

## THE BATTALION

Friday, September 26, 2003

## SPORTS IN BRIEF

## Volleyball hosts Missouri tonight

The No. 25 Texas A&M volleyball team faces another tough battle tonight as the Aggies play host to the streaking Missouri Tigers, who are undefeated in Big 12 play. First serve is at 7 p.m. at G. Rollie White Coliseum.

The Aggies are coming off a five-game victory over Colorado on Wednesday to improve to 9-3 overall and even their Big 12 record at 1-1. The Tigers, riding a five-match winning streak, swept Texas Tech in their last outing to improve to 10-2, 3-0.

A&M is 14-3 in the all-time series against Missouri, including 7-0 in matches played at G. Rollie. Last year, A&M lost in four games in Columbia, Mo., and then upset the No. 20 Tigers in four games in College Station.

## X-Country teams in NC for meet

The Texas A&M men's and women's cross country teams will be in North Carolina today for the Great American Cross Country Festival.

On the women's side, 10 nationally ranked teams will compete. Vanessa Kelly, A&M's top finisher last weekend, said she welcomes the increased competition.

"I'm looking forward to it," Kelly said. "It should show us how far our depth can take us." The men's race hosts an equally tough field, as eight nationally ranked teams will battle for the title. Preseason No. 5 Northern Arizona is favored to defend their title.

"(The first two meets) were more like a warm-up," said A&M's Tommy Bonn. "This should show us a lot." Today's race starts at 2:15 p.m.

## Aggies begin Big 12 play

By Troy Miller  
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Defending a championship is never easy, but for the Texas A&M women's soccer team, being defending Big 12 champions and a national top five team puts a large target on their back.

The road to a second straight Big 12 Championship begins tonight when the No. 3 Aggies (6-1) travel to Norman, Okla., to face the Oklahoma Sooners (5-2-1).

"Conference is another season in itself," said senior midfielder Kristen Strutz. "We're going to have to play like the defending champs of the Big 12 by stepping up and pressuring the ball, and just bring a whole other intensity to the field."

This season the Aggies are relying on a defense that has relinquished just three goals in their seven non-conference games, and has shut out opponents for 180 consecutive minutes.

Part of the reason is sophomore goalkeeper Kati Jo Spisak, who is one of the premier goalkeepers in the nation.

The other reason is the play of the Aggie backline. With the loss of Jessica Martin and Martha Moore in the offseason, the Aggies turned to two freshmen — Linda Pierson and Annie Burnett — to fill the gaps. Combined with returning juniors Shannon Labhart and Amanda Burke, the back four have choked the life out of opponents in the defensive zone.

"Right now we're pretty confident in our back four," Strutz said. "I just think we're going to have to continue to focus on getting the shutout."

Posting shutouts has been one of the Aggies' main goals this season. The team has allowed only three goals in seven games. One of those goals



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Sophomore goalkeeper **Kati Jo Spisak** makes the save against North Carolina last weekend. The Aggies lost the match in overtime 1-0.

was scored in the final five minutes of a game and another was scored in overtime against No. 1 North Carolina.

"The players are very good about achieving (their) goals," said A&M coach G. Guerrieri. "We want to give up no more than one goal per game, and so far we've done a good job of that."

The Sooners also bring a two-match shutout streak into tonight's game with the Aggies. Oklahoma junior goalkeeper Catherine Wade earned Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week for posting 180 minutes of shutout soccer and making 12 saves in the Sooners' wins over Tulsa and Oral Roberts.

"We're expecting a very

good game," said A&M junior forward Emma Smith. "You don't really have teams that you want to play anymore, and every team in the Big 12 is a very talented team."

After their showdown with the Sooners, the Aggies return to College Station for their last non-conference game of the season with Washington State Sunday at 7 p.m.

Then it's nothing but the Big 12 for the rest of the season, and fending off the shots opponents will be taking at the targets planted firmly on the Aggies' backs.

"Every team that we play in conference, their big game is against us," Smith said. "So that means that our big game is every game."



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**St. Mary's  
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Robert D. Chandler, Minister

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**A&M Church of Christ**  
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