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## Sports

## **Tennis tops UVa-Wise**

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Brevard College evened their Appalachian Athletic Conference (AAC) record at 2-2 on Saturday Aprile 10 with a win over UVa.-Wise.

Tied at 4-4 with the deciding match on the courts, sophomore Cooper Rutledge gave the Tornados the 5-4 win over his opponent 6-1, 6-4. Coach Ron Worrell is pleased to see each of the BC players make such good progress in



Scott Kerchner serves the ball (photo by Hall Penn)

Aaron Post serves the ball

(photo by Hall Penn)

their recent matches.

"We won this match today without our number two player, (sophomore) Jeff Carbuhn, who's out with an arm injury," said Worrell. "The rest of the guys stepped up and played some good tennis to secure this win today. I'm very proud of all the guys!"

## Track

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managed to run a very respectable 10:57, only 13 seconds off his fastest time this season.

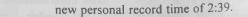
The next event was the women's 1500m run and consisted of seniors Tara Barrier and Ashley Vaughn. Both runners were able to run their fastest times of the season, with Tara running 5:20 for 12<sup>th</sup> place and Ashley running 5:41.

The men's 1500m followed the women's, and freshman Blair Teal, junior Kirk Bjorling, and senior Shane Batson represented BC in this event. Teal ran his fastest time of the year and managed to get an 8<sup>th</sup> place finish.

"I really wanted to break 4:10, but I'm still happy I was able to get in the top eight," Teal said about his time of 4:13. Kirk ran 4:30 and Shane ran 4:40 respectively.

Next was the men's 4 by 800m relay. The relay team posted the highest finish of the day for BC, with a 6<sup>th</sup> place overall. This was a great accomplishment for the relay team since 3 of the 4 members had already raced once earlier in the day. The relay team consisted of Kirk Bjorling (2:06), Blair Teal (2:06), Harrison Vicini (2:09), and Jesse McEntire (2:08). The 4 by 8 team had an official season best time of 8:30.

Senior Ryan Morris competed in the open 800m race and ran a



Last to compete for BC was Justin Holstein in the men's 5000m run. Justin ran the race in a time of 18:16.

Overall, six of the eleven BC athletes ran their fastest times of the season.

On the women's side, the meet was won by Bellarmine University. Cumberland College won the men's meet.



Members of the track and field team discuss Friday's meet (photo by John Padgett)