

**SOFTBALL**

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on first and third, A&M pulled off a double steal to go up 4-0 and senior right fielder Trina Solesbee drove in the fifth and final run when he doubled in senior Tanya Klecker.

Vining completed the win with a one-two-three seventh to

pick up her fifth win of the season.

She threw a one-hit complete game shutout, striking out five and walking two.

"Whenever you get a lot of runs early, it always takes the pressure off," Vining said. "When I am given run support early in the game, it helps me and the rest of the team relax and play more confident."

"I owe a lot of credit to my defense," Vining said. "They made some great plays behind me in the field especially Jamie (Smith). She made some tremendous plays that probably saved us



Evans

some runs."

Coach Jo Evans said she was very pleased with all aspects of the team in their win.

"We got two big wins against a very tough aggressive team tonight," Evans said. "We hit the ball well. Our pitching was in control all game. Our defense was outstanding tonight. Overall, we did a nice job tonight." "What impressed me the most

was we were able to get the big hits when we needed them," Evans added. "We got some big RBIs with two outs."

"That's when you need them the most especially against a team like UTA."

Next, the Aggies will host their second tournament of the year when they participate in the Aggie Invitational II this weekend.

**AGGIE SPORTS BRIEFS**

from staff and wire

**ISU defeats in second**

The Texas A&M Netball Team lost to Iowa State 68 last night.

The Aggies were led by forward Kera Alexander who had her hot shooting night. Sophomore Prissy Sharpe had 10 points and junior point guard Linington handed out eight assists. Senior forward Kim Linde had 10 points in the last game as an Aggie. Junior forward scored 10 points off the bench. Iowa State shot a big percentage from the field and three-pointers to defeat the Aggies. Five Cyclones scored 10 points, including two players, Jason and Stacy Freshman.

The Aggies finish the season in conference games and the Cyclones got out of the point lead at halftime. The Aggies to play a game of the season.

**Wilson invited to USA Team**

Texas A&M sophomore defender Melanie Wilson has been invited to play with the USA National Team at next week's training camp in Clemson, S.C. G. Guerrieri announced Wednesday.

A native of Memphis, Tenn., Wilson is the third Aggie soccer player invited to play with the U.S. National Team in the past year. Freshman Claire Elliot played with the team in California in January. Bryn Blalack played with the Olympic-Gold-Medal-winning national team in July and August. "I'm excited for Melanie to earn this honor and represent the Aggie," Guerrieri said. "She has a terrific collegiate season and we hope to see that that's noticed by national team coaches. It's a great opportunity I hope and expect all our players to enjoy in the future."

Wilson has been the Aggie's most keeper for the Big 12. If studies since arriving on campus in 1996. She was the Big 12 Newcomer of the Year and a freshman All-American. Last year, she was a member of the All-Big 12 Conference Doctor. The 19-year-old is a former All-American in high school. The USA under-20s are a scheduling world champions, having defeated Norway 1-0 last summer at the Nordic Cup. A&M is scheduled to play the under-20 team at 3 p.m. in Waco.

**Big 12**

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Texas is the team to watch this year. They will return all five starters from this team, if that's a good thing. Unfortunately, Kris Clack will probably not play in their first-round game. Luke Axtell and Chris Mihm are two of the best in the league. Texas could be the sleepers if they are as well. Plays Texas Tech.

Iowa State (12-17, 5-11) ISU will have to win its conference-best defense will not have to rely on their offense-worst offense. Plays

Texas A&M (7-19, 1-15) We all know this story, but injury-prone team at Baylor and could beat them with their "nothing-to-lose" attitude. Plays Baylor.

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