

# Renegades Rolled Over by Johnson City

by Steve Piotter and John Irvin

In the rugby match March 6, Brevard met with Johnson City, Tennessee on the Renegade's home turf. Despite the many fans and the enthused support, Johnson City stomped Brevard by a large margin.

The Renegades had high hopes of their first victory because the team had obtained a playing field from Olin to be used for their home field. The week before the game, the Renegades laid out the field in preparation. The team was more determined than ever, but much to their disappointment Johnson City showed more Rugby skills and talent than expected. Brevard, however, did put themselves on the board with a three point field goal kicked by John "Panama" Irvin.

"What exactly is rugby?" many of you have been asking.

Rugby is a unique combination of football and soccer. There are various rules and differences; the most obvious are: no padding is worn by players, there are no "plays" or "downs" as in American football, and the ball can not be moved forward from a players hand or hands (it may be kicked or run forward).

Scoring is in 3 fashions — placing the ball on the ground in the opponents goal constitutes a "try"; worth 4 points. The kick

after a try, a "conversion", is worth 2 points. And a "penalty kick" or a "drop kick" during free play kicked through the goal post is worth 3 points.

A rugby team consists of 15 players; 8 forwards and 7 backs. The 8 forwards make up the scrum, and normally consists of the larger, stronger, and slower players (equivalent to the linemen in American football).

The scrum is formed in 3 rows of 3, 4, and 1 players all binding to each other and locking together with the opposing scrum. The Brevard front row consists of Troy — (a prop). Dave Julen (the hooker, who tries to "hook" or win the ball for this team), and John King (a prop). The Renegade second row consists of Pat Sullivan and Doug Moore (both wing break aways) and Tom Ereth and Craig "Bubba" Norton (both locks). Co-captain Kevin McGowan anchors the last row by playing "8 man." Rusty King, Scott Watcher, Harry Chase, and Steve Piotter are very valuable scrummies who often play as much or more than those mentioned above.

The backs consist of 7 players (equivalent to the running backs and receivers in American Football). As the scrum provides the basic strength to a rugby team, the backs provide most of the speed and ball handling. The backs normally do most of the

scoring but this is certainly not a hard rule! Co-captain John "Panama" Irvin plays "scrum half", and provides the link from the scrum to the backs. As Kevin McGowan coordinates the scrum, John coordinates the backs. The backs always line up at a 45 degree angle from the scrum 5 metres apart. The 1st back in this line is Steve Smith (who plays "Stand-Off"). Steve's speed, is an asset and he gets the attack started. Steve's support outside is provided by Bill Toole (playing "Inside Center") who in turn is supported by Scott Harris (playing "Outside Center"). Gary Copelane and Tim Swan support Scott and provide the basic outside or breakaway speed (playing "wings"). Gary and Tim play opposite sides of the field or next together depending on the game situation. The final player of the 15 is George "Crack" Nicolson. Crack is the last line of defense and provides invaluable kicking ability (playing "Fullback") 15 metres behind the other 14. Tim McLaurin and Jerome—(due to his slightly above average physical characteristics) provide much needed relief for the backs. The scrum and backs must work as a tight coordinated, strong, fast, and mean group of 15. Each of the Renegades 15 on the field has a responsibility and job to do (not to mention 15 opposing players to stomp).



Jerome makes a last second saving pass to Gary Copelane, supported by Tom Eroth in the Johnson City game. (Photo by Steve Rabey).

## Indoor Track

### Tornados Finish 10th



"I can fly," Willie Holeman says. (Photo by Bobby Baxter).

Coach Norm Witek's Tornados finished 10th in the N.J.C.A.A. Indoor Track Championship held in Champaign, Illinois March 5 & 6. Andy Latimer, a freshman from Jacksonville, Fla., won the triple jump event with jump of 49'9". Latimer's jump in this event also set a new Brevard College indoor and outdoor record. He finished 6th in the high jump.

Other members of the Brevard team also placed high in the standings to contribute to the Tornados' 10th place finish. Willie Holeman finished 5th in the triple jump at 46'11" and 5th in the long jump at 22'6". Gordon Snaden, a freshman from Calhoun Ga., finished 3rd in the 3 mile run with a time of 14:15 and sophomore Dan Clay of Atlantic Beach, Fla., finished 8th in the mile run with a time of 9:24.

Dan Clay qualified in the 3,000 meters at 8:40. Freshman Gordon Snaden qualified in the 5,000 meters at 14:59.9. Willie Holeman, also a freshman, qualified in two events. He competed in the long jump after qualifying at 23'1" and in the triple jump after qualifying at 47'2". Freshman Andy Latimer qualified in the high jump at 6'8" (a school record for that event) and in the triple jump at 48'10 1/2" (also a school record for the event).

Both the Indoor and Outdoor Track teams for 1981 are mainly composed of freshmen. Coach Witek calls the season a "learning experience" and a "building process".

## Tornado Tennis

by Chris Burchall

The men's tennis team is off to a strong start this season with a record of three wins and no losses.

The team has played the Brevard Racquet Club twice and won by a score of 7-2 in both matches. The Tornados easily defeated Montreat-Anderson on March 23 here.

Lee Evans, the Tornado captain, defeated his opponent 6-0 in both sets. Number two ranked Johnny Dowdle won his match 6-3. Mark Warwock, the number three man for Brevard won both of his sets with scores of 6-1 and 6-2. Scott Alexander, Tim McFaurin and Bob Wilder also defeated their opponents.

In doubles, Lee Evans and Johnny Dawdle won their sets 6-1, 6-1. Mark Warwock and Scott Alexander defeated their opponents 6-0 and 6-2. Finally, Makoto Sugiyama and Bob Wilder won by 6-0 in both sets.

The men's tennis schedule is as follows.

- April 2, Anderson College, away, 2:00
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- April 5, U.S.C. Spartanburg, away, 3:00
- April 7, North Greenville, away, 1:30

- April 9, Montreat-Anderson, away, 1:30
- April 14, Lees-McRae, home, 1:30
- April 16, Newberry, away, 3:00
- April 20, Lees-McRae, away, Mixed doubles

April 23-25 region X tournament, High Point, N.C.

## Women's Tennis

by Cecil Collier

The 1982 Women's Tennis Team is undertaking a difficult season this year. However, the team is shaping up nicely. The girls beat Tuscalom 9-0, however, they were defeated by Converse and Anderson. Their first home match was Thursday, March 25th against Maryville.

The team recently chose Abby Hoag as their captain. The team, in order of rank are Sharlyn Hamilton, first seed; Beth Martinson, second; Abby Hoag, third; Mary Gay Michaels, fourth; Loretta Edwards, fifth; and Kim Porter, sixth. The other team members are Leigh Andrews and Dana Andrea.

Most of the team members feel that the season is progressing well. Support would be greatly appreciated and it is an excellent way to spend an afternoon.