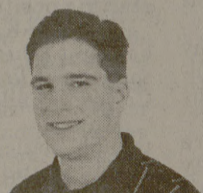


### Oilers' loss secondary to Bucky's debut

**TOM DAY**  
Sportswriter



He ran wild and slipped through tackles. He scrambled and threw strikes. He took over and valiantly led his team. He did everything in his power to produce a Houston Oiler upset.

But the feisty Bucky Richardson couldn't do it all alone as his team fell to the heavily-favored Dallas Cowboys, 20-17.

It might have been a more successful debut had his teammates not experienced several of their characteristic mental letdowns. But the Oilers are notorious for their bone-headed blunders, so that's beside the point. Let's talk about Bucky.

It wasn't until two hours before kickoff that Richardson was named the starting quarterback in place of the injured Cody Carlson. Once the former Texas Aggie trotted onto the field, he didn't disappoint his die-hard throng of fans.

With the exception of an ill-advised interception, Bucky played a pretty solid game. He kept the two-time defending world champions on their toes the entire afternoon, eluding a fierce pass rush by scrambling and unloading passes on the run.

The third year quarterback was cool and confident in the huddle, and effectively moved the football. When all was said and done, Bucky had 242 yards passing and he ran for 37 more.

Although the Cowboys were the better team on this day, Richardson showed he has great potential as a starting quarterback in the NFL. At this stage, he lacks the

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## Lady Aggie soccer impresses TarHeels

### Young team meets top-ranked schools in tourney

**By Stewart Doreen**  
THE BATTALION

After a hard fought weekend against the nation's best, The Texas A&M women's soccer team comes home for the season's home opener today against Mercer University at 5 p.m. at the Aggie Soccer Complex.

The Aggies return from Dallas where they participated in the Southern Methodist University Classic with three teams ranked in soccer's top 20. A&M, 2-1-1, tied the 17th-ranked Maryland Terrapins 1-1 in a hard-fought match. The Aggies used a tough defense that shut down the high-scoring attack of the Terrapins that had scored 5 goals in their Friday win against 11th ranked SMU. In the end, missed opportunities and suspect officiating took a victory from the young Aggies.



"We left the [Maryland] game with a little bit of a bitter taste. We thought we created many more good chances than they did."

- G. Guerrieri, A&M head soccer coach

and play with the best teams in the country. We're much farther along than where I thought we'd be at this point in the development of the program."

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## WTAW radio adds sports show to line-up

**By David Winder**  
THE BATTALION

Feel like Leeland McElroy is not getting the ball enough? Think the baseball strike will never end? Having trouble finding people you can express your true sports feelings to?

If so, then Chip Howard's new Sports Talk from 5 - 7 p.m. on WTAW radio has you in mind.

"People have always said to me for years 'Why doesn't Bryan-College Station have a sports talk show?'" Howard said. "I've always wanted to do one, but I couldn't because of the early hours I was working at KORA."



Howard

Since the show started last week, Bucky Richardson, Dallas Morning News writer Randy Galloway, Dallas radio broadcaster Brad Sham and Oklahoma Sooner head coach Gary Gibbs have all appeared as guests.

A&M volleyball head coach Laurie Corbelli, soccer head coach G. Guerrieri and football head coach R.C. Slocum have also made appearances on the show.

"I hope what I am doing is giving a forum to some of the lesser sports that haven't had that forum before," Howard said. "I never had the soccer coach on when I had three minutes for the sports-cast on KORA."

Howard hopes to get more people listening to the show by including segments on golf and hunting every week.

### Aggie Fact

September 13, 1980: A freshman running back named Herschel Walker runs 80 yards for a touchdown and leads eventual national champion Georgia to a 42-0 throttling of the Aggies at Sanford Stadium in Athens.

## U.S. Open win boosts Agassi to No. 9

NEW YORK (AP) — He was on his knees, his eyes aglow, mumbling a word or two to himself on the stadium court.

"I can't believe it," Andre Agassi said. "The whole thing."

Maybe this was the real Agassi on Sunday, a champion at the U.S. Open, producing a 6-1, 7-6 (7-5), 7-5 victory over Michael Stich that had everything to do with substance and precious little with marketing campaigns.

Agassi went into this tournament unseeded and beat five seeded players on his way to the title. Work like that is not done with smoke and mirrors.

Stich does not know Agassi well, but he has seen the glitz and the neon that accompany him wherever he goes. He has seen Barbra Streisand on his arm at one Open, Brooke Shields at another.

He has heard the screeches for Agassi at the National Tennis Center and he has heard the court-side proclamation by U.S. Tennis Association president "Bumpy" Frazer hail-

ing Agassi as the most famous tennis player in the world.

Stich does not take kindly to foolishness. And this was not a good afternoon for him, his groundstrokes caught in the wind, his skills diminished by Agassi, his patience tested by the umpire.

But even Stich was struck by the poignance of Agassi alone on the stadium court while the cheers washed over him like the surf.

"If you were standing out there next to him, he was just like a little kid," Stich said. "He didn't know what to say. He was just so happy and I think he is a nice guy."

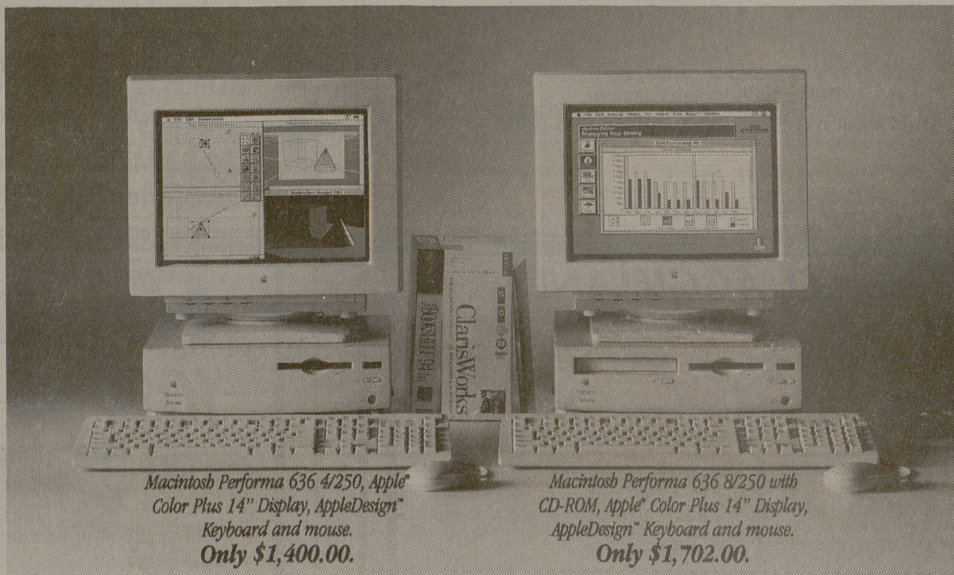
"He wasn't able to cope with all the things people brought up to him. And everybody was just trying to make his image — companies, television people, ATP, players. And I think the image he has is not the person he is. To get rid of that is very difficult for a young man, and he seems able to do that now a little better."

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