

## CHOWAN SPORTS UPDATE

By Jack Goldberg



## **Braves' Football**

The Chowan Braves ended the 1989 football season dropping their final three games to finish 6-4. Saturday, October 28, nationally ranked Nassau Community College visited Garrison Stadium, handing the Braves a 41-14 loss. Chowan's only touchdowns were scored by Eric Bates on a 63-yard run and Barryl Boulware on a 70-yard pass reception from Jimmy Shropshire.

The Knights of Montgomery College came into the Braves' den the following Saturday, dominating the game en route to a 28-7 victory. The Braves, who had been averaging 28 points per game, found their offense sputtering all day long. Poor field position, penalties and turnovers were the story as Chowan could only generate 85 total yards while picking up five first downs. Montgomery, who enjoyed exellent field position the better part of the day, rolled up 324 total yards. The Braves' only touchdown came in the second quarter as Montgomery was attempting a field goal from Chowan's 20-yard line. Defensive tackle Robert Samples broke through the line of scrimmage and blocked the attempt. AllAmerican candidate Steve Smith picked up the loose pigskin and scampered 80 yards for the Braves touchdown. Chuck Kornegay split the uprights giving Chowan its only lead of the day.

Greenville, S.C. was the site for the Braves' final game of the season. The nationally ranked Tigers of North Greenville College jumped to an early 14-0 lead and never looked back en route to a 49-20 victory. The Braves mounted a comeback in the second half, going to the air-waves behind the strong arm of sophomore quarterback Jimmy Shropshire. Shropshire hooked-up with Marlek Connor and Kevin Johnson for touchdowns covering 24 and 27 yards. Johnson caught two touchdown passess, the first coming on a 19-yard pass from halfback Anthony Barnes in the second quarter

Chowan concluded it year with a 6-4 overall record and 1-3 in the Coastal Conference. Jim Garrison concluded his 32nd year as head coach, achieving for the 26th time a winning season. Garrison's overall record is 177-132-12.



Region X Champions, The 1989 - 1990 Chowan College Volleyballers being coached by Janet Collins.

## **Ladies Volleyball**

The Lady Braves Concluded their regular season the weekend of October 27th and 28th by defeating Catonsville Community College and Region X opponents Spartanburg Methodist and North Greenville. Friday night the Lady Braves defeated Catonsville Community College 15-13, 5-6 and Region X opponents Spartanburg Methodist in a tough five game match 12-15, 15-11, 15-8, 14-16 and 15-2. Saturday morning Anne Arundel Community College fell victim to the Lady Braves 13-15, 15-7 and 15-6. Chowan capped its regular season defeating North Greenville College 15-7,15-1,15-9 to finish the regular season 28-11.

The weekend of November 3rd and 4th found the ladies in Anderson, S.C. for the Region X tournament. Seeded number three, the Lady Braves put together two consecutive days of excellent volleyball to win the Region X championship. The Braves defeated the host team, Anderson College, 15-6, 15-2 in the title game. The Lady Braves selected to the All-Tournament were Sue Taylor (Staunton, VA), Jennifer Towell (Springfield, VA) and Cartrina Williams (Bradenton, FL), Williams was also named the Most Valuable Player for the tournament. The post season honors continued as Towell, Taylor, and Williams were selected to the Region X team.

By virtue of their Region X championship, the Lady Braves traveled to Bay-Minette, Alabama the weekend of November 10 and 11 to play Faulkner Junior College in the opening round of the NJCAA tournament. Head Coach Janet Collins' program served notice quickly that it would be the dominant team, defeating Faulkner in two straight matched 15-6, 16-14; 15-7, 16-14 to capture the District Nine Championship. Named to the All-Tournament team were

Fonda Lyons (Raleigh, NC), Sue Taylor (Staunton, VA), and Cartrina Williams (Bradenton, FL). Williams, for the second consecutive tournament, was named Most Valuable Player.

The next stop for the Lady Braves was Miami, Florida, site of the National Volleyball Tournament the weekend of November 20 through 22. The Lady Braves, who have been to the nationals three out of the last five years, were seeded number four in their pool, in the four pool tournament consisting of the best sixteen teams in the nation. Chowan began their quest for the national championship taking on host school Miami Dade Community College South, dropping three straight games 15-4, 15-3 and 15-3. The Lady Jaguars of Miami Dade eventually won the national championship defeating Barton County Community College of Kansas in three straight games.

The Lady Braves' second match was against defending national champion Schoolcraft College from Michigan The Ocelots from Michigan defeated Chowan 15-1, 15-1, 15-3 to eliminate the Lady Braves' chances of winning their pool.

Chowan's final match of the season found them pitted against Hagerstown College, who was also winless going into the last games for the opening round. Chowan put together three consistent games to defeat Hagerstown 15-10, 15-6, 15-11 for the first time in two previous encounters this year. The Lady Braves finished third in their pool with a 3-6 record, their best showing in the National Tournament. Overall, Chowan finished 35-13 for the season and tied for twelfth in the nation, capping another excellent season for Janet Collins and her Lady Braves volleyball team.



The 1989 - 1990 Women's Basketball Team is on a roll being conducted by Coach Rene Osborne

## Men's Basketball

The Chowan Braves men's basketball team opened its season on a winning note Tuesday, November 24th, blasting Pitt Community College 116-36. Chowan was led by freshman Tim Davis (Richmond, VA) with 29 points and seven rebounds.

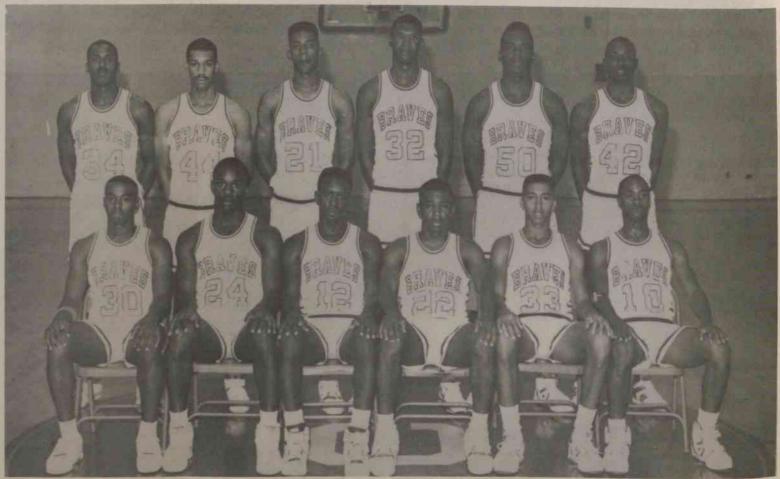
Monday, November 20th, Chowan suffered its first loss of the season when Columbia Junior College upset the Braves 61-59 at Jesse Helms Center. Phil Wood (Washington, D.C.) led Chowan with 21 points.

Head Coach Bob Burke regrouped his forces and saw his team finish third in the prestigious Pepsi-Cola National Invitational Tournament held in Ocala, Florida November 23rd through the 25th. The Braves defeated the second ranked junior college team in Florida, Palm Beach Community College, 77-68, on Thursday night. The top point-producer was freshman

Tim Davis who pumped in 19 points. Friday night in the semi-finals, Chowan played the host school, Central Florida, dropping a tough 87-70 decision. Saturday night in the consolation round for third place, the running Braves defeated the number two ranked team in Texas junior college basketball, Trinity Valley, 81-71. Five Braves were in double figures led by freshman Ken Scroggins (Woodbridge, VA) with 16 points.

With the Christmas holidays quickly approaching, the Braves face some tough competition with two games to be played at the Helms Center. Tuesday, November 28th, the Braves will be in Charlottesville, VA where they will face the University of Virginia junior Varsity squad. Chowan will stay on the road facing Region X opponents Spartanburg Methodist College and Anderson

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The 1989-1990 Chowan College Men's Basketball team under the skillful coaching of Bob Burke.