

ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY



2004-05 WILDCAT TENNIS

NCAA Division II

Lone Star Conference

Lone Star Conference Champions

Men

1988 • 1990 • 1995 • 1998 • 2002 • 2003 • 2004 • 2005

Women

1985 • 1986 • 1987 • 1988 • 1989 • 1990 • 1991 • 1992
1993 • 1994 • 1995 • 1996 • 1997 • 1999 • 2000 • 2002 • 2004 • 2005

Regional Champions

Men

1997 • 1998 • 2001 • 2003 • 2004

Women

1998 • 2000 • 2001 • 2002 • 2003 • 2004 • 2005

National Tournament Appearances

Men

1990 • 1994 • 1996 • 1997 • 1998 • 2001 • 2003 • 2004

Women

1985 • 1987 • 1988 • 1989 • 1990 • 1991 • 1992 • 1993
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WILDCAT TENNIS

ACU Wal-Mart Open

Friday, Sept. 9 – Saturday, Sept. 10, 2005

Eager Tennis Center, Rose Park, HSU, McMurry courts • Abilene, TX

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ACU TENNIS AT-A-GLANCE

WOMEN

Roster

Name	Ht.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
Sara Baker	4-11	soph	Tr	Hobbs, N.M. (NMSU)
Meagan Brown	5-4	soph	1VL	Springfield, Mo.
Sarah Drummond	5-7	fr	HS	Pueblo, Colo.
Elizabeth Konnex	5-11	fr	HS	Mansfield
Heidi Lindloff	5-5	fr	HS	Katy
Holly Lindloff	5-7	jr	2VL	Katy
Lana Pavlin	5-8	jr	2VL	San Antonio
Allison Tetrack	5-9	jr	2VL	Millville, Calif.
Alexandra Vucic	6-0	fr	RS	Belgrade, Serbia-Mont.

Head Coach: Hutton Jones

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Sept. 16-17	New Mexico State Invitational	Las Cruces, N.M.
Sept. 22-24	ITA Central Regional	Abilene
Sept. 30-Oct. 1	Red Raider Invitational	Lubbock
Sept. 30-Oct. 1	Kentucky Fall Invitational	Lexington, Ky.
Oct. 7-8	LSC Fall Individual Championships	Wichita Falls
Oct. 13-15	ITA National Championships	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.

MEN

Roster

Name	Ht.	Wt.	Class	Exp.	Hometown
Kevin Beedy	5-11	160	jr	2VL	Spearman
George Carstens	6-1	180	sr	2VL	Stollenbosh, S. Africa
Bryce Hicks	6-3	165	jr	1VL	Abilene
Ryan Hudson	5-11	160	fr	HS	Abilene
Hutton Jones Jr.	5-11	180	fr	HS	Abilene
Juan Nunez	5-11	150	fr	HS	Torreón, Mexico
Erik Morin	5-11	150	fr	HS	Greeley, Colo.
Brett Proctor	6-1	160	fr	HS	Tulsa, Okla.
Evan Puglia	5-10	160	sr	3VL	Plano
Jason Ray	6-3	190	sr	3VL	Colleyville
Casper Steenkamp	5-10	180	sr	2VL	Capetown, S. Africa

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Oct. 21-22	Tyler JC Invitational	Tyler

Jones anxious to see new players in action

ABILENE – For ACU tennis coach Hutton Jones, there's no time like September for getting a look at what he'll have on his hands once the spring tennis season rolls around.

And for the Wildcats, it all begins this weekend when they host seven other schools in the the annual ACU Wal-Mart Open. Play will begin at 8 a.m. both Friday and Saturday at ACU's Eager Tennis Center, as well as the Stretch Tennis Center at Hardin-Simmons, the Seidel-Swagerty Tennis Center at McMurry, and the Rose Park Tennis Center.

Matches in the No. 1 singles flight and the top three doubles flights will all be played at ACU, while HSU will host No. 4 doubles and No. 3 singles. McMurry will host No. 4 singles, while Rose Park will host No. 2 singles action.

Both ACU teams are coming off successful 2005 spring seasons that saw each win Lone Star Conference team championships. The women finished 31-6, winning the NCAA Division II Central Region title and advancing to the national tournament for the 10th straight season. The 31 victories set a school-record for most wins in a season.

The ACU, meanwhile, finished 21-10, but lost to Midwestern State in the NCAA Division II Central Region championship match, falling 5-4 to the Indians.

Both the men's and women's tennis teams have several key holes to fill in their lineups, and the process of finding out who will fill those holes begins Friday.

"This is a great way for us to get a lot of matches in and see where we are," Jones said. "It's early, but it's important for us to get a look at our team in pressure situations in a match. There will be good players in this tournament, and we'll get to see how our players handle the competition.

"I know how our more experienced players will play, so I'm more interested in seeing how the new people on both teams play this weekend," he said.

The men's team has fewer holes to fill after only losing one senior from last year's squad. That senior, though, was No. 1 singles player Artin Tafazoli, who earned NCAA Division II all-America honors last year. Stepping back into the role as the Wildcats' No. 1 in singles should be senior Casper Steenkamp, who was No. 1 in 2004, but stepped down to No. 2 last year in favor of Tafazoli.

The Wildcats also return veterans Jason Ray, Evan Puglia, George Carstens, Kevin Beedy and Bryce Hicks, giving Jones a nice comfort level with his men's team.

"There shouldn't be near as many surprises on the men's team," Jones said. "I know all of their games and what they can and can't do."

Three players to watch will be freshmen Juan Nunez, Hutton Jones Jr. and Ryan Hudson. Nunez is a nationally ranked player in Mexico, while Jones Jr. and Hudson were the lynchpins of the powerhouse Abilene High tennis team.

On the women's side, ACU must replace three seniors – Summer

ACU WAL-MART OPEN

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When: 8 a.m. each day

Where: ACU, Hardin-Simmons, Rose Park, McMurry

Participating Teams: Abilene Christian; Hardin-Simmons; McMurry; Texas Southern; New Mexico Military Institute; Collin County Community College; Southwestern; Howard Payne; North Central Texas College

Beesley, Rach Taylor and Ashley Hawk-Caperton – that were ranked in the region's top 15 in singles play at the end of last year.

Junior Lana Pavlin will probably get the first shot at the No. 1 spot in the Wildcats' lineup, but she'll be pushed by Holly Lindloff, Meagan Brown and transfer Sara Baker.

"The girls that we have returning played mostly in the middle or bottom of our lineup last year, and now it's their turn to step into those top spots in the lineup," Jones said. "I'm confident they'll be able to make that transition."

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