

No. 18 Ags play host to Bobcats

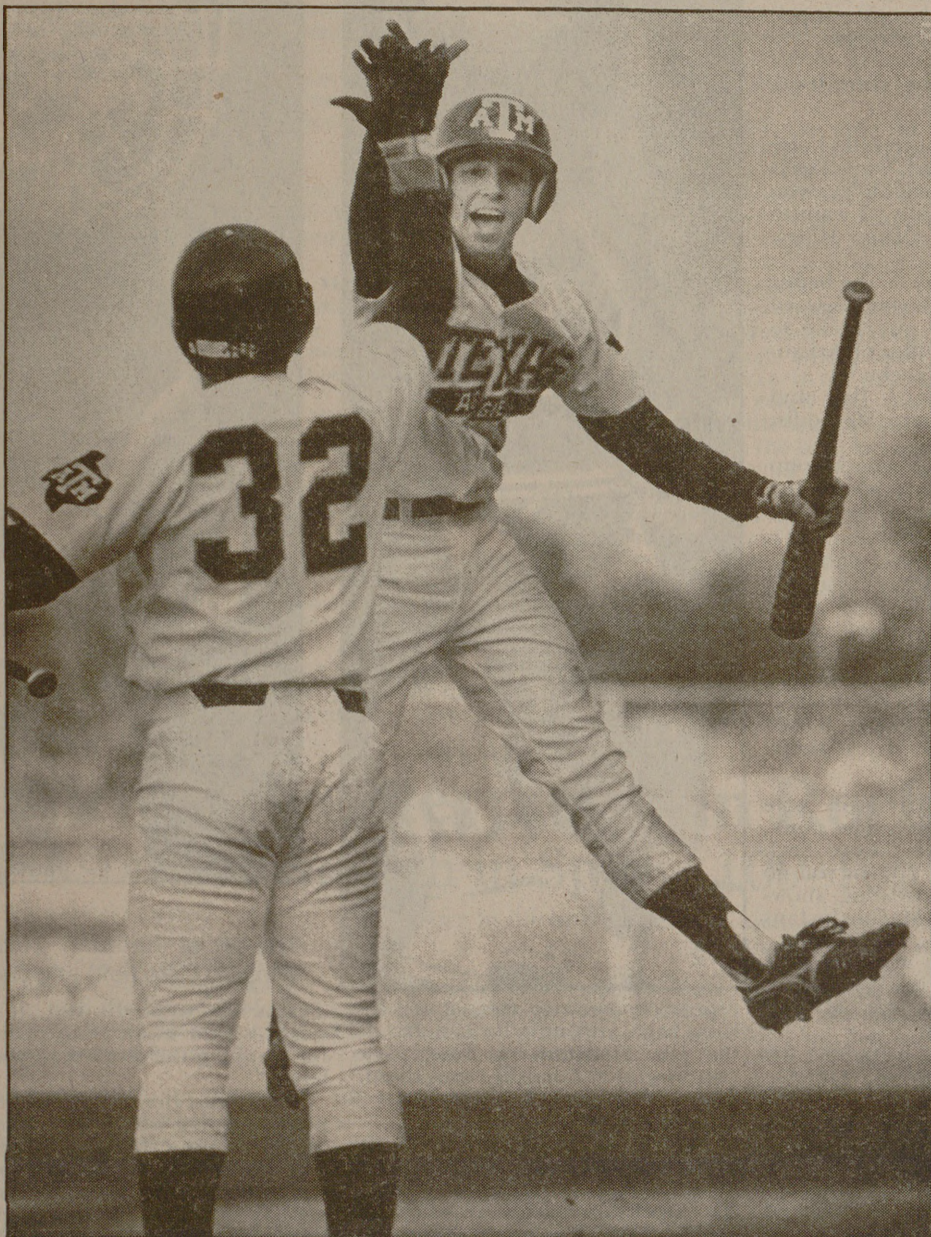
A&M moves up four spaces in baseball poll

By ALAN LEHMANN
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The No. 18 Texas A&M baseball team will host Southwest Texas State Tuesday at Olsen Field in a 5 p.m. doubleheader.

Over the weekend, the Aggies took two of three games from 11th-ranked Louisiana State University.

With the victories, the Aggies improved



A&M's Jason Marshall exchanges high fives with third baseman Travis Marshall (32) after scoring the tying run in the Aggies' 4-2 win over LSU Friday.

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game-winning RBI.

Three of Williams' hits were doubles. Lefthander Rich Robertson continued to shine on the mound for A&M. The junior San Jacinto transfer limited LSU to two runs on five hits in Friday's game, and improved to 4-0 on the season.

Robertson has struck out 38 batters and allowed only ten hits in 29 innings of work. His 1.23 earned run average is the tops among Aggie starters.

Right fielder Dan Robinson still leads the Aggies at the plate.

The junior San Jacinto product leads A&M in runs scored (16), doubles (4), home runs (4) and RBI (15).

He also leads the team with 14 walks, and is second in stolen bases, having been successful in each of his six attempts.

Probable Aggie starting pitchers for Tuesday's doubleheader are Jason Bullard and Sean Lawrence.

Bullard has no record and a 1.80 ERA in his six relief appearances this season. He has struck out 12 in 10 innings, and recorded two saves.

Bullard's most successful outing to date has been against Sam Houston State in Huntsville.

He pitched the final two innings, allowing only one run, to earn his second save.

Although he has no record, Lawrence has started one game this season — Feb. 20 against Lamar — and allowed one unearned run in 5.1 innings. Lawrence, a sophomore southpaw from Oak Park, Ill., struck out eight and only allowed three hits in front of a crowd of 1,486 at Olsen Field.

Saturday, the Aggies played in front of a season-high 5,218 fans at Olsen. In A&M's seven home dates this season, a total of 23,540 fans have attended, for an average crowd of 3,363.

Last season, A&M averaged 3,414 spectators for 36 home dates.

The Aggies will leave behind the friendly confines of Olsen Field Wednesday, when they travel to Huntsville to take on Sam Houston in a 2 p.m. contest on Holleman Field.

The Aggies beat the Bearcats 4-2 Feb. 13 on the strength of a three-run homer by Chad Broussard. Brent Gilbert pitched 3.2 innings of relief to pick up the win.

Gilbert is the likely starter for Wednesday's contest. He is 2-1 this season with a 5.82 ERA.

After beating Sam Houston, Gilbert beat Lamar and lost to Northeast Louisiana. He has allowed only 12 hits and eight walks in 17 innings.

A&M netters host Deacons; Kent sets mark

By NADJA SABAWALA
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The Texas A&M men's tennis team is giving coach David Kent more than just a winning season this year.

A 5-4 win over Southern Methodist in the second round of the 22nd Annual H.E.B. College Tennis Team Tournament this past weekend handed Kent his 400th career victory in his 21 years as a collegiate coach.

But this weekend's play was not completely joyous. Senior Shaun O'Donovan, previously undefeated in dual match play, lost two matches, breaking a 7-0 streak.

A&M faces Wake Forest today at 1:30 p.m. in the Omar Smith Tennis Center. The 4-4 Demon Deacons have one of the top players in the nation in senior Gilles Ameline. Ameline is ranked fifth in the Intercollegiate Tennis Coaches Association poll.

A&M faced Harvard Thursday in the first round of the tournament and was defeated 6-3. O'Donovan lost to Mike Zimmerman 6-2, 6-2. A&M sophomore Doug Brown, junior Steve Kennedy and freshman Carlos DeAngulo were all handed losses by Harvard in singles play.

"We were just outplayed," Kent said.

A&M's only victory in doubles action came from the No. 2 team of O'Donovan/Brown, who defeated Harvard's Roger Berry and Mark Leschle, 6-4, 6-3.

The loss to Harvard put the Aggies against SMU Friday. O'Donovan collected his second loss, but A&M won 5-4.

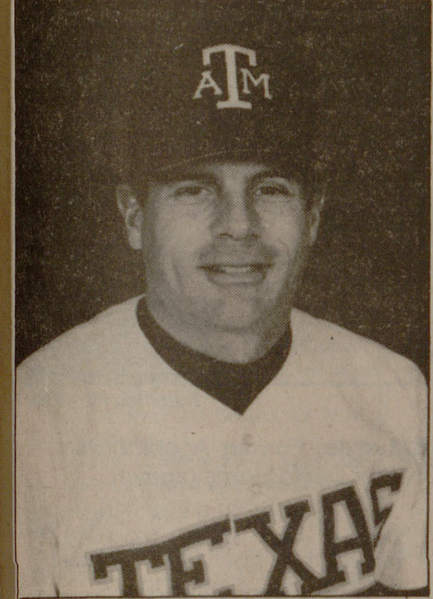
Brown, senior Gustavo Espinosa, junior Matt Zisette and freshman Scott Phillips each defeated their opponents in three sets.

In doubles action, the No. 1 team of Espinosa/Zisette lost to SMU's Tim Trigueiro and Marc Kudelko in three sets while O'Donovan/Brown defeated Page Buck and Hendrik Jordaan.

The Aggies moved to 7-2 with the win and went on to shut out Oklahoma Saturday afternoon, 6-0 in dual matches.

O'Donovan came back from a 0-6 first set to defeat OU's Ross Matheson 0-6, 6-3, 6-3 and improve his season record to 8-2.

The victory set up A&M with Nebraska Sunday afternoon for the consolation championship which the Aggies won 5-1 in dual matches to clinch the title.



Mark Johnson

to 13-5 on the season and jumped up four places in the Collegiate Baseball/ESPN poll. Southwest Texas, a member of the Southland Conference, comes into the twinbill with a 13-4 record.

The Aggies met the Bobcats twice last season, and A&M swept both doubleheaders.

A&M won 6-1 and 2-0 in San Marcos and took the Olsen Field games by identical 6-3 scores.

The Aggies lead the series history 8-0.

Travis Williams swung a hot bat for the Aggies in the LSU series. The sophomore

third baseman from Austin Westlake was 6-for-11 and drove in five runs including two

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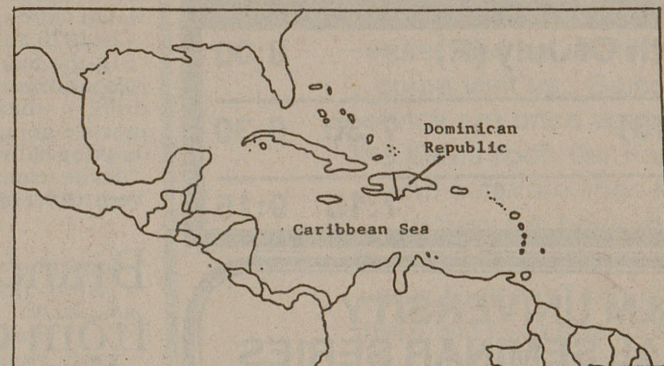
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