



SPORTS

Women's soccer turns on the heat

by Garrick Scott
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In his first season, Head Coach Lennox Charles has the Women's Soccer team hotter than a Trinidadian modeling winter clothes in the summer.

Coach Charles, a native of Trinidad, a graduate of Gardner-Webb, and a former member of the Men's Soccer team, is achieving success early in his coaching career. Under his leadership, the women are 7-2.

But through it all, Coach Charles remains calm, which is very common for him. He has the reputation for being as cool as a York Peppermint Patty. Coach Charles always planned to be coach,

but he did not plan to be a women's head coach. He feels that he still has a lot to learn, but he's making the adjustment.

"As an assistant, I never had to make the final decision. Having that responsibility was a major adjustment," Coach Charles said.

One of the major differences between last year's team and this year's is that the level of confidence is greater.

"The girls did well last year, but they were eliminated in the first round of the playoffs. My goal is to go far beyond that," Coach Charles added.

Co-captain Kristen Lott was quoted as saying, "Coach Charles has helped us develop a new love for the game, whether it be in our techniques or in our overall ability".

Runnin Bulldogs fall to L-R

by James R. Sexton
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The Running Bulldogs of Gardner-Webb University fell to the Lenoir-Rhyne College Bears last Saturday night in a 42-21 game.

The game started innocently enough as Gardner-Webb won the toss but deferred until the second half. L-R took the ball and marched 73 yards on 7 plays, using only 3 minutes and 25 seconds. Then on the Bulldogs' second offensive possession, hard luck struck!

Quarterback John Craven had Senior Receiver Chris Gregory open for a big gain but the ball bounced out of Gregory's hands and into the hands of an L-R defender. This play seemed to be a sign of things to come for the Bulldogs that night.

The Bulldogs did not give up. The game be-

came a tie with a John Craven 7-yard touchdown pass to Terrence Porter and again on another Craven 3-yard touchdown pass to a diving Dewayne Simpson. That play coupled with Matt Graytop's successful extra point tied the score at 14 going into halftime.

The second half started horribly for Gardner-Webb. While expecting to receive the kickoff, the ball bounced off a G-W blocker and was recovered by L-R.

The second half featured much more of this as luck was L-R's lady. The rushing of L-R's Leonard Davis had nothing to do with luck. The senior tailback ran for 243 yards, putting him over 4000 yards in his career.

On defense, the Bulldogs were led by Jason Brewer who had five tackles. Brewer was later named SAC Defensive Player of the Week.

Sports Quips & Quizzes

Quip of the week:

"I started at the Boys and Girls Club. I ended up on the cover of Sports Illustrated," said Jackie Joyner Kersee while speaking at a fundraiser for the more than 1500 clubs and the two million young people that they serve.

Sports Quiz: (Answers at bottom of page)

Q: What college coach has the most wins in the history of college football?

Q: What current GWU receiver is 3rd in the SAC with 22 receptions for 203 yards?

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Sports news and opinionated views...
by James R. Sexton
sports editor

Hey Amy Sistrunk! Getting eleven blocks against Anderson last month was great but I think you should let other people block too... When I think of soccer, I think Brooks "Jesus with the Save" Derrick. What do you think of that?

I hate to keep harpin' on this Lauman kid, but you gotta see her play. She gets many props. I won't give Sherstin "Gimme that ball!" Lauman all the props. I give many to Jennifer Trabant and Kristen "I Score A" Lott. They are the team's leading scorers... Don't look now but basketball season is right around the corner. I've been hanging around the men's basketball assistant coaches and they can't stop smilin'. I think we're in for an excitin' season this year...

Head Football Coach Woody Fish said "Kelvin McCray may be the most improved player on the team this year", but I didn't even mention him when speaking of the secondary last time out. I also forgot to mention Mike "Rollin' on the Rivers. Sorry, I think that's why the Fishman's coachin' and I'm writin'...

Hey Mike "Mr." Derrrow! You're on pace to make ninety-five tackles this season. Now that is definitely NOT soft!!!

Hey Jason "Milwaukee" Brewer! I wanna tell you somethin'. You gotta stop tacklin' people behind the line of scrimmage. Right now you've done that seventeen times for seventy-four yards in losses. I think I'm just glad you play for us...

Hey! If you missed the second half of the football game against Wingate (and I did), I have some numbers for you on John "the Raven" Craven. He completed 23 of 27 passes for 287 yards with 3 touchdowns and no (count'em) no interceptions. Hey Fishman, Whatever you and Unsworth did in that second half, do it again for Homecoming, please...

I'd like to thank Mark, Andrew, and Todd over at Sports Information (No! I don't make these stats up!) Thanks, Guys!!!!!!