

Knights Lose To Wesleyan; Face Central Tonight Here

The Knights have finished the road portion of their 1972-73 basketball schedule, and last night began a six game home stand in preparation for the DIAC tournament.

After compiling a 1-12 record on the road, the team hopes to pick up some victories on its home floor. The home court is only advantageous if a large and loud student body turns out to support the team.

St. Andrews' destitute basketball team was defeated on its home court Wednesday

night by North Carolina Wesleyan, 85-79. St. Andrews was handicapped by a tenacious full court press all night. After falling behind by 13 early in the second half, the Knights never overtook Wesleyan, despite a furious rally which twice closed the gap to one point. Excellent free throw shooting helped Wesleyan pull away.

Ven Johnson had a great shooting night, with 26 points. Albert Bonds 20. The loss drops the Knights to 2-17 on the season.

Thursday night there is a make-up game against Central Wesleyan at Harris Court. The game was postponed from earlier in the season. Saturday night tough Lynchburg College invades, followed on Tuesday by high-scoring Methodist.

Coach Tom Whitely's Knights took an 8 game losing streak into last night's game with N. C. Wesleyan. The last of these was an 87-72 romp by Central Wesleyan. Albert Bonds led the Knights with 21 points and 12 rebounds. Jim Haddix contributed 14 points.

In the previous game, the Knights lost a heart breaker to Toccoa Falls, 71-69. "We had the opportunities to win it" said Coach Whitely, "but we couldn't take advantage of them." The Knights led 37-30 before being outscored 24-8 over a ten minute stretch. The Knights press in the last three minutes whittled a 12 point deficit down to two, but St. Andrews ran out of time.

Center Albert Bonds scored 21 points and pulled down 11 rebounds. Clyde Hicks, who had seen little previous action, scored 14 points after replacing injured Raymond Andrews. Andrews suffered a sprained ankle and is doubtful for this week's games.

The future looks faintly hopeful. "The key may be Robin Daniel," the coach said, speaking of a big guard who averaged 12 points last year. "HE still hasn't played as well as he did before he broke his foot. He could be a big factor."

With a return to form by Daniel, continued steady shooting by senior Ven Johnson and Andrews, and good play by the younger players, St. Andrews should win some games and gain a small measure of respectability by escaping the conference cellar.

SA Women's Basketball Improving; Record 1-6

Alas, Coach Jo Ann Williams' women's basketball team has fared no better than its male counterpart. The women's team has struggled to a 1-6 record.

This is the first year for women's varsity basketball at St. Andrews, and Coach Williams cites this as a major factor in the team's poor showing. All of the girls played different brands of ball in high school and are finding it difficult to blend into a cohesive unit. By practicing every day, the team is improving in this respect.

The Knights' top six players are Daphne O'Neill, Cindy Williams, Mallory Davis, Glen Kennedy, Trish Bodell, and Lee Sparks. Also on the team are Sue Kascher, Pat Kerr, Anita Morgan, Wanda Patterson, and Elaine Thomas.

The Knights suffered a severe blow early in the season when senior captain Mary Ann Merritt injured her knee against Francis Marion. She is probably out for the season.

The team excels at no phase of the game. Turnovers have been a major problem. Four times the Knights have committed thirty or more in a thirty-two minute game. The

team shoots poorly, often around 30. from both the field and the foul line.

"The girls stand around too much. We've got to keep moving", according to Coach Williams. This immobility has led to a lack of rebounding, despite the height advantage the Knights usually enjoy.

Women's basketball has mostly the same rules as men's, however there is no backcourt rule, all defensive fouls result in free throws, and a 30 second clock speeds up play.

Coach Williams claims that the Knights are "muchly improved in the last two games." The first of these was the only win thus far, a 35-33 triumph at Pembroke. "We really outplayed them, but we couldn't hit the shots," the coach lamented. Indeed, the team hit only 19 of its 74 shots.

Although losing a 40-37 in overtime to Wingate Moday night, the Knights showed a vastly improved defense. The future could be bright, although tough N. C. State plays here Friday night. The only other home game is Feb. 21 against Pembroke.

The women play an interesting brand of basketball, and student support would be greatly appreciate.

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listing the damages and demanding payment. As most of the Suite was far from Laurinburg when the suite was ransacked, and had no idea who had done the destruction, it was up to the guilty parties to pay the bill. And since several members of the Suite were off-campus for winter term, an accounting of the damages was impossible.

The next development followed soon after: the business office was directed to bill each member of the suite close to \$19.00 to pay for the damages by Dean McNair. Not feeling this to be quite equitable, and getting nowhere in discussions with Dean McNair concerning the precedent or ethics of such a decision, the innocent suite members refused to pay the bill. Not to be put off, the Dean rose to the occasion: he sent a letter to the registrar's office instructing that the members of Suite 5 Mecklenburg not be

allowed to register for the spring term until they had paid the bill. Again Dean McNair was appealed to concerning the fairness of such an action applied to students who had not broken anything, nor even been at school.

Dean McNair claims it to be his only recourse to elicit payment and refused to change his mind.

Upon attempting to register, residents of the suite found they really couldn't unless they paid the \$19 extra to cover damages. Another trip to Dean McNair produced no results.

Aside from the legal standpoint, where is the logic or sense in arbitrarily billing a student for damages done by some other unknown persons at a time when the student was gone on vacation?

Should this school be allowed to say, "Even if you had no part in the destruction, you must pay for the damage

done"?

A careful reading of the Saltire and student handbook shows that while such an action by the administration is not allowed, neither is it denied, leaving a convenient loophole that is subject to the administrators own interpretation to fit a circumstance. While the students may be quite free in life style and actions for the moment, the administration may take that freedom away arbitrarily.

Richard Rhoderick

Tryouts for the Bacchae, an experimental production of the Greek classic, will be held tonight at 7 in Farrago. There are roles for 8 males and 10 females.

The Third World Film Festival will continue next Monday with the presentation of Mahangar, a film from India directed by Sajirat Ray, at 7:30 p.m. in Avinger.

Depth Needed As Track Team Begins Rebuilding

Spring term is here, and spring sports will soon begin at St. Andrews. The first event is the NAIA District 29 indoor Track Championship at Lynchburg, Va. Feb. 26.

Coach Robbin Kinne has high hopes for his track team following last year's 4-4 record and second place finish in the conference. Several school record holders are returning, and some newcomers have great potential.

The record holders include John LaGuardia in the shot put, Bill Parker in the triple jump, and Ron Hayden in both the 120' high hurdles and the 440 intermediate hurdles. Hayden and Brod Hale are the returning members of the record breaking 440 relay team.

Other returning are Phil Chapman in the pole vault, long distance runner Banning Ingram, Robin Daniel in the 440 and Mac Johnson, who pole vaults and runs the 120 high hurdles.

Many athletes are not back, however, and Kinne termed 1973 "a rebuilding year". He urges all interested students to come out for the team, because competitors are needed in every event. Great athletic talent is not mandatory.

The coach pointed out the necessity for depth on a track team. There are 17 events, with three athletes scoring in each event. Lack of depth also causes many athletes to compete in more than one event. This prevents them from devoting all of their energy to a single event.

No experience is required to try out for the team. Kinne said Brod Hale and Robin Daniel had done very well last year despite lack of experience.

The Knights have four meets on St. Andrews' all-weather track this spring, including the conference championships April 14.

Bonds Leads

Statistics indicate that Albert Bonds, 6-1 freshman center, is St. Andrews' brightest star. He is scoring over 15 points per game, and gathering 10 rebounds per game.

Ray Andrews is the Knights' most efficient shooter, hitting

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46. of his field goals and 72. of his free throws to lead the

team in both categories. He is second in scoring, averaging 14 points. Ven Johnson is also scoring in double figures at 12 ppg.

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