

SPORTS



ASK E.J.

Q. Who were the starting five on Winston-Salem's 1966-67 championship basketball team?

A. The starting five, better known as the "iron men" were Earl Monroe, Johnny Watkins, James Reid, Eugene Smiley and Bill English. English, 'till this day, holds the record (77) for the most points scored in a single game by a Ram player.

Q. Who do think is this year's leading contender for rookie-of-the-year in the NBA?

A. It is obviously L.A.'s Magic Johnson or Boston's Larry Bird. And because of their noted similarity on the court in skills and techniques, it should virtually be a "toss-up" choice. However, right up there in contention is New York Knick's Bill Cartwright. Cartwright averages 22.4 points per game (the most for a rookie since Lew Alcindor's, now Kareem-Abdul Jabbar averaged 28.4 in the 1969-70 season).

Q. Is there speculation that "Hawkeye" Whitney may become N.C. State's basketball coach?

A. I don't know where your source originated, but it is totally false. The fact has it that Charles "Hawkeye" Whitney is on a committee to choose a respectable coach for State since the departure of Norm Sloan. Whitney is the first State player to receive such an honor.

Q. I've always read about civil rights activist Jessie Jackson was once very active in athletics. By any chance is he related to baseball's Reggie Jackson.

A. They are often thought to be brothers, but other than "soul brothers" there is no relation between the two. By the way, Jessie received various honors in athletics during his collegiate days at North Carolina A & T State University.

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Coaches Recruit Football Players

By Everett Jackson

The recruiting process is building its peak at WSSU. Coach Hayes and his staff are steadily seeking youths of potential and talent to perform their athletic feats at Winston-Salem State University. Recruiting on a regular basis, is a year long effort that continues within and beyond the prospective season.

A recruiter, in various aspects, is similar to a salesperson. A recruiter must sell his quality or product with assurance and detail in order to get positive results. Coach Hayes replies, "first I sell my record of 30-4 to show promising players of the winning tradition at WSSU. Second, and most of all, I sell myself. I want future players to know of my standards, truth and capability."

Some of Winston-Salem's leading recruits for the upcoming 1980 football season is Jack Cameron; an all-state

running back from Pearson County High School, Alfred Brock; 6-2/230 lbs. from Durham, N.C., Thomas Turner; 6-0/205 lbs. from Newburn, S.C. and Wayne Ellis; 6-2, 200 lbs from Ahoskie High School, where Timmy Newsome played. Ellis was a member of the North squad in the annual North-South Shrine Bowl (this game matches the best players from North and South Carolina). Ellis will also compete in the East-West (this game matches the best players from the East and Western regions of North Carolina) football game in Greensboro this summer. With the exception of the same high school, Ellis also possesses a symbolic likeness in size and in strength to Newsome in his freshman year.

Even though regular season is months away from kick-off, the momentum is in full gear for 1980 Ram football.



1979-80 Women's Softball Team

Girls softball, coached by Willie Yellock, highlight one of many activities underway during the active spring season. The Ramettes host North Carolina A & T, March 25 and travel to Durham, N.C., March 26 to battle Shaw University and North Carolina Central.

Softball, Track, Tennis, Baseball and Golf

'SU Sports Spring Into Active Season

By Everett Jackson

The 1980 spring sports are now underway in full stride. Women's softball, men and women's track, tennis, golf and the possibility of men's baseball highlights the spring activities.

Women's Softball: Coached by Willie Yellock, the Ramettes combine their youth, skills and leadership to establish victories. The Ramettes will be a strong force in the CIAA with such competitors as Elizabeth City, z.j.c. smith, Fayetteville, and Hampton showing great depth and possessing an intense rivalry.

Men and Women's Track: Coach, Virgil Simpson, is his debut as head coach, is transitioning his teams for durable competition. He is in the process of developing his squad with the basic techniques and fundamentals of outdoor track. Overall, the teams will be strong in some points, with signs of improvement steadily progressing.

Tennis: The Rams should be a threat in the CIAA with such stand-out players as Ricky Jones (Sr.), Millerd Landingham (Sr.), Bobby Wormack (Fr.) and Kelvin Crawford (Fr.). Gale Manuel, Sheila Willoughby and Minutte By-

urs, are in the trio of women tennis players who add balance and skill to the Ram netters. Coach Roseboro comments on his team by saying "we're in a rebuilding stage with great contention for the CIAA Tournament."

Baseball: Men's baseball is finally here after years of absence. It isn't officially a

certified sport, but some dedicated young men have worked hard and continuously to preserve baseball as a school financed sport. It is the students at WSSU who can help aid this cause with reliable action and spoken voice.

Golf: After finishing fifth in the CIAA standings last year, the Rams are seeking im-

provement with Alfred Cook, (Jr.), Frank Stowe (Jr.), Larry Sprinkle (Sr.), Curtis Powell (Fr.), Gary Surber (Jr.), and Charles Hands (Sr.). The Ram golfers are coached by Al Roseboro. The season "teed" off March 22 at Shaw University.

GOLF FACTS and FANCIES

Golf handicaps are the great equalizers. They help ensure an exciting and enjoyable round of golf when a scratch amateur and a Sunday afternoon hack team on the links.

Dick Tiddy, head professional at the Bay Hill Club and Lodge in Orlando, Fla., credits the golf course rating system with maintaining the credibility of handicaps.



"The greatest thing in the world is to know how to be sufficient unto oneself." Montaigne