

Soccer Ends Season With Wins

After their performance against Campbell Oct. 22, the soccer team should perhaps be renamed the SA Knight Owls. Playing their first and only night tilt of the campaign, the Knights made the then undefeated Camels earn a 2-0 victory. (Campbell has since been beaten by UNC-W.)

SA's chances rested upon closely checking the Buies Creek team and taking advantage of any scoring opportunities when they occurred. Things went well for the Blue in the first half. Bob Latshaw and Prem Thoonkabaln sent "screamers" toward the net which were stopped by good goal tending. The SA defense supported Beales well and the senior goalie made the stops when necessary. A stunned home crowd saw the half end 0-0.

Campbell's talent showed as Latienzo was credited with the first goal on a shot from the backfield. This came with less than 3 minutes gone in the 2nd staza. Latierza assisted Brate on the Camels' second score 15 minutes later. Lanham cut off every Blue shot to avert a major upset. Beales made 15 saves for SA.

S.A. final home game resulted in a 4-2 win over Christopher Newport. The Captains, in their first year of varsity soccer, made several thrusts down field before the Knight offense shifted into

high gear.

Dux hit his ninth consecutive penalty shot into the left-hand corner at 26:00 after a hand ball infraction in the penalty area. John Catmur took over the middle in this game. A former wing, he handled it well and got the first of his two scores from Latshaw on a fast break. Cat made it 4-0, 4 minutes before half from Latshaw, beating the goalie on one. Latshaw had tallied his 18th earlier in the period.

Fun ensued in the second half when Quillen moved Asbury up front. As the crowd roared every time the Atlantan touched the ball, Mackay blew a chance for his first collegiate goal, shooting wide instead of dribbling it into the net. Asbury would just as soon take the victory, though.

Beales lost his shutout late in the game on a *drift* that found the left corner. Shortly afterwards, CNC scored on substitute tender, Walter Thompson.

At the "Home of the Braves," Oct. 29 Quillen was able to substitute liberally. The visitors snatched goals without reservation as the blue tomahawked PSU 5-0.

Thoonkabaln booted home his first two goals of the year, starting the scoring, and the rest was easy. Latshaw gave him good crosses both times. Prem made no mistakes on his shots. Latshaw moved closer

to the ~~covert~~ 20 mark from Noorani, making it 3-0 at intermission. Cat poked home a rebound on a missed Latshaw shot, and Dux set a school record with his 10th straight penalty kick to end the scoring.

Atlantic Christian's Bulldogs stayed pretty close in the infraction area, but not close enough on the scoreboard, absorbing their lumps, 4-0. The Blue pulled away with another strong second half after leading only 1-0 at half on Latshaw's 20th of the season. Thoonkabaln found Cat for two good shots early in the second half. Cat finished with 8 goals, including 5 in the last 3 games. Dux got his first non-penalty kick goal on a one-on-one situation with 4 minutes remaining (his 8th also). Jeff Beales worked his 5th "goose-egg" job of '74.

"We dug ourselves out of the hole to finish at 500," remarked Quillen. Quillen must be commended for appealing to "center pride" in these 3 victories. Those seniors who have given SA 4 fine years for soccer are co-captains Mackay Asbury and John Catmur, Bob Latshaw, Prem Thoonkabaln, Tom Dux, Jeff Beales, Richard Rhoderick, Rick Judge, Billy Parker and John Averell. Their shoes will be extremely hard to fill in the future.

THE Wild Corner

BY KIM PHILLIPS

Several people have asked me how the sports page was going to look this year. They asked me if I was going to run a column. I finally decided to write this column in the form of my associate who last year stated his sole purpose in doing the column was to examine the S.A. athletic scene in depth.

In keeping with that policy, this column seeks to span the S.A. sports globe from Harris Courts to Kansas City or wherever it leads with a constant variety of sports. This week the corner looks at a parachuting exhibition undertaken by 11 S.A. students October 26.

Tom Dux who organized the trip cited lower rates and private lessons for groups of at least 10 as the main reason for making the journey. Dux commented, "You don't realize what a thrill sky-diving is until you're actually doing it. I've always wanted to sky-dive." He further explained in the practice lessons, "we had to know what to do after we jumped out of the plane at

3,000 feet. Our instructors were good and the most important thing they told was to always make sure we pulled our ripcord. After that, we just had to master the basic techniques."

Prem stated, "They (the instructors) also showed us what to do when various malfunctions came up." He admitted that parachuting was pretty much a foreign sport to Thaliandens.

The group reported one minor injury. Jay Hannig twisted an ankle when he messed up his landing.

S.A. should be very proud of these student's efforts. Those participating along with Dux and Thoonkabaln were Linda Clawson, Jay Hanning, Skip Carson, Charlie Dailey, Cliff Summers, Zahir Noorani, Bob Latshaw, Richard Roderick and John Catmur. It has been pointed out that our jumpers (even those first timers) were more accomplished than other previous groups that had attempted the feet at Southern Pines.

Banannas Gain Experience

According to Coach Williams, the St. Andrews volleyball squad has shown

improvement over its previous inconsistent play. Particularly cited as showing progress have been the players who had their first exposure to volleyball this season. "Some of the girls who had very little experience at the start of the season have really come a long way", remarked the coach.

It was her assessment of the team at this point standing 10-9 after double loses to Guilford and Pembroke, the inexperience of the team has been a plaguing factor throughout.

In preparing to journey to Durham to play East Carolina and Duke, Coach Williams expressed pleasure with the teams desire to improve this season and speculated that next years squad will have more experience, with only three seniors graduating.

In this past weekends State Class B tournament, the Knights pulled out wins over U.N.C. Asheville on Friday and Mars Hill on Saturday and then dropped matches to U.N.C. Wilmington on Friday and Guilford on Saturday. In summing up the teams tournament play, the coach credited Glen Kennedy and Karen Hardison as having "a good tournament."

Cross Country Finishes Third In Conference

S.A.'s cross-country team found the going tough on Va. Wesleyan's home course in the DIAC championships. The Knights came in third place in the meet. Lynchburg wound up with 24, Methodist 37, and SA 68. Va. Wesleyan and Christopher Newport did not field complete teams.

CNC's Sand Fields left the other 30 finishers far behind, galloping the 5 miles in a fine 26:59. Methodists' star John Young was nearly 90 seconds behind while the rest of the field ran well spread out. Chard Do Noird and Ken Brady of Lynchburg came in 3rd and 5th. Kim Van Rijn, the other ~~complain~~ runner, split them. The first five made all-conference.

Jacob Houge placed 7th, negotiating the course in an adequate 29:51. Houge sprinted in very fresh at the finish, something he has done throughout the season. Joe

Roberts ran a 32:00, for 17th and nearly beat Lynchburg's Bob Veasey, who had been the Hornets no. 1 man. Bob Peolon got 20th in 32:35 after experiencing many problems. Cliff Summers clocked 33:04 in one of his best efforts of the year. Little Kathy Taylor gave it her best despite a serious injury, taking 34:03. Her run showed true Knight spirit, which has been a trademark of Blackwell's '74 squad. Bill Fragaszy made it in 37:24.

"Our times as a team this year have been among the best in the school's history. I just need to get one or two good freshmen next year to go with my young talent for a real up and coming team." Houge, Summers, Pelon and Taylor will return next year.

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