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Ags sweep weekend foes

Men's tennis team defeats Colorado, Kansas

BY AL LAZARUS
The Battalion

The Texas A&M Men's Tennis Team's match Friday night against the University of Colorado marked the first of four consecutive conference matches to close out the Aggies' regular season. After trouncing the Buffaloes, 6-1, and defeating the University of Kansas, 5-2, Sunday in Lawrence, Kan., the No. 15 Aggies appear determined to go out with a bang.



MADDEN

"We're good enough to win the Big 12," A&M sophomore Cody Hubbell said after Friday's victory. "We're believing it now, and there's no reason why we can't do it."

The Aggies, who improved to 14-3 overall and 6-0 in Big 12 play, accomplished their weekend sweep without the help of their No. 2 player, Dumitru Caradima, who was out with a sore elbow.

A&M coach Tim Cass said the

Aggies responded well in Friday's match to the task of playing without Caradima, who is part of the nation's No. 1 doubles team.

"Without Caradima in the lineup, the team rose to the occasion," Cass said. "We kept control of the match, and I think that this was one of our better efforts of the season."

The Aggies fell to the Buffaloes, 5-2, last season in Boulder, adding a little more emotion to Friday's atmosphere.

A&M junior Juan Aramburo, who won in singles competition against the Buffaloes, said the Aggies were motivated Friday by last season's loss to CU.

"Revenge is always sweet," Aramburo said. "It brings out a little bit more excitement than usual."

Caradima's doubles partner, Shuon Madden, teamed with freshman Keith From at No. 1 doubles. The duo lost to CU's Doni Papadia and Boris Sepesi, 8-6.

The Aggies responded, though, with victories in the No. 2 and No. 3 spots to win the doubles point.

In singles play, only the top two matches were close, as both went to three sets. At No. 1, Madden

dropped the first set before buckling down to win, 3-6, 7-5, 6-3. Senior Brent Horan then dropped his three-setter at No. 2, 7-6 (7-5), 3-6, 6-4.

Hubbell, playing at No. 3, won easily, 6-3, 6-0. Also notching decisive victories for the Aggies were From and freshman Jarin Skube, playing in the No. 4 and No. 6 spots, respectively.

In Sunday's match against KU, the Aggies had to be careful not to look past the 40th-ranked Jayhawks to Saturday's showdown with the University of Texas.

"We were a little worried about Texas," Cass said, "but I thought the guys showed maturity and composure out there, and we got out of here with a win."

With Caradima out again, the Aggies fielded the same lineup that had worked so effectively Friday night.

Highlighting the victory over the Jayhawks was No. 34 Madden's victory over KU's Luis Uribe, ranked 18th in the nation in singles play.

The Aggies' match against Texas will take place Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at the Varsity Tennis Center.

A&M junior Kathryn Scott lunges for the backhand ground stroke in her singles play against Vanderbilt University Saturday at the Varsity Tennis Center. The Texas A&M Women's Tennis Team dropped the team match to Vanderbilt, 8-1.

Aggies fall to Vanderbilt

Women's tennis team readies for match with 'Horns

BY SANTOSH VENKATARAMAN
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Most collegiate tennis teams schedule non-conference matches late in the year with the idea of lining up for upcoming conference matches.



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On Saturday, however, the No. 5 Texas A&M Women's Tennis Team was tuned up by No. 12 Vanderbilt University, 1-8, at the A&M Varsity Tennis Center.

A&M, which failed to win a point, got on the scoreboard when Vanderbilt's No. 3 singles player, Kristy Blumberg, injured her ankle. Aggie sophomore Lisa Dingwall, who trailed 2-4 in the first set, picked up the victory when Blumberg was forced to default.

"That's an unfortunate break for them," A&M coach Bobby Kleinecke said. "She's an impor-

tant player for their team."

Vanderbilt rebounded by sweeping the rest of the singles matches to clinch the victory, as four different Vanderbilt players recorded 6-0 set victories in straight-set wins.

A&M's best efforts came at the No. 2 and No. 4 singles. Freshman Leah Killen, playing her first career match at No. 2, extended Vanderbilt's Callie Creighton to a first-set tie-breaker before succumbing, 7-6, 6-0. At No. 4 singles, senior Monica San Miguel fell at No. 4 singles to Vanderbilt's Kate Burson, 6-1, 7-6.

The showdown at No. 1 singles between A&M freshman Martina Nedorostova, ranked 54th in the nation, and No. 12 Julie Ditty of Vanderbilt, the National Player of the Month, never materialized as the more experienced Ditty pulled away for a convincing 6-2, 6-0 victory.

The poor showing in singles set the tone for the match, Kleinecke said.

"I was a little disappointed we made a lot of errors early in the singles," he said. "We needed to hang in the points in the beginning, and that's where we lost it."

A&M rebounded for a better performance in the three doubles matches. Nedorostova and Dingwall lost, 8-5, at No. 1 doubles to Ditty and Burson, while A&M sophomore Eva Marcial and junior Kathryn Scott's spirited rally at No. 2 doubles fell short, 8-4, to Vanderbilt's Creighton and Anne Plessinger.

"We held our heads a little higher in the doubles," Kleinecke said. "They came up with some good shots."

A&M will return to Big 12 action Tuesday when the Aggies travel to Austin for a 5 p.m. match against conference-leading No. 13 University of Texas.

"It will be a tough match," Kleinecke said. "But in an A&M-Texas match, anything can happen."

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Aggies take three from Kansas State

The sixth-ranked Texas A&M baseball team swept the Kansas State University Wildcats this weekend in Big 12 Conference play.

The Aggies (32-8, 14-3 Big 12) won the first game of the series 3-

0 behind a masterful pitching performance by junior pitcher Casey Fossum. Fossum (7-3) tossed a complete game four-hitter with 14 strikeouts, tying his season high.

A&M clubbed the Wildcats (13-21, 5-12 Big 12) in Saturday's game. Sophomore right fielder Daylan Holt led the way for the Aggies going 3 for 5 with five RBIs, three runs scored and two home

runs to push his team leading total to 18.

Holt is closing in on the A&M single-season home-run record of 25 set last year by former A&M third baseman Craig Kuzmic.

The Aggies capped off the series Sunday with a 7-2 win.

The Aggies return home Tuesday to take on UT-San Antonio at 7 p.m. at Olsen Field.



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Second verse, same as the first

No. 15 Longhorns again edge Aggie Softball Team, 1-0

BY BEN WESTBROOK
The Battalion

The 19th-ranked Texas A&M Softball Team dropped another close game to the 15th-ranked University of Texas in front of 1,252 fans at Red and Charlin McCombs Field in Austin Saturday.

The 1-0 loss marks the second time in two weekends the women have dropped a game to the Longhorns by one run.

With the defeat, the Aggies fall to 33-10 overall and 3-3 in the Big 12. The Longhorns moved to 28-12 on the year and into sole possession of first place in the Big 12 with a 5-1 conference record.

Picking up the win for the Longhorns was All-American Christa Williams, who raised her season record to 14-4. Taking the loss was A&M sophomore Amy Vining, who dropped to 18-8 on the year.

Vining had yet another good day on the mound, giving up just six hits and one earned run, but the Aggie bats failed to provide any run support, as Christa Williams held the Aggies to just three hits while the UT defense committed just one error.

Sophomore second baseman Rachel Lewis, freshman catcher Lisa Klam and sophomore right fielder Tiffany Esters recorded hits for the Aggies, and freshman center fielder

A&M freshman center fielder Tammy Donnell stretches for the stop during the Aggies' game against the University of Texas Saturday in Austin. The Texas A&M Softball Team dropped a 1-0 decision to the No. 15 Longhorns, their second 1-0 loss to UT this season.

Tammy Donnell reached base on a walk. But the Aggies would leave all four runners stranded on base.

The winning RBI came in the third inning when Texas center fielder Autumn Eastes knocked a triple into right-center field to score Tiffany Valdehueva from first. The run would be all the 'Horns would need

as Williams' dominated the rest of the game from the mound.

The loss marks the second straight year A&M has been swept by Texas in the season series. The Aggies' next matchup is a non-conference doubleheader against Southwest Texas State University Wednesday at the Aggie Softball Complex.

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