

SPORTS BRIEFS

Fourth 'Bogey with Barone' set for October

Tony Barone announced Saturday that the fourth annual "Bogey with Barone" Golf Tournament will be held Oct. 13 at Pebble Creek Country Club in College Station.

"We've received tremendous support for this tournament the first three years, and I have looked forward to this year's tournament," Barone said.

The cost of the tournament is \$145 per person. This includes golf, lunch, a ditty bag, dinner and two tickets to a Texas A&M home basketball game. Former Michigan State Head Basketball Coach Jud Heathcote will be the featured speaker of the dinner.

The dinner will also provide fans an opportunity to meet the 1995-96 Aggie basketball team. Fans wishing to attend the dinner only can purchase tickets for \$25 each.

Hundley's homer halts Houston's sweep

NEW YORK (AP) — Todd Hundley had a three-run homer and four RBIs, Bret Saberhagen allowed only five hits in eight innings and New York prevented a three-game sweep by beating the Houston Astros 10-4 Sunday.

Ryan Thompson added a solo homer and Bobby Bonilla had three singles as the Mets had 13 hits off four Houston pitchers.

Saberhagen (3-2), now 4-0 in his career against Houston, struck out four and walked two. He left after throwing 95 pitches.

Alomar leads Blue Jays passed Rangers, 7-2

TORONTO (AP) — Roberto Alomar hit a bases-loaded triple during a six-run fourth inning Sunday, leading Juan Guzman and the Toronto Blue Jays over the Texas Rangers 7-2.

Guzman (1-2), on the disabled list earlier this season with shoulder problems, won for the first time since last Aug. 5. He pitched five innings and gave up two runs on six hits, striking out two.

The Blue Jays have won consecutive series for the first time this season, winning four of six games. Texas has lost four of five.

Roger Pavlik (4-2) walked six in 3 1-3 innings, and had his four-game winning streak stopped. The Rangers had been 9-1 in games Pavlik started this season.

Aggie great gives back at camp

Bucky Richardson's Football Camp is being held in Brenham.

By Nick Georgandis
THE BATTALION

In the past, he was the straw that stirred the Texas A&M football team's offense, weaving and dodging, throwing on the run or scrambling for a first down.

In the future, namely September, he may be the starting quarterback for the Houston Oilers, maneuvering his way through opposing defenses while the coaching staff in Houston grooms Steve McNair as the team's savior.

But for now, Bucky Richardson is content with teaching children the fundamentals of football at his annual football camp.

"This is just fun, it's nice to try and get a bunch of kids together," Richardson said. "It's also nice for them to get away from Mom and Dad for a few days."

Richardson, who will begin his fourth year with the Oilers in early August, is overseeing the camp that started Sunday and runs through Wednesday on the Blinn College campus in Brenham. He is being assisted by several of Blinn's coaches and football players, some of which were surprised at how much fun they had with the children.

"It was fun seeing all the kids out here," Blinn sophomore defensive tackle Demond Brady said.

Richardson said he still keeps close

tabs on A&M athletics while playing for the Oilers.

"I think the Big 12 Conference will be great for A&M, and for Tech and Texas and Baylor as well," Richardson said. "There was always a problem with the Southwest Conference getting respect, but now they are entering a good situation."

Despite his high expectations for the Big 12, Richardson said he will miss the SWC action.

"It is sad, but college football has changed a lot over the last few years," Richardson said. "TV had a lot to do with that change."

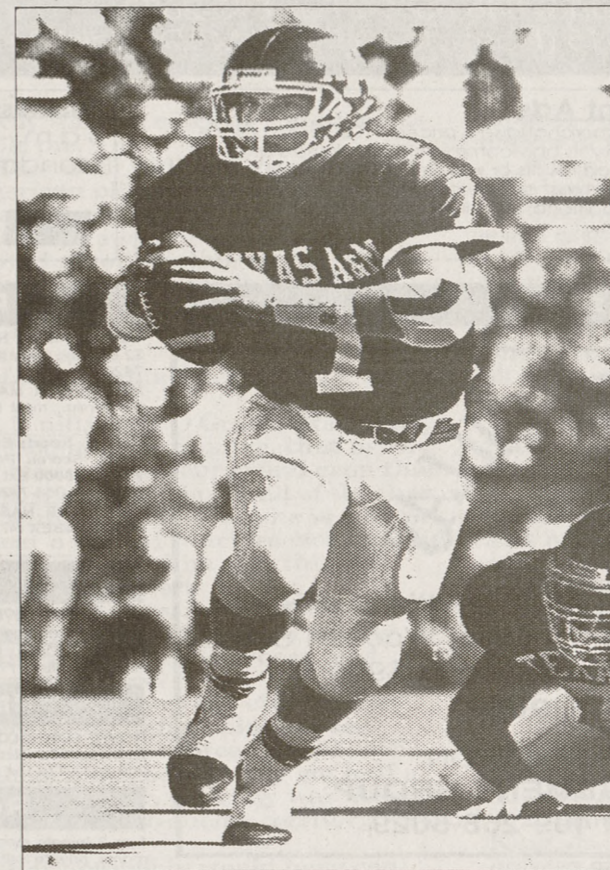
In his time at A&M, Richardson was on two SWC championship teams, and was named Most Valuable Player in the Aggies' 35-10 thrashing of Notre Dame in the 1988 Cotton Bowl. A knee injury forced him to miss the entire 1989 season, but he regained the starting quarterback job during the 1990 season.

In his senior season, A&M went to the Cotton Bowl again, losing to Florida State, 10-2. In his career, he rushed for 2,095 yards — the most ever by a SWC quarterback.

Drafted in the eighth round of the 1992 NFL draft by the Oilers, Richardson moved from third string behind Warren Moon and Cody Carlson to spot starter last season.

He owns a 1-1 record as a starter, losing to the Dallas Cowboys 20-17 and defeating the New York Jets 24-10 in the Oilers' season finale.

With Cody Carlson's release from the Oilers, Richardson said he still keeps close



File photo

Former Aggie QB Bucky Richardson led A&M to two SWC Championships.

Baseball's drug policy strikes out

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"Sorry, baby, this is your last chance. And I'm not talking about one of those Steve Howe-baseball kind of last chances, either."

Lt. Frank Drebin
"The Naked Gun
331/3: The Final Insult"

On Sunday, Darryl Strawberry got one of those Steve Howe-baseball last chances when he signed a contract with the New York Yankees.

It is Strawberry's fourth team in five seasons, and his second directly due to drug abuse. As a Yankee, Strawberry will become teammates with Howe, who has been suspended from baseball nine times for testing positive to illegal substances.

Obviously, there is a flaw in baseball's drug abuse policy. In most school systems, once you get suspended more than once, you're pretty much out of there. At most companies that have drug policies, testing positive means kissing the employee dental plan goodbye.

Yet Howe, blessed with a wicked fastball, has been given a reprieve after reprieve by the league, each time swearing he's off the cocaine and completely rehabilitated. He was instrumental in the Los Angeles Dodgers World Championship year of 1981, and he has been the Yankees' ace reliever for the past couple of years.

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Pavin breaks through with win in US Open

The champion shot a 68 in the final round to take the title.

SOUTHAMPTON, N.Y. (AP) — Corey Pavin, until now the best player on tour without a major championship, won the U.S. Open with a closing round 68 on Sunday as Greg Norman once again came up short in the big one.

Playing the last 10 holes three under par and the last 15 without a bogey, Pavin finished 72 holes at 280, the only player to match par over a punishing Shinnecock Hills Golf Club.

He was two strokes ahead of Norman, who shot a final-round 73, and three better than Tom Lehman.

Pavin, next to the last in the Open field in driving distance, won it with steady, accurate play over the rolling fairways of Shinnecock, avoiding the penalizing rough that claimed so many other players. He also stroked in a series of huge putts, perhaps none bigger than a 6-foot par save on No. 17.

He closed it out with a bold, brilliant 4-wood to the closely guarded 18th green. Pavin broke into a jog as the ball bounded onto the green and rolled toward to flag.

"I was very anxious to see that one," Pavin said. "I knew when I hit it was going to be pretty close."

As it came to a rest 6 feet from the pin, he dropped to a crouch, closed his eyes and let loose a huge exhale. He missed

the birdie putt that would have wrapped it up, then waited for Norman to finish.

"It probably was the most pressure I've ever felt," Pavin said of the shot to 18.

Norman lost his last chance on No. 17 when he hit the sand trap on the par-3, blasted short and missed the putt for par to fall two behind.

"I had faith that it would happen."

— Corey Pavin
U.S. Open Champion

It was Pavin's first victory in a major championship after finishing second once in the PGA, third in the Masters and fourth in the British Open. His previous best in the U.S. Open was

eighth in 1991.

With 12 victories on the PGA Tour, the 35-year-old Pavin had the most wins of anyone currently on tour without a major championship. He will wear that label no longer.

"I had faith that it would happen," Pavin said about finally winning a majors. "I got tired of hearing the question. It wears on you."

"Welcome to the club," Norman told Pavin, patting him on the back outside the clubhouse.

Norman, meanwhile, wears an even heavier burden of failure in the major championships. This was his sixth second-place finish in a major.

He's lost all four major championships in playoffs — the U.S.

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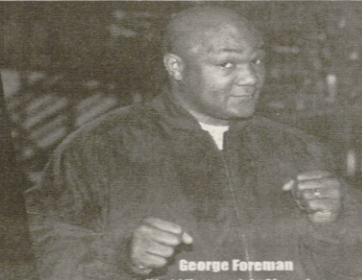
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