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Horns' Wacker unbeleeeevable

By CHAREAN WILLIAMS
Assistant Sports Editor

Unbeleeeevable! No, Jim Wacker wasn't talking about a TCU football victory, he was ranting about the Texas basketball team's upset of Texas A&M Wednesday night.

Texas forward Mike Wacker, Jim's son, took a jump shot from inside the lane with one second showing on the clock. The ball rolled around the rim and fell through for a 53-51 Longhorn upset.

"John (Brownlee) and I set up a double screen to try and punch the ball out to Carlton (Cooper)," Wacker said. "I wheeled to the middle and missed the shot. I just stayed with it and got the ball. It sure hung on the rim for a long time. The feeling was just unbelievable when it finally fell through."

Texas Coach Bob Weltlich said Wacker was unbelievable.

"The two plays Wacker made in the last minute and a half where he misses a shot and just follows after it until he makes it were just unbelievable," Weltlich said. "What a way for a senior to go out."

The Longhorn players began jumping up and down and hugging one another when the shot finally fell through and the buzzer sounded.

As soon as they reached the locker room, Wacker started looking for mom and dad.

Wacker found his parents to share perhaps the biggest moment in his unfortunate career.

"It wasn't my biggest win," Wacker said. "They're were a lot of big games before I got hurt. I would have to say this is the biggest win since I've been back. It's a big win for the team and the program and it's always nice to win in front of your folks."

Wacker hasn't been back long. He went through three knee operations and two and a half years of rehabilitation before being able to play again this season.

The San Marcos High School product said at times he felt like giving up.

"It was tough," Wacker said. "I was down at times, but I looked on it as something I didn't have any control over."

"When taking the ball out, I still feel some pain. I just block it out and keep playing."

Wacker has sure played as if the

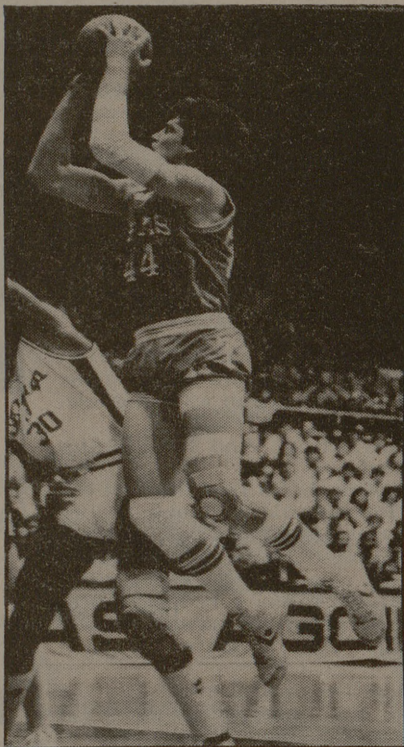


Photo by WAYNE GRABEIN

Texas' Mike Wacker (above) says the win over A&M Wednesday was the biggest since injuring his knee.

knee injury has been blocked out of his mind.

Wacker has hit in double figures in all 24 of the Longhorns' games this season, shooting 60 percent from the field. Against A&M, Wacker was in classic form. He scored 22 points and pulled down 11 rebounds.

The pros have crossed Wacker's mind, but if that doesn't work out he might follow in dad's footsteps and become a coach.

"I don't know what I am going to do," Wacker said. "I might coach. I would like to give the pros a shot. I just depends if anyone wants me."

"I'm not too quick and I can't jump. I'm not going to say I won't give it a try."

That would be a unbeleeeevable comeback story for an unbeleeeevable player.

Texas A&M Sportscope

A&M baseball season opens Saturday

The Texas A&M baseball team opens its 1985 season, under new head coach Mark Johnson, with a three-game series against Northeastern Louisiana this weekend.

Saturday — A&M vs. NE Louisiana (double-header)
Sunday — A&M vs. NE Louisiana (single game)
Both games scheduled for 1 p.m. at Olsen Field

Ag netters host U.S. International

Saturday, Feb. 23 — A&M Women vs. U.S. International
Match scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

TAMU Pistol Team travels to Arlington

The Texas A&M Pistol Team, who is trying to make it back to nationals for the third straight year, travels to Arlington this weekend for the Intercollegiate Pistol Sectionals.

The sectionals will run Friday through Sunday at the University of Texas at Arlington's indoor rifle range. Teams from UTA, Texas, Sam Houston State, Texas Tech, and possibly Tarleton State and Prairie View A&M, will compete in the three major pistol shooting events: .22-caliber free, .22-caliber standard and .177-caliber air.

A&M golfers travel to tough tourneys

By PAUL HERNDON
Reporter

The Texas A&M golf teams will be on the road this weekend as their spring schedule gets into full swing.

A&M Coach Bob Ellis takes his 18th-ranked men's team to Sour Lake to compete in the Homberg Intercollegiate Tournament at the Pinewood Country Club, Feb. 22-24.

The Homberg Intercollegiate is the second of six spring tourneys for the Aggie men before the Southwest Conference showdown in April.

This year's tourney will feature nine teams out of the 16-team field which were ranked in the Top 20 in the pre-season poll of college coaches: No. 1 Houston, No. 3 Oklahoma, No. 5 Oklahoma State, No. 6 Arizona State, No. 9 Arkansas, No. 10 Lamar, the host team, No. 15 Texas, No. 17 LSU and No. 19 Missouri.

Coach Ellis will be looking for Jorge Coghlan, an honorable mention All-American, to fill the gap left by a departed Philip Parkin. Parkin, a first team All-American, left the Aggies last season as a sophomore to join the professional circuit.

Along with Coghlan, Jon Saffle, Flint Nelson, Paul Mayo and Scott Lee will represent the Aggies at this weekend's tournament.

Coach Kitty Holley's women's team will undoubtedly face its toughest test of the season this weekend in Gainesville, Fla. at the Lady Gator Invitational.

Six of the 15 teams competing in the tourney are ranked in the Top 20, including No. 1 Florida, the host team, No. 2 Miami, No. 8 Duke, No. 10 Mississippi and No. 16 Georgia.

Holley's Aggies will be looking for a strong performance from last year's Lady Gator individual tournament champion, Angela Atkins. At last season's tourney, Atkins shot a 220 for three rounds, including a 69 in the second round to tie a tournament record.

Atkins will be joined by Aggie golfers Fiona Conner, Susie Faccini, Patricia Gonzalez and Holly Frizzell.

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