

# 49ers Beat Abbey, Asheville

By ROBBY SNIPES

Since their return from the tournament in Florida the Charlotte College 49ers have been an up and down ball club, sometimes looking like a first rate college team and on other occasions like a YMCA recreation club.

In the first game after their return on Thursday, Jan. 14, the 49ers ran North Carolina Methodist right out of the Garinger gym with an astounding 110-84 score. Wally McGinty and Tommy Gilliam scored 23 points apiece to lead the 49ers to their sixth straight Dixie Conference victory.

A strong first half which left Charlotte leading 61-39 at the half assured the 49ers of a victory. The entire starting five finished in double figures. McGinty and Gilliam were followed by Ronnie Robinson with 19 and Charlie Jacobs and Jimmy James with 13 and 11 respectively.

Charlotte College 61-49-110

N. C. Methodist 39-45-84

Pembroke came next and caught Charlotte cold in an away game Saturday, Jan. 16. The home team gave the 49ers their worst beating of the year with a tally of 95-54.

The 49ers hit only 25 per cent of their shots from the floor while Pembroke hit twice that many. The 49ers just never got in the ball game. They trailed 47-22 at the half.

Charlie Jacobs was the leading scorer for Charlotte with 22 points. Ronnie Robinson and Tommy Gilliam had 12 apiece.

Charlotte College 22-32-54

Pembroke 47-49-95

Lynchburg fell to Charlotte 77-70 on Tuesday, Jan. 19, in an away game as the 49ers padded their Dixie Conference lead to two full games.

Jimmy James poured in 21 points to lead the 49ers scoring and help pull Charlotte from a 43-43 halftime tie. Wally McGinty added 20 for the travelers.

Charlotte College 43-36-79

Lynchburg 43-27-70

On Monday, Feb. 1, Belmont Abbey traveled to the Garinger gym only to be defeated the second time this season by the 49ers. Final tally found Charlotte leading 82-78.

After grabbing a 41-30 halftime

## 49ers Drop First DIAC Game To St. A

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LAURINBURG — In spite of a 25 point performance by co-captain Charlie Jacobs plus four other men in double figures, Charlotte lost last Friday night's game to St. Andrews 91-85.

Both teams hit 41 per cent of the shots from the floor. But St. Andrews collected heavily from the foul line and dominated the boards to hand the 49ers their first conference loss this season.

(At the time this paper went to press the record stands 14-8 overall and 8-1 in the Dixie Conference.)

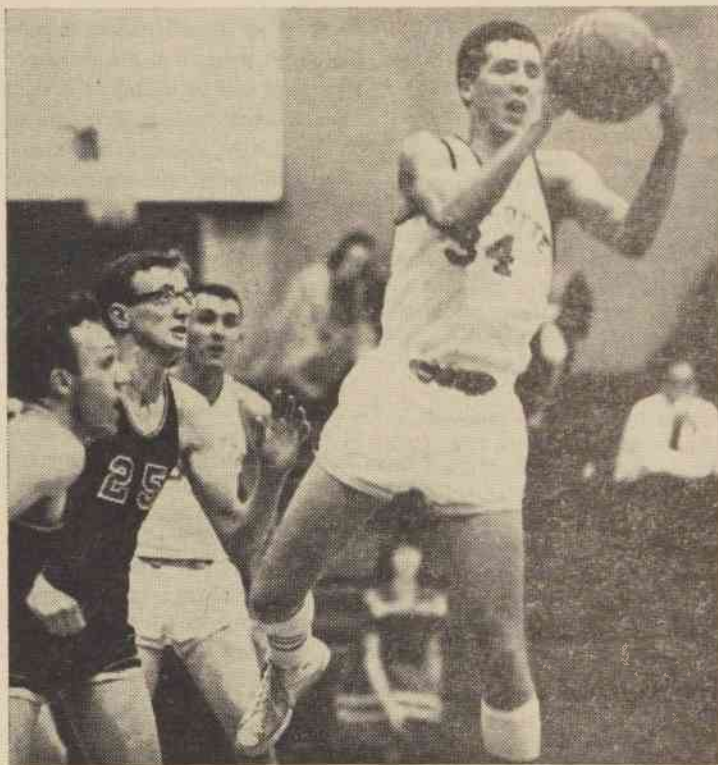
The first half was rather nip and tuck with the visitors getting nipped the most. They were behind 48-42 at halftime. In the second half, the home team decided to play keepaway and wound up tossing free throws.

All five of St. Andrews starting five tallied in doubled figures. Larry Taylor led with 20 points.

Jimmy James was second high for Charlotte with 14 points, Tommy Gilliam had 13, and Ronnie Robinson had 12. Bobby Lemmond came off the bench during the second half and scored 11 points.

Charlotte College 42-43-85

St. Andrews 48-43-91



**BASKETBALL BALLET** — Tommy Gilliam, No. 34, goes after a rebound under the 49ers' basket as Pembroke's Joe Gallagher, No. 25, and Larry Lindsey, No. 21, prepare to defend.

lead the 49ers stumbled badly in the second half as the Abbey took a 63-31 lead with ten minutes left.

Four of Charlotte's starting five finished in double figures led by Ronnie Robinson with 25 points. Tommy Gilliam followed with 19, Wally McGinty with 14, and Charlie Jacobs.

Charlotte College 41-41-82

Belmont Abbey 30-48-78

The 49ers got sweet revenge for an early season loss to Asheville-Biltmore in a cliff hanger the following night by handing the Bulldogs a 71-70 defeat on Charlotte's home court. (Charlotte lost the first game 84-70).

The first half saw the lead switch hands many times with Asheville holding a one point 35-34 lead at halftime. The 49ers got a nine point lead with about three minutes left but had trouble pulling it out. Ronnie Robinson was called on to hit some crucial foul shots in the closing minutes.

Charlie Jacobs led Charlotte with 17 points. He was backed up by Tommy Gilliam with 16.

Charlotte College 34-38-72

Asheville-Biltmore 35-36-71

Presbyterian handed Charlotte its sixth loss of the season on the Blue Hose home court Thursday, Feb. 4, and avenged an earlier loss to the 49ers by thoroughly whipping the visitors 116-71.

The 49ers made many errors, but

it seemed their worst mistake was showing up for the game.

Tommy Gilliam was high for the 49ers with 21 points. Charlie Jacobs added 17 to the losing cause. Jimmy James and Ronnie Robinson had 13 and 11 respectively.

Charlotte College 31-40-71

Presbyterian 61-55-116

Perhaps the most important game of the season was the one with Wesleyan at Wesleyan Saturday, Feb. 6. Charlotte won the game 79 to 57 and with it clinched the DIAC Title, with an 8-0 conference record.

Charlotte scoring was led by Ronnie Robinson who poured in 29 points on 11 field goals and seven for eight foul shoots. Charlie Jacobs added 22 and Tommy Gilliam 12 toward the winners' cause.

Charlotte College 33-46-79

Wesleyan 22-35-57

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## Hot Streaks, Gallagher's 21 Points

## Give Pembroke Second in Over 49ers

Pembroke State College became the only team to beat the 49ers twice this season, Tuesday, Feb. 9, in the Garinger gym. Hot streaks midway through the second half propelled the Braves to an 84-68 victory.

The loss left Charlotte's record at 14-7 overall and 8-0 in the Dixie Conference. Pembroke is now 14-8 for the season.

The visitors held a 36-31 lead at halftime, but the 49ers came back to cut the lead to 54-53. Then the Braves really got hot and moved to a commanding 19 point lead.

Jim Gallagher led Pembroke with 21 points. Three other Braves scored in double figures.

Charlotte was led by Charlie Jacobs with 21 points. Tommy Gilliam added 19 points for the losers.

Charlotte 31-37-68

Pembroke 36-48-84



**ANYONE FOR SOCCER** — Charlotte's Joe Sabotini, No. 33, seems to be playing another game as he and Pembroke's Manning Stone, No. 41, vie for a rebound. Charlotte the February 9 game 84-68.

## Meetings Set For Tennis, Golf Teams

Anyone interested in playing on the Charlotte College tennis team is asked to meet in CU 210 at 3 p.m. today. Also, those interested in playing golf on the school team should meet at 2 p.m. in the same room.

Schedules for both sports include six away matches and six home matches. Opponents will include teams in the Dixie Conference as well as Belmont Abbey, Pfeiffer, Western Maryland, Pembroke, and Erskine.

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