

## Aggies look to build on recent victories

### Aggie women to face Longhorns at Reed

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Before the fun starts on Saturday at Reed Arena, old enemies will get reacquainted. The Harlem Globetrotters take the court later in the day, but first the Texas A&M Women's Basketball Team will take on archrival Texas in a 2 p.m. conference game.

The Aggies (7-10, 2-5 in Big 12) are coming off their second Big 12 win of the year, a 73-59 road win against the Kansas State University Wildcats on Wednesday night that snapped a five-game conference losing streak, and will be looking for their first conference triumph at home.

Junior forward Prissy Sharpe led the victory over the Wildcats with 21 points, putting her over 1,000 points in her career and moving her into twelfth place on A&M's all-time scoring list.

The game on Wednesday also moved Sharpe into another elite A&M group as she became just the ninth Aggie in history to score 1,000 points and grab 500 rebounds in a career.

Sharpe leads the Aggies in scoring and rebounding this season, averaging 19.7 points and 9.6 boards per game. Junior Kera Alexander is second on the team in both categories at 12.9 points and 5.5 rebounds per contest. Saturday's game will be the first against Texas for first-year Aggie coach Peggie Gillom.

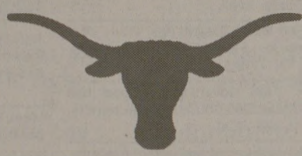
The Longhorns (10-8, 4-4 in Big 12) are paced by Edwina Brown, who leads the team in scoring with 15.9 points a game, 19.4 in conference play, and in rebounds with 7.6 per game.

Kim Lummus also has contributed on the scoreboard with 12.4 points per game.

Texas is trying to rebound from a 56-54 loss to the Kansas State Wildcats after Brown's last-second, game-tying shot was blocked.

A&M has recent history on its side, winning two of three games against Texas last year, including one in the first round of the Big 12 Tournament, but the Aggies have a long way to go to even up the all-time record, which stands at

**Texas**  
(10-8, 4-4 in Big 12)



Points leader:  
**Edwina Brown (15.9)**

Rebound leader:  
**Edwina Brown (7.6)**

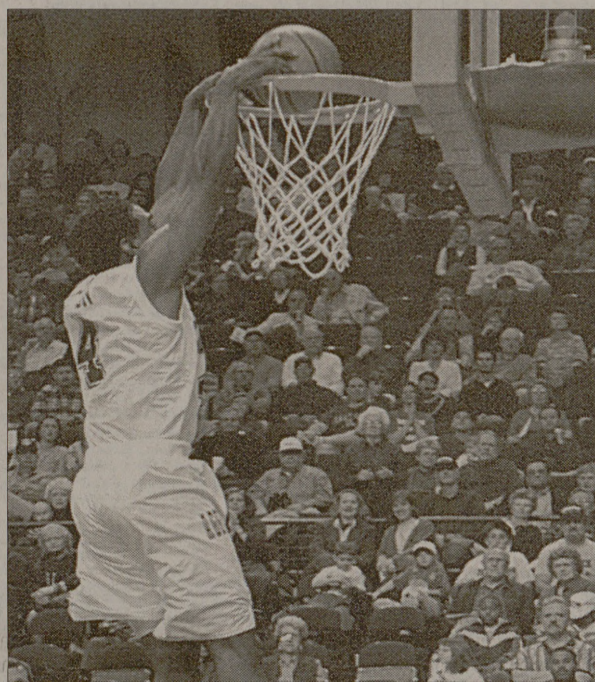
Assists leader:  
**Edwina Brown (5.4)**



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**TOP:** Junior forward **Kera Alexander** and the A&M Women's Basketball Team will go for their first home Big 12 win when they take on Texas at Reed Arena this weekend.

**RIGHT:** Senior guard **Chris Clayton** and the Aggie men will look to extend their winning streak when they face Oklahoma State Saturday in Stillwater, Okla.



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### Men aiming to continue conference winning streak

BY SANTOSH VENKATARAMAN  
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The Texas A&M Men's Basketball Team will be looking for its third straight victory when it goes on the road to face Oklahoma State University tomorrow at 3 p.m. in Stillwater, Okla.

The Aggies are now 9-8 overall and 2-5 in Big 12 play, while the 23rd-ranked Cowboys are 14-5 and 5-2, tied for second place in the conference with the University of Kansas, University of Missouri and University of Nebraska. First-place Texas leads the Big 12 by a game and a half with a 7-1 conference record.

The Aggies are coming off a 68-47 victory over Texas Tech University Wednesday before 4,929 fans, the second-largest men's basketball crowd at Reed Arena.

Tech was held to its lowest point total of the season and to nine points in the final 12 minutes of the game to lose to A&M for the first time in four years.

Senior forward Shanne Jones led the way for the Aggies with 18 points, while senior guard Chris Clayton nailed four three-pointers on the way to 14 points. Sophomore forward Aaron Jack added 10 points, including going six for six from the free-throw line.

The Cowboys defeated the University of Southern Mississippi in a non-conference game Wednesday at home by the narrowest of mar-

gins, 65-64.

OSU point guard Doug Gottlieb, who leads the nation in assists with 8.4 per game, scored a career-high 15 points to help Oklahoma State avert the upset.

The Cowboys' scoring duo of shooting guard Adrian Peterson and small forward Desmond Mason rank first and third in the Big 12 in scoring with 17.8 and 17.2 points per game, respectively.

Mason is the team's leading rebounder as well, averaging 7.5 rebounds per game. OSU has won eight of its last ten ballgames and has a 7-2 record at home in Gallagher-Iba Arena this season.

A&M has not beaten OSU in their last seven meetings.

OSU won the first game between the teams this year, 64-59, in the first Big 12 game at Reed Arena Jan. 6.

Junior guard Clifton Cook scored 25 points and had eight rebounds for the Aggies that night, while Waxahachie native Mason

led the way for the Cowboys.

OSU led 29-26 at halftime, but the Aggies opened the second half with three three-pointers sandwiched around two OSU baskets to take a 35-33 lead.

The Cowboys then rallied to retake the lead by six points. A&M pulled within one, 58-57, with a minute left, but OSU center Alex Webber's basket from guard Joe Adkins with less than 45 seconds remaining gave OSU a three-point advantage and put the game away.

**Oklahoma St.**  
(14-5, 5-2 in Big 12)



Points leader:  
**D.Mason (17.8)**

Rebound leader:  
**D.Mason (7.5)**

Assists leader:  
**Doug Gottlieb (8.4)**

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