

# Cream of the crop

## Lewis' Cougars favored to win league basketball crown

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DALLAS — Guy Lewis hasn't chosen his starting guards, Eddie Sutton has his youngest team ever and Jim Killingsworth has to figure out a way to sneak his talented team past several others and onto the top rung of the Southwest Conference ladder.

But don't let these guys fool you. When the final buzzer sounds at the end of the last game of the regular season, Lewis, Sutton and Killingsworth may be so tightly bunched together that they and their players won't have room to breathe.

Or it may just turn out to be a runaway. After all, Lewis and the Houston Cougars did make it to the Final Four last season before losing to North Carolina 68-63 in the semifinals. And after all, no matter how young or old his players may be, Sutton and the Razorbacks always manage to win their share of games.

And look at "Killer" Killingsworth's Horned Frogs. In guard Darrell Browder and forward Doug Arnold, TCU has the top two returning scorers in the conference.

While spectators try to see the league won't be the same without Rob Williams, Ricky Pierce, Terry Teagle, Scott Hastings, LaSalle Thompson and Clarence Swanegan, the coaches have only one reply:

Hogwash.  
 New names, they say, will crop up in place of those old clichés that have been banded about for the past four years. Names like Browder, Arnold, Akeem Olajuwon, Clyde Drexler, Larry Micheaux, Darrell Walker, Joe Kleine, Claude Riley, Reggie Roberts, Kenny Austin and Bubba Jennings will

replace those oft-used names that have now drifted on to bigger and better things.

The consensus at Sunday's annual preseason meeting of SWC coaches in Dallas indicated strong belief that Lewis' Cougars would be the 1983 league champions, with Arkansas, TCU and Texas A&M the probable challengers. Lewis said the league, as always, should be competitive.

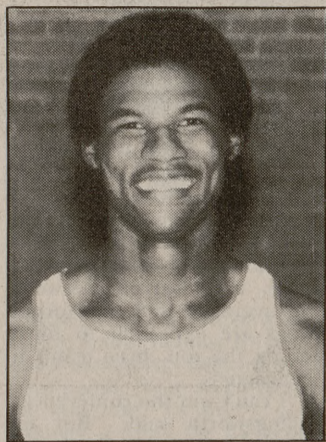
"Most of the starters from last year are returning," he said. "I'd say at least 70 percent of last year's starters are coming back, which means that the league is going to be experienced, well-balanced and strong from top to bottom. It's not only hard to pick the champion, but it's hard to pick the cellar team, too."

"In a league like this that's so well-balanced, you can go from top to bottom in a hurry. Or maybe from bottom to top. I think our league will be one of the best-balanced leagues in the country."

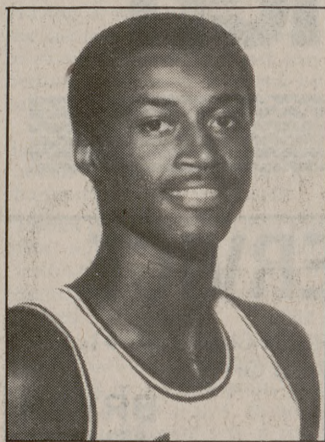
Here is a breakdown of each SWC coach and his ideas on the 1982-83 basketball season. The teams are listed in the league's order of finish as predicted by media representatives at Sunday's meeting:

**HOUSTON, Guy Lewis:** With his guard situation up in the air at this point, Lewis can't figure out why everyone's in an uproar about his Cougars. But leave it to Lewis to find an effective backcourt combination if not before the season, at least during the Cougs' tough non-conference schedule.

Guards or not, Lewis does have the scoring strength and rebounding of center Akeem Olajuwon, forwards Clyde Drexler and Michael Young and center Larry Micheaux. Drexler led that bunch by averaging 15.2



Rice forward Kenny Austin leads an experienced squad



Claude Riley tops list of returning SWC rebounders

how much he's improved, and I'm very, very disappointed that he hasn't improved more," Lewis said. "He has made some improvement and is a better basketball player than he was a year ago."

"He's still not dominating like you would want a 6-11 player to be. He's still learning the game and he's going to be a much better player in the future."

Lewis, who will earn his 500th victory of his UH career with the Cougars' first triumph this season, described his guard situation as "muddled." He said in experience in the backcourt may be a problem in the first few games.

"There are about five or six players on about the same level of play," Lewis said. "And I don't like that. I want one or two of them to rise above the pack. I would really like to know now who my starting guards are going to be in our first game."

**ARKANSAS, Eddie Sutton:** Sports Illustrated visited the Arkansas campus last week to find out about Sutton's 1982-83 team. But a la the usual, Sutton says he doesn't know why anyone would have any interest in his squad.

"I could not believe that they would come to our campus after we lost five seniors," Sutton said. "This is the youngest basketball team I've ever coached. I said, 'Why would you come?' and the guy said, 'tradition.' I guess that is important in any game you play."

"We're not very good right

now. I think we're going to get better. It's the most inexperienced and youngest basketball team that I've ever coached at a major-college level."

Sutton has two top starting guards in Darrell Walker and Alvin Robertson, plus Joe Kleine, a transfer center from Notre Dame who will be the Razorbacks' starter in place of Scott Hastings.

"There are a lot of question marks about the Razorbacks in 1982-83," Sutton said. "But still, I like our basketball team. I like the chemistry of our ballclub. I don't think I've ever had a team work any harder during the first three weeks of practice than this group has."

"It's a great start when you have Robertson and Walker, because ... they're as good as any backcourt combination in college basketball. If we get any kind of play (under the basket), then we can be competitive in the conference race."

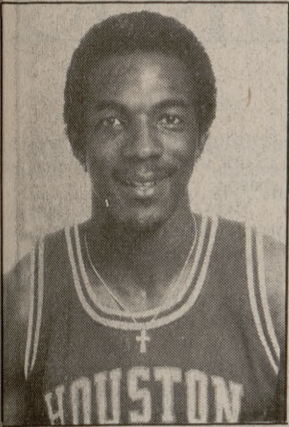
Sutton said Kleine, a 6-11, 250-pounder from Missouri, won't be as versatile as Hastings.

"Kleine's not as good as you think he is, and he's certainly not as good as our fans want him to be," Sutton said. "But in time, I think he'll be a big-time center."

"Joe's a different type of player than Hastings. He is not as good as Scott Hastings, but in time, he may be. Kleine is strictly an inside player, whereas Hastings could play at the forward position."

Sutton, who after last season

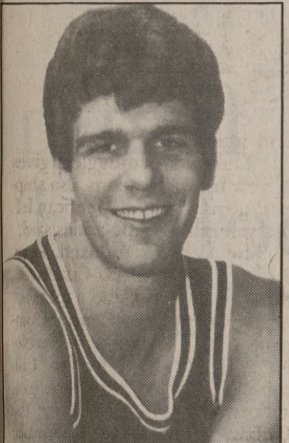
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Center Joe Kleine to take center spot for Razorbacks

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