

# Sports

## A&M takes two from Hardin Simmons

Livingstone, Byington slam 3 home runs

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Sports Editor

Talk about a 1-2 punch. Texas A&M's Scott Livingstone and John Byington have combined for 14 of the Aggies' 16 home runs this season.

And Tuesday at Olsen Field, the two continued to pound opposing pitchers; Livingstone and Byington had nine hits and three home runs between them in A&M's double-header sweep of Hardin Simmons.

The Aggies won the first game 9-8 and took the second 12-1 to improve their overall record to 16-2-1.

Game one featured Livingstone, who bats third in the A&M order, blasting a two-run home run in the bottom of the first inning to give the Aggies an early 2-0 lead. That was followed by a Byington solo homer, his sixth of the year.

"I got a lot of sinkers off the end of the bat," Byington said. "Luck was just going my way today."

Everything seemed to be going the Aggies' way in the first game as pitcher Scott Centala was on the mound with a comfortable 9-3 A&M lead going into the top of the seventh inning.

But A&M Coach Mark Johnson decided to bring in David Jones to finish the game.

Jones had obvious problems as he gave up five runs, including a two-run homer.

With the Aggies leading 9-8 and two outs, Johnson pulled Jones and brought in Kerry Freudenberg to get the last out.

And Freudenberg responded, striking out the Cowboys' Lynn Vandlingham.

Centala picked up the win to go 3-0 on the year, and Freudenberg got his first save of the season.

"We got the pitchers we wanted to get in," Johnson said.

The second game of the afternoon double-header was the opposite of the first contest, except for



Photo by Bill Hughes

Texas A&M's Scott Livingstone (right) is congratulated by Ever Magallanes (center) and John

Byington after hitting his eighth home run of the year. Byington homered right after Livingstone.

the play of Byington, who got things started in the bottom of the first with a two-run scoreboard-basher over the left-center field wall.

Byington was rather modest about his 6-for-8 day at the plate and the two homers.

"We haven't seen any pitching yet," Byington said. "I'm just glad I'm contributing."

The Aggies held a slim 3-1 lead going into the bottom of the eighth inning until Hardin Simmons embarked on its version of musical pitchers.

The Aggies scored nine runs as

the Cowboys went through three pitchers in one inning.

A&M had the bases loaded for much of the inning, and with an 8-1 lead, shortstop Ever Magallanes sealed the game with a double that drove in first baseman Todd Schmidt, right fielder Andy Duke and center fielder Chuck Knoblauch, all of whom reached base on walks.

The second game also featured a very young lineup to give Johnson a look at several new players. Four freshmen and two sophomores

started the game and produced for Johnson as well.

Besides Byington with the bat, Knoblauch contributed seven putouts in center field, many of which were on the run.

The Aggies finished the two-game series with 19 hits and no errors; Hardin Simmons had 15 hits and three errors.

A&M will continue their home-stand this weekend at Olsen Field with a single game against Central Michigan Friday at 3 p.m., and a double-header Saturday beginning at 1 p.m.

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