



BIG 12 CONFERENCE NEWS

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Finals Set For Big 12 Tennis Championships

- Baylor and Texas to play for both the men's and women's titles for third straight year -

College Station, Texas - The finals are set for the 2008 Big 12 Tennis Championships at the George P. Mitchell Tennis Center - and the same two schools will be competing for the crown for the third consecutive year. No. 1 seed Texas and No. 2 Baylor are matched up in the men's bracket, while the No. 1 Bears and No. 2 Longhorns will play on the women's side. Both finals matches will take place at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Baylor had its second straight shutout on the women's side, defeating Colorado by a score of 4-0. After capturing the doubles point, three of BU's four ranked singles players were victorious as No. 1, 3 and 4 all won in straight sets. The Bears advance to the championship round for the fourth straight year and fifth all-time. Baylor has won two straight postseason league titles and is 2-2 in championship final matches. Texas A&M earned a hard-fought doubles point over Texas before the 'Horns rallied in singles with straight set wins by the No. 1, 2 and 5 positions. Stephanie Davison (UT) outlasted Anna Blagodarova (TAMU) in a three-hour thriller clinching the 4-3 victory for the Longhorns in the tiebreaker set 2-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7-4). Baylor and Texas have met four times in the Big 12 finals, each holding a 2-2 record against one another.

Texas' men advanced to the finals for the third straight year and seventh time overall with a 4-0 sweep over Texas A&M. After taking the doubles point, the 'Horns defeated A&M with wins at No. 2, No. 4 and No. 6 singles. The Longhorns own a 2-1 all-time edge against BU in the men's finals with the Bears edging UT 4-3 in last year's final. While the top ten matchup featuring third-ranked Oleksandr Nedovyesov (OSU) versus eighth-ranked Lars Poerschke (BU) did not finish, Baylor captured wins at positions No. 2-4 and 6, giving them a 4-1 victory. The Cowboys tallied a point at the No. 3 position. The Bears have now advanced to the championship finals seven consecutive times, nine overall, and own a 5-3 record in the championship match.

For more information on the championships visit big12sports.com or aggieathletics.com. All-Championship Stadium Club passes are priced at \$30 and All-Championship General Admission is \$15. Single Day tickets will only be available at the George P Mitchell Tennis Center Box Office and are available each day of the event.

Big 12 Tennis Championships

George P. Mitchell Tennis Center, College Station, Texas

Day 3 Results

MEN

No. 2 Baylor 4, No. 3 Oklahoma State 1
No. 1 Texas 4, No. 5 Texas A&M 0

WOMEN

No. 1 Baylor 4, No. 4 Colorado 0
No. 2 Texas 4, No. 3 Texas A&M 3

Sunday, April 27 Schedule

MEN

No. 1 Texas vs. No. 2 Baylor 1:00 p.m.

WOMEN

No. 1 Baylor vs. No. 2 Texas 1:00 p.m.