

Freshmen make early impact

Defender Jennifer Kacsmaryk started four games and has played in seven. She has combined with Labhart and the rest of A&M's defense to hold opponents to a combined 11 goals.

Forward Emma Smith has scored three goals despite not starting any games. Only Johnson and Thrasher have tallied more goals so far this season. Smith is the fastest player on the team, breaking a team record in the 40-yard dash with a time of 4.55 seconds. Johnson is the second fastest player on the team.

Schedule Problems

When last Friday's game with Houston was postponed due to rain, it was the fifth game that A&M has had to postpone this season.

A&M's first two games against Samford and No. 1 North Carolina were canceled because the Aggie Soccer Complex was saturated from week-long rains. The next week's games were moved to San Marcos because the field was still soaked.

After the terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C., A&M's games with New Mexico and the Mexican National Team also were canceled.

A&M played a game against Tulane on Sept. 17 to replace the New Mexico game.

Around the Big 12

A&M is in third place in the Big 12 with a 2-0-1 conference record. Nebraska and Texas are tied for first with 3-0 records.

Nebraska has dominated the conference in the five years of existence by winning three regular season titles and four tournament titles.

Three Big 12 teams are ranked in the latest Soccer Buzz national poll with Nebraska at No. 6, A&M at No. 10 and Texas at No. 21. Six of the ten teams in Soccer Buzz's central region rankings are from the Big 12. Nebraska, A&M and Texas are in the top three spots while Kansas is at No. 6, Oklahoma is at No. 8 and Missouri is at No. 9.



Freshman defender Amanda Burke is just one of six freshmen making an immediate impact for the Aggies this season.

No. 17 Aggies travel to Lubbock

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THE BATTALION

The No. 17 Texas A&M volleyball team looks to continue its mastery on the road as it travels west to take on the Texas Tech Red Raiders on Wednesday in Lubbock at 7 p.m. at the United Spirit Arena.

The Aggies (11-2, 4-1 Big 12) improved to 8-0 in matches played away and at neutral sites with a four-game victory over Texas on Saturday. The victory was the Aggies' fourth consecutive over their rivals and also moved A&M back into second place in the Big 12 standings. It was also A&M volleyball coach Laurie Corbelli's 300th victory as a head coach and 200th at A&M.

The Aggies are one and a half games behind league-leading Nebraska and a half game ahead of both Colorado and Texas.

Senior setter Jenna Moscovic, who posted her third triple-double of the season against Colorado, leads the Aggies with a .376 hitting percentage and is ranked nationally with 12.87 assists per game. Senior outside hitter Erin Lechler is the team leader in kills and points per game with

3.63 and 4.13, respectively.

Freshman middle blocker Melissa Munsch leads the team with 0.87 blocks per game, and junior middle blocker A.D. Achilefu is the team leader among starters with 0.49 aces per game.

The Red Raiders (10-4, 3-2 in Big 12) narrowly defeated Kansas, 30-28, 26-30, 16-30, 30-21, 23-21, in Lawrence, Kan., on Saturday and then swept non-conference foe New Mexico on Monday to improve to 8-0 in matches played at home.

Senior outside hitter Heather Hughes-Justice led the Red Raiders with 21 kills, and junior outside hitter Melissa McGehee added 17 kills and a match-high .464 hitting percentage as Tech outit NMU, .240 to .083.

Tech was playing its first match without middle blocker and leading hitter Yolanda Cumbess, who left the team Monday for personal reasons. Cumbess was leading the team with a .358 hitting percentage and 168 kills and was second in kills on the squad with 3.43 per game.

The Aggies return home Sunday to take on defending national champion and Big 12 foe No. 2 Nebraska at 2 p.m. at G. Rollie White Coliseum.

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