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Oilers' McNair nailed on animal cruelty

EAST GREENWICH TOWNSHIP, N.J. (AP) — Todd McNair of the Houston Oilers has been charged with mistreating 22 pit bulls seized at his property where authorities say the animals were being trained for dogfights.

McNair, 30, was arrested Tuesday on cruelty-to-animal charges and released from the Gloucester County Jail in Woodbury after posting \$10,000 bail.

The arrest followed an investigation prompted by the local Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, township police Lt. Scott Goess said. The dogs were chained at a vacant property owned by McNair, he said.

Neighbors reported hearing dogs barking and crying and seeing puppies and adult dogs in cages filled with dog feces. Goess said all the animals were in poor condition and one dog had a broken leg.

SCORES ROUNDUP

NL

St. Louis 5, New York 3
San Diego 7, Chicago 5
Houston 5, Los Angeles 2
Philadelphia 3, Colorado 1
Atlanta 15, San Francisco 2
Montreal 8, Cincinnati 4

NBA

New Jersey 100, Los Angeles 94
Indiana 102, Philadelphia 87
Cleveland 105, Los Angeles Lakers 89
Detroit 89, Charlotte 83
Orlando 98, New York 85
San Antonio 117, Sacramento 96
Seattle 118, Houston 103
Minnesota at Vancouver (n)

NHL

Washington 5, Buffalo 1
Ottawa 3, Florida 2
Boston 4, Montreal 1
Tampa Bay 4, Hartford 2
Chicago 5, Toronto 2
Winnipeg 3, Dallas 1
St. Louis 6, Colorado 3
Vancouver at Calgary (n)
Edmonton at Anaheim (n)
Detroit at Los Angeles (n)

AL

Minnesota 16, Detroit 7
Chicago 4, Seattle 2
New York 5, Cleveland 1
Baltimore 7, Kansas City 1
Texas 7, Boston 2
Toronto vs. Oakland(n)
Milwaukee at California (n)

Aggies try to break bad luck in Texas Relays

By Tom Day
THE BATTALION

Uh, oh. It's that time of year again. Beginning Friday and running through the weekend, the annual Texas Relays in Austin will commence with the A&M Track and Field Team taking part in the activities once again.

When taking a look back at the glorious history of the Aggies at the Relays, A&M's honor as outstanding team in 1970, 1971 and 1980 stands out, as well as its 23 titles won in relay events. But, recent history has not been so kind on the Aggies as they have failed to win a relay there since 1993.

But this is a new year and a new team, and A&M Head Coach Ted Nelson is optimistic that this year's Aggie relay teams will start a winning trend.

"It's been five years since we took a solid relay team to this meet," Nelson said. "We've always taken some good individuals there, but not a good relay team since 1990. But we feel real good about our chances this year."

The 400-meter relay team, comprised of sophomores Michael McKinney and Billy Fobbs and freshmen Toya Jones and Michael Price, has posted the third-best time

(39.77) in school history.

The same foursome makes up the 800-meter team while McKinney joins senior Curt Young, junior Danny McCray and freshman Ricky Pfister on the 1,600-m relay team.

"The 4 x 200 relay will be a good race," Nelson said. "The 4 x 400 team finished sixth at the National Indoor Championships. They're not running too great right now, but they should do strong."

The A&M Men's Team is riding a huge wave of momentum going into Austin. Last weekend in a dual match at the Anderson Track and Field Complex, the Aggies spanked perennial power Texas 98-55.

Fobbs said A&M's convincing victory serves as a confidence booster for the team heading into this weekend.

"Texas is usually the winner of the (Southwest Conference) and we beat them pretty solidly," Fobbs said. "That may have sewed up the conference and that feels good."

One of the Aggies' top sprinters, Fobbs' time of 10:32 in the 100-m dash is tops on the team this year, while his 21:17 time in the 200-Meter Dash is good for third on the squad.

"Besides a few minor leg injuries, I've been doing

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Stev Milne, THE BATTALION

Senior Richard Harrison clears the bar during the pole vault Saturday evening at the Anderson Track Complex.

Heir to The Throne: Fenimore fills leadership role nicely

By Wes Swift
THE BATTALION

Senior A&M golfer Dru Fenimore does not mind being the center of attention on the Aggie Men's Golf Team.

He does not mind being the only senior on the team, coupled with the pressure to repeat as the SWC co-champion. Indeed, Fenimore said he likes the burden that comes with his position.

"I thrive off pressure," he said. "It's good to know that people are counting on you."

"You can use pressure to help you, or you can let it get to you. I've always tried to use it to help me."

If Fenimore thrives under pressure, then he should have a breakthrough spring. The senior entered the spring as one of only two upperclassmen and the 1995 SWC co-champion with former A&M golfer Anthony Rodriguez and two other golfers.

A&M Men's Golf Coach Bob Ellis said Fenimore has taken on the mantle of team leadership well.

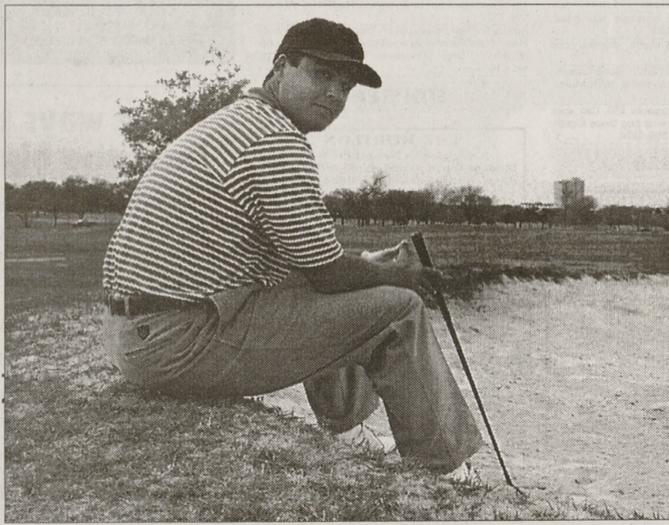
"Dru has done a good job to lead the team," Ellis said. "He helps them prepare for tournaments and gets them ready to play."

Fenimore described himself as a quiet leader and said he tries to instill a work ethic in his teammates.

"I'm trying to lead by example," he said. "I try to work hard and hope others follow my lead."

"The guys we have are really hard workers. If we don't win something, it won't be because we didn't work hard enough."

That work ethic and quiet leadership has already begun to pay off for the team, as Fenimore has had two Top 10



Gwendolyn Struve, THE BATTALION

Texas A&M senior golfer Dru Fenimore takes a moment off while practicing at the Texas A&M Golf Course Tuesday afternoon.

finishes in four tournaments, and has led the team to a No. 21 ranking in the national Rolex Team Rankings.

This success came after a junior season filled with six Top 20 finishes and a 75.55 scoring average.

Ellis said he hopes more of the same from Fenimore this spring.

"Dru hopes to win the SWC again and play in the Colonial," Ellis said.

"Unfortunately, he won't be able to play in the Colonial because the (SWC) regional is on the same day."

The senior added an All-American honor and a first place finish for his team and a first place finish for the year.

Ellis said the key for Fenimore, and for the team's success, will be consistency.

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Burning desire extinguished by the system

I'm not an Olympic athlete, never will be, but as the world gets ready for the 1996 Summer Olympic Games, I find myself wishing I could be a part of it.

Oh sure, I could purchase a ticket along with the rest of the world and participate as a spectator, but that's not good enough. I want to really be a part of it. Then I heard the news and got the great idea.

The Olympic torch is going to make a run through Bryan-College Station. That's not the good news. The good news is that regular people like you and I have a chance to carry it.

Okay, so the announcement I saw in the paper mentioned local community heroes, but why should that stop me from doing my part for my country? So I made my way to the person in charge and told of my desires.

"I want to be one of the torch runners," I said proudly.

"And you are?"
"My name is Lisa Nance. I'm a student at Texas A&M, and I want to serve my country as a torch runner for the Summer Games."

I was feeling confident. I would be the perfect candidate. I would run the Olympic torch for every A&M student.

"Well, Miss Nance, what makes you qualified to run the torch? What have you done for this community?"

Tough question, but I had an answer.

"Well, I contribute to the betterment of the community by paying my taxes and voting in all local elections."

LISA
NANCE
SPORTSWRITER



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