

Weekend wrap-up

49ers' Young new highest paid QB

ROCKLIN, Calif. (AP) — The San Francisco 49ers made their peace Thursday with Steve Young, signing last year's MVP and leading passer to the richest contract in NFL history.

Just three months ago, in a bumbling attempt to keep four-time Super Bowl winner Joe Montana, the 49ers said they would bench Young and play Montana. The clumsy effort failed and Young was reinstated as the starter immediately after Montana's April trade to the Kansas City Chiefs.

Young's signing to a five-year contract worth \$26.75 million was an emphatic signal that the organization was now ready to cast its lot with Young.

UT settles Title IX lawsuit out of court

AUSTIN (AP) — The University of Texas and seven female students announced an agreement Friday in a lawsuit in which the women accused the school of denying them an equal chance to play intercollegiate athletics.

The out-of-court settlement, which still requires a judge's approval, will double the number of women participating in sports at Texas over the next several years, officials said.

Both sides hailed the agreement as a landmark decision in the debate over Title IX that may affect how other colleges and universities equalize sports opportunities between women and men.

Title IX is a 21-year-old federal statute prohibiting gender discrimination in educational institutions that receive federal funds.

Suit filed against Tyson for battery

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A beauty contest participant has sued Mike Tyson claiming that the former heavyweight boxing champion committed battery against her during the 1991 Miss Black America pageant.

Noemi T. McKenzie, who was Miss Massachusetts in the pageant at Indianapolis that summer, filed a civil suit in Marion Superior Court on Tuesday, five days before the expiration of the two-year deadline for making a damage claim.

McKenzie, of Woburn, Mass., claims the incident occurred on July 18, 1991, during a pageant rehearsal.

McKenzie said she reported the incident to pageant organizer J. Morris Anderson, who reportedly told her that Tyson was "just showing that he was in a good mood."

It was during the same rehearsal that Tyson met Desiree Washington, the contestant from Rhode Island.

A&M takes second in rugby tournament

Team members pleased with finish

By KYLE BURNETT

The Battalion

The Texas A&M rugby team captured a second place finish in the Social A division of the Summer Seven tournament they hosted here on Saturday.

"We did real well," Oskar Nisimblat, the clubs programs chairman, said. "We were real pleased with our play."

The Aggies A team, or side as it is called, lost in the final of the tournament to the Austin Huns, 21-0.

"We only substituted once all day so we were pretty tired by the last game," Nisimblat said.

Anthony Spampinato, a member of A&M's A side, said the team played up to the level of their competition.

"We did very well for a college team," he said. "Most of the competition was older and more experienced."

"We played more games than anyone in the tournament. Some bracket winners won in 5 games. We just ran out of steam in the end. It was the best we played all summer."

A&M started off the round robin tournament with a 22-0 walloping of the University of Texas at El Paso.

They followed up that victory with a 33-5 win over Ft. Polk, but lost to Austin

B, 17-7. The Aggies bounced back from that loss with a 28-7 win over Ft. Hood.

A&M then knocked off Alamo City 14-5 before entering the single-elimination final.

Nisimblat said the tournament, as a whole, went well.

"It was about what we expected," he said. "It was real clean. My only complaint is that it was hard to get sponsors, but the ones we had gave a lot. So we are thankful to them."

The Aggies will resume play at a 10-man tournament at Sam Houston State University in a few weeks.

They will have a change to face Austin again when they travel to that city for the Aquafest seven-man tournament on Aug. 14.

Would the Aggies see Austin again? "You never know," Spampinato said. "A win or loss, or just the draw of the tournament could put you up against any one."

"We wouldn't mind playing them but it gets boring playing the same teams all over again."

Joining Nisimblat and Spampinato on the team was coach Bill Smith, Ryan O'Kane, Leo Perez, Aska Rousse, John Beard and Leo Hanus.

"It was pretty fun, but we were just worn out by the end," Spampinato said.



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Leo Garza (with the ball) of the Texas A&M Rugby B team, tries to keep hold of the ball against the Fort Worth club during the Aggies 15-12 loss Saturday.

Four Aggies dive into NFL training camps

By MATTHEW J. RUSH

The Battalion

As the Texas A&M football team prepares for another season, with preseason practice on the horizon, several of A&M's past players are reporting for a different kind of training camp.

Last spring, four A&M players were offered spots in the National Football League. Patrick Bates (L.A. Raiders), Marcus Buckley (N.Y. Giants), Derrick Frazier (Eagles) and Doug Carter (Oilers) were all obtained by their respective organizations last April.

Patrick Bates, who decided to forgo his senior year of eligibility, was this year's highest player taken from Texas A&M. Bates, who was chosen 12th in the draft,

Bates, Buckley, Carter, Frazier preparing for their first professional pre-season workouts

attitude especially. I love their style of play and I think I fit right in. It is also exciting to be in a place where you're wanted."

Bates believes that there will be some expectations to live up to, being the number one choice by the Raiders and being the first defensive back taken in the draft, but he looks to make an immediate impact while nudging his way onto the starting defense.

"There is added pressure and higher expectations when you're drafted higher, but they draft you to make an immediate impact and that is a good feeling," Bates said. "I definitely look to make an immediate impact. I've been learning the defensive scheme and I'm picking up everything pretty well. There is a lot to get used to, but once I do, I'm more confident that a can make that immediate impact."

Bates said he is happy about playing

under Al Davis, the figurehead of Los Angeles Raiders football.

"I have tremendous respect for him," Bates said. "He's proven himself over the years and he is a very genuine person."

Bates, however, has yet to sign with the Raiders, but he sees the situation as only a minor obstacle.

"I'm concerned about signing, yes, but we're negotiating right now," Bates said. "I want to get it done, I want to get into camp and get on the playing field. We've gone through the whole back and forth negotiations and right now, I'm waiting for a response."

Patrick said that he would have loved to play another year at A&M, but said that he weighed his options and decided that it was time for him to move on. In moving on, Bates is setting his goals only modestly high.

"This season, I want to be the Rookie of the Year," Bates said.

Carter's story is a 180 degree turn from that of Bates'. Carter, not selected in the draft, was acquired after the fact by the Houston Oilers.

Carter, however, is not bitter about not being acquired in the draft.

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former A&M
fullback*

"Of course I would rather have been drafted," Carter said. "But Houston called me after the draft and said they wanted me."

Carter, somewhat underrated at A&M because he was the blocking back for Rodney Thomas and Greg Hill, is hoping to impress the Oilers in training camp which starts this week.

"Being a free agent, I'll have to improve myself, but I want to contribute playing," Carter said. "I hope to play a lot on special teams and that is a good way to make the team."

Even though the Oilers feature the pass-oriented 'Run and Shoot' offense, Carter would be only one of three or four offensive backs on the team.

Carter said he was happy to be selected by the Oilers because he feels at home with their organization.

"I'd like to play in Houston," Carter said. "I like Houston, I'd like to stay home, and I've got a teammate already there in Bucky Richardson."

Carter wants to give the Oilers everything he has got to offer.

"My goal is to go to training camp on Wednesday and give it all I've got," he said. "If I don't make the team, I've got my degree to fall back on and I'll pursue a graduate degree. If I do make the team, I'll play special teams and contribute however I can."



BATTALION FILE PHOTO

Patrick Bates dives in to assist Derrick Frazier in a tackle in the Aggies 19-13 win over Baylor last Fall. Bates and Frazier are two of A&M's players now in the NFL.

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was a highly sought after defensive back by Philadelphia, Atlanta and Los Angeles. Bates was elated to be picked as high as he was and is looking forward to playing for the 'Silver and Black.'

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Bates looks to contribute immediately and is excited to play with the Raiders who perennially have had the stereotypical bad boy image and mean attitude.

"At first, when I got here, I didn't know how intense the team really was," Bates said. "It's a very big thing here, the

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