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Women's basketball is growing

United Press International
NACOGDOCHES — The women's collegiate basketball program, at least in one small East Texas town, has lined up the numbers to more than justify its existence. But detractors remain staunch, as Stephen F. Austin post Rosie Walker recently discovered.

Walker, at 6-1, is a smooth-moving athlete whose soft jump shot rarely misses from inside 10 feet. She scored 42, 34, and 36 points in her team's last three games in a tournament to decide the Texas championship and possibly the No. 1 ranking in the country.

"Our fans look at me as a hero much as they do the men players," Walker said. "Before I learn to cope with the notoriety bothered me on the court. I finally learned to block it out."

Nevertheless Walker said over-

zealous fans were easy to handle than the comment of a men's coach. "He told me he would rather watch grass grow than to watch a woman's basketball game," she said.

The Ladyjacks, as SFA's women's team is called, knows it does not have to put up with such insults. The team earlier this year drew 6,500 fans for one game to set the SFA Coliseum attendance record and top by 2,400 the best crowd attracted by the school's men's team.

"We're not totally supporting ourselves but we are revenue bearing," SFA Coach Sue Gunter said. "We're kicking in something."

The University of Texas Lady Longhorns, who were defeated 70-59 by Gunter's Ladyjacks Saturday night in the finals of the Texas Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women tournament do not receive the attention in Austin like the Ladyjacks do in Nacogdoches, an official of the Texas team said.

The fight for recognition is even tougher in Houston, where Dot Woodfin's team vies for headlines against a successful men's team, three other colleges and the pros.

The women do not display the specialized basketball skills of many men collegians. Coach Gunter said the women never will be as strong. Because women less than 6 feet tall predominate on the Texas teams' rosters — the tallest player on any of the final four teams was 6-3 — the game is different than the men's. Most of the shots are taken from close range.

"You get a good, tall men's team in a 2-3 zone and they choke off the middle," Gunter said.

Slam dunks and other crowd pleasing antics are absent at the women's games.

"Rosie can almost dunk," said Kathy Saxton, a full-time publicist for the Ladyjacks.

Saxton's job was being made easier this weekend as the top ranking in the country appeared to be on the line due to the recent defeat of No. 1 Old Dominion. Texas, 32-2, was ranked second and SFA, 26-3, was ranked No. 3 in the latest UPI poll.

Only the last five of Gunter's teams in the past 14 years have operated with the aid of a budget. The head coach of the 1980 U.S. Olympic team is impatient with the detractors to the women's game.

"We are selling a legitimate product. We are a respectable game. Too many people come to see the women play like the men but that will never happen," she said.

Spurs defeat Rockets

United Press International
SAN ANTONIO — San Antonio's George Gervin and Larry Kenon today took advantage of a frigid Houston Rocket second period to reverse the NBA Central Division leaders to a 127-107 victory and held a three game edge over their rival.

The Spurs held a 33-30 lead at the end of the first period and the Rockets missed 14 of their first 15 second quarter shots to allow San Antonio to take a 65-44 lead into the locker-room at the half.

In the chilly second quarter, Kenon was the high scorer with 15 points, collected 33 points for the day,

hit the only Rockets' basket at 10:57 and Houston didn't score again until Malone's five-footer at 6:26 of the second period. The Spur had tallied 12 in a row.

Gervin, who ended with 32 points, and Kenon, who finished with 22, then split 12 points as the Spurs outscored Houston 17-10 to close the half.

The Rockets shot only 23 percent in the second quarter and ended the half hitting only 16 of 54 field goal attempts.

Rockets missed their first four shots of the third quarter while Gervin hit six consecutive points to push the lead to 73-48.

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Canoe Race Monday, February 26
Slam Dunk Monday, February 26
Innertube Waterpolo Monday, February 26

Entries Closing Tuesday, March 6
Frisbee Tuesday, March 6
Fast Pitch Softball Tuesday, March 6
Racquetball Tuesday, March 6

Meetings Thursday, March 1, 5:15
Fast Pitch Softball Captains Rm 701, Rudder Tower

Schedules Basketball playoffs will be posted today, after 12:00 noon!

For Lots Of Fun

This is a co-rec only entry — innertube waterpolo. Entries open today, February 26 and close Tuesday, March 6. Play will be round robin leagues with single elimination play-offs. Rules may be obtained at the IM office.

Teams consist of four men and three women. No more than 2 TAMU waterpolo players or swimmers may play on a team. TAMU waterpolo players and swimmers may not play goalie. All teams with TAMU swimmers or waterpolo players must play Class A.

(Yes, you read right. This game is played in innertubes. It'll be a lot of fun and laughs!)

IM Picks

Well, that whiz of whizzes, gem of gems, and square peg in a round hole, the IM wizards has been hanging out at the basketball courts and is trying his hand at predictions again. Here on his picks of the cream of the crop in AB and BC this season.

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"I-Spy" Participant of the Week
Barry Smitherman blocks the ball as he collides in the air with Harry Wright and Scott Bedford during the soccer game between Moses and Dunn. Barry Smitherman should come by the IM office to pick up his "Be Our Guest" card, redeemable for free food at McDonald's.

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In a recent Class "A" handball game, Phil Tibbs and Jefferson Johnson won 21-4.

In The Center Court

Despite the weather, Dunn and the Moses BigHeaders finished out the soccer season with a fast-moving championship game. Dunn jumped out with a 1-0 lead early in the first half and dominated the field as Moses had problems in the half-back positions and left the middle of the field wide-open to Dunn. The half ended with a score of 1-0.

Dunn scored again early in the second half and led quite a while until the Moses team psyched up and scored a catch-up point. As Moses got in gear, they removed their goalie and put another forward on the field to run more forwards into Dunn's side of the field. Before, they could score, how-

ever, time ran out with a final tally of 2-1 in favor of Dunn.

Bridge

Entries are now open for the IM Bridge tournament. Competition is open to all faculty, staff, and students. Entries close Friday, March 2.

Play will be on Monday or Tuesday nights. Four players will constitute a team, but individuals who enter will be combined into teams according to teammate preferences.

Entry forms are available at the IM office. For further information call Henry Robin or Stuart Walker at 845-3849.

Game Of The Week

Are you a hotdog on the basketball court? Today is the opening of entries for the IM slamdunk contest. Entries close next Tuesday, March 6.

Five dunk attempts are allowed per contestant. Two points are scored for each basket made. Up to five points for style per attempt may be awarded by the judges. No one is allowed to hang on the rim.

The top five scorers will go to the finals held during half-time of the Men's Class A All-University championship basketball game on All-Stars Night.

Get out and practice and come show off. The recordholder is James Mashborn from 1978 who scored 31.6 points.

Winners

Congrats and a new soccer ball to the new soccer champs—(these results were delayed while waiting for the men's B game to be played due to weather conditions)

Women's Class A - Keathley Kissers
Men's Class A - Schlitz
Men's Class B - Dunn
Co-rec Class A - Ten's Comp.

Ref's Corner

Softball officials meeting. Thursday, March 1, 6 p.m. Room 267 G. Rollie White.

Basketball officials meeting. Thursday, March 1, 7 or 8 p.m. Room 267 G. Rollie White.

Back To Nature

Adventure is just around the corner. Saturday, March 31 is the date set for the IM canoe race on the Brazos River. Entries open today, Monday, February 26 and will close March 6, next Tuesday.