

# A&M soccer team reaps benefits of recruiting, hosts Tech tonight

By Troy Miller  
THE BATTALION

For Texas A&M to remain in the elite of women's college soccer, it must continue to recruit the best of the best from not just Texas, but from all over the nation.

A good place to start is with Aggie freshmen Linda Pierson and Kat Krambeer, former members of the Under-17 United States National Team.

"I think they were there because they both were identified as extraordinary players," said A&M coach G. Guerrieri. "If anything I think it gives them confidence to know that they are an elite level player."

Pierson, a defender from Missouri City, Texas, stayed closer to home to play for A&M. Both her brother John and uncle Carl Grulich played football for the Aggies.

Pierson plays with plenty of poise and has made good decisions under fire during the season as she has taken over the middle back position left vacant by last season's captain, Jessica Martin.

"I was more adjusted to the speed of play (from playing with the U-17 U.S. team)," Pierson said. "When you get to that higher level it's a lot faster than club."

Krambeer, a forward from Minnesota, has already made an impact as half of one of the fastest forward duos in the country, along with junior forward Emma Smith. Krambeer has scored four goals for the No. 5 Aggies this season, including two game winners.

"The (U-17 U.S.) coaches expect a lot from you," Krambeer said. "A lot of them are college coaches and the general higher level of competition contributed to it."

The Aggies (8-1-2, 1-0-2 Big 12) are counting on Krambeer, among others, to increase the A&M goal production in the second half of the season. Scoring goals seems to be the one thing lacking in an otherwise strong season. Despite outscoring opponents 25-5 on the year, one goal on 28 shots in two ties against Oklahoma State and Kansas has the Aggies looking



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Texas A&M forward Kat Krambeer plays the ball during A&M's game with North Carolina on Sept. 14. The Aggies play Texas Tech and Baylor at home this weekend.

up in the Big 12 standings for the first time in almost two seasons.

"I think more than just finishing is the opportunity to finish," Smith said. "Not only are we not scoring goals, but we're not getting into position. We should have at least 15 to 20 shots a game, and I'd guess we have six to seven. I think you're supposed to score one in every eight shots, so if we're just getting six to seven shots a game, that's not good enough."

With Texas Tech (2-7-1, 1-3) visiting A&M tonight, the Aggies will be looking to increase their goal-scoring opportunities against a Red Raider team that has allowed 25 goals this season.

"We have to try to work on serving the ball to the strengths of our attacking players," Guerrieri said. "Our attacking players are built for speed, so we need to play

to that strength, and the bottom line is when our players step in to take shots they need to hit the target."

Krambeer figures to be in the scoring mix for the Aggies the rest of the way, and A&M will have Pierson and the wall-like Aggie defense holding opponents to few chances. The Aggies can thank the U-17 U.S. National Team for getting them ready to step right in and make an impact for A&M.

"The experiences it gives them is playing against the best in the world," Guerrieri said. "Having the experience of competing and being successful against the best players in the world is what we want to transfer over for us."

The Aggies play Texas Tech tonight at 7 p.m.

# Detective: Accuser said Kobe attacked her from behind

By Tim Dahlberg  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EAGLE, Colo. — The woman who accused Kobe Bryant of rape told police a flirtatious encounter quickly turned ugly when he grabbed her by the neck, bent her over a chair and attacked her from behind, repeatedly asking, "You're not going to tell anyone, right?"

The 19-year-old woman was raped after agreeing to go to Bryant's suite at the resort where she worked, Eagle County Sheriff's Detective Doug Winters testified Thursday at a preliminary hearing to determine whether Bryant will stand trial.

Winters described in graphic detail for a packed courtroom how the woman said she excitedly met the Los Angeles Lakers' star in the lobby but left the hotel in tears after a vicious attack.

It began with a tour of the resort on June 30 that led to some flirting. She went back to Bryant's room and showed him a tattoo on her back, then turned down his request to join him in the hot tub, Winters said.

Her shift at the front desk was ending and she wanted to go home, he said. "She stated she was starting to feel a bit uncomfortable."

She stood up to leave and Bryant gave her a hug that led to some consensual kissing, Winters said.

When she turned around to go, Bryant grabbed her by the neck from behind, pulled up her skirt and raped her against a chair, Winters said. She told investigators she told Bryant "no"

at least twice, before bursting into tears as the five-minute attack went on.

During and after the rape, he said Bryant kept asking, "You're not going to tell anyone, right?" She said she agreed at one point.

"She didn't want him to commit more physical harm to her," Winters said.

The woman said that Bryant forced her to kiss his penis after the attack, Winters testified. He said a nurse who examined the woman later at a hospital found injuries consistent with a sexual assault.

The prosecution presented photographs showing injuries to the victim, including one of a bruise on her jaw.

Defense attorney Pamela Mackey suggested Winters had no idea when the bruise occurred. He said a nurse told him it came during the attack.

As the detective testified, the 25-year-old Bryant stared at him stone-faced, occasionally clenching his jaw. He faces up to life in prison if convicted of a felony charge of sexual assault.

Legal experts had expected the defense to waive the hearing and head straight to trial rather than allow prosecutors to lay out their case publicly for the first time.

"The only reason the defense would choose to go ahead with a preliminary hearing when it doesn't have to is it believes — given the minimal amount of evidence the prosecution is going to be putting on — it may gain more by cross-examining those witnesses," said Stan Goldman, a professor at the Loyola Law School in Los Angeles.

## Volleyball

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of the year, by sophomore Ashlie McWee with 15 kills; she is third on the team in kills this season behind junior Brittany Dalager, who leads with 3.39 per game, and senior Renae Pruess. Dalager also leads the Cyclones in digs per game, racking up an average of 3.35.

"I think one good thing is that

we've had some real balance, our outside hitters have been pretty equal in kills. That's been really important," Crum said.

The Cyclones will be trying to defeat the Aggies for the first time since 1989 when they take the court Saturday. The stretch includes a 0-14 record against A&M in conference play.

"A&M has had great tradition in the program and our kids in the past have expected to compete against them," Crum said.

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