



Seahawk Sports

JANUARY 11, 2001

SCOREBOARD

Callahan leads Seahawks to victory over Highlanders

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Record: 7-4 (0-1 CAA)

Sat. Dec. 30

ODU 74 UNCW 59 (L)

Sun. Jan. 7 (Exhibition)

NWBL 65 UNCW 61 (L)

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Record: 7-6 (1-2 CAA)

Tue. Jan. 2

UNCW 64 Radford 54 (W)

Sat. Jan. 6

UNCW 57 George Mason 53 (W)

Mon. Jan. 8

American 53 UNCW 39 (L)

Wed. Jan. 10

UNCW HIGH POINT (Late)

SWIMMING AND DIVING

Men's Record: 1-2

Women's Record: 3-1 (1-0 CAA)

Sat. Jan. 6

at University of North Florida
(Jacksonville, Fla.)

Men: Georgia Tech 187 UNCW 67 (L)

Women: UNCW 133 UNF 108 (W)

SCHEDULES

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Thu. Jan. 11 at 7 p.m.

at George Mason

Sun. Jan. 14 at 2 p.m.

at American

Thu. Jan. 18 at 7 p.m.

EAST CAROLINA

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Sat. Jan. 13 at 7 p.m.

EAST CAROLINA

Wed. Jan. 17 at 7 p.m.

RICHMOND

SWIMMING AND DIVING

Sun. Jan. 14 at 2 p.m.

DAVIDSON

BOLD indicates home game

SCREAMIN' SEAHAWKS

A new student-run spirit group designed to support UNCW Athletics, will hold its first meeting Tue, Jan. 16 at 7 p.m. in Trask Rm. 117. It is free to join, and is as easy as going to athletic events to support the Seahawks. Members receive a free T-shirt to wear to games, and access to a room designated for pre-game activities.

JESSIE NUNERY

ASS'T SPORTS EDITOR

The emergence of Craig Callahan could not be coming at a better time for the UNC Wilmington men's basketball team. On a night where the Seahawks were emotional and physically spent after their victory over Miami of Ohio, Callahan had all the answers. Callahan poured in a career-high 24 points and 17 rebounds as the Seahawks defeated Radford by a score of 64-54.

Using an array of post moves, Callahan, to the delight of the Trask Coliseum crowd, lit a fire under a tired Seahawk squad as they ran their record to 6-5 overall, 0-1 in the CAA. As dominating as Callahan was though, the Seahawks still found themselves down 44-37 with 11:51 to play. That's when senior forward Dominic Scott came off the bench and led a 15-3 Seahawk run, connecting on two three-pointers and assisting on a fast break lay-up by Ed Williams that energized the crowd. Senior point-guard Barron Thelmon connected on four clutch free-throws down the stretch to secure the Seahawk victory.

Also coming through with a gritty performance was senior center Marcus Green, who was battling the flu, grabbing seven rebounds, many of which kept alive possessions for the Seahawks who had no answers on of-

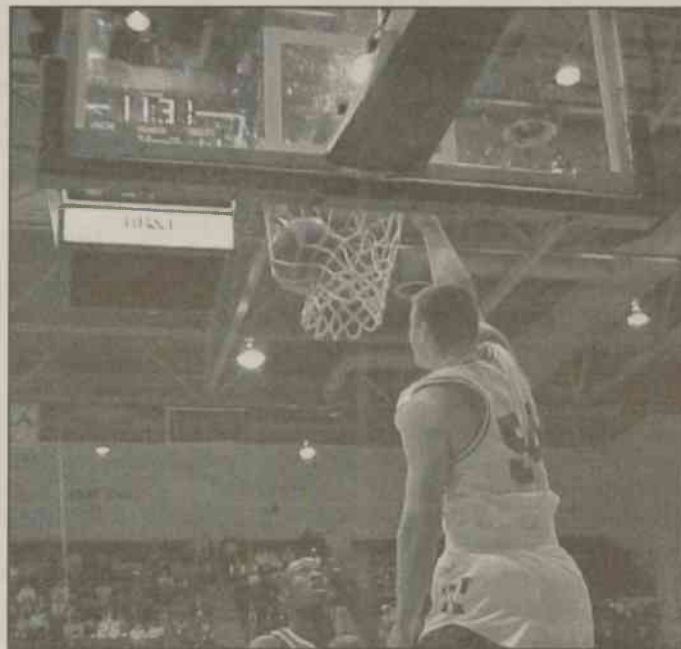
fense for most of the night. Sophomore Brett Blizzard was off the mark for most of the night shooting 1-11, while Ed Williams chipped in 13 points mostly off fast breaks.

The Seahawks saving grace was Callahan, as he was so dominant that at one point he was outscoring his own team 19-18. When asked what has gotten into him, Callahan replied, "I don't know, I'm just working hard, and getting more opportunities to play."

Callahan's performance even surprised Radford Head Coach Ron Bradley.

"He hurt us bad. We didn't expect it," said Bradley. "We double-teamed him some and he made us pay for that too."

UNCW Head Coach Jerry Wain-



Craig Callahan, a sophomore from Cascade, Iowa, slams the ball in the face of Radford guard Raymond Arrington.

wright was pleased with his team's performance considering the circumstances. "Our team is really tired. Without Craig we don't win tonight, but what we really needed the most was his 17 boards," said Wainwright.

After the game, Dominic Scott looked ahead to the Seahawks upcoming road trip where they will tangle with George Mason and American. "On the road we have to play our game and win each half. It'll be a big challenge," Scott said.

Wainwright gets 100th victory with Seahawks

BEN JONES

SPORTS EDITOR

If the San Antonio Spurs had their way, Jerry Wainwright would never have had the chance to get his 100th victory as the head coach of the men's basketball team at UNC Wilmington. Last August, Wainwright turned down an offer to be an assistant coach with the NBA team, which would have removed him from the program he has put together at UNCW.

Wainwright's decision to stay for a seventh season presents several unparalleled milestones never seen nor experienced by the university.

First, his decision continues the

streak of being a respected contender in the Colonial Athletic Association. During his tenure, his conference record is 68-41, and he has a winning record against all eight teams.

In the last five seasons, Wainwright has coached the Seahawks into three CAA championship games, including the tournament win in 2000.

For last year's win, UNCW was rewarded with a NCAA tournament appearance for the first time in school history. This was not the first post-season berth for the Seahawks though. In 1998, Wainwright led the team into the National Invitational Tournament where they battled his previous employer, Wake Forest.

Wainwright now has another

achievement to add to his growing list as a coach at UNCW. The team played Radford at Trask Coliseum Jan. 2. In a game that normally would have little meaning for the well-regarded mid-major squad, Wainwright gave the Seahawks a reason to win - it would be his 100th.

During the game, UNCW pondered for a while if that Tuesday night would be the right time for the present. In the end, the players, especially sophomore Craig Callahan, decided the timing was suitable. UNCW topped the Highlanders 64-54, securing the latest Wainwright accomplishment.

Wainwright becomes the fastest

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