

Bulldog Sports



Adams Named Top Athlete In N.C.

A North Carolina Newspaper, The Greensboro Daily News, recently selected G-W's All-American George Adams as their "Athlete of the Week." As the paper stated, "He could have been Charlie Davis, Randy Denton, or Dennis Wuyell," however, they selected "Big George." The News based their selection mainly on how well Adams has performed all season and especially during the tough week against Guilford, Allen University and UNC-A. George, a junior, plays high post and is averaging nearly 29 points per game and over

15 rebounds. As the paper went on, Adams background is more or less typical of the players who share, young coach Eddie Holbrook has recruited in seven years at the Web. Holbrook's success is witnessed by his ISI-38 record." In addition the News described Adams as a player who is improving with each game.

Tennis Team Shaping Up

The Gardner-Webb College Tennis Team will begin their 1971 season with a home court match against High Point on March 18.

This year's team will be led by four seniors, Billy Walters, Barry Maney, Larry Smith, and Tommy Bell, who are not fighting for the top position of the squad. Bell was the No. 1 man at the end of fall practice.

James Taylor, an English teacher at Gardner-Webb, is in his seventh year as coach and is expected to have one of his best seasons this year.

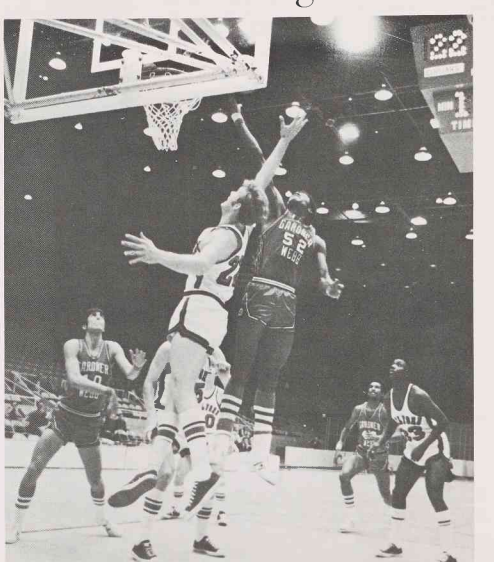
The tennis ball will be bouncing more than ever this season due to a 20-match schedule. One of the highlights of the year will be a big weekend in Tennessee. The team will be playing Tusculum and a doubleheader with Emory Henry.

"We are hoping to improve our 4-8 record of last season. Our long opponents this year will be Emory-Henry and Wofford, who always has an excellent team," said Coach Taylor.

Other members of the team will play a vital role in the success of tennis this year are Richard Granger, Debbie Wilson, Janey Vaughn, Charles Nixon, and Richard Jessen. The girls on the team will play if the teams which Gardner-Webb plays will allow it.

Charles Nixon has been ill, but is reportedly to join the squad soon along with Richard Jessen who is now playing basketball. Richard Granger will be a great asset to the team this season.

Guilford, Allen, UNC-A Fall To Bulldog Attack



All-American George Adams takes a rebound away from Guilford's All-American David Smith in the Charlotte Coliseum. Tony Spagnola (40) and Al Graves (42) look on.

Dogs Break Team Record

The Gardner-Webb Basketball team, ranked number 7 in the nation, proved their might against Piedmont College. G-W established a new high game total of 155 since becoming a senior college handling Piedmont a 151-109 rout.

"Big George" Adams was again high man with 40 points. Adams sizzled for 31 in the second half. Al Graves hit his career high of 35 to also share in the Bulldog offensive glory. Henry Boyd, full freshman, had 22 and Richard Thomas, with 20, padded the G-W score.

"We blew it open with the best 10 minutes we've played this season," said head coach Eddie Holbrook. "Everyone shot well for us, especially in the second half. We hit 83 per cent, which is one of our better nights." Adams and Graves was hitting well. Boyd off a fine job on the boards for us. That was tough on defense and also had one of his best nights on offense," Holbrook concluded.

Tony Spagnola came in and contributed 16 markers for the Bulldogs. Spag has been an important factor for the Bulldogs all year. Jack McGill got 8 points in engineering the attack.

Jack Directs Dog's Attack

Every collegiate coach likes to have a few seniors on his squad to be team leaders. Coach Eddie Holbrook, has only one senior to help guide his Bulldogs.

Working as the team quarterback from his point position, Jack McGill has earned the respect of his team mates. Jack is 9'11" and has a good knowledge of the game to compliment his quickness.

Last year Jack averaged 6.1 points per game and is about consistent with that average this year. His points usually come when the team needs them most.

Jack can break up a tough zone defense with his outside shooting ability. He has worked hard at improving his defensive play which has payed off in numerous stalls.

Being a team leader is the real test which McGill has passed with flying colors. At half-time of the G-W, UNC-A

McGill A Team Leader For Dogs



Jack McGill (14) senior captain of the Bulldogs, directs the attack from the top of the key.

off to one of the big men. With talent like Adams, Body, Graves and Spagnola waiting under the basket it would be foolish not to go for the better percentage shot.

Passing, dribbling, and finding the open man is "cool Jack's" specialty.

The most important part of and McGill will play a very important part in the Bulldogs performance.

ing they had already got their money's worth. To explain the game would be impossible. If you weren't there you just missed it. It was just one of those fantastic games.

Henry Boyd came through with a performance which left the pro scouts drooling. Boyd 35 points and many important rebounds. Tony Spagnola had perhaps his best game of the year, tapping in shots and really hitting the boards.

George Adams was outdone by the tough Guilford defense. He was limited to only 14 points, however, he hit a couple of important free-throws late in the game to pull the Dogs from the jaws of defeat. The people who were there will never forget that game. People are still talking about its around campus. It was a great victory for Gardner-Webb.

The next nights G-W played Allen University of Columbia, S. C. at home. The Dogs started out sluggishly at the beginning due to the effects of the strenuous Guilford game. After the half, however, G-W got it together and passed the century mark again for a 103-82 victory.

Allen hampered the Bulldogs with a full-court press but All-American George Adams came alive in the second half and finished with 37 points. The rest of the Bulldogs scoring was fairly balanced.

Tony Spagnola was the 2nd leading scorer with 15 points. "Sag" collected his share of rebounds also. Richard Thomas scored 15, Graves and Boyd got 10, and Jack McGill added 8.

G-W hosted UNC-A the following Saturday night to a packed house. Bost Gym was over flowing with highly paid C-W fans. UNC-A wanted the Bulldogs their first of two losses and the 3,200 fans present saw the Eddie Holbrook cages get their revenge.

After the first five minutes the game was never close again. The Dogs went on to enjoy a 120-97 victory. "Sag" swung into beautiful form getting 47 points. Adams had 26 points in the first half and added 21 after intermission. The victory over shadowed an earlier 74-65 UNC-A victory.

Adams who also grabbed 29 rebounds was helped out by 9'11". Henry Boyd, Boyd scored 21 points and had 11 rebounds. Other G-W players in double figures were Tony Spagnola with 13, Richard Thomas with 10, and Jack McGill with 11.

It was the first time this season that an opponent scored over 100 points on the tough Asheville defense. G-W went into the dressing room at half-time when they came back with a 57-48 advantage. After they struck that McGill hit the rest of the way.