

On the road again

A&M travels to the Midwest
to face Iowa State, Nebraska

BY NICKI SMITH
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The Texas A&M Soccer Team is taking its bags and taking its 8-0 road for its second trip in five games.

This weekend the Aggies will travel to the Midwest. A&M will face the Lady Cyclones in Ames, Iowa, tonight and then will travel to Lincoln, Neb., to meet up with the 10th-ranked University of Nebraska Cornhuskers Sunday.

The Aggies are currently ranked 25 in both the NSCAA/Umbro and Soccer America's Top 25 polls, and are on top of the Central Region Top 10 Poll for the third consecutive week.

Head Coach G. Guerrieri said the Aggies will prove to be a tough opponent for the Aggies.

"For now, we have to concentrate on Iowa State being our most important game," Guerrieri said. "Although Nebraska is going to be the tougher of the two games, we can't let our guard down against Iowa because if we don't win that game, we won't be ready for the most important Big 12 game against Nebraska."

Entering today's game, Iowa State has an overall record of 5-3, and is 0-1 in Big 12 games. The Cyclones were shut out by the Cornhuskers 6-0 Sept. 1.

However, the Cyclones have won their last two opponents, the University of Oklahoma and the University of Minnesota-Duluth.

Guerrieri said the Iowa State game is important because it serves as a step toward A&M's goal of winning the conference regular-season title.

"It's their homecoming weekend and they will be a big threat," Guerrieri said. "In my opinion, they are one of the most improved teams in the entire Midwest."

Although this is only the second year of play for the Lady Cyclones, eight starters and 11 players who lettered last year returned, and a trio of powerful freshmen lead its offense.

The Aggies met with Nebraska last year and defeated the Cornhuskers 1-0.

Senior forward Yvette Okler said Nebraska's 7-0 record and 10 returning starters will be a decisive factor in the match-up.

"Nebraska is going to be our best game against Big 12 teams," Okler said. "All we have to do though, is stop looking at our battles and let them do their stuff. If we play fast, they won't be able to keep up."

Guerrieri said the Aggies will have to be at the top of their game, since the Cornhusker newcomers



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Senior midfielder Allison Buckley takes the ball upfield after stealing it from a Missouri forward.

and home crowd will be tough.

"We've always had good results against them, but junior goalkeeper Becky Hornbacher and freshman forwards Lindsay Edleman and Isabelle Morneau will make the Cornhuskers dangerous at every position," Guerrieri said. "We also anticipate a huge crowd and Nebraska's best effort when we come calling."

Lady Ags get no time to celebrate

BY ROSS HECOX
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The Texas A&M Volleyball Team's victory over the University of Texas was sweet, but there is little time to savor it.

The team heads to Norman, Okla., to face the University of Oklahoma tonight at 7:30.

Fresh off a historical sweep of the Longhorns, the Lady Aggies had little time to prepare for the Sooners. But the team is familiar with OU after scrimmaging with them in April.

Senior middle blocker Page White said A&M will carry its momentum from the Texas game into the Oklahoma match.

"We feel it's going to be easy (to continue to play well), because we still feel that pride from beating Texas," White said. "Even now off the court I can see a confidence in all the players."

The Lady Aggies did not practice Thursday but will meet for an hour this morning to prepare for the Sooners.

A&M Head Coach Laurie Corbelli said the absence of intense workouts will rejuvenate the team.

"I'm kind of thankful," Corbelli said. "I felt like in the warm-up (before the Texas match) the play-

ers were a little tired. We'll get some rest and I think we're going to be really sharp."

The Sooners lost its first two matches of the season but has won its last nine games. Oklahoma won five of those matches in three games and the rest in four. Last weekend OU won the Kansas Tournament after beating Cal State Fullerton, DePaul and Texas-Pan American.

The Sooners average 15.1 kills and 15.4 digs per game, and have a .260 hitting percentage.

Corbelli said Oklahoma will be prepared for a competitive match.

"With the fact that they're on their home court, it's a big TV match and it's their (Big 12) conference opener, they are going to be fired up," Corbelli said. "(Since we defeated Texas) they would really like to beat us."

Against the University of Texas at Arlington and the Longhorns, A&M was successful with its diverse attack coming from the middle blockers and the left side hitters.

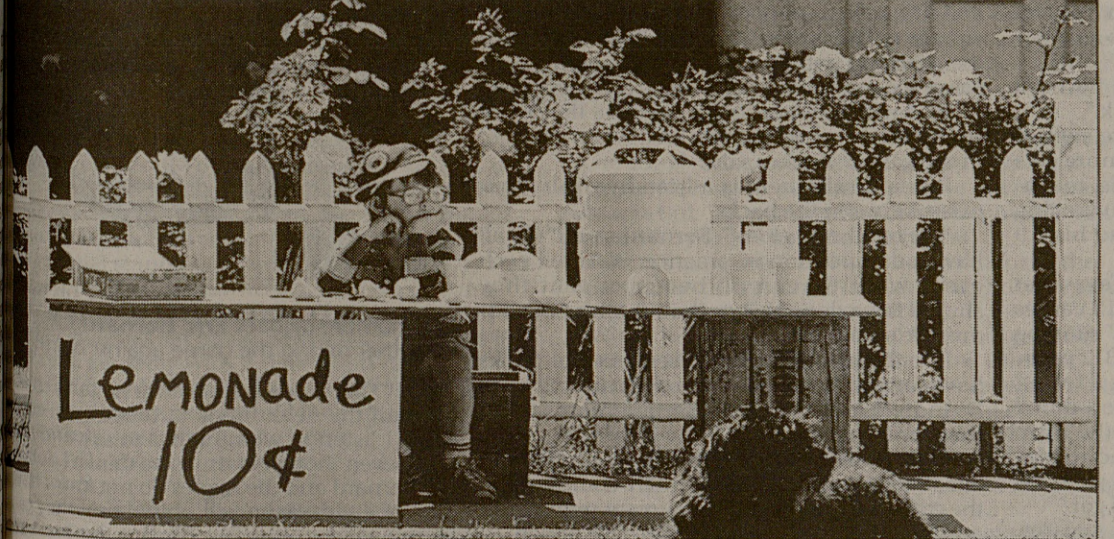
White said this style of offense will keep defenses honest.

"(Attacking the middle) is essential from this point forward," White said. "We have the two best left side hitters in the nation, and teams know that. So we need to spread out our attack more."



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Senior Page White goes up for against Texas Wednesday.



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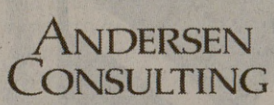
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