

Lady Aggies' softball team pulls out tough doubleheader against UTSA Roadrunners

By Kristine Ramirez
The Battalion

Home, sweet home. The Texas A&M softball team swept the University of Texas-San Antonio on Wednesday in a doubleheader playing at its new permanent home field.

The Lady Aggie Softball Complex has not been completed, but that didn't stop the Lady Aggies from making themselves feel welcome.

The Lady Aggies won the first game and second game in the complex, 3-2. The Lady Aggies are ranked at No. 9, and their record moves to 36-13.

Head Coach Bob Brock said the field would not be finished until the end of the summer.

He said the team has matured over the year especially over the long three week road trip the

team just completed.

"We're in a good situation where good teams find a way to win," he said. "We did a lot of good things. UTSA was well-prepared for us. They did a great job."

Brock said the bottom of the batting order has been coming through and the whole team has helped each other out.

In the first game, A&M scored in the fourth inning due to two errors in the inning by the Lady Roadrunners.

Center fielder Sara Stout reached first on a base hit and advanced to second on an error by UTSA's rightfielder. Leftfielder Sara Downing laid down a sacrifice bunt and was safe at first by an error by the second baseman. Stout scored on the error.

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Sara Stout scores as UTSA catcher Kristy Blake fields an errant throw during Wednesday's doubleheader. The Lady Aggies won both games, 3-2.

A&M track team to test unbeaten outdoor record

By Stewart Doreen
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The Texas A&M men's track team will host Rice and Harvard universities Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in a triangular meet at the Frank G. Anderson Track Complex.

"We want to win this meet," said Head Track Coach Ted Nelson. "We haven't lost an outdoor scoring meet this year, and we've defeated 15 division-one schools in the process, so we are 15-0."

The Aggies will have to have a strong meet against Rice if they expect to stay undefeated.

Rice will be led by one of the nation's best hurdlers, Bryan Bronson. Bronson, the NCAA champion at the 400-meter hurdles, will compete in the 400-meter hurdles and in the 110-hurdles in which he will go head-to-head with A&M's Larry Wade, a provisional NCAA qualifier in the event. Rice's Ivory Angello, the reign-

ing SWC Indoor Champion in the Triple jump, will compete against the A&M jump crew (Kendrick Smith, Tim Bryant, Eric Hopkins and Phillip Madkins) in the triple and long jumps.

The long distances should prove to be exciting as A&M's Donnie Bodron will try to improve on his conference's best time of 9:23.2 in the 3000-meter steeplechase.

In the 3,000-meters, A&M's Scott Garvin, the SWC leader in the 5,000-meters, and Harvard's Ian Carswell, who defeated Rice's best in a dual meet held last week, should battle for first place.

Rice will also bring one of the conference's best 1600-meter relay teams to the meet to compete against the reigning A&M's NCAA Indoor National Championship team. A&M will be without Danny McCray because of his spring football obligations.

Lady Aggies' tennis team to play TCU, Texas Tech

By Drew Diener
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The Texas A&M Lady Aggie tennis team begins a two-day road trip today in Lubbock as they take on Texas Tech before traveling to Fort Worth Friday for a date with Texas Christian.

A&M coach Bobby Kleinicke said the matches will provide an indication on how his team will fare for the remainder of the season.

"If we play at the level we've been, we'll be in good shape," Kleinicke said.

The Lady Aggies (10-5 overall, 2-0 in the SWC) are riding the wave of breaking into the International Tennis Association Top 25 for the first

time this season.

The Lady Aggies made their debut in the poll earlier this week at the No. 25 spot.

Kleinicke said that breaking into the Top 25 was one of his team's goals at the beginning of the season.

"We play the type of schedule that allows you to move up in the rankings if you have success," Kleinicke said. "We've had a number of quality wins, and the ranking reflects it."

However, Kleinicke said the team must concentrate on the remainder of the season and cannot afford to dwell on their current ranking.

He said that the key to continued

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Switzer lassoes Cowboys' job

The Associated Press

IRVING — Former Oklahoma coach Barry Switzer, who won three national championships for the Sooners before he left in a cloud of controversy, was named the third head coach of the Dallas Cowboys on Wednesday.

Switzer replaces Jimmy Johnson, whose differences with owner Jerry Jones led to his departure Tuesday from the team he led to back-to-back Super Bowl championships.

"This is the happiest day of my professional career," Switzer, sitting beside Jones, said at a news conference at Valley Ranch.

"I give my commitment of loyalty, excellence and commitment to make it the

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— Barry Switzer, named as Cowboys' head coach

that has ever been put together.

"I feel very confident that the continuity can be kept in place and be motivated with the new head coach of the Dallas Cowboys, Barry Switzer."

Switzer, 56, has never coached in the NFL. He led the Sooners to 12 Big Eight championships in 16 seasons at Okla-

best. "I look forward to making this a great tenure with the Cowboys."

Jones added: "I feel we have one of the most talented teams that there is the NFL, if not the most talented team, and one of the best

championships in 16 seasons at Okla-

homa. He finished with a 157-29-4 record, the best among all active coaches, and ranks fourth in all-time winning percentage at .837.



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