

Aggies take 2nd at Big 12 meet

By JEREMY BROWN
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The No. 4 Texas A&M men's swimming and diving team recovered from a slow first day to cruise to its highest finish ever at the Big 12 Championships this weekend in Austin.

With 622 points, the Aggies placed second in the Big 12 for the first time. This weekend was only the second time since 1958 that A&M has finished second in either the Big 12 or the Southwest Conference.

No. 1 Texas claimed its 22nd consecutive conference title by scoring a Big 12-record 1,105 points.

A&M senior Devin Howard, who placed fifth in the 200-yard butterfly and seventh in the 400-yard individual medley, said the seniors called for a team meeting Thursday night after the Aggies did not perform up to their usual standards.



HOWARD

"We had a meeting without our coaches and said 'Look, you know, let's go out and show them, show them we're Texas A&M, show them what we can do, we need to show that we're the fourth-best team in the country - so let's go on and show it,'" Howard said. "You look at the next two days, and we did amazing."

"We've got bigger fish to fry in three weeks," said

A&M men's swimming coach Mel Nash, "so everybody really made a commitment to that meet at the end of the year and, in places, we have to take our lumps during meets like this. Fortunately, we still got second and now we go in with a certain level of confidence into NCAAs."

While individual Aggie swimmers struggled, the A&M relays proved to be a strong point during the meet. A&M finished second in the 400-yard medley, the 200-yard medley and 400-yard freestyle relays and third in the 200-yard freestyle and 800-yard freestyle relays.

The last event of the meet, the 400-yard freestyle relay, turned out to be one of the Aggies' most exciting events. A&M senior Keven Kehlenbach, secured second place for the Aggies in the event by pulling away from Iowa State's Jeff Gahan in the last leg of the relay.

All six A&M seniors - Howard, Kehlenbach, Michael Colligan, Michael Greene, David Morrow and Alfred Mansour - placed in the top eight in one or more events. However, the Aggie swimmer who had one of the best performances was junior Riley Janes.

Despite being unrested, Janes placed second in the 100-yard backstroke with an NCAA automatic time, placed ninth in the 100-yard freestyle with a consideration time and was on all three second-place relays.

Up next for the Aggie divers is the Zone D Diving Championships March 9-10, which will determine if they will compete in the NCAA championships. The NCAAs will be hosted by A&M on March 22-24.

Sports in Brief Future dressing room to honor Ray E. Dorr

Texas A&M football coach R.C. Slocum announced Saturday that the Aggies' future dressing room will be named in memory of former A&M quarterbacks coach Ray Dorr.

Slocum made the announcement at Dorr's funeral service at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in College Station Saturday, citing a large donation that had been made in the name of the 59-year old coach.

Dorr passed away early Thursday morning from amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), commonly known as Lou Gehrig's Disease. He is survived by a wife, two adult sons and a sister.

The dressing room will be in the yet-to-be-built south end zone and will be named the Ray E. Dorr Dressing Room.

Zorn leads Ag archers at indoor regional

By CODY STARK
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Texas A&M freshman Mary Zorn walked away with first place in the

compound competition while sophomore teammate Kristin Milchanowski won the recurve class this weekend at the South Region

portion of the Indoor National Archery tournament.

Zorn shot a 577 out of 600 Friday during the first round of the tournament and a 579 Saturday. The 579 was just 11 points off of current indoor world record of 590 held by Christie Bisco of the United States. Zorn was plagued by an abdominal injury this weekend, but she said she thought she should have done better.

"I didn't shoot the way I wanted to," Zorn said. "I'm standing well against everyone that's here, but I don't know how that will translate into the national rankings. Ever since Friday I have had an ace bandage holding me upright, and I haven't been able to twist or bend. It's very painful, but I should have shot better anyway."

Freshman Lorinda Cohen finished second in recurve, and senior teammate Stacie Grange placed third. On the compound side, freshman Brandy Foreman placed second, and senior Dianne Cornish placed third, giving the Aggies a clean sweep for the top spots in each category.

"I didn't do that well this tournament, Cohen said. "My scores were really down compared to what I've been practicing. My mental game wasn't in it, but now I know what I have to do to get ready for outdoors."

In team competition, the Aggies' compound team of Zorn, Cornish and Foreman captured first by defeating the University of Texas 3,373-3,158. The recurve team of Milchanowski, Cohen and Grange also placed first by defeating Texas 3,237-2,668.

All the Aggies can do now is sit back and wait to see how the other Indoor National tournaments play out. Up next for the A&M squad is the outdoor archery season, which kicks off with the Lone Star FITA tournament that is held in Austin March 31.



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Freshman archers Mary Zorn (left) and Brandy Foreman compete during the compound bow competition this weekend. The Aggies earned a clean sweep for the top spots in each category.

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