

# Sports

## New Season-St.Andrews Women's Volleyball

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The St. Andrews Presbyterian College women's volleyball team started their entry into the NAIA the best possible way-going undefeated in their first nine outings.

With decisive victories over Columbia, Belmont-Abbey, Elon, High Point and Wingate, Methodist, Pembroke State, the Lady Knights have compiled a 7-0 record in the Carolinas Conference and a 14-4 overall record.

Last year their final record was 32-12 in the NCAA Division III's Dixie Conference.

Led by head coach Kelly Bangs, the Coots (an affectionate campus nickname for the team) have one main goal for this season. That is to "win it for Coach." Jo Ann Williams, the St. Andrews volleyball since 1972 (with 259 wins at the college) will miss the season due to illness.

"It is very important to keep in mind what our goal really is," said Bangs.

The team looks for strong leadership from co-captains Kristi Kluegel and Lorna Biagioli. Kluegel, a six-footer from Knoxville, Tenn., is the lone senior on the team. Biagioli is a 5'10" junior from Baldwin, N.Y.

A strong hitter, Kluegel is also a very effective backrow hitter. Last year she was All-Dixie Conference, All-DIAC Tournament and All-South for the NCAA Division III.

Biagioli also has strong hitting ability as well as strong serve.

With only three freshmen on the

team, Bangs returned to competition this year with seven sophomores and three juniors. Bangs also hopes that Tomoko Yoshida, a 5'3" freshman from Yokohama Japan, will be a key to the back row defense of the team when she is able to play.

Angie Brown, a freshman from Waterloo, Iowa, has made a strong, immediate impact on the team. Brown is a 5'7" hitter.

Bangs is working with the team to reduce the number of service errors and maintain good passing skills, "most of the girls pass real well and that is something we work on all the time.

I'm also seeing the results of the quick feet drills and running," that have been added this year.

Conditioning and maintaining a good attitude will be key in their busy and well traveled schedule as they strive to "win it for Coach."



## Equestrians off to a Jumping Start

**Pam Whitfield**

Southern Pines hosted the St. Andrews Benefit Horse Show September 24 and 25. Attended by many local youth, amateurs, and professional riders, the show promises to become an annual fundraiser for our school's equestrian program.

The Riding Council's concession stand and hospitality booth raised additional money for upcoming activities, and they publicized St. Andrews College in the riding community.

The St. Andrews Equestrian Team will compete in Region IV this year, a change from previous years.

Region IV includes schools in North Carolina and Virginia, as opposed to former competitors in South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. The change promises to provide high quality competitions for the team.

The IHSA (Intercollegiate Horse Show Association) team competes first at Averett College in Danville, Va. on October 14. Riders participating in the ANRC (American National Riding Commission) team are scheduled to attend clinics, aiding in Training Squad selections.

The focus of those selected will be preparation for regional and national competitions in the spring.

The Riding Council has planned intramural events for the fall term, including a treasure hunt, hunter trials, and a gymkhana.

The first competition is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, October 4, at 4:30. Any students who are currently riding, or have participated in the program are eligible to compete.

Spectators and supporters are encouraged to attend all events, so come out and cheer on the teams.

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### Notes

**Eric Eubank**

Many things have happened in St. Andrews Athletics this year. Unfortunately few of these things have been covered by Lance reporters.

If you are interested in writing sports related articles for the Lance please contact Eric Eubank at Ex.467, or Box 571, or in person, or whatever. There are too many athletes, and athletic events that go uncovered by the Lance. If you want to help, then write, please.

With that short note out of the way, on to Sports. Coots mania is back at St. Andrews. The Women's Volleyball team is currently 7-0 in the Carolinas Conference and is playing extremely well.

Kristi Kluegel was recently named NAIA District 26 Player-of-the-Week and National Player of the Week, the very first person to win that award.

Congratulations Kristi, and to the whole team for your excellent play.

Men's Soccer is now 1-5-2 on the year. The Knights next home match is on October 4 against Pembroke.

Women's Soccer, a new sport at St. Andrews, lost their debut to Guilford 5-0, but won a recent match against Maryville College.

It would be nice to show our support of the Lady Knights, by turning out in large masses for the opening home match on October 6 against Elon.

The Men's Cross-Country Team finished second to Pfeiffer at the Belmont-Abbey Invitational. Eric Eubank finished third overall to lead the Knights to their second place finish. Cathy Naylor finished second overall in the women's meet.

Trainer Eddie Melvin is looking for a few good student assistants. If you think you qualify, you can contact him at Ex. 385, or at the Training Room.

Lastly an apology to the sports that were left out. The athletes of St. Andrews work hard. They deserve better coverage than this.

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