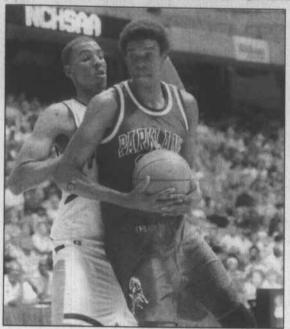


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Ray Bristow leads West to easy victory Former Parkland standout scores

20 points in All-Star game

BY SAM DAVIS THE CHRONICLE

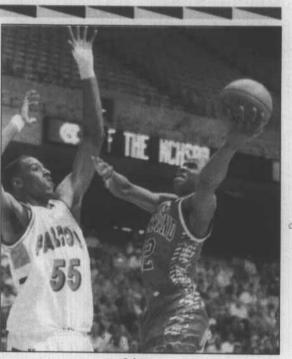
GREENSBORO – It was an honor for Ray Bristow to join the West team for the Oasis Shrine East-West All-Star Game, played the night of July 16 at the Greensboro Coliseum.

Bristow was a last-minute replacement but he didn't let that affect his mental approach or his game. And although he didn't start in the game. Bristow proved that he belonged by scoring 20 points to help the West team take a 115-89 victory.

Bristow came in off the bench midway through the first quarter and helped propel his team to an early lead. Playing with the second unit. Bristow went on an 8-0 scoring binge by himself and that helped the West take a 27-20 lead. which it never relinquished.

After the first unit returned at the start of the second quarter. Bristow came off the

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Bristow

Injury limits Jones in final prep game FROM THE PRESS BOX SAM DAVIS

GREENSBORO – The end didn't come with the flourish that she would have liked, but still Porsche Jones said she appreciated having the opportunity to play in the girls' game of the Oasis Shrine East-West All-Star Game the night of July 16 at the Greensboro Coliseum.

Jones was limited for more than half of the game after sustaining an injury to her knee. The

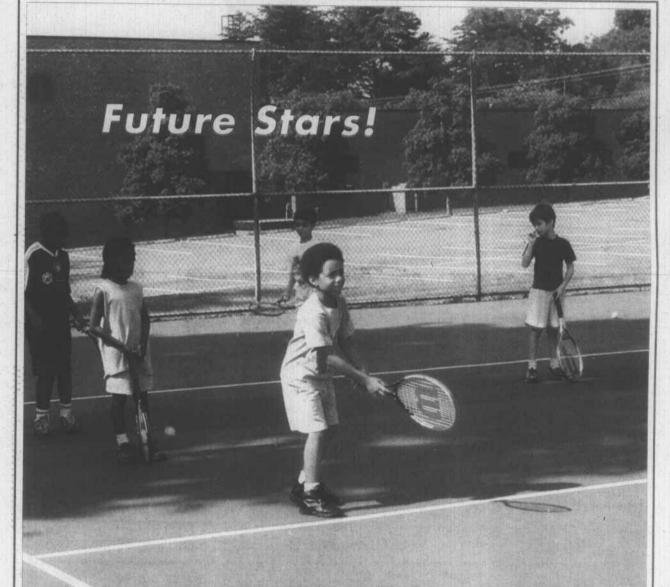
former Carver High School standout said the injury prevented her from making the types of contributions she's used to making. But that's part of the game and Jones said she's looking forward to her next basketball game, which will be as part of the women's program at Wake Forest.



"I wanted to go out and

do good in my last high school game," she said. "I thought I started out OK, but after the injury I couldn't really move or make the kind of plays that I'm used to making."

At Carver, Jones helped transform a dormant program into one of the state's best. She averaged more than 24 points as a freshman, but with little help the Yellowjackets struggled to get into the win column. The addition of Camille Little and several other talented newcomers helped propel Carver all the way to the state 3-A championship game in 2000. Then in 2001 the Yellowjackets captured the state title. As a senior, Jones helped the Yellowjackets make it all the way to the 3-A Eastern Regional championship game before they



The Young Folks Tennis Program, operated by the Winston-Salem Tennis Association, has been in operation for more than a decade. The program has sites throughout Winston-Salem. Here the beginning players practice their skills under the direction of John Worsley and Charles Kennedy.

lost to Rockingham County.

Not many players in Forsyth County basketball history have accomplished the goals that Jones has. She was a four-time All-Northwest pick and also made the Piedmont Triad 3-A All-Conference Team for four consecutive seasons. She left Carver as the all-time assists leader and among

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Late Night Basketball is still packing in fans

BY SAM DAVIS THE CHRONICLE

The gymnasium at 14th Street Community Center heats up considerably four nights each week when the Late Night Basketball League tips off. Standing-room-only crowds flock to the center to watch the league's 16 teams square off against each other.

Robert Little, the center supervisor and former standout at N.C. Central and Harlem Globetrotter, has been operating the league for more than a decade. He said the talent level continues to rise.

"The competition is awesome," Little said. "And the crowds really turn out to see the players. All the games are well attended, but when the Hot Boyz play, it's always standing room only."

That was the case recently when the Hot Boyz played Strictly Business. The Hot Boyz featured a half-dozen players who made their marks in local prep basketball. They include high-flying Danny Gathings, former All-State performer at Parkland; Jon Adams; Mike "Petey" Noel: Shaun Williford; Antoine Smith and Mike Bowman.

Strictly Business' roster includes Josh Pittman, former East Forsyth standout, who went on to become Sun Belt Player of the Year at UNC-Asheville and who now plays



Josh Pittman, who played at East Forsyth and was the Conference Player of the Year at UNC-Asheville, goes up for a basket against Strictly Business.

professional basketball overseas; Antonio Minor and Chris Stewart.

There was a logjam atop the standings as the teams headed into the final week of the regular season. The Gators began the week with a 9-1 record. However, they must face both the Hot Boyz and Strictly Business.

"These two games will have a lot to do with who the regular season champion will be." Little said.

Strictly Business began the week with an 8-2 record, followed by the Hot Boyz, Da Realest and Ready Made, all with 7-3 records. Da Realest's

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Former Lady Ram hoopster helps Cougars win in women's football

BY SAM DAVIS THE CHRONICLE

HIGH POINT – With Erica Leggett leading the way, the Carolina Cougars broke open a close game with two key defensive plays and roared to a 27-8 victory over the Tennessee Heat in a Women's Professional Football League game at Southwest Guilford last Saturday night.

Leggett, a former All-CIAA basketball player at Winston-Salem State, led the team in tackles and also returned an interception 26 yards for a touchdown. Leggett's touchdown helped seal the victory in



Leggett

the fourth quarter for the Cougars in their home opener.

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