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# Ruggerers want to go west

By BRENDA BROOKS  
Santa Barbara or Bust! The Texas A&M women's rugby team is trying to raise approximately \$4,000 to travel to the 13th Annual Santa Barbara Rugby Tournament in California.

The women's rugby team is considered an extramural team. According to the Texas A&M University Intramural Office, an extramural team is a club that raises money for its club and travels to other campuses (local and out of state) to compete.

The women's rugby team tried to raise money by selling mums during the 1977 football season and by col-

lecting \$5 dues from each team member. The team also sells T-shirts and bumper stickers at each of its games.

The team tried to make money during the fall semester by selling cords of wood. The women cut the wood themselves with one chainsaw and several axes. The team lost money on the wood-cutting project because they had to reimburse the women for the broken axes and they only sold six cords. According to Monica Romagnoli, chairman of the money-making project, "The team was definitely not going to get to California by chopping wood."

The team's latest project is col-

lecting money door to door. Romagnoli said the women hate to go from door to door asking for contributions, but the team really wants to go to California.

Romagnoli said that the people in town don't really understand rugby, but because the team represents Texas A&M University, many townspeople contribute.

Romagnoli said, "The apartment complexes are great. The students are really trying to help us."

Some of the students explain that they just don't have any extra money, but wish the team lots of luck.

Each of the 20 team members

must collect \$268. This is the cost per person for an airplane ticket roundtrip. The California team has offered their private homes for the women to stay in if they can just pay their own way to California. Each member has been forewarned that they must pay \$50 if they don't collect their quota.

Romagnoli said, "We really want to go to this tournament."

The team has collected \$760 in two weeks. Romagnoli said that they were behind and really needed to start working hard to collect the money. She said that the women are hesitant to go door to door.

Texas A&M University provides the women's rugby team with an \$800-\$1,000 account per year. This money is kept in a school account and money is not withdrawn unless approved by the school. The money is used to pay entry fees to the tournaments or to reimburse the women for their gas money when traveling to a tournament.

The women's rugby team currently ranks first in the state with a 24-1 winning record. The team's only loss was to Ohio State at Mardi Gras. The team has scheduled a grudge match with Ohio on March 18-19 in Webb city, Mo.

## Women host Houston

The Texas Aggies took their first Texas Union Cup win of the season, beating the Houston Boars 14-0. Early in the first half Susan Stabler took the ball from the eighth man position and ran weak to score. Then the Aggies settled down to play defense, led by Noreen Harris and Nealette Thomas.

They held and in the second half Cindy Gillespie passed to Sandy Chandler, who raced down the sidelines from another score. Chandler kicked the conversion making the score 10-0.

In the final minutes Wendy Hardter, the scrum half scored on another weak side play. Final score 14-0.

Then on their first home game of the season the Aggies crushed Dallas 28-0. Christine Harju made the first score with a beautiful exhibition of broken field running. Chandler kicked the conversion and the ruggerers were off and running.

The scrum consistently pushed Dallas back. Chandler and Jan Smalley each scored two more tries in the first half with Chandler kicking both conversions.

The Aggies went into the second half with a 18-0 score and scored again on the first scrumdown. Patti Rand cut to the inside for paydirt and Chandler again kicked the extra point.

Then in the final minutes fly-half Buff Hildreth wove through the whole Dallas side to make the final score 28-0.

The Aggies, now 24-1 for the season, host the Houston Hearts in another Cup game. They play at 1:30 at the drill field across from the MSC. The Aggie women will also play an exhibition game against the Hearts at 4 p.m. at Kyle Field in the Elephant Bowl's halftime festivities.

## Judo team takes second

Last Saturday the Texas A&M judo club placed second in the State Collegiate Championship at Western Texas College in Snyder.

Chris Donahue took third in the 143-pound division and made an excellent showing against a top national competitor. Walter Scott beat a former national champion in winning the 156-pound division. The two other winning team members were Jay Laughlin in the 189-pound division and Kim Freeman in the 209-pound class.

Freeman also placed second in the overall championship. The standings at the end of the tournament were Western Texas College, first, A&M, second and Texas, third.

The club works out Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:30 in the wrestling room in G. Rollie

White and extends an invitation to others interested in judo, experienced or not, to visit with them. According to Freeman, the club's head

coach, judo is a form of self defense, but mainly a competitive sport using throwing and grappling instead of kicking or striking techniques.

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