

# Bulldog Sports

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## Hittin' the High Notes

By Courtney Brown And Marshall Riggins

#### **BRBBP** Poll of the Month

With college basketball approaching quickly, we here at BRBBP headquarters think the nation would like to know what the basketball experts, mainly Marsh and myself, say about the upcoming season. Obviously the Runnin' Rebs of UNLV are the preseason favorite because of the thrasing they gave the Duke Blue Devils in last years' NCAA Championship Game. (We really don't think it matters that the Devils are now 0-4 when making it to the Final Four because obviously they don't have what it takes to win the big one.) However, that has no bearing on our decision because the Rebs lost only one player.

- 1. UNLV The Running Rebels could surely repeat, but won't get the opportunity due to sanctions passed by the NCAA.
- 2. Arkansas Todd Daye and Lee Mayberry displayed their scoring talents in this year's Goodwill Games.
- 3. Arizona After having an excellent year last year, the Wildcats have everyone back.
- 4. Georgetown With Alonzo Mourning and Dikembe Mutombo, John Thompson has a powerhouse from the Big East.
- 5. North Carolina A question mark because of the inexperience of the team but hey, we had to put an ACC team in the top five and Carolina deserves the billing.

So, with all the parity in college basketball, the upcoming year should be most memorablebecause of the competitiveness and intercollegiate rivalries.

#### **Shattered Dreams**

The hearts of all UVA fans are now broken and their national championship dream is shattered by the 41-38 loss to Georgia Tech on November 4. With the weak schedule Virginia has, the loss to the Yellow Jackets should be too much for the Cavs to overcome. Sure they can still play on New Year's Day, but not for the national championship as they had aspired for. Too bad their dream of being #1 in the nation was so shortlived, but truthfully, did they deserve the top spot among the nations elite? It sure doesn't look that way now, as the AP poll dropped them all the way to #11 after the loss!

#### **Hot Hornets?**

The Charlotte Homets are off to a great start as compared with the past few seasons. Having had a very respectable preseason, the Hornets opened the 1990-91 season with a 130-134 overtime loss to the N.Y. Knicks. They had a strong showing again, as they had beaten the Knicks in the week prior to the game. At press time the record is (3-5) and the team is looking good as they prepare for the long stretch of the season. This is the time in which a team has to play for future position in the standings and try to set a pace to lead themselves to the playoffs.

Who knows what might happen this season?!?!

#### Flat Cold "Busted"

We have to pause and say congratulations to Evander Holyfield on winning the Heavyweight Championship of the World. We knew he would win anyway. We might add that he has now chosen to fight George Foreman, thus bumping Mike Tyson out of his contract with Foreman and puttin him up against Douglas again. Now we'll find out if Tyson still has the "stuff"! Be looking for these two fights in the early spring of 1991.



Rosalind Garmon and Missy Cline look forward to trips to Chapel Hill.

### Fleet Feet

By Courtney Brown

The indoor track season is already underway but with the first meet still yet to be run the Albemarle squad is somewhat of a question mark. Mrs. Maske says that she expects large numbers this year so the team can be quite competitive. However, indoor track schools aren't split into 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A classifications so all compete on the same level. Needless to say, competition is very stiff. With the nearest indoor track located in Chapel Hill, the team will be doing quite a bit of traveling, making the trek at least 4 to 5 times. Upon talking to former all-state indoor track runner Palmer Brown, I learned that indoor is very rough since the track is so small and the turns are very sharply banked. The smaller, shorter runner definitely has an advantage over the stereotypical long and lanky runner, while the stronger runner has an edge on the smaller, weaker runner. So in the long run, the advantages favor both types. This year's Bulldog squad hopes to have 25 girls, 12 of whom are returning lettermen. The boys, who haven't had a team meeting yet, hope to have anywhere from 10 to 25 runners. With the great expectations this year's team holds, the indoor track season hopes to be the best yet.

## Wanted: @?\*! Raisers

By Michael Blagg

Attention AHS students! A monster is running rampant in our school. This is not a new creature, but through out the years, it has grown and become more powerful. A selective group of individuals have tried to battle this monster, without success. This terrible beast takes the average student and sucks the very essence out of the teenager. It drains a little known, but very important fluid, out of a gland that is technically known as the "Raizious Hellous" gland and the fluids it gives off promote school spirit.

Face it, except for the band at the football games, Albemarle's school spirit sucks! This school is made of some of the craziest, fun loving, sons-of-bisquet eaters to roam Stanly County, and we are dead. I hear complaints on how our pep-rallies are only 15 minutes, but how can they give us more time when we don't do anything? A group of about 30 students react

Now that we know the problem, what can we do about it? Well, although there is no set formula for school spirit, attendance by students would be nice. When you have a gym as small as Albemarle, and you can't even fill it up, there are major problems. If we can get people to the games, everything next is easy. All you have to do is go wild.

Everybody has that little bit of animal in them that needs to be released. It's better to do this at a wrestling meet or basketball game it front of your friends than in front of strange people who will think you are weird for the rest of eternity.

Do come on, have a ball. Throw your selfcontrol out the window; it's fun. You can believe me; I know because I have done it many times. Make opposing teams hate coming to Albemarle. The sporting teams call for you.

## Down . . . Set . . . Broken Fingernail . . . But Seniors Prevail!

Once again the juniors met the seniors in a friendly but competitve game of football. Both teams prepared extensively for the game with all of three days of practice before the game day. On the night of Nov.3, both teams were on the field at 6:30 finalizing their game plays. As the game got under way, the seniors took an early lead with Rachel Kendall handing the ball off to Wyvonia Hamilton. The score at this time was 6-0. Near the end of the first half Wyvonnia ran the ball for another touchdown. At half time the score was Seniors 12 and Juniors 0. In the last half of the game Oshi Simms ran the ball for the seniors to win the ballgame 18-0. The seniors played a great game on offense as well as defense. Jennifer Cook and Shelly Austin both intercepted passes to help their team. Shannon Scheble also had a busy nigtht as the team's kicker. The victorous coaches for the seniors were T.R. Russell, Ward Surratt, Jeff Hogan, and Ron Quarles.

The junior's offense was led by their QB, Jennifer Eller. The entire offense played a good game but fell a little short. Kristi Johnson caught a pass for yardage, and Marcee Vanoree ran the ball for additional yardage. All of the juniors put forth a good effort. The juniors were coached by Xaricus Allen, Eric Hatley, Lamonte Davis, Eric Culp, and Adrian Dennis.

The highlight of the night was watching the Homecoming ceremony. Some of the participants were very original. The Homecoming court was selected, and the winners were Jack Baldwin and Warren Misenheimer. The Homecoming queens were Mike Furr and Dion Brooks. Mike Furr was the most original, wearing a designer swim suit by Ocean Pacific. The cheerleading squad also left a lasting impression on the fans. The members of the squad were Seth Cain, Bryan Land, Danny Landis, John Paige, Johnthan-Bowers, Tim Russell, and Donnie Lummus.



Powderpuff Queens Mike Furr and Jack Baldwin strike a pose with their court Warren Misenheimer and Dion Brooks.