



1971 CHOWAN BRAVES—Chowan College 1971-72 Basketball players (from left) Harry Jackson, Pat Callahan, Nat Wright, John Spears, Rodd Polk, Mike Oliver, Don Johnson,

Jeff Sohlich, Chester Neals, Ray Rawls, Ray Brigman, Donald Holts, and William Joyner; (kneeling) captains Randy Michie and Norman Roles.

Basketball Season Gets Underway

Chowan College will open its basketball season Nov. 23 and by then Coach Bill McCraw will have made an important decision, one that his own players have forced him to delay, the selection of his starting lineup.

"Right now," the lanky, personable coach conceded, "anyone of nine or 10 players could start. The competition is that close," he added.

Among the 15 members are 11 new players and five are battling for the first team. They are forwards Mike Oliver (6-3) from East Orange, N.J., Nat Wright (6-1) of Charlottesville, Va., and Ray Rawls (6-0) of Windsor, Va.; guard John Spears (6-0) of Afton, Va., and center Don Johnson (6-5)

The Braves four carryovers are also pressing for the starting assignments. Heading the list is guard Randy Michie (5-7) of Chesapeake, Va., the only player certain to start, who averaged 18 points per game last year. Also returning are forward Ray Brigman, guard Harry Jackson and center Norman Roles. Of these three, Brigman and Roles started a number of games last season.

Departed is center Harry Flipping, who led the region in rebounding. But McCraw expects the new players will enable Chowan to hold its own on the boards.

Th spirited competition is seen as a good omen by McCraw in Chowan's bid to improve on its 13-13 mark last season. "The bench is definitely much better than last year," McCraw noted. "In fact, it is the best we've had."

Chowan finished fourth among eight Cavalier-Tarheel Conference teams during 1970-71 play. The Braves captured the championship the Frederick Military Academy Invitational tournament and placed as runners-up in the Evans College Holiday Tournament. This was a marked improvement from the 2-19 record of the previous year.

The presence of Michie provides Chowan with a smart quarterback as well as excellent shooter, McCraw declared. He provided the winning points in several games last year with last-second free thrown. Teamed with either Jackson or freshman Spears, McCraw believes the Brave's backcourt will be one of the strongest in the league. Spears is given plus marks by McCraw as a ball handler, defensive player and for his hustle while Jackson is described as a steady, consistent player.

Chowan's schedule includes two games with each of the seven conference opponents and contests with the freshmen of Old Dominion, William and Mary and East Carolina.

The schedule:

November 23 - at Chesapeake College, 30 - Mt. Olive

December 2 and 3 - at Frederick Military Academy Invitational Tournament, 6 - at Kittrell, 9 - at Southwood, 11 - Frederick Military Academy.

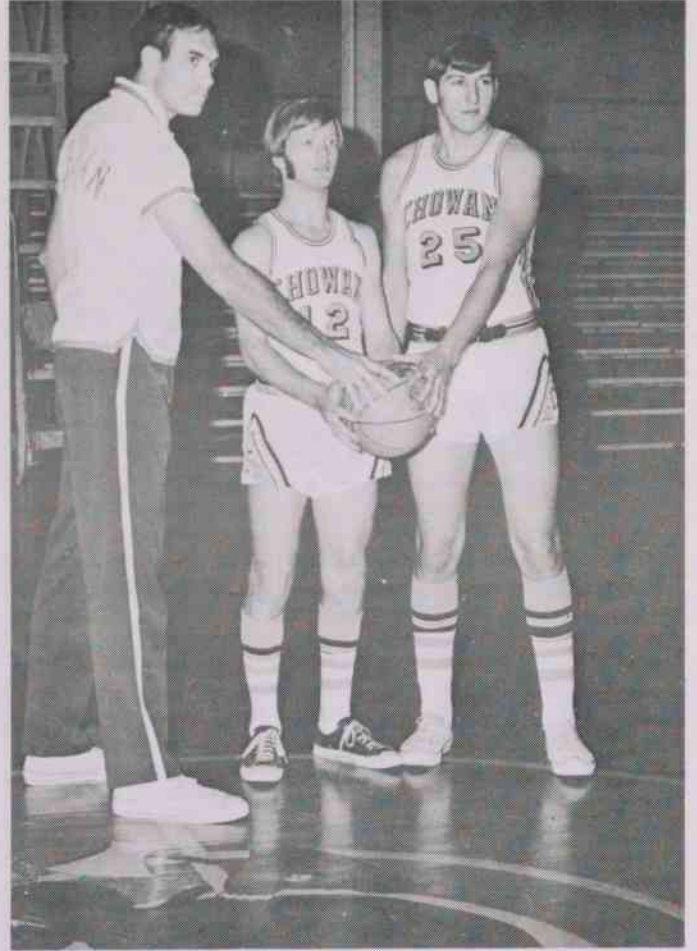
January 12 - Chesapeake, 14 - at Old Dominion University Freshmen, 18 - Louisburg, 20 - at College of Albemarle, 22 - Kittrell, 24 - at Frederick Military Academy, 26 - Southwood, 28 - Ferrum.

February 3 - at William and Mary University Freshmen, 5 - at Sandhills, 7 - at Louisburg, 9 - College of Albemarle, 12 - at Ferrum, 14 - at East Carolina University Freshmen, 16 - at Mt. Olive, 19 - Sandhills, 21 - Old Dominion University Freshmen, 24, 25, and 26 - Cavalier-Tarheel Conference Tournament.

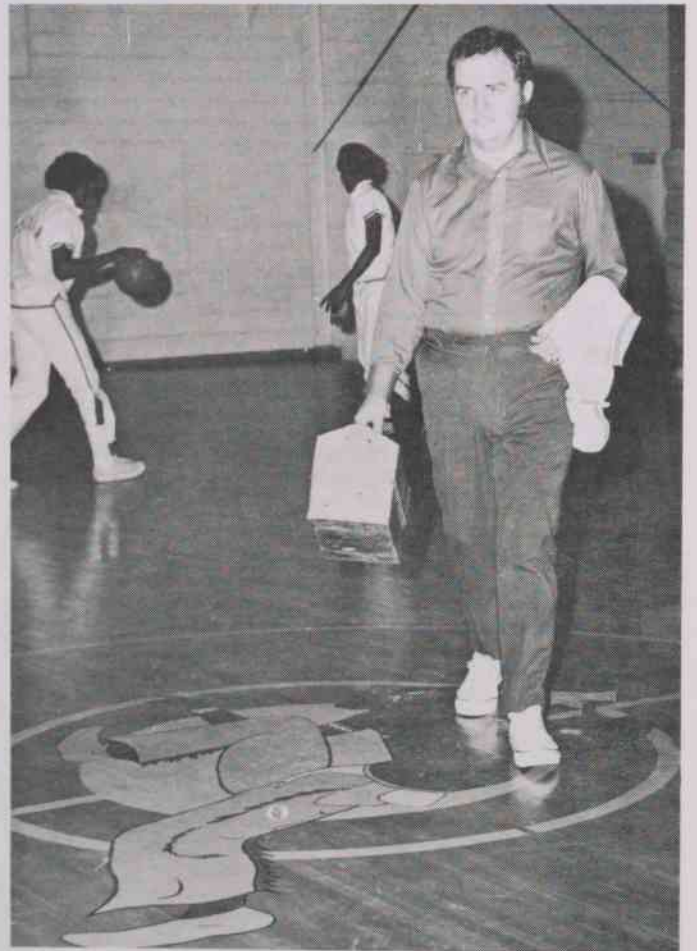
All home games begin at 7:45 p.m. with the exception of Old Dominion University freshmen game on Feb. 21 which is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m.

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The north star neither rises nor sets, it is directly over the axis on which the earth spins. So rotation of the earth does not affect its position as seen from the earth.



PROVIDE LEADERSHIP—Providing leadership for the Braves are Coach Bill McCraw and co-captains Randy Michie and Norman Roles.



VALUABLE ASSISTANT—James Engle, manager, sophomore from Morganton, could use another pair of hands for the many jobs his assignment includes.

The 1971-72 Chowan Braves Roster

Player	No.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Hometown	Class	Position
Ray Brigman	23	6' 1"	160	Latta, S. C.	Soph.	GF
Pat Callahan	24	5' 10"	160	Norfolk, Va.	Fresh.	G
Donald Holts	11	6' 0"	165	Waynesboro, Va.	Fresh.	G
Harry Jackson	13	5' 10"	155	Virginia Beach, Va.	Soph.	G
Don Johnson	30	6' 5"	210	Norfolk, Va.	Fresh.	C
Randy Michie	12	5' 8"	150	Chesapeake, Va.	Soph.	G
Chester Neals	22	6' 4"	180	East Orange, N. J.	Fresh.	F
Mike Oliver	21	6' 3"	175	East Orange, N. J.	Fresh.	F
Rodd Polk	15	6' 4"	210	Titusville, Fla.	Fresh.	F
Ray Rawls	20	6' 0"	165	Carrsville, Va.	Fresh.	F
Norman Roles	25	6' 4"	200	Conemaugh, Pa.	Soph.	C
Jeff Sohlich	31	6' 3"	190	New Wilmington, Pa.	Fresh.	F
John Spears	14	6' 0"	160	Afton, Va.	Fresh.	G
Nathaniel Wright	32	6' 1"	185	Charlottesville, Va.	Soph.	GF
Wm. Joyner	10	5' 11"	170	Windsor, Va.	Fresh.	G

CHOWAN COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 1971 - 1972



JANET COLLINS Girls' Basketball Coach

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION
JANUARY		
28	East Carolina University	Home
FEBRUARY		
1	Christopher Newport	Away
5	Virginia Commonwealth Univ.	Away
14	Peace College	Away
16	Virginia Wesleyan	Home
19	Westhampton	Away
22	Christopher Newport	Away
MARCH		
5	Virginia Wesleyan	Away
9	Atlantic Christian College	Home