

# Volleyball looks to opening game

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It is tough to go into a match without seeing either of the teams, said Women's Volleyball coach Beth Miller of her team's two opening matches next week. Tar Heels travel to Catawba on Tuesday and Appalachian State on Thursday. "We can't take either of these teams lightly," Miller said. "I haven't seen either of them play. If we play well, we should win."

Miller has seven returning players on this year's team; seniors Terri Wallace and Jenny Watson, juniors Laura Held, Katie Howard, and Jacky Jones, and sophomores Mercedes Balbe and Sandy Schmidt. Her three new members are sophomore Donna Meier, a transfer from the University of New Mexico, and freshmen Linda Kantz and Leslie Meek.

"It gets more difficult every year for a new player to come in and make the team," Miller said. She said that she holds try-outs every fall not only for potential players but also for returners.

"One of the strongpoints of the team is that we have a lot of ability," Miller said. "Each year we are getting better players."

Good players pick up basic skills faster and Miller said this left more time to work on advanced skills.

The main thing on Miller's mind through practice has been to find replacements for Cindy Adcock, a middle hitter, and Adri Esnard, a setter. Meier and Schmidt will alternate in Adcock's position while Kantz and Balbe will take over for Esnard.

Both Miller and Wallace said the team was a specialized one. Each player has a position she specializes in. Wallace is an inside hitter.

Wallace said the team was very balanced. "I feel like everybody out there is a leader. Everybody will contribute in some way."

"I've seen the team become more of a whole unit since I've been here," she said. "Everybody really cares for everybody else."

Because the team is so equal, Miller said she was considering having alternating captains selected by game performance.

The one main obstacle the team is going to have to overcome is the letdown in performance it has suffered mid-season for the past two years. While Wallace said this had been a problem, Miller did not.

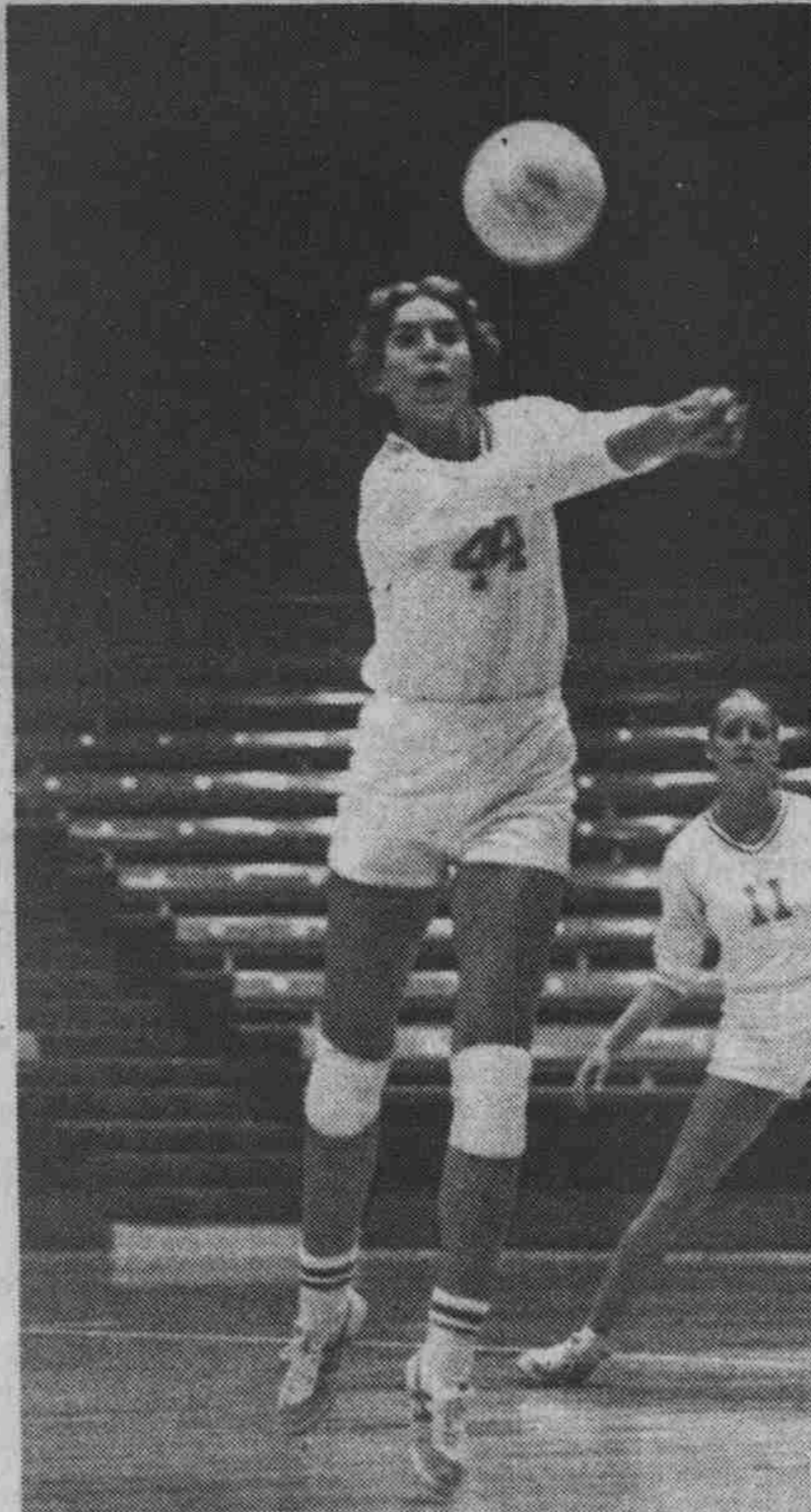
"We usually peak too early," Wallace said. "You can control it with practice, but I think that mentally we let ourselves drop."

"I don't think there was the same intensity and emotionalism on the court," she said. "We were more or less just going through the motions."

Miller said that the girls did not slow down, but simply reached a plateau. She said that the skills of the players during this period actually increased, but that mentally they stayed level.

"We didn't play as well as I think we should have in the regionals, but we had a good season last year," Miller said. "I'm looking for a better one this year."

The Tar Heels ended last season with a 41-13 record.



Jennifer Watson returns to lead Heels ... Volleyball team opens Tuesday

Recruiting is getting stronger in the volleyball program here and nine of the ten players are on some type of athletic scholarship. The tenth player is a Morehead scholar.

Miller said that while the strength of Carolina's volleyball program drew many of the players here, she also said the school itself was a natural attraction.

The upgraded recruitment resulted in Carolina's winning the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament and the Maryland tournament and finishing second in the state tournament.

Both Miller and Wallace said they were excited about the opening of the season. Wallace said she was also very interested in seeing how the team will play together in a game situation.

# North Carolina Rugby club to host Bristol University club team

UNC Rugby Club President Nick Addison described the upcoming game with the Bristol University Rugby Club at 5:45 p.m. Friday as the high mark of the season.

Addison said he hoped for a tight, exciting game. "We are very much looking forward to playing them," he said. "They have a great team."

Although the Bristol match may be the high spot of the season, Addison said that he was also looking forward to the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament and hopefully a chance to play in the Eastern Regionals and the national tournament.

The rugby club will face a tough schedule this year, but the Tar Heels are counting on a lot of support. "This is definitely the high spot in the season," Addison said. "We are really hoping for a large turnout and support."

have five returning players. The women's team will return four.

The bowling team is not a member of the Sports Club Council, but it is not a varsity sport, either. Sponsored by the Carolina Union, it competes in the Southern Intercollegiate Bowling Congress. UNC's division includes teams from N.C. State, Eastern Carolina, North Carolina Central, UNC-Wilmington and St. Augustine's.

Persons interested in trying out should be at the bowling lanes on the lower level of the Carolina Union at 4 p.m. today. More information can be obtained by calling Tim Wetherby at 962-4131.

Today is the deadline for entering intramural competition. Today is the final deadline for entering ultimate Frisbee competition, archery competition, team tennis, golf and faculty-staff tennis doubles.

## IM's & Clubs

By Morris Haywood

The game on Carmichael Field, will be the opening contest for the Carolina club.

The university team, from Bristol, England, is currently touring the United States and the Bahamas. Bristol was the runner-up in a British national championship.

The Bristol team will be at UNC for six days, and will begin their stay here with a reception given by Carolina's club at 3:30 p.m. today at the Morehead Planetarium.

Notes: The UNC bowling team will be holding tryouts today, Sept. 15 and 17. There will be twelve positions on the team to be filled. This year's men's team will

# NCAA attempts reorganization to head off CFA television revolt

The Associated Press

The NCAA Council voted Tuesday to call a special convention the week of Dec. 6 to consider reorganizing its top division.

The move was prompted by demands from many College Football Association schools, which also are members of the NCAA. An NCAA spokesman said the site and the exact date of the convention would be determined later.

In related developments Tuesday, three major CFA schools filed class action suits against the NCAA.

The University of Texas filed a class action suit in state court in Austin, and the Universities of Georgia and Oklahoma filed a similar action-in federal court in Oklahoma on behalf of all 61 CFA schools.

Later Tuesday, a state district judge in Austin issued a temporary restraining order prohibiting the NCAA from taking or threatening disciplinary action against schools which participate in the CFA's \$180 million television arrangement with NBC.

Chancellor James Wharton of Louisiana State said he thought the class action suits would lead to more support among CFA members for the CFA's proposed television contract.

Indications were that most of the CFA members who tentatively agreed on the football contract with NBC would change their votes because of a possible compromise with the NCAA concerning the reorganization of its top division.

But the three class action suits muddled the situation. "My guess is the members voting for ratification of the contract will

increase," Wharton said. "The filing of the suits gives the CFA

institutions an opportunity to make the decision without fear of sanctions or disciplinary action from the NCAA."

The final vote of CFA members on the new NBC contract comes Thursday.

The attempt to reorganize Division I-A is certain to meet with fierce resistance by the more than 50 schools that will be faced with possible exclusion.

The NCAA has tried unsuccessfully before to pare down its top football division. Division I-A now has 137 members, including all 61 CFA schools and the Big Ten and Pac-10.

Under the plan tentatively drawn up by a special committee on reorganization, schools in the Mid-America, Pacific Coast Athletic Association, Southland and the Southern conferences would be affected. The crux of the proposed reorganization would eliminate a stipulation that schools are eligible for Division I-A membership by sponsoring 12 sports.

The CFA is comprised of every major college football program except schools in the Big Ten and Pac-10. The CFA voted 33-20 last month to adopt the NBC plan. The NCAA has reached an agreement for the same period with ABC and CBS.

Atlantic Coast Conference schools all decided in favor of the CFA-NBC plan except for North Carolina, which abstained. Officials of the eight member universities recently spoke together on a conference phone call about possible compromises between NCAA and the CFA.

## Sports Notes

### Ainslie to world games

UNC soccer player Jay Ainslie will compete for a spot on the U.S. National Youth Soccer team in its trip to Sydney, Australia, for the World Youth Championship.

Ainslie, an All-American defender when he played for North Miami High School, is one of 22 players seeking 18 positions on the national team. The U.S. squad is the first American soccer team to qualify for world competition since 1951.

Ainslie, a junior, played on the National Youth team in a championship in Central America. The U.S. team's second place finish qualified it for a berth in the World Youth Championship.

Sixteen national teams will compete Oct. 3-18 for the World Championship sponsored by Coca-Cola and the International Football Association.

Tickets remain on sale at the Finley Golf Course clubhouse for Friday's Carolina Executive Cup golf tournament which will feature an exhibition by golfing champion Jack Nicklaus. Tickets are \$15 for the general public and \$3 for UNC students.

Nicklaus, whose son Jack is a sophomore golfer at Carolina, will play in the tournament which begins at 9:30 a.m. and then will conduct an exhibition beginning at 4 p.m. The Finley Clubhouse phone number is 962-2349.

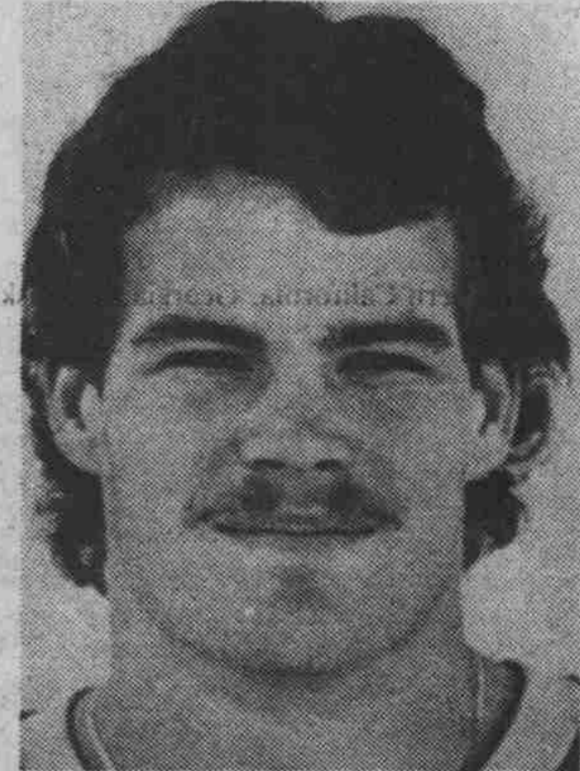
Sophomore backstrokeer Eric Ericson took two gold medals recently while representing the U.S. in the Tokyo International Swimming meet.

In leading the U.S. team to a victory over six other countries, Ericson captured first place in the 100-meter backstroke with a 57.76 time and followed that by leading off the winning 400-meter medley relay squad that posted a time of 3:47.36.

UNC junior Gayle Hegel also competed for the U.S. taking a third place finish in the 200-meter individual medley at 2:21.36.

The UNC women's basketball team has already been ranked at No. 14 in the Southern coaches top 20 preseason poll.

The fifth annual poll was determined by a vote of 28 coaches at Division I



Jay Ainslie

schools in Louisiana, Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina.

Three starters and five reserves return from last season's 17-14 team. Tennessee, the AIAW runner-up last year, is one of six opponents that have received top 20 preseason rankings. ACC rivals N.C. State and Clemson, who both made the rankings, will play the Tar Heels at least twice.

### UNC pep rally to be held in pit

The varsity cheerleaders expect today's pep rally in the Pit at 3 p.m. to create more student enthusiasm than in past years when the rally consisted of a parade to several dormitories, co-head cheerleader Ted Hopkins said Tuesday.

The stationary pep rally will differ from the moving ones because it is scheduled for a specific time and date, Hopkins said. Last year's parading pep rallies flopped because they lacked both organization and participation, he said.

"Ten years ago, they used to have massive pep rallies (in the Pit); they were something everybody knew about," Hopkins said.

Hopkins said the band and the new mickeman would join the cheerleaders in leading the rally today. He also expected Student Body President Scott Norberg to say a few words.

Creating student enthusiasm will be critical to the team's success, Hopkins said.

"If we're (the team) getting down or we fumble, that's when we should go wild. If the crowd gets down, the team gets down. We can control the outlook, and we can help the team."

Helping the team is the goal of a good pep rally, Hopkins said.

Chants and new cheers are to be performed in today's rally. Hopkins said skits presented by different student organizations would be included in future pep rallies.

Cheerleaders also will be doing something new at this year's home games. "We're going to spread around; we're going to take the second part of the second quarter to go over to the alumni section," Hopkins said.

- TED AVERY

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