

Sports

Intramurals: Exercise, friendships and T-shirts

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Interested in a great way to exercise, build friendships and maybe even win a championship T-shirt?

Gardner-Webb's intramural program offers these aspects and more. This program also presents the chance to learn a new sport or activity, and the opportunity to develop team-building skills.

The program's philosophy is to "actively encourage, pro-

vide and promote recreational activities to enrich the quality of physical, mental, spiritual and social life of the Gardner-Webb 'Family.'"

This semester's activity calendar includes a variety of different sports. The events range from familiar team sports like softball, basketball and indoor soccer to events such as snow skiing, a triathlon and a swim meet.

To participate, students need to form teams and sign-up during the designated dates for specific events.

Individuals can also sign-up and be placed on a team, comprised of other "free agents." The games and events take place on various playing fields on Gardner-Webb's campus as well as in Bost Gym and the LYCC.

Students interested in participating in GWU intramurals can stop by the Intramural office in the Student Leadership and Activities Suite in the Suttle Wellness Center to sign-up or call x3552 for more information.

Intramural Sport Calendar Spring 2002

Sport/ Event	Sign-up Start/ Close	Begin Play
5 on 5 Basketball	1/11- 1/18	1/23
Snow Skiing	1/30- 2/6	TBA
Floor Hockey	2/11- 2/18	2/27
Badminton	2/11- 2/18	2/28
Frisbee Golf	TBA	TBA
Triathlon	TBA	TBA
Par 3 Golf	4/9- 4/20	4/21
Swim Meet	TBA	TBA
Indoor Soccer	3/18- 3/25	4/2
Softball	3/18- 3/25	4/2

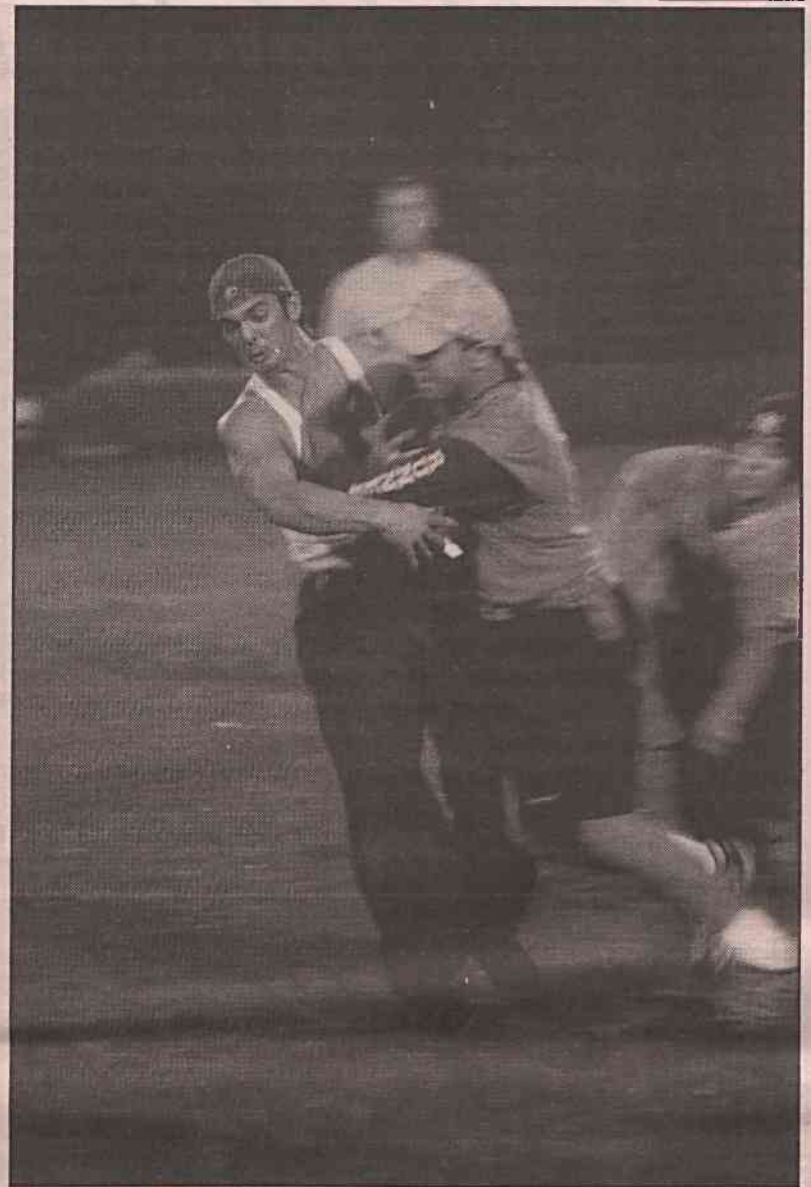
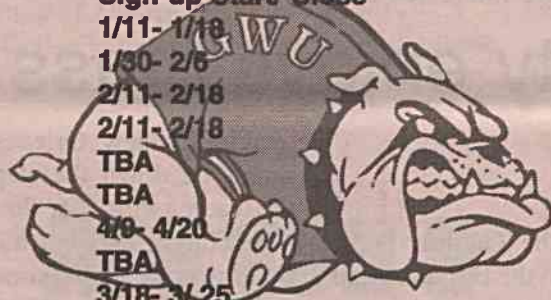


Photo by Scott Holstein

Senior Chip Watts, playing for The Real Deals, gets sacked during the final intramural flag football game last semester.

Runners sprint for goals

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The Gardner-Webb Indoor Track Team will be competing against 11 teams from North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee, including UNC Asheville and UNC Greensboro, Winthrop, Davidson, Elon, Furman and East Tennessee State University this season.

Most of the indoor runners have competed on the collegiate level, some have not. For the freshmen, this first meet might be an eye opener, fears Head Track Coach Bryan Fetzer.

"It's always hard for new members coming in from high school, but I think that everyone is adjusting fine," said Kathryn Phillips, runner.

"There are going to be some egos broken and there are going to be some hearts that need mending," said Fetzer.

Fetzer is confident that the team is performing at its best

right now. None of the athletes have significant injuries. Natalie Dawkins had knee surgery, but was able to make her personal best time over Christmas break.

Even so, Fetzer said, "My biggest thing is how they compete and how they handle themselves."

His primary concern is that the team matures during the season, and that everyone works their personal hardest.

The second meet this season for Gardner-Webb will be against UNC Chapel Hill, Duke University and N.C. State on Jan. 25-26 in Chapel Hill.

In two weeks the team will travel to Bronx, N.Y. for the Armory National Invitational. According to Fetzer, the meet is the most prestigious indoor meet in the country. Out of 20 colleges invited, Gardner-Webb will be one of the 12 competitors at the meet, along with Stanford, Miami and Georgetown.

Swimming

GWU, 111
Ga. Southern, 94

(Jan. 11) The GWU swimming team topped Georgia Southern 111-94 at home. Junior Melissa Smith won the 1,000-meter freestyle and 500-meter freestyle, and Cheryl Horne won also in the 50-meter freestyle. Horne, Jennifer Chester, Becky Henninger and Jennifer Bishop also captured first place in the 400-meter relay. GWU swept the top three in the 500 free, with Smith in first, followed by freshman Mindy Ilg in second and sophomore Megan Campbell in third. The event gave the Bulldogs the lead, and they wouldn't look back the rest of the competition.

Women's Basketball

Texas A&M-
Corpus Christi, 78
GWU, 48

Gardner-Webb finished a two-game road swing into Texas Monday night with a loss to Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, falling victim to a blistering three-point barrage by the Lady Islanders.

GWU point guard Casey Collins stayed hot, scoring a team-high 16 points, but TAMU-CC knocked in 12-of-17 three-point shots for the game and 30-of-56 shots from the floor to pull away early.

The Lady Bulldogs (3-15) managed only 33.3 percent shooting on the night (17-of-51) and lost 24 turnovers in the game, helping the Lady Islanders break free from an early, 5-5 tie to lead 46-25 at the half.

Men's Basketball

Texas Pan-Am, 94
GWU, 84

Bruce Fields scored 15 points and pulled down 7 rebounds as the Bulldogs lost their third straight game. Freshmen Josh Chiles and Otis Daniels added 12 points and 6 rebounds respectively, but GWU could not overcome an 18-point first half deficit.

Texas A&M-Corpus
Christi, 86
GWU, 78

Daniels led GWU with 20 points, a career-best 11 rebounds and five assists, but the Bulldogs lost in Texas. Bruce Fields added 18 points, six rebounds, while Tim Behrendorff matched his career-high with 12 points, nine boards and four assists.