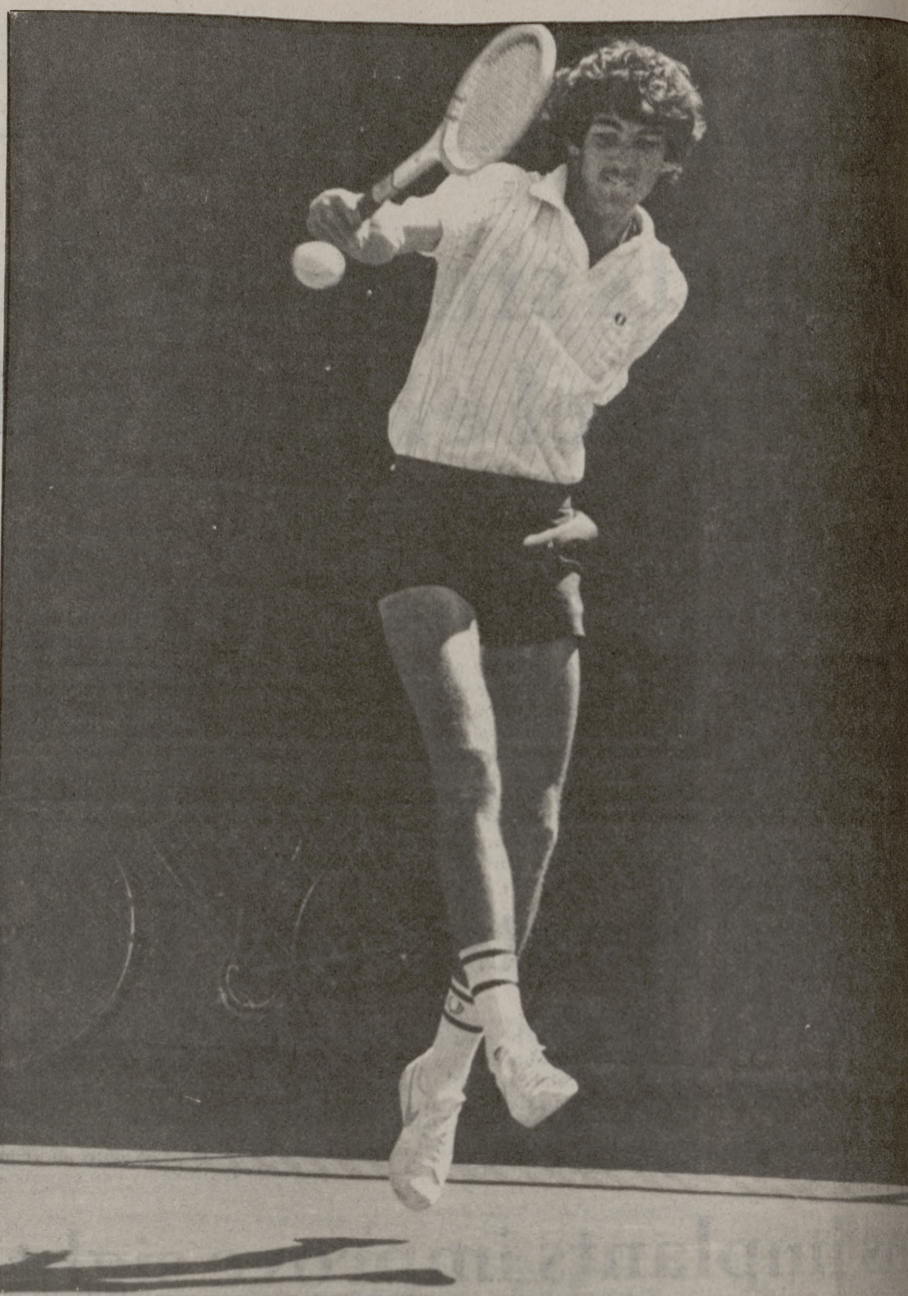
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## Tennis team splits in weekend action

By MIKE BURRICHTER  
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The Texas A&M men's tennis team won a match and lost a match in Southwest Conference play this weekend. The Ags won their first match against Texas Tech in College Station Friday by a score of 8-1. On Sunday, they lost to the Arkansas Razorbacks

in Fayetteville, 7-2. The Aggie women led off the action at the Texas A&M varsity courts Friday when they played host to the University of Texas. The Longhorns had beaten the Ags 9-0 in a match the weekend before. The Ags played much tougher this time, but still lost, 5-4. The Ags breezed by Tech, win-

ning all the singles matches and two of the three doubles matches. Top-seeded Reid Freeman blasted Chow Wah, 6-0, 6-0. Trey Schutz edged Jose Pineda, 6-4, 6-2. Alberto Jimenez beat Bramlett, 6-2, 6-1. Max Kiehl defeated Zahid Maniya, 5-8, 6-3. Brian Joelson beat Mark Thompson, 5-7, 6-0, 6-1 and Ron Kowal defeated Greg Davis, 6-4, 6-3. Jimenez and King beat W. Bramlett, 7-6, 6-1. Freeman Joelson defeated Maniya, 6-4, 6-3. Thompson 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 and Davis beat Kowal and Judson, 7-6, 6-2.

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