



Seahawk Sports

OCTOBER 31, 2000

SCOREBOARD

MEN'S SOCCER

Record: 4-11-1 (1-4-0 CAA)
Sat. Oct. 28
UNCW 3 VMI 1 (W)

VOLLEYBALL

Record: 4-20 (0-8 CAA)
Fri. Oct. 27
WILLIAM & MARY 3 UNCW 0 (L)
Sat. Oct. 28
Va. COMMONWEALTH 3 UNCW 2 (L)

MEN'S TENNIS

Fri. & Sat. Oct. 27-28
at Charleston Southern Invitational (Late)

CROSS COUNTRY

Sat. Oct. 28
at CAA Championships (Greenville, N.C.)
Men: Fifth out of five schools
Women: Fourth out of six schools

SWIMMING AND DIVING

Sat. Oct. 28
UNCW 152 RICHMOND 148 (W)

MEN'S GOLF

Mon. Oct. 30
at ODU/Seascape Invitational
(Kitty Hawk, N.C.)
Day One: (Late)

SCHEDULES

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Record: 8-11 (1-7 CAA)
Wed. - Sun. Nov. 1-5 TBA
at CAA Championships (Virginia Beach, Va.)

MEN'S SOCCER

Wed. Nov. 1 at 7 p.m.
WILLIAM & MARY

VOLLEYBALL

Wed. Nov. 1 at 7 p.m.
COASTAL CAROLINA

MEN'S & WOMEN'S TENNIS

Wed. - Sun. Nov. 1-5 All Day
at Rolex Regionals (Winston-Salem, N.C.)

MEN'S GOLF

Tue. Oct. 31 All Day
at ODU/Seascape Invitational
Day Two
(Kitty Hawk, N.C.)

BOLD indicates home game

Seahawks mount comeback in opener

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STAFF WRITER

On Saturday, the UNC Wilmington women's swimming and diving team opened their season against Colonial Athletic Association rival Richmond. The Seahawks defeated the Richmond Spiders 152-148 in an exciting and enthusiastic meet.

The Seahawks meshed into one cohesive unit, which ultimately aided their victory. UNCW moved to 1-0 with the victory in their season opener.

The entire meet was filled with spectacular skill displayed by both teams. After the first event, the 200-meter medley relay, the Seahawks were down 6-11 to the Spiders. This single event added fuel to the already blazing fire. UNCW mounted an effective comeback, which started in the sixth event and climaxed in the seventh.

After the 200-meter butterfly in the sixth event, UNCW overcame the Richmond lead, 60 to 52. Following the 200-meter butterfly, senior Kate Milling and freshman Jamie Hamill came in first and second place respectively in the 50 freestyle. This put the Lady Hawks on top 73 to 58.

"We definitely have had some good swims, I think so far we are doing really well," commented Mill-



James Flint/The Seahawk
Junior Stephanie Allen completes a difficult maneuver in Saturday's competition against Richmond.

ing after the 50-meter freestyle.

UNCW maintained a steady lead throughout the competition. However, the Richmond Spiders mounted their own comeback and managed to overtake the Seahawks in the second to last event, 141-142.

Tension along with increased adrenaline now filled the UNCW natatorium. The crowd was on its feet and the UNCW men's squad, who was there to cheer the women on, began to scream and chant from the top of their lungs. Seahawk Head Coach Dave Allen and diving coach Marc Ellington were running back

and forth frantically to arouse the swimmers. The atmosphere was incredible. The swimmers took their marks and they were off. The 400-meter freestyle relay team of Milling, Sands, Hamill, and Stokes came away with a first-place-win. That boosted the score and secured the victory for the UNCW women's swimming and diving team.

The UNCW women's diving squad displayed both heart and unrelenting persistence. Dive after dive, the Seahawks proved that they have what it takes to become an excellent unit. However, that afternoon Richmond swept the diving events. Michelle McLeroy was a bright spot for UNCW coming in second in the 1-meter diving competition and fourth in the 3-meter event.

Stephanie Allen, a junior from Wilmington, N.C. said, "I went into the meet with a good frame of mind." This aspect was evident and radiated from the divers faces. As the diving squad waited to dive, they individually cheered on each other when they were not in action. Coach Ellington of the diving team said, "We are going to learn from our mistakes, and we are a very young team trying to get as much experience as we can."

The UNCW women's swimming and diving team proved that they are

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Women take fourth in CAA Tourney

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After a seventh place finish in the Colonial Athletic Association last year, the UNC Wilmington women's cross-country team anticipated improvement in this season's squad.

The Seahawks hoped for third place in the CAA, which boasts nationally ranked teams James Madison and William and Mary. UNCW went home Saturday, Oct. 28 with a fourth place finish under their belts. This is not what they had hoped for, but a positive improvement, nonetheless.

"[The CAA] is a tough confer-

ence," said assistant coach Bruce Kritzler, who anticipates a positive future for the team. "It's solid top-to-bottom now."

Senior captain Amanda Statz led the Seahawks with a 17th place finish in the conference. Statz ran 23:19 over the 6000-meter course. The 6000-meters was a change for the women, who had only run the distance once before. "We're getting used to [the distance] now," Kritzler said. "Everybody knows what to expect, what it takes."

Mary Gill, who has run the No. 2 spot for UNCW in all but one race this season, took 26th in the conference. "It was a tough field," Gill

said. "But I think we all did good. I think everybody went out there and did a good job."

"What we need to concentrate on, though, is everybody packing up, moving a little closer together," she added. Sophomore Bayley Bulkeley came in behind Gill, taking 30th for the Seahawks.

Senior Kate Hayek, who placed 34th for UNCW and ran in the No. 4 position, was positive about the team's performance. "When we were coming through at the three-mile mark, everybody around me got [personal records], so I think we did

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