

## Netters Whipped In DIAC

The Knights' netmen journeyed to Greensboro Monday in defense of their conference title, which they shared with N. C. Wesleyan last spring. Gray Fox's win at number 4 singles served as little consolation to the team as it struggled to a third place finish, far behind the surprising UNC-Greensboro Spartans, who totalled 46 points. N. C. Wesleyan grabbed second at 34 and SA had 18, only two points ahead of Christopher Newport. Two points were given for each match won.

Fox won his finals match 6-4, 6-3. This highlights a fine season for the junior who has been putting his game together after sitting out last season following an undefeated freshman year. Fox has always been SA's most effective pressure player, and he thrived under tournament conditions, winning each of his matches in straight sets.

The host Spartans won six of the nine brackets. These were nos. 1, 2, 3, and 5 singles and 1 and 3 doubles. Albert Khanlarian and Jim Costa at one and two thoroughly outclassed their opposition. These victories were not unexpected but all members of the champions performed well and more than made up for regular season losses to N. C. Wesleyan and St. Andrews. UNC-G switched its lineups after those two losses, allowing

several players to roll up undefeated records in different brackets than they were in when they played the Bishops and Knights. This allowed the Spartans to acquire top seeding in several brackets, making the road to the title that much easier.

All three doubles pairs made the semifinals for the Knights, with Ager-Mitchell losing to N. C. Wesleyan's number two duo in the finals, 6-4, 6-3. Fox and Finger put up quite a struggle in their semifinals match against Wesleyan's touted Saunders-Long team, losing 4-6, 7-6, 6-3. Wesleyan then lost in three sets to the seemingly invincible Khanlarian-Costa combo.

Mitchell and Steve Barber reached the semis in 3 and 5 singles. Mitchell went three sets and Barber was defeated convincingly in two. Each lost to his bracket's eventual champion. Finger also dropped a semifinal match. John Gillingham was upset by Christopher Newport's no. 6 in the first round. Tom Ager, at no. 1, likewise bowed out in the first round.

Looking at these results the assertion that the Knights have many good players but no top caliber stars is reflected by their play. Finger, Mitchell, and Barber won conference championships last year at their levels but moving up (two places for Finger and

Mitchell, one for Barber), could not achieve first place finishes. Due credit must be given to UNC-G for improvement throughout the year and thorough preparedness for the tournament.

The St. Andrews team gained momentum for the tourney last week, raising its record to 12-2 by scoring shutouts over Virginia Wesleyan, Methodist, and Greensboro College. However SA had to struggle to top a revenge-minded Campbell team 5-4 and tough Christopher Newport 8-1 in a match featuring five three-setters, of which the Knights won four.

No match against the visiting Virginia Wesleyan Marlins lasted more than seven games although at times SA relaxed and allowed some matches to become tighter. Ager, Finger, Barber, and Gillingham made very short work of their opponents, each permitting only three games. Gillingham-McAlister at 3 double showed good form in winning number three doubles.

This win followed a near defeat at Campbell. The Camels, who settled for fourth, behind St. Andrews, in their invitational in early March, were smarting from a rain shortened 5-1 defeat here, and gave the Knights all they could handle. Ager played fine tennis before bowing to Campbell's ace Tai Adeleke in three sets. Gray Fox battled back after losing his first set and won. Steve McAlister, playing no. 6, was still not on top of his game but managed a 6-4, 7-5 victory. With Mitch Mitchell and Steve Barber stroking their usual fine placements, SA needed only one of the three doubles matches. Ager and Mitchell came through, as the Camel coach unaccountably started his number three team in the number two position.

SA and Christopher Newport met at Greensboro last Saturday. Tom Ager stopped The Bobcats' no. 1 man in their crucial match in Ager's best outing of the season.

Methodist and Greensboro College offered little resistance as the Knights rolled to crushing triumphs on the road.

Going into the tournament the Knights' top men were Fox and Barber at 12-2, Gillingham at 9-2, and Mitchell 9-3. The Gillingham-McAlister duo paced doubles with an 11-2 mark.

## SA Bowlers To KC

After a month's wait while other bowling teams completed their seasons, Coach Floyd Blackwell received word Monday that the scores bowled by his Knights in the conference tournament were good enough to earn the team a trip to the nationals in Kansas City. The Knights are one of eight teams in the national tournament.

Five bowlers earned the trip by virtue of their overall scores in the conference meet. They include Mark Podhorecny, Ed McDonald, Mick Meisel, Jim Barrick, and Rusty Pherson. Efforts are being made to raise enough money so that the team cap-

tain and leader, Wes Campbell, can make the trip as an alternate. \$200 is needed. A box for contributions is in the main lounge of the Student Union. Your contributions would be appreciated.

The team will leave campus at 5:30 a.m. Thursday, May 2, and fly from Charlotte to Kansas City. The Knights will practice that afternoon and attend a banquet that night. They will then bowl Friday and Saturday - Friday a round-robin team event in which each kegler must roll 15 games, and Saturday the singles and double competition.

## SA Nine: 28 Scoreless Innings

Yesterday at the SA baseball field the Knights dropped a double-header to Methodist 10-0 and 13-0 and extended their string of scoreless innings to 28. Methodist scored twice in the first inning of the first game off Bill Barnes, who pitched all the way despite allowing ten runs and 11 hits. St. Andrews managed only four hits in that game, but the Knights were beneficiaries of eight walks by the Monarchs' pitcher Gooch, and left 13 men on the base in the seven inning game without scoring a single run.

Richard Massey started the second game for SA and gave up four runs in the first on two walks, three singles, and an outfield error. The Monarchs added three in the second before Jay Xanthos replaced Massey. Xanthos pitched creditably but gave up some runs when his fielders had trouble with windblown pop flies. Jim Haddix pitched well in the last two innings. The Knights connected for only three hits in the game.

At Lynchburg Saturday, the Knights had no success at all against a Hornet team which has righted itself since losing to SA early in the season. The Knights dropped two games by identical 8-0 scores. Jay Xanthos was hit hard in the first three innings of the opener as Lynchburg romped to a 7-0 lead SA managed only one hit, Hendrickson's fifth inning double, off Lynchburg's ace lefthander Owen. Owen blanked SA 4-0 on one hit here April 6; Xanthos had the single hit then.

A three-run third and a four-run fifth elevated the Hornets to their second 8-0 win. Richard Massey was the victim of some hard-hit extra base blasts and poor defensive sup-

port and was the losing pitcher. SA had four hits, including a leadoff triple by Joe Roberts in the third inning.

In last week's action, the Knights recorded their second victory, taking the second game of a doubleheader from N. C. Wesleyan 3-2, scoring the winning run in the eighth inning on a balk which allowed John Hendrickson to score from third base. Hendrickson had singled to open the inning and advanced to third on two infield errors. With a 1-0 count on Bob Latshaw, the Wesleyan pitcher, confused by Hendrickson's dash for the plate as the Knights attempted a squeeze play, failed to release the ball and the balk was called.

Richard Massey went all the way and pitched a six hitter for his first victor at St. Andrews. Three of those hits, all singles, came in the second inning as the Bishops scored both of their runs. SA tied the game with single runs in the fourth and fifth. In the fourth, Barnes singled home Ray Andrews, while in the fifth Hendrickson knocked in Jay Xanthos with a single. The Knights managed eight hits in the contest.

Wesleyan won the opener 3-1 as SA played sloppy defensive ball. The Bishops' first run scored from second on Hendrickson's error. They took a 3-0 lead in the fifth with the help of three SA mistakes. SA scored in the sixth on singles by Xanthos and Haddix and Raymond Andrews' double. Haddix, attempting to score from first, was thrown out at the plate. SA left three men on third base in the seven inning game.

## Intramurals

Individual point leaders in men's intramurals are Eric Lawson (Meck), Charlie Dailey (W-S), Matt Wood (M), Jerry Surface (W-S), and Jim Barrick (W-S).

Men's volleyball has been called off due to lack of participation. Future events include men's racquetball and tennis.

Bowling intramurals began Monday. In team competition

Faculty leads with Granville-Orange second and Meck third. Bowling continues each Monday night or at the competitors' convenience.

Prem Thoonkapalin led individuals in Monday night's bowling with a 208-224-211 series. The 643 total was 40 pins higher than Mick Meisel's conference-championship effort.

## Watson-Holt Win Track

Three SA trackmen participated in two meets in the last two weeks, doing extremely well in the DIAC championships April 13 and making a fair showing at Campbell in a meet April 18.

Tom Dux ran well in both competitions, improving his 220 performances by a full second to 24.4 at Campbell. He registered and 11.0 hundred at Lynchburg, placing seventh in both races. At Campbell he churned home second and probably lost some vital time by letting up before he

reached the tape.

Billy Parker uncorked a leap of 40'8" and snared fourth place in the triple jump at Lynchburg. Parker finished a disappointing third last Thursday, going only 40'5" after a fine practice series earlier in the week which includes five soars over 42'.

Jimmy Thwaite picked up two seconds in the conference meet by throwing the shot 39'7" and the javelin 158'10". Jim whipped the spear 145' to earn a third at Campbell.

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## Women's Tennis 2-2

After a slow start, the St. Andrews women's tennis team hit its stride in its last two matches, taking victories over Campbell 5-4 and Pembroke 9-0. The team now sports a 2-2 record.

The team opened its season April 11 by losing to a fine Coker team, 7-2. Only Shawn Lynch at No. 6 singles and the No. 3 doubles team of Lynch and JuJu Murphy were able to record victories for St. Andrews. At Florence April 16, the Knights fell again, 6-3 to Francis Marion. Shawn Lyn-

ch, the Lynch-Murphy doubles team, and the No. 1 team of Lee Morgan and Miss Springs won for the Blue. The team hoped to avenge the loss today at SA. Lee Morgan, who dropped a third set tiebreaker on the final point, could very well turn that result around.

The Knights fared very well against Campbell in their home opener April 18. The top three players, Morgan, Beth Bransford, and Missy Springs all copped victories, as did the 1 and 3 doubles teams.

None of the nine matches went to three sets, and no tiebreakers were needed. Against Pembroke Tuesday, SA had almost no trouble, winning each match in straight sets. In only one set did a PSU player win more than three games. JuJu Murphy (No. 4) and Trish Bodle (No. 5) each recorded her first singles win.