

Masa Yenamura extends to return a volley. (Photo by Steve Rabey).

Basketball Fans Can Still Appreciate the Talent on the Courts

by Ray Duckworth

When a basketball fan has the opportunity to see a college game on television, or in person, such as the Virginia-Notre Dame enjoy the talent of the players and their performance. However, what if the person realized that some of the players on the court were actually playing the game badly so they could be paid money by gamblers who in turn would win from this team's loss.

According to gambler Henry Hill, such an event occurred for Boston College during the season of 1978-79. Hill claims he paid three players \$2500 per game for shaving points. The three players named were Rick Kuhn, and Jim Sweeney, who were in on it originally, and Ernie Cobb, who joined later. Whenever Hill didn't win any money because these three guys did not shave enough points, the players either took a cut in pay or were not paid at all.

In the February 16, 1981 issue of Sports Illustrated, Hill says, "Heck, all we wanted was BC to win by less than the betting line when it was favored and to lose by more than the line when it was the underdog." Nevertheless, this former gambler and still a

member of organized crime says the Boston players helped rig nine games. Out of this period, Hill won on six occasions and made between \$75,000 and \$100,000. Furthermore, Hill game on Feburary 22, he can estimates the players made around \$10,000 each.

> How can a spectator tell when players are rigging the game or not? It is practically impossible. Red Auerbach, the former coach of the Boston Celtics, is quoted as saying in this same article of Sports Illustrated, "There's no way you can tell if a referee or player is shaving points - absolutely no way." But if there is no way to tell if a player is actually point shaving, how will the NCAA ever know for sure what has happened? Perhaps the persons involved will have to admit to these wrong doings, if they did do anything, before something can be done.

However, where do these wrong doings end? Hill was asked by the author of the article if he feels bad for taking advantage of college students, he replied, "Baloney. Why should I feel bad about the kids? Look, they didn't feel bad about taking my money. And they didn't seem to feel bad in those games when they didn't fulfill their word." Hill has a very

good point, for why should he feel sorry for athletes who sink low enough to be bribed while they play college basketball? Before these guys did accept the bribes, they realized the dangers they were taking against themselves and college basketball.

Nevertheless, this is not the first time athletes have accepted money, for in 1951, 31 ballplayers were suspended from college for accepting bribes. Later, in 1961, 21 more were suspended for the same crime. Why do athletes act in this way? In the same Sports Illustrated article, Hill answers this question by saying, "The money, man, the money." This fact is hard to resist, for it is human nature to accept large sums of money.

Maybe the sports fan will never know exactly what happened between Hill and those three ballplayers. However, if something did actually happen, spectators should not worry for the NCAA will most likely uncover the facts. Between now and then basketball fans should open their eyes to these events and any other occurrences while they enjoy the talent that does appear on the courts across the country such as Virginia and Notre Dame.

Men's Tennis Team Hopes To

Improve on Last Year's Record

The men's tennis team is school with outstanding records. looking for a competitive season this semester. Coach Corky Maynor's team includes a strong nucleus of freshmen.

captains Jeff Johnson, and Steve and leadership. Elville. Others are Lee Evans, Branson Lowe, Carter Jasicob, says that each completed high included.

The team also includes transfer Mark Warnock and returning sophomore Masa Yonamura. Masa is expected to be counted These freshmen include co- upon heavily for his experience

The schedule is one of the most Richard Gray, Tim Gray and competitive in Brevard's history Tim McLaurin. Coach Maynor with several four-year schools

Lady Tornados Include A Variety of Talent

by Yvonne Roop

The Lady Tornados Basketball team is made up of a great variety of talent, experience, and capability.

Michele Hemphill is a 5'10" sophomore from Brevard. She has only been playing basketball for the Tornados this semester. Nevertheless, she has a great corner shot and is a good rebounder. She adds a lot of muscle under the board.

Wendy Hartman is a 5'8" freshman from Lake Worth, Fla. She is a guard that is aggressive in her every move. She has also become a great asset to the taking over the position of point guard when necessary.

Deborah Russell is a 5'8" freshman from Chapin S.C. She has been playing basketball since the 8th grade and was a starter for her high school team where she played the position of center and forward. During her senior year, she averaged 14 points a game. Furthermore, she was selected all conference and all tournament for her senior year. She is playing the position of forward for the Lady Tornados, and is a great asset to the team.

freshman. She is from Tochigi, Japan, and she is a good free throw shooter who plays the position of guard.

Terri Wood is also a walk on freshman. She is 5'10" and is from Greer, S.C. Coach Devlin assists.

feels that Terri is an exceptionally hard worker who will never give up. She has given Brevard basketball all of her talent, time, and effort as has all of the Lady Tornadoes. These things are helpful for every good team.

Sandra James is a 5'9" freshman from Scaly Mountain, N.C. She has been playing ball since she was in the 3rd grade and loves to play. She was a starting guard and center while in high school and is now playing the position of guard for the Tornados. During her Senior year in high school she averaged 16.5 points per game. Sandra stated that, "I love playing basketball; there is nothing else that gives me as much pleasure and sense of accomplishment." Sandra is exceptionally spirited, and she is beyond reach on the days of Tornado games. Sandra is a great asset to the team and will be highly depended upon next year as a returning sophomore.

Gwen Kanipe, a 5'3" freshman from Morganton, N.C. is a starter for the Lady Tornados. Gwen has been playing ball since the 6th grade. While attending Freedom High School, she was a starter all three years playing point guard as she does at Brevard. She says that basketball is her hobby and one she really enjoys. Gwen Yasuko Kawanobe is a walk on states that she is happy that she came to a small school like Brevard because she gets a chance to play in every game, something that may not have happened in a larger school. She is currently averaging 10 points a game and averages about eight

Upper Taylor Is Undefeated in Intramurals

By Tommy Pennell

As the season winds down, Upper Taylor is sitting on top of the standings with an undefeated record.

In the most important clash during the past two weeks, Upper Taylor slipped by the Upper Beam Bucs 79-71. Upper Taylor had a couple of nine point leads, Dennis Marshall and Paul Taylor, who found themselves Jerry Nichirco had 29 while

Christy to take the lead late in the game. At this time Upper Taylor began its fast break offense with Brian Lowery making several Hall with 31 and 25 points spectacular driving layups to pull respectively. Red Forsythe led away for the victory. Lowery the Lower Taylor charge with 20 pumped in 24 points while Greg points. Stephenson followed with 16.

In the other games, Ross Hall defeated Lower Taylor 63-59. Ross Hall stopped a valiant were Roger Payne with 37 points behind the inspired play of second half comeback by Lower while Larry Duckworth added 34.

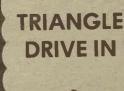
down by 18 early in the second halt. Tom Wayne and Gary Copeland once again led Ross

Lower Green demolished the Day Students by the score of 130-56. Leaders for Lower Green

Marvin Howell and Tom Watson each added 10. Kevin Lusk poured in 24 points for the Day Students.

In other games, Lower Taylor won their first game by defeating Lower Beam 50-45. Meanwhile, Ross Hall continued to roll as they won their second game in a row while defeating Upper Green

Come out and see Lower Taylor and Upper Beam tonight at 7:00.



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