

Women's tennis picks up first wins of season

The UNLV Lady Rebel tennis team swept three teams over the weekend at the Frank and Vicki Fertitta Tennis Complex.

The Lady Rebels beat Long Beach State 7-0 on Friday, Northern Arizona 8-0 and Cal State Northridge 6-0.

In Friday's singles play it took UNLV's Becky Markosian, Rachael Clark and Suzi Agassi three sets to defeat their opponents. Janelle Barr used straight sets to defeat Natalie Letes. In doubles action, Markosian/Clark, Barr/Shiera Stuart, Agassi/Tia Lane won in straight sets.

Saturday's matches were all won in straight sets as only singles game were played.

In Sunday's matches the Lady Rebels again swept the competition in straight sets.

Markosian, Clark, Agassi, Barr, Stuart and Mary Laudenslager all won in singles action. Markosian/Clark, Agassi/Lane won in doubles action.

The women's team is now 3-1 on the season. They will return to action Feb. 21, 22 and 23, when they host Wichita State, Colo., and Southern Illinois-Carbondale.

Men's tennis team loses

The UNLV men's tennis team fell to BYU 6-3 at Provo, Utah. Dave Hostalek and Wayne Bowyer won in singles play. Hostalek and Bowyer also won in doubles action.

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Teresa Jackson.

Southwest Missouri State and Oklahoma State.

"I had a good time out here and I got along with everybody real well. The school had a nice facility and I thought I would get along well out here," Jackson said of her decision to attend UNLV.

Jackson credits part of her success to her close and personal family upbringing in Missouri. "We have a real close-knit family." Along with the family's closeness, her four brothers and sisters are all active in some kind of sports activity. These two factors seem to make for a winning combination in the Jackson family and for UNLV's Lady Rebels.

Jackson said that the Lady Rebels can win the Big West Tournament. When asked who

might give them the hardest time she replied, "Probably between Long Beach and Santa Barbara. It's a matter of us playing as well as we're capable of."

As far as the NCAA Tournament is concerned it could be just as Jackson said, "At that time of the season it's a matter of who's playing well on that particular night."

So as the season winds down the Lady Rebels will stick with the recipe that has propelled them to their lofty position in the Big West Conference. This includes team closeness, hard work and fierce competitiveness. And who knows with a player the caliber of a Teresa Jackson on your team any tournament title is definitely within reach.

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a 9-1 run at the end of the half to pull within 41-37.

UCSB came out in the second half and took their first lead at 55-52 after a Jones three pointer. The two team sea sawed back and forth through the rest of the second half with UCSB building as building up a five point lead, but they were unable to hit key shots at the end of the game.

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half, 2 of 2 from the free-throw line. Davis' first field goal didn't come until half way through the second half.

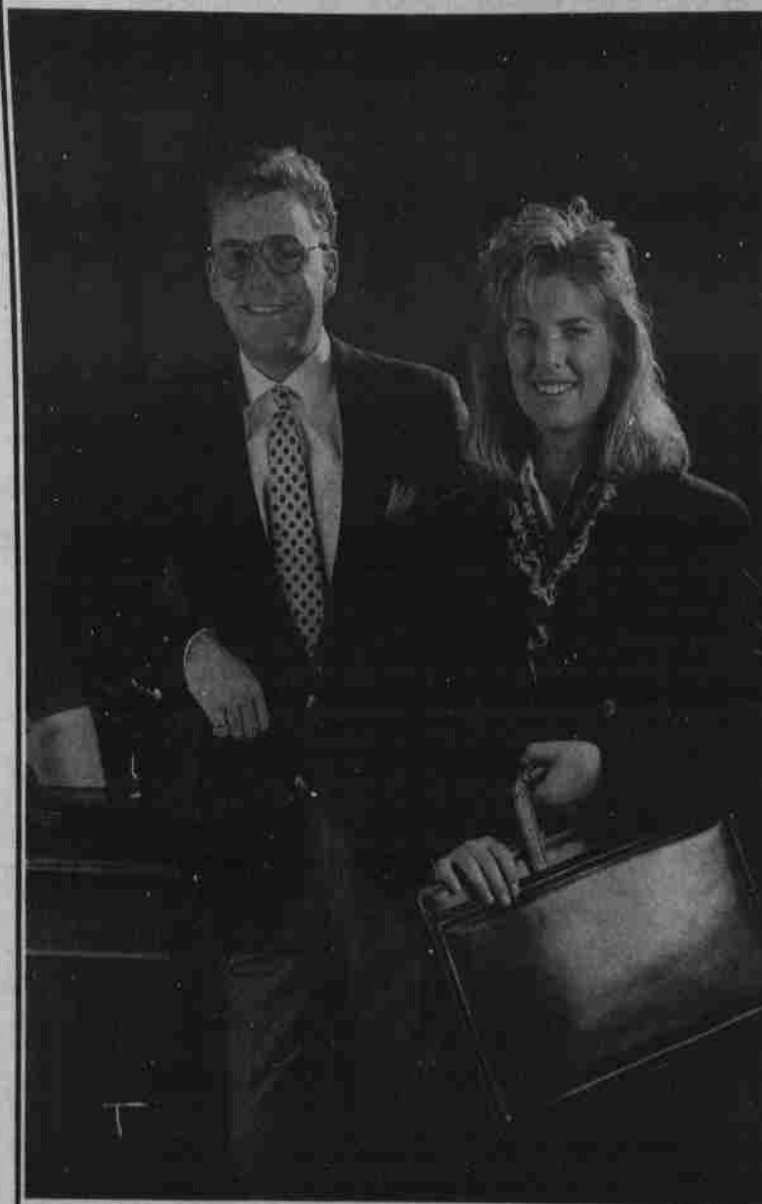
The Rebels return to the Thomas & Mack Center to face San Jose State Thursday at 8:05 p.m. The game will follow the Lady Rebels against New Mexico State starting at 5:30 p.m.

The Rebel Yell is accepting applications for sports writers. Baseball, tennis, softball and swimming are going on at UNLV. Be part of the team.

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