

SPORTS

Basketball season underway

ECSU men's basketball 1986-87 season has gotten underway with new head coach Claude Mackey preparing the squad to compete for the CIAA crown.

The Viking's schedule includes the Spartans of Norfolk State, led by All-CIAA and All-American Ralph Tally, who was the leading scorer in the CIAA last season. The Vikings will also go one-on-one with an excellent team from Richmond, Va., the Panthers of Virginia Union University. The Panthers will be led by All-CIAA player Jamie Waller.

Two starters and two reserves from last season, along with ECSU's All-CIAA player, 6-foot-7-inch senior Timothy McDaniels, will lead the Viking squad. McDaniels and 6-foot-3-inch Jamie Turner will start at forward. Last season McDaniels led the team in scoring with a 22.3 point average and Turner had a 16.7 point average. McDaniels also added 6.3 rebounds per game. Both men have superb outside shooting abilities and can produce under pressure.

Also returning is 6-foot-2-inch senior guard Kenny Hilton. A newcomer, Lydel Mitchell, a 6-foot-9-inch De-

troit native, will fill in the middle with his aggressive rebounding skills.

Vikings fall in OT; Lose 106-102 to Shaw

The Vikings of Elizabeth City State University had to play quest to the Bears of Shaw University without their point guard, 5-foot-8-inch Brandon James. Andre Towe, a reserve guard for the Vikes started out well, but fouled out with 12 minutes left in the contest.

Despite 23 points and 19 rebounds from ALL-CIAA Timothy McDaniels the Vikings fell short to the Shaw Bears in overtime, 106-102.

The Vikings had a chance to win, but turnovers caused the visting Vikings to settle for a 96-96 regulation tie. ESCU led by as many as 10 points in the first half, but the Vikings saw their lead crumble due to turnovers. Shaw led the Vi-

kings at halftime 44-42. ECSU had 22 turnovers at halftime.

The Vikings took the lead in the fourth quarter 96-94 on a three-point goal by Danny Jones. With seven seconds remaining in the regulation the Bears pushed the ball upcourt quickly and T. Douglas scored at the buzzer to tie the at 96-96.

In the overtime period the Vikings were outscored 10-6. It was the Vikings' third loss of the season.

The Vikings were led by Timothy McDaniels with 22 points and 19 rebounds, followed by Lydell Lucas with 20 points and 13 rebounds. Jamie Turner added 15 points.

The Bears were led by Anthony Joseph and Mark Brown with 30 and 20 points respectively.

Proposition 48 studied

Basketball season officially started November 22. Many questions need to be asked, but the most asked question is, "How will Proposition 48 affect college basketball?"

NCAA Bylaw 5-1 (j) or Proposition 48 specifies that potential qualifiers for an athletic scholarship at all Division I schools must meet two requirements: (1) A score of at least 700 on the verbal and math sections of the SAT or a score of 15 on the ACT. (2) A cumulative minimum 2.0

Grade Point Average in a core curriculum of at least 11 Specified academic courses in the areas of English, mathematics, social sciences and natural or physical sciences.

Coaches have criticized the first provision, saying it discriminates against inner-city black athletes. Athletes who don't meet the required guidelines have the following options:

(1) Accept the scholarship or some other form of financial aid, and sit out the sea-

son, if they have a 2.0 GPA. No practicing, no special tutoring, and definitely no playing.

(2) Pay their own way the first year the best way they can.

(3) Attend a Division II or III or NAIA school.

(4) Attend a junior college.

The best bet of all these options would be to attend a junior college or a Division II School, where the player could come in and possibly contribute right away.

Cullens is new coach; Baseball returns to ECSU

Baseball, the All-American past-time, has returned to ECSU. The sounds of cracking bats and smells of rubbed leather gloves will fill the spring air again after an absence of 26 years.

The University dropped the baseball program in 1960 due to lack of funding and support. But the boys of spring are back under the leadership of new baseball coach Chuck Cullens.

Although no positions have

been assigned or even a roster made, the new coach is optimistic.

"The 20 young men who have come out are progressing nicely," said Cullens. "Being the definite underdogs in the conference should make us work even harder, and the CIAA crown is always a possibility."

Because Cullens was not hired until late August, recruitment of high school players was not possible. Accord-

ing to Cullens, however, there are some real bright spots on the team, even without recruiting.

The Vikings will play 17 home games and 18 away games, as well as the CIAA Tournament held in Hampton, April 18-19.

Cullens, an Elizabeth City native, was an Elon College letterman and former Albermarle Academy and Camden High School head baseball coach.



Alvin Kelly, Girl's Basketball Coach, presents award to Jackie Kennedy, ECSU Hall of Fame inductee, and Tom Caldwell, Kennedy's former coach.

ECSU Hall of Fame inducts Fields, Kennedy

ECSU inducted two new members into their Sports Hall of Fame October 31 in the K.E. White Graduate Center at 7 p.m.

Jackie Kennedy, a native of Portsmouth, Virginia, who is now the Athletic Director of the U.S. Marine Corps in Japan, and Henry Fields, who is now the Sports Director for the Corps in France, were inducted.

Fields participated in both basketball and track while at ECSU and was a member of the first ECSU basketball team to make the CIAA Basketball Tournament. He won the CIAA high jump competition during his junior and senior years and also won medals in the Penn Relays during those years.

Fields, ECSU's first big man to dominate in the center position, was first

in rebounding during two of the three years that he played in the CIAA and ranked in the top ten nationally in rebounding.

Jackie Kennedy was the first white student to start in any major sport in the history of ECSU. Kennedy won the Unlimited Weight Class Championship in wrestling for three consecutive years in the CIAA. He was also the first white player at ECSU to start on the football team, where he played as a defensive lineman and linebacker.

During the years Kennedy played at ECSU, the team won 23 games and lost only 4. "While Jack didn't do it all himself, he was an integral part of the 42 man squad, sharing defensive leadership with such ECSU greats as Darnell Moore, Billy Anderson, and Washington John-

son," said Tom Caldwell, his former coach.

Kennedy came to ECSU because of a former black high school classmate that he helped to make the transition at Craddock High School, a predominately white school. That classmate, Washington Johnson, encouraged Kennedy to attend ECSU and helped him to make the transition to a predominately black school.

"There is irony here," says George McClelland, Sports Editor of the Virginian-Pilot. "Johnson came to Craddock a stranger and went on to become the first black athlete to excel at the Portsmouth school and he convinced Kennedy to jump the other way."

Both Fields and Kennedy have excelled in their chosen professions.



The "Spiking Vikings," ECSU's womens volleyball team are front row. L-R, Donald Brock, video, Charlene Murphy, Wilkens Marchal, Jerriet Davis, Cheryl Cross, statistician. Back row, L-R, Allison Zimmerman, Lagina Frink, Adrienne Jones, Mary James, Shella Williams and Coach Debbie Lynch. Not pictured, Darlene Dubose.

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