

Battling Bishops expect winning season

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The Battling Bishops men's basketball team started their pre-season recently with strong play against the University of North Carolina's junior varsity team. If the Bishops keep up this good work, they could be on their way to a Dixie Conference championship.

According to Head Coach Bill

Lady Bishops lose to Ithaca in tournament

The North Carolina Wesleyan women's soccer team made its second appearance ever in the NCAA Division III Women's Soccer Tournament and lost 1-0 to Ithaca College, the defending national champions.

Head coach Patrick Baker and company completed a terrific season and re-wrote the program's record book.

"We had a great season," said coach Baker. "It was a fantastic experience for all of us to get into the NCAA tournament and be one of 16 teams playing for the national championship. I thought we played well against Ithaca. They ended up getting the break they needed, and we didn't."

The only goal of the match came 20 minutes into the second half off an indirect free kick.

"The supposed foul that led to the free kick is still questionable in my mind, but I know the officials aren't perfect," said coach Baker. "We had our wall set up just right and they hit the ball off the inside of the far post. We were just unfortunate not to get a goal ourselves."

The Lady Bishops will not graduate anyone from the team this year and look to return the same players for next year.

"We have a very strong nucleus of young players to work with for the next few years," said Baker. "I won't need to bring 10-15 freshmen like I have the last two years. We are looking at a pool of about 20 exceptional players and realistically hope to get four to five of them for next fall."

Volleyball team ends season

The North Carolina Wesleyan volleyball team finished its 1991 season with a loss in the first round of the Dixie Conference Volleyball Tournament.

Chambers, the team's performance at Chapel Hill was a good sign. "We went down there to work on offense and defense," he said. "I was really pleased with our scrimmage in terms of defensive intensity and good shots on offense. We played really hard."

This year's team has nine freshmen and is concentrating on teaching those freshmen a more rigorous man-to-man defense. With this new team, as well as the returning players, Coach Chambers hopes to have a new kind of season.

"Last year we had a tough season," he said. "The goal this year is to turn things around and have a winning season."

Goals the 1991-92 team have set for themselves are to be the best defensive team in the conference and to be playing their very best basketball at the end of the season. They hope that by achieving these goals, they will be able to win the conference championship and go on to the NCAA Tournament.

Co-captain James Condery, a third-year player at Wesleyan, feels that this year's team has what it takes to go far.

"I feel the team is together, and that's what we need," he said.

"We've been underestimated, but we're going to show what we can do."

One of the other strengths the team possesses, in addition to unity, is good quickness.

"We have good athletes — a more athletic team than last year," Chamber said. "We hope to be able to run the ball, play a more up-tempo game than last year. Running the fast break can be one of our strengths."

However, one of the weaknesses associated with the team's quickness is turnovers.

"If we're going to run we've got to take care of the ball — get ride of turnovers," said Chambers.

All in all, the team is expecting a good season.

"We've had a great tradition going: winning seasons, conference championships, and NCAA Tournaments," Chambers said. The team hopes to continue that tradition this season.

The Battling Bishops' first home game is Friday, Dec. 6, when they host the Roger Taylor Invitational Tournament. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

"When we get a lot of fans in, it is a great atmosphere for small college basketball," Chambers said.

Men's Basketball Schedule

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| Nov. 22 | Roanoke Tournament | 8 p.m. |
| Nov. 23 | Roanoke Tournament | TBA |
| Dec. 2 | At Winthrop | 7:30 p.m. |
| Dec. 4 | At East Carolina | 7 p.m. |
| Dec. 6 | Roger Taylor Invitational Tournament | 8 p.m. |
| Dec. 7 | Roger Taylor Invitational Tournament | TBA |
| Dec. 14 | Salisbury State | 2 p.m. |
| Dec. 28 | Otterbein Tournament | 8 p.m. |
| Dec. 29 | Otterbein Tournament | TBA |
| Jan. 7 | At Barton | 7:30 p.m. |
| Jan. 9 | At Apprentice School | 7 p.m. |
| Jan. 14 | At Greensboro* | 7:30 p.m. |
| Jan. 16 | Mary Washington | 7:30 p.m. |
| Jan. 18 | Averett* | 7:30 p.m. |
| Jan. 22 | Methodist" | 7:30 p.m. |
| Jan. 25 | At Ferrum* | 7:30 p.m. |
| Jan. 28 | At Shenandoah | 7 p.m. |
| Feb. 1 | At Christopher Newport* | 7:30 p.m. |
| Feb. 4 | Apprentice School | 6 p.m. |
| Feb. 8 | Ferrum* | 7:30 p.m. |
| Feb. 11 | At Averett* | 7:30 p.m. |
| Feb. 15 | Greensboro* | 7:30 p.m. |
| Feb. 18 | At Methodist" | 7:30 p.m. |
| Feb. 22 | Christopher Newport* | 7:30 p.m. |
| Feb. 25 | DIAC Tournament First Round | 7:30 p.m. |
| Feb. 28 | DIAC Tournament | TBA |
| Feb. 29 | DIAC Tournament | TBA |

*Conference games

College listening to sophomores

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students coming in to talk with only a few rehearsed answers; this needs to be spontaneous. We want to engage the students so we can understand just what they're thinking about academically."

Brooks added that through conversation the team will be able "to better understand the experience sophomores are having here as students."

Students already interviewed felt that these interviews are a good idea. Angela Boone, who was interviewed by Sullivan, said, "Wesleyan has always wanted to create a one-on-one atmosphere between students and faculty, and these interviews help accomplish that."

The Lady Bishops traveled to Methodist College to play in the tournament and were beaten in three straight games, 6-15, 4-15, 5-15.

When asked what she felt was the most important aspect of the interviews, Boone said, "I think they will help put the students' misconceptions at ease. Also I think it's important that they find out why students come to Wesleyan."

Tommy Allen, who was interviewed by Brooks, added to this by saying, "I thought that the interviews have been very productive. It is great that students have the chance to express their ideas and grievances so candidly, and know that we are really being listened to."

Most of the information gathered will be used to help sophomores choose majors and, after college, a career. There are no plans now for this to become a yearly event, although, if successful, the knowledge obtained will have direct benefits for all students in upcoming years.

Because this is new for both students and the team members, there will be no guidelines or rigid goals to be followed or met, and

students will have an advantage over faculty and staff, Sullivan said, by being able to use their knowledge to give better knowledge.

Sullivan and the other eight

members will be counting on the sophomores to participate fully and tell them exactly what it is like academically here at NCWC because, he said, "We're looking to learn."

New radio station plans to go on air by January

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secretarial help, a compact disc and record librarian, students interested in athletic programming, and journalism students to cover news programs."

The trustees have approved \$5,000 to purchase additional equipment for Wesleyan Radio, to ensure that it is a quality product and a good experience for students.

Any student who wishes to work with WESQ is encouraged to get involved. A broadcasting course will be offered in the

spring semester for anyone interested.

"We're very excited about this venture," said McDowell. "I don't know anything on campus that has aroused this much interest with the students." However, more interest in WESQ is needed. It will take a lot of people to run the expanded hours the station hopes to achieve.

Interested students should contact McDowell in the Development Office and sign up for the broadcasting course in the spring.