



Lynn Griffin fires over a defender for two points in a recent home game.

Women beat Bluefield

by Mark Brom

The Brevard College Lady Tornado basketball team is beginning to function as a well-tuned machine. The players "have all risen to the challenge," says Coach Jane Long.

Evidence of such teamwork was seen in the Feb. 10 home game against Lees-McRae. Although the Tornadoes were trailing by as much as 20, they remained calm and didn't give up hope. The ladies made a valiant comeback to cut Lees-McRae's lead to only four with two minutes remaining in the second half. Despite the tremendous effort, they lost the contest by a score of 50-56. Teressa James led the Tornadoes in scoring with 18, and Margaret Hinkson added 11.

Tremendous effort by the ladies on Feb. 7 resulted in a 63-56 win over Bluefield College. The score was very close at the end of the first half (26-25 in favor of BC). The second half of the game was the key to success for the Tornadoes. They shot 50 percent from the floor and 60 percent from the free-throw line. Lynn Griffin had 21 points and eight rebounds, James had 16 points and four rebounds, and Jill Hair had 12

points and five rebounds.

On Feb. 6, BC met a tough Louisburg team. There was a good balance of team scoring for both schools, but Louisburg had just a bit more to defeat the Lady Tornadoes by a score of 58-70. James played a great game by providing 22 points, eight rebounds, and three steals, all without a single foul. Hair had 12 points, two rebounds and four steals, while Griffin provided 11 points and four rebounds, according to Coach Long.

Spartanburg Methodist College soundly thumped Brevard on Feb 4, 49-79. The Tornadoes shot only 35.7 percent from the floor in the game while SMC shot an impressive 50 percent. SMC had four players scoring in double figures, and the bench scoring was impressive. The Tornadoes' top scorers were James with 21, and Hinkson with 11.

The WCJCC Tournament will be held on Feb. 25, at Anderson College. According to Coach Long, "Since we'll probably be booked as the underdogs in the tournament, with the way we've been playing lately I think we'll turn a few heads and really surprise some teams."

Runners readying for nationals

by Mark Selkirk

The Brevard College indoor track team travelled to Blacksburg, Va. on Valentine's Day to compete in the Va. Tech Relays.

Coach David Rinker felt optimistic as the team prepared for the national qualifying meet at Va. Tech. With two team members, Dean Duncan (800 meter) and Kim Nelson (mile and 2-mile) qualifying for the national meet in Warren, Mich., Rinker said, "I think, going into this week, our people are really ready to do some racing."

For team members who miss qualifying, however, there is still the Clemson Last Chance Meet on March 1, during which runners close to national qualifying times may still become eligible for the NJCAA National Championships.

Rinker said the main objective of the entire team is to "try and run national qualifying times."

Still, he believes the individual athlete's needs are better suited in indoor track than in other sports. "Indoor track is very different from normal team sports. It allows more attention to the individual, not just the team."

Women booters place third

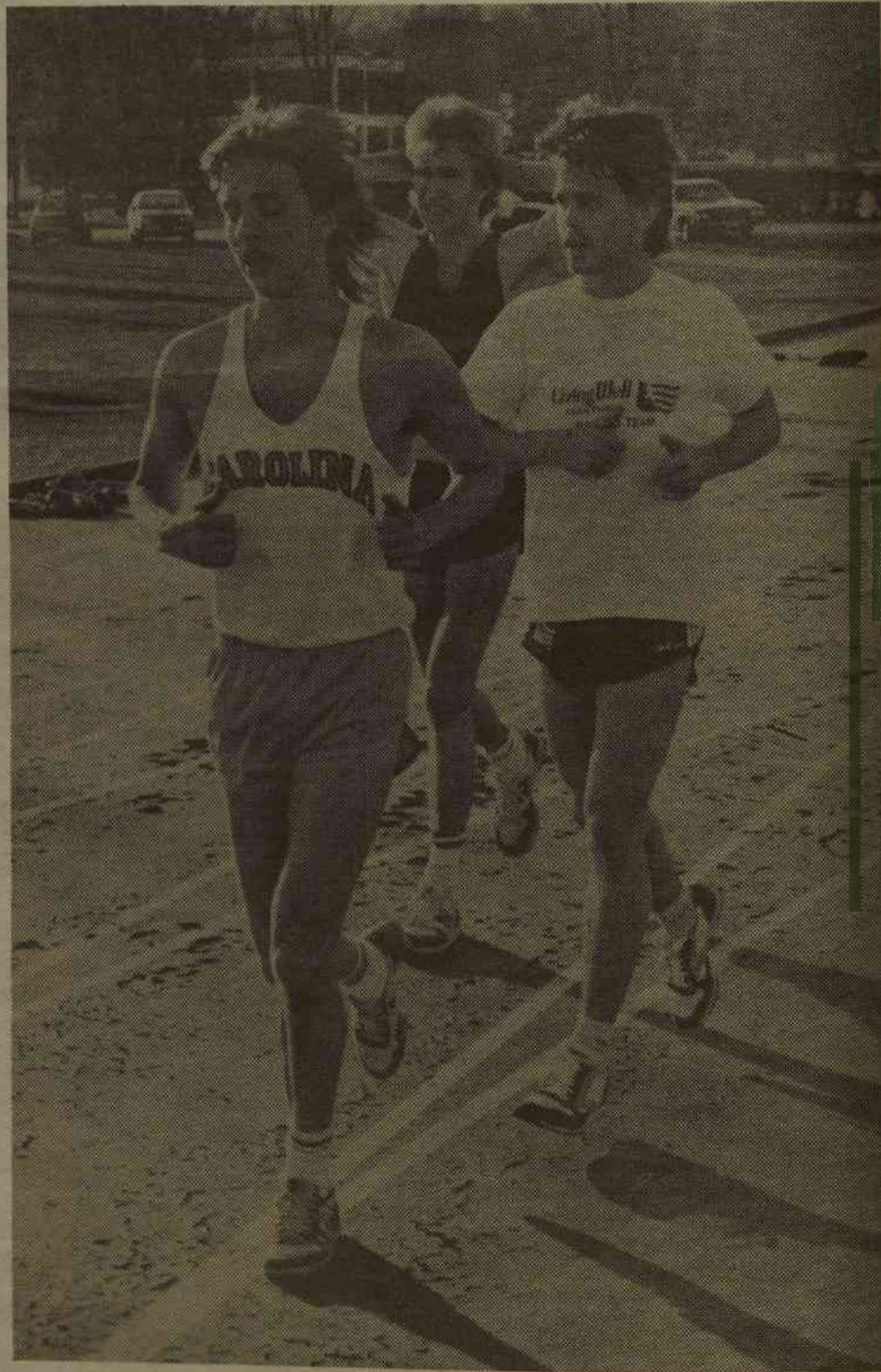
By Buck Rowlee

The BC women's indoor soccer team placed third in the 14-team University of Tenn. indoor soccer tournament at Knoxville, January 31.

The women, led by their leading scorer, Paige Jackson, won three out of their four matches. The lady booters beat The Sting, 5-1, and won a heated battle against U.T. 3-2. BC had to beat the Front Runners in order to advance to the playoffs. The Tornadoes beat the Front Runners 4-2 and advanced to the semi-finals only to be beaten

by an excellent Farragut team which eventually won the tournament.

The women who made up the Tornado squad were: Julie Johnson, Amy Cearley, Paige Jackson, Samantha Douglas, Rebecca Grassie, Andrea Ross, Heather Ward, and Carol Ellison. Head Coach Julie Johnson was very pleased in the team's play. "They played excellent and very well together and they will get better," she said. Johnson stated that every member on the team contributed a great deal and that Ross did a great job in the Tornado goal.



Brevard College runners work out on the track in preparation for this spring's indoor nationals. (Eric Klingensmith photo)