

Club sports

By DANA McNABB
Battalion Staff Writer

The Texas A&M Volleyball Club sponsor the Aggie Valentine game of the season against the Austin Blacks. Both field goals were made by Bruce

WEIGHT LIFTING

The 1976 Texas Interscholastic Collegiate Weightlifting Championships will be held Feb. 21, at Prairie View A&M.

This meet will draw the best college weight lifters from the state of Texas.

Texas A&M, the defending 1975 Champions, will try to repeat their last year's performance. Other strong entries will be North Texas State, Texas, Angelo State, and Texas Christian University.

KARATE

One of the three largest Karate tournaments in the United States took place in Dallas, Feb. 7. Chris Estes, head instructor of the Texas A&M Shorin Ryu Karate School, won first place in Weapons Kata out of a field of 18 competitors. Estes also competed in the lightweight division of the Black Belt Kumite (fighting) and made it to the quarterfinals before being defeated in overtime. A field of more than 40 black belts competed in the lightweight division.

Steve Powell, instructor of the Texas A&M Tae Kwon Do Karate Club, competed in this tournament and placed second in Black Belt Kata.

SOCCER

Efforts are being made to organize a women's team in soccer to compete intercollegiately.

The first meeting of the women's soccer team was held Feb. 11, at 7

FENCING

The Texas A&M Fencing Team defeated both the Univ. of Texas and Southwest Texas State in a triangular meet held in Austin on Feb. 7.

The A&M men defeated the UT men by a score of 15-12, while the women overcame UT, 9-7. A&M scored 18-9 against SWTSU in the men's events, with the women winning 11-5.

Coach Abe Cyrus said, "It was a strong performance, with many of our younger fencers taking important victories which gave tremendous support to our more experienced members."

LACROSSE

The Aggie Lacrosse Team plays Houston in a home game, tomorrow, at 2 p.m. on the Main Drill Field.

The team outplayed Baylor in a 5-2 showdown in Waco last week. Baylor scored early in the first half to take a 2-0 lead. But before the half, the Aggies collected two points with two of their men on penalties. The remaining points were made by A&M in the second half.

Dave Gruber scored two points, while Bill Dickup, Duane Heuer and Kurt Schroder each scored one. Dickup made the two assists for the Aggies.

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By TONY CALLUCCI
Battalion Staff Writer

I refer everyone to yesterday's column in the Bryan Eagle by Sports Editor Joe Kammlah. He said it all.

I am still hot under the collar about Tuesday's game. There have been many times I have been angry about referee calls but not like this. Had I been coaching, there just might have been a riot.

Some might disagree, but I think that the story above Kammlah's column written by Associated Press writer Denne Freeman is basically trash. I agree with Kammlah and I'll go a step further. I think the call by Paul Galvan actually lost the game for the Aggies. There is a nine point spread between the points A&M should have had and the points SMU earned. The Ponies won by four.

Freeman banters about punishing the players and coaches guilty of misconduct and does exactly what Kammlah accuses people of doing, putting referees on a pedestal. Freeman allows no means of controlling the behavior of officials.

Various quotes are given by Southwest Conference Commissioner Cliff Speegle that amount to whitewash. I said it last week and I'll say it again, Speegle should shape up or ship out.

As might be expected referee

scores are low. In fact, they are not only the lowest scores attained for refs this season, but one is the lowest I have ever given.

Remember also that this grading system is based largely on home crowd reaction and the SMU fans were as disgusted as anyone at Galvan's costly call.

Galvan received a 27.50. The low score was due to several calls of which six of 11 were judged to be highly controversial. The previous low this season was earned by John Kloza with a 36.73.

Now the killer. Jim Ashmore, assisting Galvan in Dallas did a good job of assisting, at least with bad calls. Only one thing was different, Ashmore was consistent. Consistently bad, earning him the alltime low score of -4.42. That's negative 4.42.

That'll be tough to beat. There are few redeeming factors. But A&M Coach Shelby Metcalf said it best. "We still are the ones who can control our own destiny."

Texas Tech is in town tomorrow for the biggest game of the season. If the Ags beat Tech, win all of their home games and beat Rice on the road, they get the bye to the last round of the championship tourney. I have the feeling the Ags won't stop with anything less than the title — with or without Paul Galvan.

Gold medalist Curry proud of progress

Associated Press

INNSBRUCK — John Curry, the Olympic gold medalist in men's figure skating, said Thursday night that he took "blows and knocks" to change the thinking that has dominated judging in the sport for a decade.

"I'm proud to say I was one of the people who changed it," Curry said at a news conference. The skater, whose remarkable style resembles ballet more than gymnastics, said he most appreciated that old accusations against him — "that I wasn't athletic enough, virile enough" — are gone.

"There were times when I asked myself whether I was doing the right thing," Curry said.

The answer always was the same — "persevere."

"What people make of it is their own affair," he said.

"I didn't think I lacked virility or whatever. In any case, whenever

you believe something 100 per cent inside, it doesn't matter what anybody else says."

Curry, 26, a Briton who lives in New York and Denver, said his winning freestyle program included three triple jumps and was designed so that the judges would see his athletic abilities.

"But I don't think I made an artistic compromise. I chose more bravado music than I had before, and it was successful."

Curry said he wanted to be the Olympic champion "who skated without making a mistake."

But he recognized it was impossible to please everyone. He received about 70 telegrams during the day. "There were a couple that weren't nice — then there always are."

He was asked if he ever felt he had given too much to skating.

"Oh, no," he said. "I've done the thing I like doing best all the time. Everybody said 'you'll never make it.' Well, look."

Shorts

Reggie Carter, a freshman from New York City, made 29 straight foul throws for the University of Hawaii basketball team before he missed this season.

Freshmen are not eligible to play basketball in the Ivy League.

Jack Ryan is in his 17th season as coach of the U.S. Military Academy swimming team at West Point, N.Y.

Former Olympic gold medal winner Mel Pender is in his first season as Army's track coach.

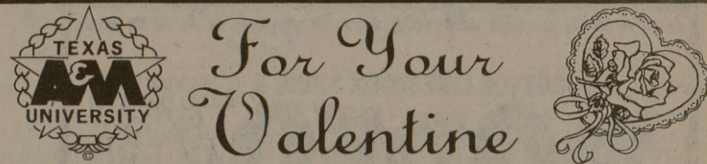
Of the nation's 236 major college basketball coaches, 33 are in their first season as head coaches.

Glenn Hulse of Rockville, Md., captains the Army track squad and excels as the anchor man in the Cadet mile relay team.

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Registration is February 17 and 18 in the Student Programs Office during the hours of 10 am to 5 pm. The class is open to A&M students. Participants must have a partner who is a student or is his/her spouse. The fee must be paid at registration, but if after two weeks you aren't completely satisfied your money will be refunded.

Intramurals results

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL
Military: L-1 vs. L-2, 45-34; K-2 vs. Sq-7, 28-77; Sq-5 vs. E-2, 22-53; L-2 vs. Sq-2, 30-39; Sq-3 vs. Sq-11, 33-38.

Fish: L-1 vs. Sq-9, 76-28; W-Band vs. Sq-5, forfeit by W-Band; M-Band vs. Sq-2, 33-62; E-1 vs. H-2, 34-16.

Independent: CB's vs. Puryear, 46-46; Leroy's Boys vs. Dribbling, 41-41; IEEEE vs. Centennials, 40-56; McGons vs. E-1 Zips, 78-25; Nuggets Country Place F, 30-33; Slam-dunkers vs. Laker's, 58-52; BSU No. 2 vs. All-Saints, 20-44; BAC No. 2 vs. Scholar's Inn, 88-37; Petroleum vs. Scandia, 36-21; Sig Eps vs. Rec. in the Parks, 79-52.

Recreational: Sigma Rho vs. Duds, 51-19; Bullets vs. Ve De, 41-41; Buds vs. Vet IC, 34-57; Gator Hawks vs. Dunlaps III, 35-76; Sociology vs. Vet Ia, 53-13; AEC II vs. Dunn No. 4, 45-28; Bufu's vs. TTI, 32-36; Bayouengineers vs. Wesley, 43-23.

Brief

In the first 16 days of the New York thoroughbred racing season, jockeys Ron Turcotte and Angel Cordero rode 18 winners each.

The 1976 Super Bowl football game in Miami had 3,505 "no-shows," people who bought tickets but failed to attend the game.

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The players may move away from their goal or laterally across the field, but no forward motion is allowed. The ball is moved from goal to goal by passing from player to player, just like a pass in football. The pass must be overhead and must employ the use of only one hand. If the ball hits the ground before the receiver catches it (an incomplete pass), it goes to the other team. If a defensive player touches it during the pass, however, it is a free ball and the first person to have possession gets the ball. If the ball goes out of bounds, possession is determined by the last player to touch it, with the other team attempting goals that are touched by a defender before going out of bounds. As the players pass the ball around, defenders may try to block passes but may not touch the members of the opposing team or a foul is called. No player can retain possession for more than five seconds, so the ball is almost constantly in motion. When members of opposing teams have joint possession of the ball, a jump ball is held, much as in basketball.

As you can see, the game of flickerball incorporates ideas from both football and basketball and has the action and speed of both.

McDONALD'S INTRAMURAL HIGHLIGHTS



Above- Kenny Robison (white pants and shirt), of BSU shoots at the board in the foreground in flickerball competition against M-Band last week. The ball hit the board so Robison chalked up one point as his team won by a score of 10-2. Below- Vince Godimich of K-2 tries for a ringer in horseshoes competition against Brooks Schramma and Lewis Jue of F-1, who won 15-14 and 15-9.



Watch and Enter

Tennis Doubles a.m. -1:30 p.m.

Entries for the IM tennis doubles competition will close on Tuesday, February 17 at 5:00. Play will begin Monday, February 23 on the courts behind Kyle Field with games being played from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. Each match will consist of a Pro-Set, with the first player to win 8 games winning. USLTA rules will be used and each participant must furnish their own rackets and balls. The server at the beginning of the match will be determined by either a coin toss or a racket spin. IM T-shirts will be awarded to All-University winners and divisional winners will receive IM certificates. Enter at the IM office at DeWare Fieldhouse and check there Thursday, February 19 to see when you play.

Golf Doubles Tournament

The annual IM golf doubles tournament will be held on Sunday, February 22 on the A&M golf course. Each division will tee off at different times and members of each of these divisions must be at the clubhouse by their appointed times or they will forfeit participation points. Members of the Fish division must arrive between 7:30 a.m.—9:00 a.m., Military 9:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m., and the Civilian, Independent, and Women 11:30

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Frisbee Day Approaches

Don't forget the first annual IM Frisbee Championships to be held at Kyle Field on Saturday, February 28 from 8:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. Events will include several accuracy and distance throws, maximum time aloft, and a 9-hole Frisbee golf tournament. Entries close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 27 in the IM office, so hurry up and enter now.

Refs Corner

Softball officials will meet on February 18 at 7:00 or 8:00 p.m. in room 267 of C. Rollie White. Basketball officials will meet on February 19 at 6:00 p.m. in the same room.