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## Young stars should play, not cry

Look at the old-guard from yesterday and then take a glance at the young guns of today. The difference between them was demonstrated by 25-foot putt on the 18th hole of the Augusta National Golf Club course Sunday. And a fastball down the pipe at Arlington Stadium last week helped do some more segregating. Tom Watson, 41, was playing the final hole of the Masters and was one stroke from the history books. After slicing his drive into the trees, Watson was on the green in three shots. Knowing he had to sink the long put to force a play-off with eventual winner Ian Woosnam, Watson launched a bullet across the green and missed, sending his ball so far beyond the hole that he missed the eight-foot comebacker. Watson could have laid-up and played for the second place tie. Instead, he fell into a tie for third. It would have meant more money to play for second. In the first inning of a Sunday afternoon baseball game at Arlington Stadium last weekend, Texas Ranger pitcher Nolan Ryan fired a fastball down the middle of the plate. The batter, Sam Horn of the Baltimore Orioles, promptly cranked the pitch over the rightfield.

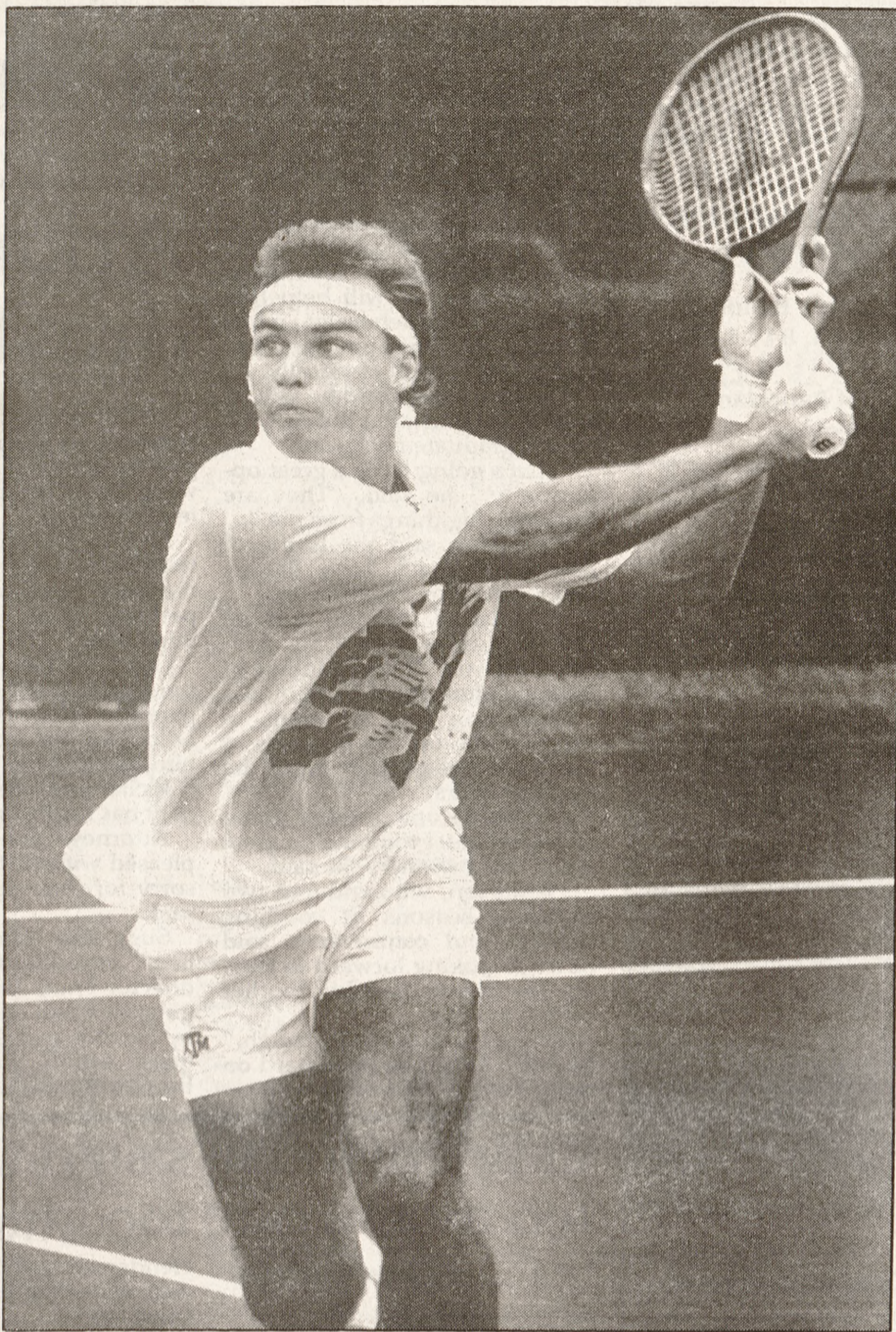
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## Ag netters demolish Mustangs

From Staff and Wire Reports

The Texas A&M men's tennis team clinched the No. 3 seed for the Southwest Conference Tennis Championships this weekend by crushing Southern Methodist 6-1 Wednesday in its regular season finale. With the win, the Aggies improve to 15-9 overall and 4-3 in SWC play. Sophomore Scott Phillips, the SWC No. 5 singles champion, and freshman Mark Weaver won their matches in third set tiebreakers as the Aggies clinched the match 5-1 after singles play. Phillips and Weaver also tallied a win in doubles to clinch the No. 3 doubles title. "Scott and Mark came through with a pair of huge wins," A&M head coach David Kent said. "Their play in tight matches is the reason those two have done so well this season." The Aggies must turn around and play SMU for the second time in three days in the first round of the SWC Championships to be held at the Omar Smith Tennis Center — a task Kent doesn't look forward to tackling. "This match was extremely close, even though the score doesn't show it," Kent said. "Now to have to play them again makes it doubly tough for us. We'll have our hands full on Friday, but a win would likely give us another shot at Texas."

**Texas A&M 6 SMU 1**  
Singles  
No. 1 — Matt Zisette A&M d. Marc Kudelko SMU 6-2, 6-1  
No. 2 — Mark Weaver A&M d. Greg Bowery SMU 7-6, 4-6, 7-6  
No. 3 — Doug Brown A&M d. Rich Harris SMU 6-2, 6-2  
No. 4 — Joe Horwitz SMU d. Clayton Johnson A&M 6-4, 6-4  
No. 5 — Scott Phillips A&M d. Hendrik Jordaan SMU 0-6, 6-3, 7-6  
No. 6 — Steve Kennedy A&M d. Chris Ainsworth SMU 6-3, 6-3  
Doubles  
No. 1 and No. 2 were cancelled.  
No. 3 — Weaver/Phillips A&M d. Bowery/Schmid SMU 6-4, 1-1 (default)



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A&M letter Clayton Johnson returns a lob Wednesday in his match against SMU's Joe Horwitz. The Aggies, who won the match 6-1, will host the Southwest Conference championships this weekend at Omar Smith Tennis Center. Johnson lost 6-4, 6-4.

## Thompson announces transfer

By Scott Wudel  
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Texas A&M basketball player Brooks Thompson saw a great opportunity at Oklahoma State University and he had to take it. Thompson said Wednesday he will transfer to OSU next year to continue his collegiate career. Thompson said he made the decision to move to Oklahoma State earlier in the week, but admitted he had been thinking about leaving A&M since the end of the basketball season. The 6-foot-4 sophomore said he discussed the move with his family and they decided it was in his best interest to make a change. "We thought it would be the best for me, especially if (A&M) goes on probation," Thompson said. "I want to go to the NCAA (Tournament) so bad — that's what I'm playing for." Thompson said he was impressed with the Cowboys' performance under first-year coach Eddie Sutton in the NCAA Tournament this year. Thompson, who has two years of eligibility remaining, and said he sees a chance to contribute in less than two years. "I really like the coaching staff and I really like the players," he said. "I feel really good about them — it's going to be a great three years." Thompson will be leaving two years at A&M behind him when he moves to Stillwater, Okla. this summer. "It's going to be like starting over again," he said. "It's going to be a tough transition, sitting out a year and not playing — but it's something I have

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**There's something for everyone!**  
**All Ags can play a role in the**  
**BIGGEST, BEST**  
**Weekend ever! April 18-21st**

**Thurs.**

April 18th

Senior Bash  
(Sorry...Only '91)

Texas Hall of Fame  
8 p.m.-Midnight

**Fri.**

April 19th

Get excited about Saturday & Sunday!

**Sat.**

April 20th

Senior Banquet  
Ring Dance  
(Seniors only...but wait)

University Tower 6 p.m.  
Rudder & MSC 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

**Sun.**

April 21st

**EVERYONE ATTEND!**

Muster Camaraderie B-B-Q Acad. Plaza 4 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Aggie Muster Ceremony G. Rollie White 7 p.m.

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