

## A&M Head Coach Mark John-

"Basically, we scrimmage throughout the entire fall season," Johnson said. "[The world series] lets the coaches evaluate the talent, while giving us some clues as to who will be the starters. It lets the players get suited up and play in front of some fans.

Although the series was fun for the players, sophomore outfielder Jason Tyner said honor

quet," Tyner said. pride thing."

ning rally.



Junior catcher Matt Garrick (#33) tries to beat the tag by fr man third baseman Andy Ness (#29) in Friday's game. gies' strong suit next likely be offense again.

However, the Gamers pulled out the series victory in Game 5 with a 3-2 win in ten innings. The series showcased an offensive explosion, including 18 home The losing team has to serve runs and a total of 96 runs over just

five games. "The best part Even senior about this is Rupe had a say in when we come the offensive production, smackback together, ing a three-run homer over the scoreboard in the seventh inning of Game 3. Although the series was a

high-scoring affair, Rupe said it wasn't a surprise. 'The hitters have an advantage," Rupe said. "They've faced the same pitchers

over the past five weeks at least a couple of times. So, they know everything [the pitchers] have." After hitting .337 as a team last spring, Johnson said the Ag-

last year] dropping Johnson said. "I think ing to hit very well." Tyner said the best series is its conclusio Ryan "The best part al

when we come back we'll be a better te said. "Splitting up th ally divides up the ta it's a lot of fun, gettin the jerseys and get out front of the fans. Looking back to the

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World Series, Tyner said t team looks better than last "Everything, inclu

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## Fall World Series showcase Aggies' offensive firepowe

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While the Major League Baseball World Series was just getting started this weekend, the annual Texas A&M Baseball Fall World Series concluded with the Gamers ousting the Whippersnappers three games to two in the best-of-five series.

The A&M series began via intrasquad draft, with players being dealt to one of the two teams managed by assistant coaches Jim Lawler and Bill Hickey

son said the series is a culmination of the five-week fall workout season and allows the coaches to evaluate player progress while giving the players an opportunity to enjoy themselves.

was on the line.

the winning team at the (team) ban-"If they want tea, you've got to get them tea. The series is basically a

The series began Oct. 11 with an offensive dis-play as the Whippersnappers won 16-12. But the Gamers came back to win the next two games of

the series, including an 18-11 win in game three on Wednes-day. In game four, the Whippersnappers knotted up the series at 2-2 despite the Gamer's nine-run, seventh-in-ning relu



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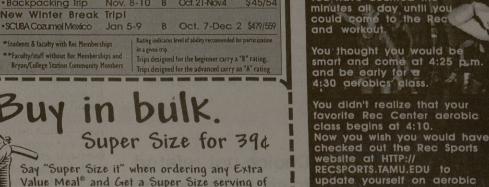
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