

Desire is Common Ingredient to 1980-'81 Sports

by Tommy Pennell

This has been a year of ups and downs for Brevard College Athletics. There has been marked improvement over the year from most athletic squads. The main ingredient to Brevard's athletics this season has been the yearn to compete.

Men's Basketball

The Tornado's finished the season with an overall 10-14 record after losing in the first round of the Conference Tournament to Lees-McRae. The honors for this season's team were awarded to Trent Westmoreland and Mike King for making Second Team All-Conference. The leading scorer

was Trent Westmoreland, while the leader in assists was Mel Melton. A blow to the team at the end of the season was the resignation of Coach Sam Lewis after two seasons at the helm. The new coach will be Doug Rogers, a proven winner at all his programs.

Women's Basketball

Under the guidance of Coach Mary Ann Devlin, the Lady Tornados improved greatly over the preceding season with a 14-8 overall ledger. The team leaders all season were Co-Captain Jill Haynie and Freda Stovall. This twosome lead the team in scoring and rebounding. The season ended after being defeated by Spartanburg-Methodist in the Region Tournament.

Cross Country

The Cross Country Team concluded the season with a second place finish in the NJCCA Championships at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. This was the best ever individual performance by the team ever. The Tornados had three All-Americans: Ronnie Treadway, Randy Ward, and John Delaney.

Soccer

The Soccer Team finished the season with a record of 12-6-1. The season ended at the regional playoffs in Florida. The scheduled game between the Tornados and Miami Dade North was cancelled just a couple of hours before kick-off. The circumstances surrounding the

cancellation of the game concerned an ineligible Tornado player. However, after the team returned to Brevard, they found out that they were actually able to compete in the playoff. However, the team decided not to go to New Jersey to play Miami Dade North.

Intramurals

In Intramural action, Taylor Dorm won the championship in volleyball and basketball while the Beam Bucs won the football crown. In volleyball, Brian Lowery was named Most Valuable Player. In basketball, Tom Wayne of Ross Hall earned the honors with his play. Taylor won the basketball championship with overall team play. Larry Duckworth was the most

valuable player in football, but West Beam won the title with a quality team.

Women's Volleyball

The Women's Volleyball Team had a down won-lost percentage. However, the team never gave up in any of their matches.

Indoor Track

The Tornado Indoor Track team continued its competitive ways during the Spring season. The Tornados had two All-Americans: Wilbert Carter, throwing the shot put, and Mark Kennard winning first place honors in the one and two mile events.

Men's Tennis Team Hosts Last Match Today

Brevard College tennis netters hosted Mars Hill College on April 13 and won the match 5-4. Jeff Johnson scored a win at the number two singles, 6-1, 6-1. Masa Yonemura won at number four doubles 6-2, 6-1; Tim Gray won at number five singles 6-3, 5-7, 6-1; and Branson Lowe took the number 6 singles 6-4, 7-5. The only doubles win was the number two team of Elville-Yonemura,

winning 6-4, 7-6.

On April 14 Lees-McRae College came to town and took the match 6-3. Brevard had three singles wins with Jeff Johnson at No. 2, Masa Yonemura at No. 3, and Branson Lowe at No. 6.

The final home match will be on Tuesday, April 21, with Montreat-Anderson at 2:00 p.m. The team record to date is 5-6.

Taylor Dorm is on top In Intramural Softball

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Taylor Dorm opened the intramural softball season with three straight wins.

On April 7, Taylor defeated West Beam 12-8 in a come from behind effort. After four innings, Taylor was trailing 7-1 before exploding to take the victory.

April 8 and 9 saw forfeit victories given to Green and Taylor Dorms respectively when the team of Ross Hall-Day Students did not compete.

The Green Greenites earned a victory on April 10 with a 2-0 defeat of Beam as Marvin Howell pitched a three-hitter.

Taylor Dorm rallied from behind again on April 13, coming from a 5-1 deficit to nip Green 10-9. Leading hitters for Taylor were Greg Stephenson with two doubles, Jeff Shore with a double and a single, and David Dewey contributing a home run to the cause.



Coach Maynor speaks to members of the tennis team. (Photo by Steve Rabey).

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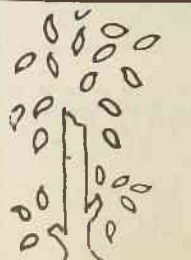
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