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## A&M swimmers down TCU with individual standout

The Texas A&M men's and women's swim teams swept Texas Christian this weekend in a dual meet held in P.L. Downs Natatorium.

The men's team won by a score of 139-103, while the women's race was close, 124-117.

Courtney Searcy turned in the women's top performance as she won the 200 IM and the 200-yard backstroke with times of 2:12.76 and 2:12.40.

A&M head coach Mel Nash was pleased with the women's performance.

"It was a classic, gutsy team effort," Nash said. "Courtney Searcy put in a phenomenal performance. Her determination defin-

nately rubbed off on the whole team."

Nash was also pleased with the men's performance, who are ordinarily put at a disadvantage because they don't have a diving team.

"Last year we got nailed by TCU by one point because we did not dive," he said. "This year we took our '12th Man' diving team and gained five points out of it, which we obviously didn't need tonight."

"The men have started out the year strong and they're determined to keep getting better every week."

Since A&M does not have a competitive diving team members of the swim team participate in the diving competition to pick up a few extra points.

## AP Top 25

Here's how the Top Twenty Five teams in the Associated Press' college football poll fared Saturday:

**Rank, team, result:**  
 1. Virginia (7-1-0) lost to No. 16 Georgia Tech 41-38  
 2. Notre Dame (7-1-0) def. Navy 52-31  
 3. Nebraska (8-1-0) lost to No. 9 Colorado 27-12  
 4. Auburn (6-1-1) lost to No. 15 Florida 48-7  
 5. Illinois (6-2-0) lost to No. 13 Iowa 54-28

6. Houston (8-0-0) def. TCU 56-35  
 7. Washington (8-1-0) def. No. 23 Arizona 54-10  
 8. Miami, Fla. (6-2-0) def. Pittsburgh 45-0  
 9. Colorado (8-1-1) def. No. 3 Nebraska 27-12  
 10. Brigham Young (7-1-0) def. Air Force 54-7

11. Tennessee (5-1-2) def. Temple 41-20  
 12. Florida St. (6-2-0) def. S. Carolina 41-10  
 13. Iowa (7-1-0) def. No. 5 Illinois 54-28  
 14. Texas (6-1-0) def. Texas Tech 41-22  
 15. Florida (7-1-0) def. No. 4 Auburn 48-7

16. Georgia Tech (7-0-1) def. No. 1 Virginia 41-38  
 17. Mississippi (8-1-0) def. LSU 19-10  
 18. Clemson (8-2-0) def. N. Carolina 20-3  
 20. Wyoming (9-0-0) lost to Colorado St. 17-8  
 20. Michigan (5-3-0) def. Purdue 38-13

21. Southern Cal (6-2-1) tied California 31-31  
 22. Oregon (7-2-0) def. UCLA 28-24  
 23. Arizona (6-3-0) lost to No. 7 Washington 54-10  
 24. Penn St. (6-2-0) def. W. Virginia 31-19  
 25. Louisville (8-1-1) def. Cincinnati 41-16

**Next opponent:**  
 at N. Carolina  
 at No. 11 Tennessee  
 at Kansas  
 So. Mississippi  
 at No. 20 Michigan

at No. 14 Texas  
 UCLA  
 Boston College  
 Oklahoma St.  
 at No. 19 Wyoming

No. 2 Notre Dame  
 Cincinnati  
 Ohio St.  
 No. 6 Houston  
 Georgia

Virginia Tech  
 No. 11 Tennessee  
 S. Carolina  
 No. 10 Brigham Young  
 No. 5 Illinois

at Oregon St.  
 at California  
 Stanford  
 Maryland  
 Boston College

## Lewis rumbles, Mustangs tumble

By RICHARD TIJERINA  
 Of The Battalion Staff

DALLAS — It was a homecoming kind of day. Southern Methodist celebrated its Homecoming Game and legendary SMU running back Doak Walker returned to Owlbury Stadium for a special halftime ceremony.

But Texas A&M's Darren Lewis outdid them all.

The senior tailback, who graduated from Carter High School in 1987, celebrated his first game in Dallas since the 1988 Cotton Bowl in grand style — rushing for 207 yards on 31 carries as the Aggies stomped the Mustangs, 38-17.

Lewis, the Southwest Conference's all-time leading rusher, pushed his career total to 4,660 yards.

Lewis ran left. Lewis ran right. Lewis ran up the middle. Everything worked. The Aggies pounded the Mustangs into submission behind a powerful ground game, led by Lewis and quarterback Bucky Richardson, who rushed for a career-high 180 yards.

A&M's win wasn't pretty — the Aggies were 30-point favorites — but it was still a win, coach R.C. Slocum said. The Aggies now can head into their off-week feeling good about themselves.

"We can get some rest now and get some players healthy for the stretch run," Slocum said. "Our plan going in was to run the football, and I think part of that accounts for the score. Had it not been for turnovers, the score would have been different. We won the game by a comfortable margin, and we are still involved in the conference picture."

In the thick of it, actually. That stretch run will make or break the Aggies' Cotton Bowl chances. Texas sits atop the conference with a 4-0 record, but hosts Houston (7-0, but ineligible for the SWC crown) on Saturday. A&M and Baylor are one game back at 3-1-1.

The Aggies' last three games are against Arkansas, Texas Christian and Texas.

The 38-17 score might have been more lopsided had it not been for A&M's three turnovers. Lance Pavlas threw two interceptions in Mustang territory, and fullback Robert Wilson fumbled at the SMU 10-yard line.



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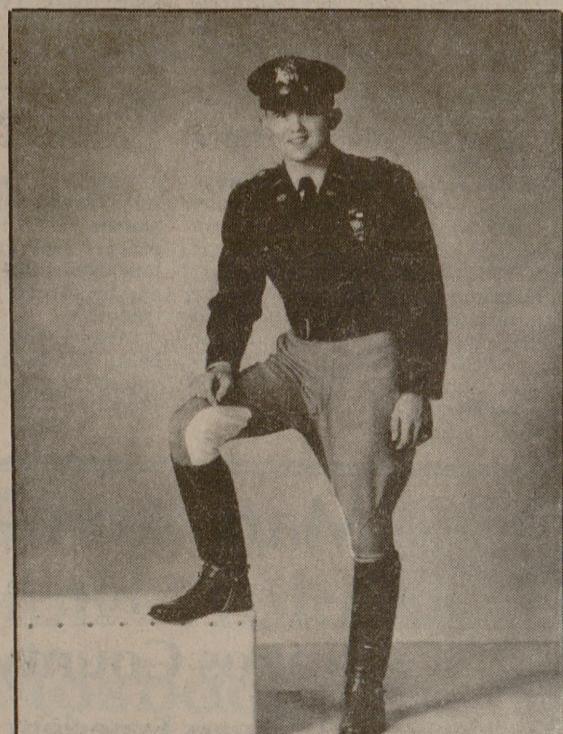
Texas A&M tailback Darren Lewis rushed for 207 yards against Southern Methodist on Saturday. The Aggies defeated the Mustangs, 38-17, in Dallas.

rushed for more than 500 yards this season. A large part of it was the return of an old

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# ARE YOU 12TH MAN ENOUGH ?

**Richard Smith has been DEDICATED to Texas A&M his entire life. His opponent has not done one single thing to help the AGGIES.**



- Class of '59
- Squadron 22
- Corps of Cadets
- Varsity Letterman
- Distinguished Student: Mechanical Engineering
- Endowed a scholarship for the 12th Man Foundation
- State Rep. Brazos County for the last 6 years
- Former Mayor & City Councilman of Bryan
- Bryan/College Station Resident for over 40 years
- Century Club Member; Association of Former Students
- Father was a Professor of Bible Studies at Texas A&M

"I have known Richard Smith since he was 8 years old. He is dedicated to making Texas A&M University a world class institution. He is the candidate who can go to Austin and fight for our fair share of funding. Our University isn't just a constituency to Richard, it's a commitment."

M.T. Harrington 1984,  
 Chancellor Emeritus  
 Texas A&M University System

**Richard Smith**  
 State Senate

"As an Aggie and as your State Senator, I will continue the fight for state funding. I will also continue the fight to preserve the pride, tradition, and the pursuit of excellence that is the spirit of Texas A & M." Richard Smith '59

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