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Chancellor Highsmith

## Soccer Season Begins!

Rudy Moorrees, UNC-Asheville's new soccer coach will have his hands full but his hopes high as the Bulldog Booters take on a 14-game season, including two tournaments.

Moorrees, named coach after Sam Millar resigned, served as assistant coach under Millar last year and played varsity soccer for UNC-A for three years.

UNC-A opens their season against UNC-Charlotte. In the day's second contest UNC-C will face UNC-Greensboro. The consolation and championship games will be played on Saturday.

The Bulldogs will travel to a second tournament in Bristol, Tenn., on Friday, Sept. 16, where they will face Liberty Baptist from Lynchburg, Va. in the opening round of the King College Invitational. King College will be pitted against Winthrop in the second game.

UNC-A will open their home season the following Wed., Sept. 21, when Erskine's (S.C.) Flying Fleet will visit. Game time is 3:30 p.m.

The Justice Sports Center's soccer field will host Baptist College at 2 p.m.

Sept. 24; Belmont Abbey at 3:30 p.m. Oct. 4; Winthrop at 3:30 p.m. Oct. 7; Wofford at 3:30 p.m. Oct 12 and Presbyterian at 3 p.m. Oct. 20.

Travel dates for Asheville include a night game with Western Carolina on con't pg.3

## Student Elections

On Tuesday, September 13, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Student Government Elections will be held in Vance Hall for dorm students. Several senate seats are open as well as the vice-presidency. There are two vacancies in each of the following: Senior senator, Sophomore senator, Commuter senator, and Dorm senator. There are also three Freshman seats open.

Students must be within six hours of the class in which they vote. All full-time students are strongly urged to vote in this very important election.

## Granted Leave

### HIGHSMITH ILL

Chancellor Highsmith has been tentatively granted a 60-day leave of absence with a possible thirty day extension due to health reasons.

Dr. Friday, President of the UNC system, approved the request pending official approval by the Board of Governors on Thursday. He assured there would be no problems.

Dr. Highsmith became President of the school on August 15, 1962, when UNC-A was referred to as Asheville-Biltmore College. When the school joined the UNC system, he was appointed chancellor on July 1, 1969. A native of Texas, Dr. Highsmith came to Asheville from the position of Dear of Faculty at Jacksonville University in Florida.

Dr. Roy A. Riggs, Vice-chancellor for Academic Affairs, will serve as chancellor during the leave.

Dr. Friday left open the possibility that he would come to Asheville to personally assess the situation.

Hospitalized recently for three weeks, the Chancellor suffers from what has been described as an "enzyme imbalance."

#### Editor's Note:

*We wish Dr. Highsmith a speedy and total recovery. His dedication to the continuing growth of this institution for the past fifteen years is sometimes taken for granted. Anyone who has met the man can never take for granted his warm disposition and concern for the individual student.*

## Millar Steps Down

UNC-Asheville coach Sam Millar is stepping down from the coaching ranks after twenty years, the first fourteen at Warren Wilson and the last six at UNC-A.

Athletic Director Bob Hartman announced Friday he was accepting Millar's resignation with regret and promptly named a Millar product, Rudy Moorrees, as new coach of the Bulldog Booters.

Millar, who cited his health as the major reason for giving up his coach duties, continues as campus engineer at UNC-A. His collegiate record at both UNC-A and WWC is 132 wins, 52 losses and 12 ties.

Among the highlights of his career have been three consecutive trips to the National Junior College soccer playoffs during the years when his

Warren Wilson teams were nationally ranked. At UNC-A, his teams have made the NAIA District Six playoffs

two of the past three years.

Millar said he plans to devote more of his time officiating. As a member of the National Collegiate Soccer Officials Association, he will serve as area clinician responsible for officials and officiating in the Carolinas and Tennessee. He will also serve as rules interpreter.

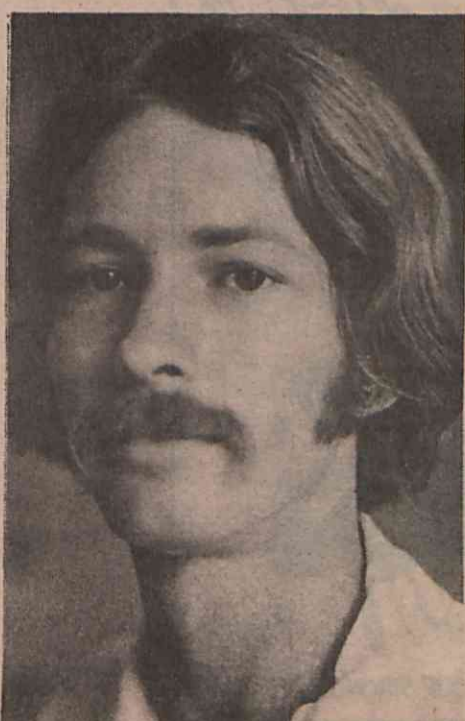
A native of Ireland, Millar played soccer actively for 25 years with such teams as the Royal Air Force in both England and the Far East. He began officiating in 1950 and has been a coach or official of both since that time.

Hartman said Millar brought the UNC-A programs up from nothing. "We are

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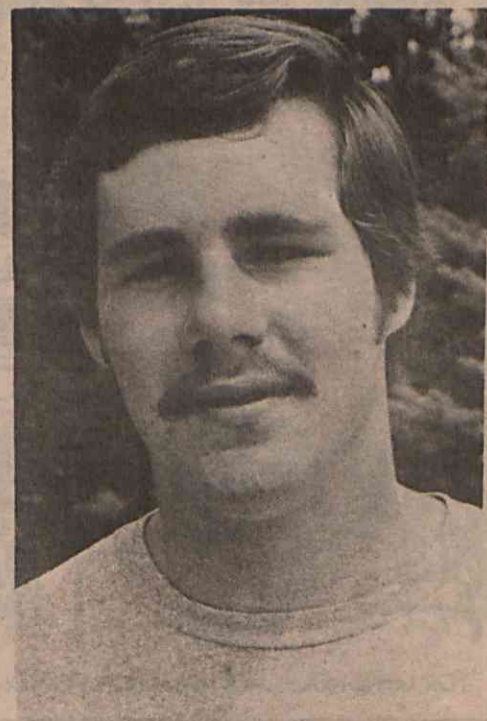
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