

Houston to face North Carolina in Final Four

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After weeks of overdoing on college basketball, the nation finally has its Final Four.

Georgetown will meet Louisville and Houston will tackle North Carolina in New Orleans Saturday as the NCAA tournament, which began with 48 teams, has been pared down to an elite four.

The top-ranked Tar Heels advanced with a 70-60 triumph over Villanova in the East Regional final Sunday and the Cougars defeated Boston College 99-92 to wrap up the Midwest.

"They are an outstanding team, they could be the best team," said Villanova Coach Rollie Massimino of the Tar Heels. "They are a class team and they have a class coach. They showed us today why they are the No. 1 team in the nation."

The Tar Heels had five players in double figures and shot 75 percent from the field in the second half, scoring on their last 16 possessions to run their record to 30-2.

"I'll settle for this every year," said Coach Dean Smith, who is 7-0 in NCAA regional championship play. "We played our best basketball of the season. Some years you're just thrilled to get this far, but nowadays I feel like we deserve to be there."

Rob Williams, an honorable mention All-America guard for Houston who has been in a slump during the tournament, snapped out of the doldrums with 19 points in the final 16 minutes to send the Cougars to the Final Four for the first time since the Elvin Hayes days.

Williams finished with 25 points, hitting 7-of-9 shots in the second half, and also collected five rebounds and two assists to

earn Regional MVP honors and set up an NCAA semifinal next weekend with the Tar Heels.

"I figured it was about time I became a factor," said Williams. "I never lost confidence in myself and neither did my teammates. My shooting (this season) has been part of the reason that we got here and the feeling was, 'Keep shooting — we'll live or die with you.'"

Louisville, with four starters from its 1980 national championship team, returns to the Final Four for the fourth time in 11 years. This team, which struggled during the middle stages of the regular season, depends on a team concept rather than a star like Darrell Griffith.

"Most of the time in 1980 we would give him (Griffith) the ball and let him do his thing and try to fill in," said senior Jerry Eaves. "This year, it's a team effort. You don't know who's going to go out there and score the most points. Whoever's got the hot hand, we're going to get him the ball. The better team wins, not the better player."

Georgetown, however, depends mainly on 7-foot freshman center Pat Ewing and all-America guard Eric Floyd.

"I don't think we've peaked yet," says Hoya coach John Thompson. "We've proved we can run or slow it down."

Floyd improved each game, scoring 11 points against Wyom-

ing, 16 in the decision over Fresno State and 22 against Oregon State. Ewing came off a 7-point performance against Wyoming to score 15 against Fresno and 13 in the title game.

Boston College coach Tom Davis said he had no complaints about his team's performance.

"We enjoyed our trip," Davis said. "Everyone was great to us and we'll never forget it."

"We have a young team and that means sometimes your confidence isn't quite strong enough. We tried to get the ball to Bagley a lot at the end, but you can't become too one-dimensional or the other team can easily adjust to it. We needed more people to get into the offense."

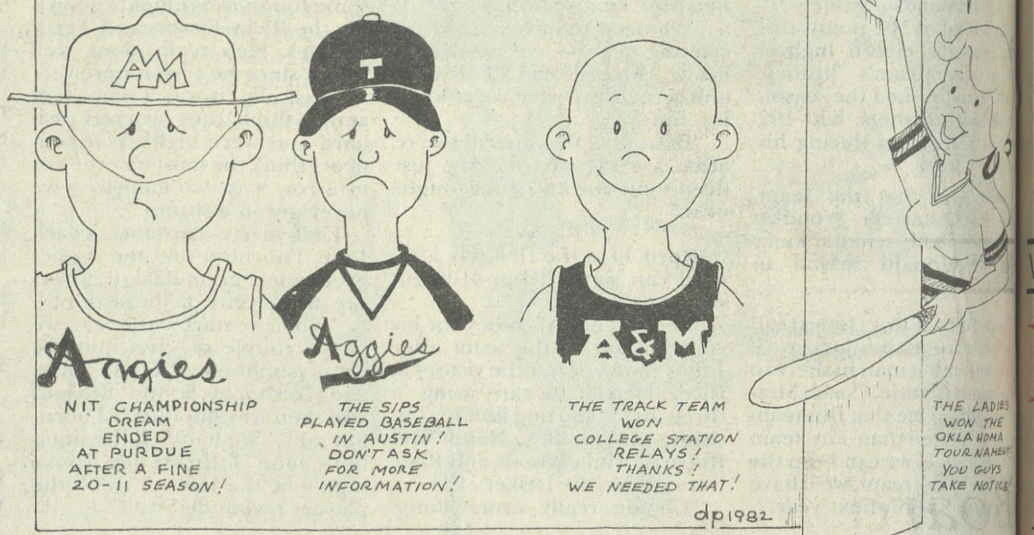
"I thought we played just about as well as we could," Davis said. "We have played eight straight strong games."

Bagley and reserve center John Garris were named to the All-Midwest Regional team along with Williams and Larry Micheaux of Houston and Ricky Frazier of Missouri.

"The only consolation I can find is that we were beaten by an outstanding team that played very well," Davis said. "I thought we played about as well as we're capable of playing."

Houston Coach Guy Lewis said: "I felt like if we could handle the press we could win the ball game."

WHO HAD A GOOD TIME DURING SPRING BREAK?



Purdue, Georgia set for tonight's contest

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NEW YORK — Mention the first half of the season to Purdue Coach Gene Keady and you immediately get a frown.

"It seemed like a dead end, there was no fun anymore,"

Keady said after his team, winner of only nine of its first 21 games, prepared to meet Georgia in tonight's semifinals of the 45th annual National Invitation Tournament. "Then we beat Illinois and won nine of our last 10 games. Thank God the NIT had faith in us."

Keady said his team has earned its spot in the semifinals.

"We have a good inside game with Russell Cross and Keith Edmonson's shooting provides us with an outside threat," the coach said. "Michael Scarce, who once considered enrolling at Georgia, gives you both. And our bench is playing lots better."

Bulldog coach Hugh Durham admits New Orleans is glamorous this time of the year, especially now that it's hosting

the NCAA Final Four. But he said Eighth Avenue in New York City shouldn't take a seat to Bourbon Street.

"The NIT fulfills the dream of every American kid — top basketball in Madison Square Garden," he said.

Georgia, led by 6-foot-7½ forward Dominique Wilkins, making its second straight appearance in the NIT. Last year, the Bulldogs defeated Oklahoma in the first round, then fell to South Alabama, 72-

In the first game, Bradley — three-time winner of the trophy — plays Oklahoma in an attempt to show the NCAA committee that it made a mistake passing up the Braves.

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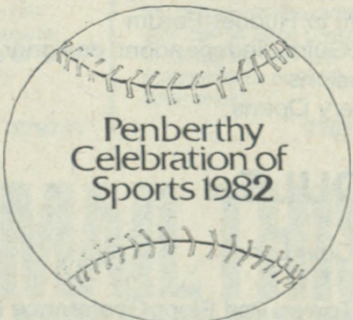
ENTRIES OPEN: For Golf Doubles and Handball Doubles today. This year's Golf tournament will be held on Sunday, April 4 with Classes A and B playing Best Ball, and Class C in a Florida Scrambles tournament structure. The single elimination handball tournament will begin April 5. Entry fees and green fees can be paid at registration in the IM office.

TRACK ENTRIES OPEN: Men and women wishing to participate in this year's Track and Field meet must sign up in the IM office before Tuesday, March 30. A variety of field events will be offered on Sunday, April 4, and 11 different running events can be entered by men, women and corec teams.

ENTRIES CLOSE: Tomorrow, March 23, will be the last day to enter a team in the Volleyball Triples tournament and the Penberthy continuous softball tournament.

EXTRAMURAL SPORTS CLUB MEETING: Each club must send a representative to the bi-monthly meeting Tuesday, March 23 at 6:30 p.m. in room 164 East Kyle.

TEAM CAPTAINS MEETING: Each Volleyball Triples team must send one person to the captains meeting Thursday, March 25, at 5:15 p.m. in room 267 G. Rollie White. Schedules will be given out and rules clarified.



Tomorrow is the last day to enter a slow-pitch or fast pitch team in this year's 48-hour continuous softball tournament being held this weekend at the Penberthy Intramural Complex.

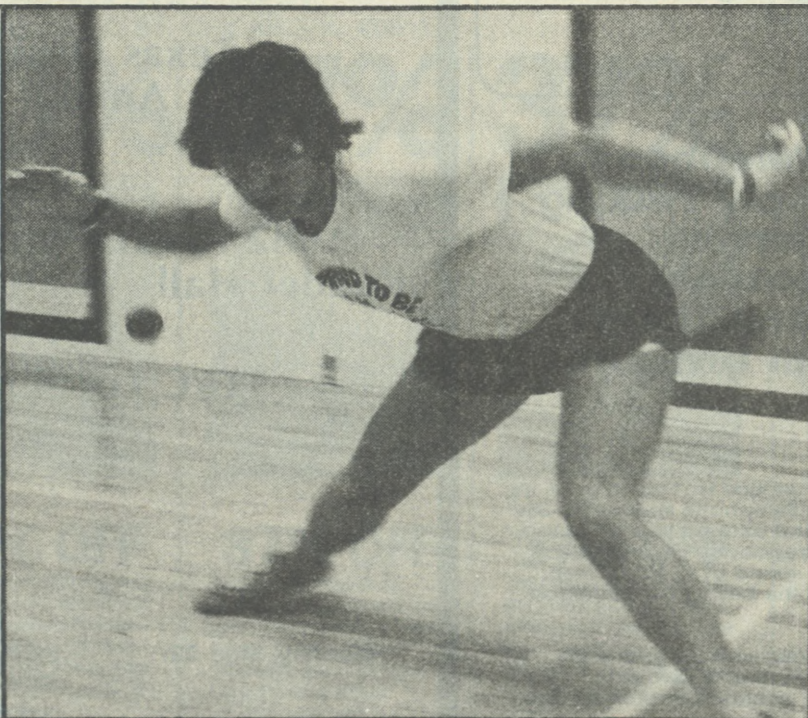
Tug-of-War entries will be taken through Friday. Men's, Women's, or CoRec teams of 10 members can enter free of charge for the Tug-of-War contest beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday. A Homerun Hitting contest will also be held, but no preregistration is necessary. A variety of prizes and awards will be given out to the winners of the many events.

The weekend promises to be fun for participants and for spectators, so mark it on your calendar: Penberthy Celebration of Sports, Friday and Saturday and Sunday. Don't Miss It!

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Practice pays off for TAMU handball club member Beth Rowley, who won the women's consolation bracket in the recent national handball tournament. Beth is our McDonald's* "Be Our Guest" winner this week. She can pick up her B.O.G. card in the Intramural Office.



A&M Handball Club Third In National Tourney

The Texas A&M Handball Club placed 3rd in the National Intercollegiate Handball Tournament held March 5, 6, and 7th in Memphis, Tennessee.

The 23-team competition was won by Lake Forest College for the second straight year. Second place was taken by last year's second place team - t.u. The host team, Memphis State, placed 4th.

The team was headed by Sue Oakleaf, a two-time winner, who placed second after losing in the finals of the women's open division. Beth Rowley added points to the team's total by winning the consolation bracket of the women's open division.

Raymond Walkup, finished 3rd in the C division. Bill More and Jeff Davison placed in the quarter

finals. Coach Lowey said "all of the team members played well to help A&M finish 3rd."

The Handball Club has been at A&M for many years and in the last four years has quadrupled in size, to approximately 125 members. Twelve members were selected by Coach Lowey to go to the National tournament.

This was a repeat performance for the Aggies, having finished 3rd last year as well. Realizing that Lake Forest College and t.u. both awarded handball scholarships, while Texas A&M does not, a third place finish is excellent! Congratulations and good job!

Tennis Court Reservations

Beginning today, March 22, the Intramural-Recreational Sports Check-Out room will be taking reservations for tennis courts. Hours available for reservation are:

Monday-Friday 5-11 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday 1-10 p.m.

Reservations can be made one day in advance by calling 845-2624 or walking in to the Check-Out room, 157 East Kyle.

Racquets are available to rent and tennis balls are sold at the check-out room and at the tennis courts.

REMEMBER: Individuals using the tennis courts must have a valid student ID or recreational ID and be prepared to present it to IM-REC Sports staff upon demand. Guests of valid ID holders may purchase a guest pass at the check-out room or from the Tennis Court Supervisor.

Records Broken In Frisbee Competition

Kyle field provided the perfect setting for the March 7th Frisbee Competition. Three records were broken and two participants were double winners.

In Men's Golf, Mike Barry broke his old record of 63 by shooting a 59 to successfully defend his title. Women's Golf was won by Lee Neathery who shot an 86 for the afternoon.

In Maximum Time Aloft, Chris Luckay broke the old record of 9.8 seconds by keeping the disc in the air for 10.3 seconds. Chris also won the Distance competition with a throw of 274'7".

In Throw, Run, and Catch, Kevin Sullivan shattered the old record of 157'8". Congratulations also go to Mike Barry and Jeff Ryman who, as expected, defended the Freestyle title.

The Intramural Department would like to thank all those who helped set up the events and participated in them. It was a perfect way to spend a spring afternoon.

1982 Table Tennis Winners

Close to 100 Aggies competed in this year's Table Tennis Singles Tournament which ended before Spring Break. And the Champions are...

Men's Class A	Gary Melamed
Women's Class A	Rebecca Wythe
Men's Class B	Katjep Abdoel Kadri
Women's Class B	Carla Isenhower

Congratulations!

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