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Gymnastics

Aggie squad vaults into conference lead

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An undefeated record is on the line Saturday evening as the Texas A&M University Men's Gymnastics Team hosts a triangular meet with the University of Texas and the University of Texas at Arlington.

Saturday's meet will showcase the new Texas A&M gymnastics facility in 307 East Kyle and begins at 7:00 p.m. Admission to the event will be 50 cents per person.

The men, who defeated UTA earlier this season with a team total of 189 points (a new Texas A&M record), also took top team honors at the UT Gymfest held last December in Austin.

Competing as a club sport within the Intramural Department, the gymnastics team was reformed three years ago as a founding member of the eight-team Texas Gymnastics Conference, not a part of the NCAA.

Only one team in Texas, 11th ranked Houston Baptist University, is a member of the NCAA. Defending Junior College Athletic Association national champion Odessa Junior College is the only junior college team from Texas in the JCAA and has won nine championships in the past 13 years.

The Aggies do compete against NCAA teams, however. In March the team will participate in the Texas Open, hosted by HBU and featuring teams from Odessa JC, Texas, UT-A and Texas Tech.

Texas A&M has placed third in each of the last two years at the TGC Championships despite the lack of a coach or a big budget for scholarships and travel.

Team members pay most of the expenses involved in competition including travel, equipment and uniforms. They must also provide their own medical supplies.

No medical equipment or trainers are provided by the University, which can cause problems, team co-captain Mark Hartwell said. "Gymnastics is a dangerous sport and trainers are really needed for the meets."

In addition, the Aggies are in need of a coach, who would be able to coordinate team activities, set the competition roster and free Hartwell to devote more time to practicing his own routines.

The team, which has 14 competing members, sponsors the

Many good performances can be expected Saturday night, Hartwell said. The Aggies were able to recruit several outstanding gymnasts last year, including freshman co-captain Jim Gill, an All-Arounder from Enid, Okla.

Five other freshmen will compete with the Aggies this season. They are Jeurgen Achterman and Todd Miclette, both from Humble; Marty Hardell from Irving; John Kemp from Austin; and Esteban Langoria from McAllen.

Two former team members, Lowell Brooks, a sophomore from Garland, and David Semon, a senior All-Arounder, are returning to the team. Club member Shawn Messonier, a junior from Houston, also joined the team this spring.

Several individuals on the Texas A&M team could compete on the same level as the top gymnastics teams in the nation, Hartwell said.

Saturday night's competition will involve six events in Olympic rotation: floor exercise, pommel horse, still rings, vault, parallel bars, and horizontal bar.

Each team enters seven competitors in each event, with the top five scores being counted. Scores range from zero to 10 in a deductive way, with competitors losing points from the initial 10 for mistakes.

A team win is important to the Aggies because it will put them in first place in the conference going into their meet with Texas Tech on March 6.

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Texas A&M Gymnastics Club, encompassing over 100 members. The club is open to all Texas A&M students for a \$5 per semester fee.

Members are entitled to full seven-day use of the new gymnastics facilities in 307 East Kyle, including practices on weeknights from 6 to 9.

Everyone with gymnastics experience is invited to join, as well as those who would like to learn, said Hartwell, a third year veterinary student from Austin.

The team provides a service to the University by competing in meets statewide, Hartwell added. "We would really like to have some fans at the meet this weekend. A crowd watching you really improves the performance."



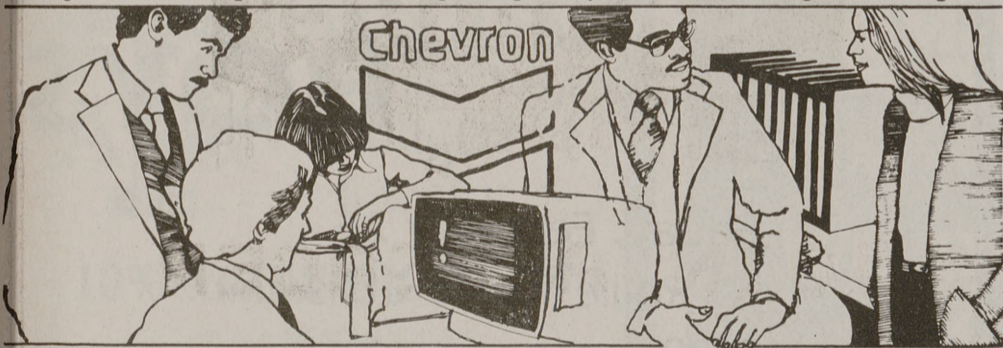
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Todd Miclette, a freshman from Humble, works out on the parallel bars during a Texas A&M Gymnastics team practice held Wednesday night. Miclette and his teammates will host the

University of Texas and the University of Texas at Arlington Saturday in a home meet in 307 East Kyle.

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