

# 2008 Men's Tennis

Record: 10-7  
Big 12 Record: 0-0



March 26, 2008

## 2008 schedule

### JANUARY

18-20†	at Sherwood Classic	All Day
26	PRAIRIE VIEW A&M SOUTHEASTERN LA.	W, 7-0 W, 7-0
	UT-ARLINGTON	W, 7-0
30	#45 TEXAS A&M-CC	W, 6-1

### FEBRUARY

1	#37 WASHINGTON	W, 7-0
3	#14 FLORIDA	W, 5-2
13	at #40 Stanford (HP Cup)	W, 5-2
15	+ #21 Oklahoma State	L, 4-2
16	+ #13 North Carolina	L, 4-3
17	+ #38 Penn State	W, 4-1
24	#53 KENTUCKY	W, 7-0
27	#2 OHIO STATE	L, 4-2

### MARCH

1	at #1 Virginia	L, 7-0
2	at #21 Virginia Commonwealth	W, 6-1
9	at #7 USC	L, 4-1
10	at #6 UCLA	L, 4-3
12	at #22 Pepperdine	L, 4-3
27	HARDIN-SIMMONS	1 p.m.
	#58 SMU	6 p.m.
29	LAREDO COLLEGE	11 a.m.
	MEMPHIS	7 p.m.

### APRIL

2	• at Texas A&M	6 p.m.
9	• TEXAS	6 p.m.
12	• at Oklahoma State	2 p.m.
13	• at Oklahoma	2 p.m.
18	• NEBRASKA	6 p.m.
19	• TEXAS TECH	6 p.m.
25-27	! at Big 12 Championships	All Day

### MAY

9-11	%	NCAA Rounds 1 & 2
16-20	&	at NCAA Team Championships
21-26	&	at NCAA Singles & Doubles Tournament

• - Big 12 Conference match  
† - Sherwood Classic, Thousand Oaks, Calif.  
+ - National Team Indoor Championships, Seattle, Wash.  
! - Big 12 Championship - College Station, Texas  
% - Campus Sites (TBA)  
& - Tulsa, Okla.

## UPCOMING MATCHES

Thursday, March 27 vs. Hardin-Simmons, 1 p.m.  
vs. SMU - 6 p.m.

Saturday, March 29 vs. Laredo College, 11 a.m.  
vs. Memphis, 7 p.m.

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## No. 18 Baylor Hosts 4-Match Home Stand

**UPCOMING MATCHES:** The 18th-ranked Baylor men's tennis team will host four home matches this week prior to beginning Big 12 Conference action, taking on Hardin-Simmons and SMU on Thursday (March 27) and Laredo College and Memphis on Saturday (March 29).

**ITA RANKINGS UPDATE:** Baylor moved to No. 18 in the latest ITA rankings released March 25. The Bears ranked singles players, as of March 18 include: No. 14 Denes Lukacs, No. 22 Lars Poerschke, No. 102 David Galic and No. 107 Dominik Mueller. Doubles rankings consist of: No. 50 Galic/Jordan Rux and No. 60 Galic/Lukacs.

**BAYLOR VS. HARDIN-SIMMONS:** Hardin-Simmons University, an NCAA Division III program and member of the American Southwest Conference, will play the Bears for the first time since the 1998 season. Baylor owns a seven-match win streak over the Cowboys.

**BAYLOR VS. SMU:** SMU, currently ranked No. 58, comes to Waco with a 13-6 record. The Mustangs enter the contest with one ranked player; No. 73 Robin Fahgen, a 5-11 sophomore from Smedjebacken, Sweden. Fahgen owns 3-set victories over two Baylor players this season, downing both David Galic and Matt Brown in the ITA South Central Regional Tournament. Baylor has won the last 10 meetings between the two schools.

**BAYLOR VS. LAREDO COLLEGE:** Junior college power Laredo Community College, of which current Baylor player Gwen Corches is an alumni, brings an impressive squad to the Baylor Tennis Center. The Palominos are 4-0 on the season and own a 4-3 win over UT-San Antonio this season.

**BAYLOR VS. MEMPHIS:** The Memphis Tigers enter the contest with a 5-7 record. They have met two Big 12 Conference opponents this year, losing to both Oklahoma State (6-1) and Oklahoma (5-2).

**SERIES RECORDS:** Baylor holds a 12-5 lead over Hardin-Simmons, trails SMU 28-13 and meets Laredo CC and Memphis for the first time.

**TOP BEARS:** After enjoying a very successful fall season, Denes Lukacs has continued to shine in dual match play. The sophomore owns the team's best singles record at 30-9 and is Baylor's highest-ranked player at No. 14. Senior Lars Poerschke sat out the fall portion of the season and is 13-4 on the season, including a 8-4 dual match record, all at No. 1. Sophomore Dominik Mueller owns the team's best dual match mark at 13-3 and is 22-8 overall.

## 2008 Baylor Men's Tennis Roster

Name	R/L	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.-Exp.	Hometown (School)
Ned Boone	R	6-0	175	Fr.-RS	Hellingly, England (Eastbourne College)
Matt Brown	R	6-1	185	Jr.-2L	Chesham, England (Epsom College)
Attila Bucko	L	6-4	175	So.-1L	Wellington, Fla. (Central Christian Academy)
Gwen Corches	R	5-11	165	Sr.-TR	Munich, Germany (Laredo CC)
Jonathan Fry	R	6-0	180	Sr.-HS	Irvine, Calif. (Northwood HS)
David Galic	L	6-1	183	Jr.-2L	Frankston, Australia (Haileybury HS)
Denes Lukacs	R	5-9	180	So.-1L	Eger, Hungary (Altisz Foundation School)
Justin Luningham	R	5-7	155	Jr.-HS	Arlington, Texas (Arlington Martin HS)
Dominik Mueller	R	5-9	170	So.-1L	Frankfurt, Germany (Freiherr-Vom-Stein)
Lars Poerschke	R	6-1	184	Sr.-3L	Buseck, Germany (Gesamtschule Giessen-Ost)
Jordan Rux	L	6-5	190	Fr.-HS	Kerville, Texas (Higher Court HS)

Head Coach: Matt Knoll  
Assistant Coach: Kyle Spencer

## season ita national rankings

SINGLES	<u>9/7</u>	<u>1/8</u>	<u>2/20</u>	<u>3/4</u>	<u>3/18</u>	<u>4/1</u>	<u>4/15</u>	<u>4/22</u>	<u>4/28</u>	<u>5/30</u>
Matt Brown	110	--	--	--	--					
David Galic	--	80	57	102	102					
Denes Lukacs	78	10	12	10	14					
Dominik Mueller	61	--	--	75	107					
Lars Poerschke	--	--	17	15	22					
Jordan Rux	113	--	--	--	--					

DOUBLES	<u>9/7</u>	<u>1/8</u>	<u>2/20</u>	<u>3/4</u>	<u>3/18</u>	<u>4/1</u>	<u>4/15</u>	<u>4/22</u>	<u>4/28</u>	<u>5/30</u>
Bucko/Mueller	--	--	--	49	--					
Bucko/Poerschke	--	--	--	50	--					
Galic/Lukacs	--	--	--	54	60					
Galic/Rux	--	--	--	--	50					

Freshman **Jordan Rux** and sophomore **Attila Bucko** currently own the squad's top win streak each with three in a row.

**BAYLOR TOPS:** Baylor, the most successful men's team over the past five seasons, has been ranked no lower than No. 4 in the final poll during that span. The Bears were ranked No. 1 after winning the 2004 NCAA Championship, No. 2 in the final poll in '05 and No. 4 in '03, '06 and '07.

In the past four years, Baylor is the only men's team to advance to the NCAA semifinals each year. During that span, the Bears have posted a 118-14 (.894) mark and in the past six years Knoll's teams are an impressive 173-17 (.906).

**HEAD COACH MATT KNOLL:** Throughout his 12 seasons at the helm of the Baylor tennis program, head coach Matt Knoll has produced phenomenal results. Since arriving at Baylor in 1997, Knoll has amassed a 271-68 (.799) record over 12 seasons.

His teams have captured seven Big 12 Conference regular season titles and five Big 12 Tournament championships, including five in a row beginning in 2002, the 2004 NCAA championship, the 2005 National Team Indoor title, an NCAA runner-up finish in 2005 and NCAA semifinal appearances in 2006 and 2007. In addition, he was twice named National Coach of the Year (1999 & 2005).

### BEARS ON THE CAREER CHARTS:

#### Singles Wins, Career

1. Benjamin Becker 2001-05 141
2. Benedikt Dorsch 2002-05 119
3. Lars Poerschke 2005-present 112

#### Doubles Wins, Career

1. Benjamin Becker 2001-05 104
2. Matija Zgaga 2004-07 100
3. Reiner Neurohr 2000-04 99
4. Mark Williams 1998-01 94
5. Lars Poerschke 2005-present 92

## 2008 ita Team Rankings

1/8	4
1/29	4
2/5	4
2/12	4
2/20	11
2/26	9
3/4	11
3/11	14
3/18	16
3/25	18
4/1	-
4/8	-
4/15	-
4/22	-
4/28	-
5/23	-

## Quick facts

### General information

Location:	Waco, Texas
University Founded:	1845, by the Republic of Texas
Enrollment:	14,174
Conference:	Big 12
Region:	South Central
Facility:	Baylor Tennis Center
Colors:	Green and Gold
Nickname:	Bears
President:	Dr. John Lilley
Faculty Representative:	Michael Rogers
Director of Athletics:	Ian McCaw
Associate AD/Sport Supervisor:	Jim Trego
Athletic Department Phone:	254.710.1234
Ticket Information Phone:	254.710.1000

### Coaching information

Head Coach:	Matt Knoll
Alma Mater:	Washburn University, 1989
Career Record:	279-84 (.769)/13 seasons
Record at Baylor:	271-68 (.799)/11 seasons
Big 12 Record:	71-12 (.855)/11 seasons
Assistant Coach:	Kyle Spencer
Alma Mater:	USC, 1999
Volunteer Coach:	Pawel Gajdzik
Alma Mater:	Baylor, 2000

### Team information

2008 Record:	10-7
2007 Big 12 Record (Finish):	6-0 (1st)
2007 Postseason:	NCAA Semifinals
2007 Final ITA Ranking:	4th
Conference Titles (Last):	7 (2007)
NCAA Appearances (Last):	10 (2007)
Lettermen Returning/Lost:	6/2

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