

Red Raiders down Aggies, 71-49

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A&M senior forward **Kera Alexander** is blocked by Texas Tech guard **Amber Tarr** during the Aggies' 71-49 loss to the Red Raiders Saturday at Reed Arena.

The Red Raiders (16-2, 5-2 Big 12) led on a 12-0 run after Banahan's basket, holding A&M scoreless over the next 7:55 to go into halftime with a 36-0 lead and put the game out of reach.

Texas Tech women's basketball coach **Arsha Sharp** said the Red Raiders' run at the end of the half was the key to the game. "I thought the run we went on at the beginning of the game was real important," Sharp said. "It set the tone as much as anything we did for them. We really got out and ran well and Melinda made some great passes over the top and we were able to knock those down and it got us off to a great start."

A&M was harassed all day by the Red Raiders' defense as Tech forced 26 Aggie turnovers and held A&M to 32.3 percent shooting.

A&M junior forward **Jaynetta Saun-ers** and senior forward **Kera Alexander** each had 12 points to lead the team. Despite her 12 points, **Sharpe** had a

A&M's next shot at breaking its streak comes this Saturday when the team travels to Austin to take on the University of Texas Longhorns.

With their losing streak now at seven games, senior forward **Kera Alexander** said the important thing is for the team

not to get down on themselves.

"The hardest thing, and the most important thing, is to keep everybody's head up," Alexander said. "It's easy to get down or accept losing, but we can't get to where losing doesn't hurt. You have to keep it where everyone still wants to win."

A&M swim teams post wins over LSU

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The Texas A&M men's and women's swimming teams both took away victories from their Friday meet with Louisiana State University at the Student Rec Center Natatorium.

The 15th-ranked Aggie men won their match with the 19th-ranked Tigers by a score of 129-114, while the 22nd-ranked Aggie women defeated 24th-ranked LSU 129-106.

The meet began with a bang for the Aggies, with both the men and women taking 400-yard medley relay gold.

The women's team of freshman **Amy Osmun**, sophomores **Clara Ho** and **Kelly Bolton** and senior **Monica Stroman** finished with a time of 3:47.47 while the men's team of sophomores **Nik Tate** and **Riley Janes** and seniors **Scott Taylor** and **Erik Toth** swam a 3:21.42 to take home their gold.

The women finished in the top four slots in the 1000-yard freestyle, with freshman **Ginny Johnson** taking first place with a season-best time of 10:07.05.

The men performed well in the 1000-meter freestyle as well, with freshman **Patrick Dideum** and senior **Tim Campbell** finishing first and second.

Bolton and freshman **Sharisse Blau** took first and second in the 50-yard freestyle for the women and on what was her 23rd birthday, **Stroman** finished first in the 200-yard individual medley and second in the 200-yard breaststroke.

The men's match came down to the last leg of the last race of the meet, the

400 relay. The relay team of sophomores **Patrick Kennedy** and **Jason Penberthy**, Toth and junior **David Morrow** took the race by one-hundredths of a second to seal the team victory.

"We knew it would be close," Morrow said. "We had a lot of guys who had to step up and those guys (Penberthy, Toth and Kennedy) swam just phenomenally to put me in a position to finish well."

Swimming phenomenally will have to become a habit for the Aggies, as their next dual meet will be against rival, and current No. 1 team in the nation, the University of Texas.

A&M men's swim coach **Mel Nash** said he is aware of Texas' strengths and hopes the Aggies will be able to hang in to get a good look at what will be in store for them at the Big 12 meet.

"It's a tough one, Texas is ranked number one but we always take our best run at them that we can," Nash said. "But we have some individual races where we can be extremely competitive, win some and set ourselves up for the conference and NCAA's over the next five weeks."

In the women's last home meet of the season, seniors **Dana Briggs**, **Tracy Evans**, **Danielle Guarneri**, **Monica Stroman** and **Monica Williams** were honored for their accomplishments at A&M.

"I was really happy to have the seniors and I really wished that they all had a few more years of eligibility left," women's head coach **Steve Bultman** said. "They are very strong and have been very supportive."

Sports in Brief

A&M men fall to Missouri, 93-62

The Texas A&M men's basketball team fell to the University of Missouri Tigers, 93-62, Saturday at the Hearnes

Center in Columbia, Mo.

The Aggies (6-12, 2-5 Big 12) committed a season-high 29 turnovers.

Freshman forward **Tomas Ressler** led the Aggies with a career-high 22 points.

Senior forward **Aaron Jack** also added 12 points.

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TAMU OUTDOORS	EVENT DATE	REGISTRATION
Intro to Rock Climbing Clinic	Feb. 5	Jan. 18—Feb. 2
Lead Climbing at the Rec	Feb. 12	Jan. 18—Feb. 9
Intro to Rock Climbing Clinic	Feb. 13	Jan. 24—Feb. 9
Horsepack the Texas Frontier	Mar. 15-19	Jan. 24-Mar. 1
Sea Kayak the Texas Coast	Mar. 16-19	Jan. 24-Mar. 1
Rocky Mountain Climbing	May 20-27	Jan. 24—April 25

Back to School Sale—Jan. 24-Feb. 4, 10% off all Rock Climbing Equipment Packages and 10% off all chalk bags and selected climbing t-shirts.

AUGUST 2000 TRIP	EVENT DATE	REGISTRATION
Sail & Dive the Bahamas	Aug. 19-25	NOW—June 15

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- **On Sale Now**—Unlimited Aerobics Passes \$50. Fitness Punch Passes \$15, \$30, or \$45. One class pass \$2.
- **Reebok Final Cuts**—Sat., Feb. 12 from 12:00-3:00pm. in the Student Rec Center. This no nonsense strength program that defines and refines the latest in strength training. \$45 before Feb 8, \$50 after Feb. 8 and \$55 at the door. For more information call DeAun Woosley at 862-3995.
- **Ski Conditioning**—8 weeks of conditioning. Jan. 18-March 9, Tue. & Thurs. from 7:00-8:00pm in room 304. Classes are \$2 each or buy a punch pass or use your Unlimited Aerobics Pass.
- **FREE Healthy Living Lecture Series**—Wed. Feb. 16 from 5:30-6:30pm. in room 281. Chris Blume, physical therapist will discuss aerobic exercise, weight training and flexibility. Contact DeAun Woosley at 862-3995 for more information.
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INTRAMURALS	REGISTRATION
Pre-Season Basketball	Jan. 24-Feb. 1
Basketball	Jan. 24-Feb. 1
Outdoor Soccer	Jan. 24-Feb. 1
Slow Pitch Softball	Jan. 31-Feb. 8
Valentine's Day Fun Run	Jan. 31-Feb. 8
Wallyball	Jan. 31-Feb. 8
Table Tennis	Jan. 31-Feb. 8

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