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Aggie forward Lynette Joiner attempts to pass around Terri Moore of Baylor University during the Bears' 74-60 win over the Aggie Ladies two weeks ago. Hosting Texas

A&M defeated TCU Wednesday night in the opener of the Southwest Conference tournament, and will play Houston's Lady Cougars today at 2 p.m.

Ladies outlast Frogs

by Gaye Denley

Battalion Staff
Freshman post Michell Tatum, upset that her team's 59-55 win over TSU failed to make the KBTX-TV news broadcast Tuesday night, decided to do something about it.

First she called the station to complain. Then she scored a season-high 20 points Wednesday night in G. Rollie White Coliseum to help push the Aggie Ladies past TCU 66-58 in a game that was hard to overlook.

Texas A&M trailed the Horned Frogs for much of the Southwest Conference tournament opener, but managed to stay close enough for Kelley Sullivan's basket at the buzzer to send the game into overtime with the score tied at 56.

The Ladies went ahead 58-56 in the five-minute overtime on a basket from Lynette Joiner, one of her seven on the night, and never gave up the lead. Romy Gandy's free throw with three seconds left made the final score 66-58.

Guard Kelly Krauskopf attributed the Aggie comeback in the closing minutes to a unified desire to win.

"I think we wanted it more than they did. Everybody on the team wanted to win real bad, and the five people on the court could feel it. It just helps you play better."

Rebounds were another big factor. Eleven players each pulled down at least one of Texas A&M's 62 rebounds, and Tatum, Joiner and Janet Duckham combined for 40 of that total. The shorter TCU team could manage only 36 rebounds.

The Aggie Ladies led for most of the first half, extending their initial 2-0 lead to 16-12 before the Frogs' Fran McKnight sank six straight shots to put TCU on top 31-23 at halftime.

But back-to-back baskets from Tatum, who compiled her 20 points in only 20 minutes of playing time, brought the Ladies to within four at 35-31. Another basket from Joiner with 14:43 left in the game tied it up at 37, and the lead bounced back and

forth for the next 10 minutes.

Tatum fouled out with 2:51 remaining and the Frogs leading 54-48. Baskets from Joiner and Kelli Harned, Tatum's replacement, pulled Texas A&M to within two with 1:19 left, but a pair of free throws from TCU's Penny Ford almost put the game out of reach.

The Ladies refused to die, however, and after three timeouts, Cathy Foreman scored for the Ladies with 18 seconds left to make the score 56-54. Then with 9 seconds left, the officials called a jump ball between Texas A&M's 6-3 Harned and TCU's 5-6 Andrea Surratt.

To no one's surprise, Harned won the jump, and Sullivan hurried downcourt for a final shot. She rebounded her own miss, hurled up a desperation shot as the buzzer sounded, and pre-

pared to be mobbed as the shot crawled in.

Tatum, in her finest performance of the season, was the high scorer, followed by Joiner with 18 points and McKnight with 16. Duckham finished with 10 points and a game-high 15 rebounds.

With five steals, Sheryl Clark led an Aggie defense that caused 23 TCU turnovers, compared to Texas A&M's 17, and shut down any TCU threat from inside the lane.

"TCU had some bad breaks," Krauskopf said. "We caused them to have a lot of turnovers."

The win, the Aggie Ladies third straight, advances them to the second round of the SWC tourney, where they face the University of Houston at 2 p.m. today. The Lady Cougars, the fourth seed in the tournament,

had a bye in the first round.

Tatum is confident that the underdog Aggies will advance even further in the tournament.

"If we keep playing with a lot of aggressiveness and intensity, we have as good a chance as anybody in this tournament," she said.

In other tournament action, Rice meets second-seeded Baylor tonight at 6:30 in G. Rollie White, and the University of Texas, the top seed and the defending champion, plays SMU at 8:30.

All games will be played on the main floor of the coliseum. Admission is 50 cents for students with a Texas A&M I.D. card and an all-sports pass. General admission seats for all other adults are \$2 a day, and reserved seats are \$3.

Court ruling to allow NFL to widen interests

United Press International
NEW YORK — A federal court ruling allowing owners of National Football League teams to own an interest in other professional sports teams will "renew" their interest in buying North American Soccer League franchises, officials say.

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Manhattan concluded Tuesday that the NFL's ban on cross-ownership, imposed in 1978 to counter the rising competition from the NASL, was anti-competitive and violated the antitrust laws.

NASL Commissioner Phil Woosnam said: "I fully expect that today's decision will encourage NFL owners and, for that matter, owners of other sports teams to renew their interests in the acquisition of NASL franchises."

The court sent the case back to the district court to determine the amount of damages to be awarded the NASL.

"The net effect of the NFL ban is substantially to restrain competition, not merely competitors," the court said. "It therefore violates the rule of reason."

The decisions came on the appeal by the NASL of a district judge's dismissal after trial of an injunction against the NFL ban as well as the NASL's damage complaint.

The appeals court, noting the NASL's \$30 million loss last year, concluded the NFL violated the Sherman Act when the team owners agreed on a ban against the holding of any capital investment in a team of another league.

The NFL argued the ban was necessary not only to prevent leaks of "confidential information" by NFL cross-owners to NASL competitors, but to allow the NFL to compete efficiently in the professional sports league market.

The trial record, however, the court said, showed the NFL ban had its harshest impact on pro soccer. It kept the NASL out of much of the market supply of sports capital and skill and hurt some soccer teams in their efforts to campaign against the competitive pro football team.

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