



Rugby Club In Practice Session

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Blue Goosers Out To Goose Opponents

Who are these madmen who look like they're trying to kill each other out on the softball field? Who are these strange creatures who come in for supper every night hot and sweaty and ready to eat? Why! It's none other than the 1973-74 Louisburg "Blue Goose" Rugby Club.

What?
For all you laymen out there, rugby is a cross between football and soccer. There are fifteen men on each side and they use what looks like a pregnant football. Forty minute halves are played. This is purely a running game, so there is very little time used between the set-up and execution of plays. And the plays don't take so long, either. It's a hard hitting, fast-running, sneaky-passing, shirt-ripping, pants-dirtying, lip-splitting, heavy-hitting game. And these guys love it. A standard play of rugby consists of "Ungh", "Ooff", "3!*/", "Ouch" and

"Aghhh." This last sound is involuntarily made by guys who are trying to remove a finger which has just been rammed down their throat. This is otherwise known as a severe glottal attack.

The returning veterans (along with war wounds) of this fleet-footed infantry are: President, Brad Senter; Captain, Wally Ashburn; Match Secretary, Dick (Giese) Gieselman; Trainer and Manager, Steve Brady; Social Co-ordinator, Johnny McClean; Mike (Tiny) Phillips, Roger Dickerson, Ed Johnston, Little Willy Wise. Tim Machia, Mike (Leper) Leonard, Lee Pearce, Winn Graham, Charlie Beck, and Monk Clary.

The greenhorns (who either don't know what they're getting into, or don't they don't want to know) are: Randy Wimberly, David Horton, Ronnie Barnes, Bill Russo, Jimmy South, Dave Goodstein, Henry Long, Scott Traynum,

Bill Roughton, Henry Hayes, R. C. Hunt, Tony Tharrington, D. B. Lancaster, Robert White, Lee Lloyd, and Ricky Hinnant.

The non-playing members (the smart ones) are: Dennis Donahue, Paula Drake, Gwen Ball, Emit Camp, and Connie Maxwell.

Seriously though, folks, rugby is a fantastic game - full of thrills, chills, and sometimes spills. The parties after the games are the same, too.

In the immortal words of the invincible Havelmyer Phoofer from Padooca, Pennsylvania, "Give Blood -- Play Rubgy."

Dixie Classic Time Again

One of the high points of the fall intramural schedule is the Dixie Classic basketball tournament to be held the first week of November. For the benefit of the people who have never heard of the Dixie Classic, it is a highly competitive, double-elimination tournament open to any formulated team. That means that any group of guys can get together and make up a team. The only requirement is that each turn in a roster (which allows any number of players) into Coach Lanier between the 17th and 25th of October.

Many of the teams in the past have consisted of high school players who are not playing here at Louisburg. Therefore the competition has been on the level of good quality high school basketball. Some of the winners of past tournaments have been the Chicago VI, Wells Fargo, and the Stoned V. This year's winner will be invited to the intramural banquet at which trophies will be given, pictures taken, and a dinner (hopefully steak) will be served. Win or lose, it's a lot of fun, so start making plans for a winning team.

*Editor's note: This year a Women's Dixie Belle Classic tournament will be held for all of the girls who like to play basketball. It will be held on the same format as the men's tournament. Keep an eye out on the bulletin boards for further information.

Baseball Players

Get Rest

Would you believe that the Louisburg College baseball team played a fall schedule of baseball as well as a spring and summer schedule? Well, they did - against the likes of Atlantic Christian College, Elon College, Sandhills Community College, and East Carolina University. The purpose of a fall schedule was not necessarily to win but to give the freshmen players college experience and teach fundamentals. Each game usually lasted about four hours so that all players could play. Coach Russ Frazier was pleased with the performance of the Canes and feels there is great potential if the new players adjust to college baseball. But for now, the baseball players will get a chance to rest and prepare for next spring's season, which opens in March.

Cheerleading

Now that school has been in session for a month and most of us have adapted to the academic life on campus—we turn our attention to the extra-curricular activities about us. Almost everyone on campus is involved in sports at Louisburg. From the organized school teams to the competition between dorms and P.E. classes, enthusiasm and excitement builds.

A very important asset to the athletic program are the cheerleaders, a team of six girls and six guys. Many hard hours of practice and performance

Freshmen

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courses are not too hard yet. My boyfriend is here, so I'm seldom lonely. I don't think it is fair to have visitation in the boys' dorm and not the girls'. The food is okay considering what they have to work with."

Gwen Coppedge: "It is a very friendly place, but it can get unpleasant at times. The faculty seem to be interested in the students, and it's good not to have to walk miles to get to the classes. I think the side doors of the dorms are closed too early, and the visitation policy isn't fair. I believe I'll get a good education at Louisburg though."

Jim Anderson: "My main criticism of Louisburg is the entertainment. The things they have on week nights are all right, but something should be done about weekends. Also, there should be more tennis courts. Three courts for a school the size of Louisburg is pretty bad. I like the people though; most of the students are friendly."

Sallie Hilliard: "The school is okay at times, but sometimes I feel I could run away. I think the rules are horrible for the girls. I guess after I get accustomed to this college... I hope that it will be better."

sessions are put in by these students-but the rewards are limitless.

With very few members of the squad returning this year, there are many openings for students wanting to participate on the squad. Interested persons should contact Nanette Newton or Coach Drake for try-out dates and details.



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Intramural Action



Franklin 3 - Intramural Softball Champs

The 1973 Louisburg College intramural program is off to one of its best starts interest wise in years, according to Coach Jim Lanier, intramural program director. Franklin 3 has already emerged as winner of the softball competition and has taken over an early lead in intramural standings between dorms. They beat a determined Kenan 2 in an exciting best of three games series. Men's flag football and girls softball are now into full swing with games being played in the late afternoon on the athletic field

adjacent to the gymnasium. If you aren't into any of the programs, there are still many opportunities for floor to floor competition in basketball, tennis, cross country, and many other planned activities in the future.

Coach Lanier feels everyone on and off campus can participate in the intramural program if the interest is there. "The girls have just been super," says Lanier, "and I'm looking forward to tennis and football."