

"Fish" entertains, rain or shine

by Susan Troxler

"Fish" is a junior transfer from Chowan College in Murfreesboro, N.C., where he received an associate degree in graphics. During his two years at Chowan, Bob Trout gained fame as an outstanding runner for their track team and also as an Indian brave—Chowan's mascot. In addition to whooping and hollering, he was listed in "Who's Who in American Junior Colleges" and won "The Award of the Silver Feather," a citizenship award given to him for his contributions to the school.

It seems this would have been enough to keep anybody busy, but "Fish" also managed to cheer for the basketball games after football days were over.

Since his arrival at Elon this fall, "Fish" has become involved with the S.U.B. movies (he chooses and shows them), and he is hoping to be a resident counselor next semester.

His experience in graphics enables him to do layout work for the **Pendulum**. As if this isn't enough, he runs five miles in the morning and in the evening.

When asked why he chose to come to Elon, "Fish" said that he came "primarily for track." Elon's track coach, Linwood Ferguson, had coached at Chowan before coming to Elon last spring. "Fish" was encouraged southward (downstream?) by Ferguson's move. Meanwhile, because he isn't physically partici-

pating in football, "Fish" is taking on the role of the Fighting Christian—as Elon's new mascot. By doing this, he feels that he can "encourage the crowd and participate by cheering the team on and getting the crowd up."

Being the first mascot for the school left "Fish" nothing but his imagination to go on in planning his costume. The only major change in his physical appearance will be the addition of a beard he has to glue on prior to each game. Although this sounds like a simple process, there is a lot of time and patience involved because he has to cut tiny lengths of hair from a braid and glue each tuft on.



Elon's new mascot, Bob "Fish" Trout, made his debut against N.C. Central. Be prepared to see the "Fightin' Christian" in the future. Staff photo.

Volleyball: "We've got the skill; we just can't put it all together."

by Vicki Blankenship

Although the Elon women's volleyball team is halfway through their season with a 1-11 record, the season has not been one of defeat.

Coach Barbara Yarborough is returning as head coach for the fifth year and she comments, "In skill, condition, attitude, and character, this is the best team I have coached. We've played the hardest schools first, which were mainly larger colleges, to prepare the team for the matches they need to win as far as conference or district rulings go."

Coach Yarborough is not depressed or discouraged about the team records because the girls are great athletes and are abiding by all the team rules. She said, "Things will start looking up."

Assistant coach for the Fighting Christian girls this year is Carolyn Smith. She was an Elon letterman in

volleyball for four years. She comments, "The team is working very hard."

The team members this year consist of one senior, Jane Cooper; two juniors, Barby Adcock and Sue Bias; three sophomores, Barbara Carter, Gina Rhew, and Trina Gombill; and five freshmen, Teressa Davis, Carolyn Drake, Pam Moore, Penny Moore, and Rhonda Penson. Manager is Terri Morris and scorekeeper is Nancy Rose Stainback.

The team has played mainly larger colleges such as Appalachian, Carolina, N.C. State, UNC-CH, and Western Carolina. The remaining schedule consists of teams in the conference or district.

Barbara Carter, a spiker and setter for the team, comments, "We've had some close matches. We've got a good team but the matches have just been going to the other teams. Part of it may be inexperience

but things have to start looking up. We're in great condition. We run two miles every Monday plus other work outs."

Barby Adcock, a third year returner and one of the leading spike attackers for the team, comments, "We've played pretty good volleyball up until this week."

"When we play aggressive teams, we play aggressive along with them. When we're playing teams that are slack, we seem to play slack. As far as skill goes, we've got the skill. We just can't put it all together to win a match."

Oct. 9 the team will see some away action in Greensboro against Guilford and UNC-Charlotte at 6:30 p.m. The team will return play to their home court against Pembroke at 4:30 p.m. All supporting fans will be greatly appreciated, the players say.

Majorette loves job

by Becky Kimbrell

Fans, cheerleaders, and players add excitement to Elon football games, but so do the "Show Band of the Carolinas" and the eight majorettes. They add colorful sidelights to the games.

Melody Lewis, one of these sparkling majorettes, enjoys twirling for the Elon Marching Band. The 19-year-old sophomore from Autryville, N.C., is twirling her second year for the Fighting Christians. She likes being a majorette for the showtime band and says she actually enjoys the hard practices.

After strutting as chief majorette for her Lakewood High School Marching Band, Melody says that twirling in college is different from twirling in high

school. The Elon band, she feels, is more energetic than her high school band. "In college, we're all pretty close

and everyone tries harder," she says of the band. "It makes a lot of difference when everyone contributes something and gets along with everyone else. We all work together as one."

Band practices began a couple of days before classes started. Each practice lasts one and a half to two hours a day. Melody believes that the hard everyday practices pay off the end of the week.

The eight majorettes like to perform to music that the student body finds popular.

After twirling for nine years, Melody has other hobbies—bicycling and playing golf during the summer, but mainly she looks forward to football season. This is her last as an Elon majorette because she is majoring in radiology, which is a two-year program here at Elon. She has enjoyed being a part of the band, and she hates to see this as her last year twirling, she says.

The eight majorettes and the "Showtime Band of the Carolinas" not only give good entertainment, but they also add colorful excitement to the game.

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