

# Tennis' Aanes racks up wins

by Robert Vinson

Numerous college coaches have called Eric Aanes a winner after witnessing him on the tennis court. The tenacious senior has racked up wins at a pace that should place him among the leaders in the UNLV record book for most matches won, after this season.

As an inexperienced freshman, Aanes was given the difficult task of playing the number one singles position. He compiled a remarkable 26-10 match record, including a win over fifth ranked Brice Karsh of Tennessee. This gave him team MVP honors.

"I was thrown into a tough situation, but fortunately, I stepped up and re-

sponded to the challenge. It was a big year for me because as a newcomer, I had to prove myself and earn the respect of my teammates," Aanes said of his freshman year.

## Eric Aanes, UNLV tennis

**Birthplace:** Kansas City

**Classification:** Senior

**Major:** Marketing

**Favorite Tennis Player:** Thomas Muster

**Favorite Musical Group:** Steely Dan

**Favorite T.V. Show:** "Beverly Hills 90210"

**Hobbies:** Golf and flirting

**If I could be someone else for a day, I'd be:** "Flavor Flav from Public Enemy, because he's got rhythm and I don't!"

As a sophomore, Aanes racked up 17 more wins. Compared to his lofty standards, Aanes feels his sophomore year was average.

Average doesn't de-

scribe the blockbuster year the Oklahoma native had last year, his junior year. He compiled an amazing 33-12 record, including a 17 winning streak through the toughest part of the season. Aanes has high expectations for his final year of competition.

"It would be nice to win conference, both team and individually. I would also want to be ranked high nationally and hopefully go to the NCAA at the end of the year. That would make all the hard work worth

it," Aanes said.

Having already played extensively in Europe, Aanes would like to play professionally after his collegiate career ends.

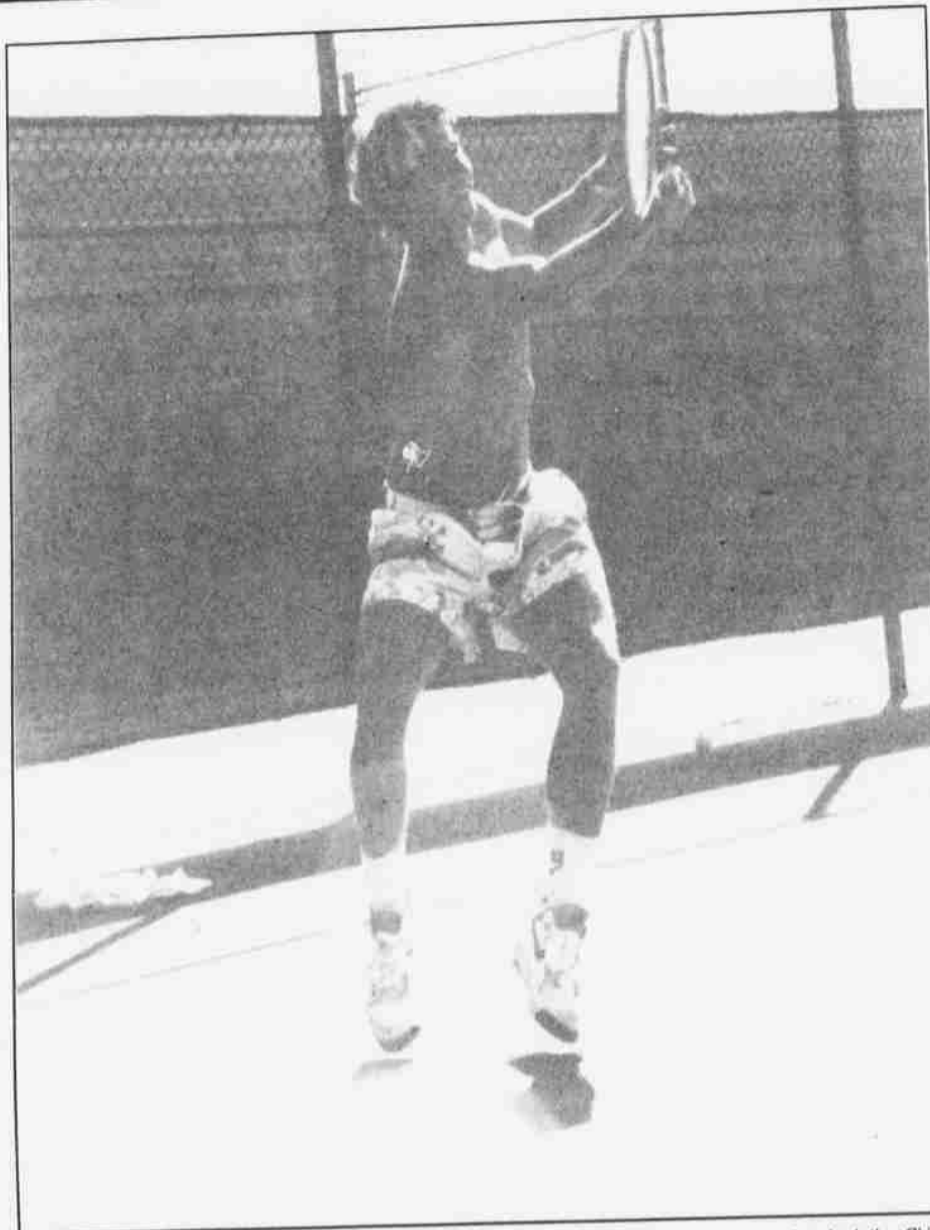


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Senior tennis player Eric Aanes.

## Scott Uderitz: A dedicated and determined defender

by Adejoke Adenle

There is more to Scott Uderitz than the occasional cautions he receives on the soccer field. The junior defender is a tenacious player that comes out and gives his very best during every game.

Rebel soccer coach Barry Barto said, "Scott gives 150 percent all of the time."

Uderitz's dedication is apparent in his game appearance record. He has missed only 62 minutes in his career at UNLV. During the 1990 season, Uderitz played all 1,920 minutes, a feat that was possible "because I didn't get subbed for."

Uderitz started playing at age six, but never had any big time plans at the time. His parents signed him up to play soccer, and as he grew, so did his love of soccer.

"Soccer is everything to me, it has given me a lot of opportunities, especially in traveling," he said.

As a member of the West Regional Select Team, Uderitz was given the opportunity to tour Germany and London.

"I never really had any

professional role models. My friends had older brothers who were involved in soccer and they were my role models," he said.

Now Uderitz's inspiration comes from his father, who never missed a game while he was in high school.

Uderitz chose to play at UNLV because of coach Barry Barto and his very good friend Doug Borgel, who graduated in 1990.

"Coach Barto is very up front and honest with you. That's why I like him," he said.

Uderitz, who would rather play attack, leads the Rebels as a sweeper.

"I would like to see him as a marking back or an attacking player, but no one plays sweeper better than he does," Barto said.

His attacking skills are apparent in practice; he has the ability to catch the ball with his feet and aim for the net without hesitating. When he was last at the attack position and another player at the sweeper position, it could easily be seen that the sweeping ability was unmatched.

Uderitz's favorite opposition is UCLA, he has friends on the team. Since

they are the defending national champions, he sees the games as a challenge and likes to play them. In his final season next year, he hopes that the Rebels will be able to beat the Bruins.

He regards his teammates very highly and said that they can win the Big West Conference Championship and the NCAA championship. He believes in teamwork and likes acting

as a booster, especially for the younger members who may lose confidence when down in a game.

He enjoys skiing, playing basketball and indoor soccer. As for the his future, he plans to graduate, but if he is offered a job in the pros after this season, he would take it. He would come back and finish school. If he isn't drafted, he will join his father in their family business.



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Rebel defender Scott Uderitz (in white).

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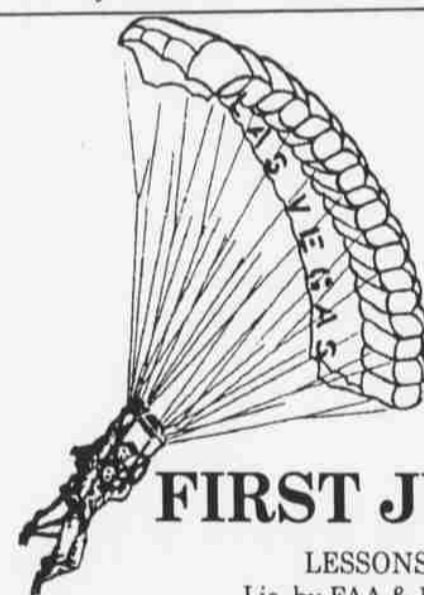
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many things, and moving up in competition he has been successful." Rice said.

Rice also said that Johnson may have been the best defensive forward on last years UNLV team. The team that featured Stacey Augmon at the other forward position.

Two days before Char-

lotte was to report to camp the Hornets head coach Alan Bristo said he was optimistic Johnson would sign, but that hasn't happened. Now basketball fans at the T&M may have to enjoy watching such stars as Tim Hardaway and Chris Mullin of Golden State, and Mike Gminski and Rex Chapman of Charlotte.



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