

Elon Flying Club gives students a different field of interest

By Patrick McNeely

The Elon Flying Club held its first meeting Monday evening, Feb. 16. The basic facts and figures on aspects of flying were discussed by instructor Keith Kirkman.

So far, 10 Elon students have signed up for the course. A film supplied by the U.S. Department of Aviation explained, in layman's terms, some interesting facts about general aviation. The biggest and fastest growing phase of aviation, general aviation contains 78 percent of all aircraft and is one of the largest income-producing modes of transportation in the world.

The Elon Flying Club offers flight training, as well as ground training for students. The entire package includes 20 hours of classroom studies, 20 hours of solo flight training, and one written test. Kirkman went

on to explain that the Elon Flying Club is a non-profit organization and is run entirely by the students themselves.

One of the frightening aspects of the club is not the flying part. It is the cost. If you were not a student, the ground training alone would cost \$40. Elon students, however, get a sizeable discount, making the cost about \$85.

The price jumps when it comes to the flight training. For the plane rental, hourly costs normally range from \$24 to \$35 an hour. For students this figure is reduced to around \$18 per hour.

President and general manager of Burlington Aviation, Inc., Ted Wagoner described the airplane that will be used for the students. "The Cessna 150 is one of the most modern and safest

of our planes suitable for teaching purposes." He went on to say, "After approximately 16 to 20 hours of class and 20 hours of flying solo, any one of you will be an accomplished pilot, and will be eligible for your FAA (Federal Aviation Association) license."

Taken as a whole, the first meeting of the Elon Flying Club aroused student interest in flying, and gave professional advice on the steps a person needs to take before he steps off the ground into the air. Starting within two weeks, the Flying Club will add a step toward new fields of interest for the students.



Spectators watch Elon lacrosse club in action. Photo by Avrette.

Lacrosse team stays undefeated

The Elon Lacrosse Club created a bit of history last Saturday, Feb. 28, as the club defeated East Carolina University Lacrosse Club. The club now boasts an undefeated record for the first time.

Will Compton scored the first goal for the Elon Pirates. Several ECU penalties then allowed Elon to score six more unanswered goals. Elon controlled the tempo of the game to go on to defeat

the Pirates 11-8. Ricky Cristman led the Elon scoring with four goals, Wal' Burns finished with three, and Jay Knight and Will Compton contributed two each.

a free boarder

Mouse likes fieldhouse

by Vicki Blankenship

The new Koury Fieldhouse has a boarder who is obviously enjoying the top of the state athletic equipment and facilities.

Fully carpeted Koury Field House not only has been meeting accommodations for 100 football players and 50 baseball players, but one little athletic mouse lives in the building as well.

While students were on a tour of the athletic training room, Marty Baker, the trainer, was explaining the use of the ultra sound muscle relaxer and whirlpool. Just watching the hot water circulate made "oohs" and "aahs" come from everyone on the tour, until a small

gray streak flew out from under the whirlpool sending screams and stomping feet everywhere.

It was the athletic little mouse, with his mighty leaps and lightning sprints around the room. Was he coming out to explain we had interrupted his afternoon nap? He hid under the taping table, and the group pulse rate calmed down to normal.

Marty Baker continued to talk about the facilities again and the tour was a success. So... what about the little guest athlete? Perhaps at night he is showering in one of the 30 showers and relaxing his tired aching muscles in the whirlpool after all the other athletes have gone home.

Hugging for health

by Kate Jewett

You've jogged your five miles, drunk plenty of orange juice, eaten right, slept right, but still feel a little off. You might need a hug.

Hugs are important. Studies have shown that affection is needed for our emotional and physical well being. People who live alone are more likely to get sick or depressed. Married people tend to live longer than those unmarried.

There are different kinds of hugs for different situations. There are loving hugs,

appreciated hugs, suffocating, sexy, long, short, passionate and friendly hugs.

Hugs can be comforting, honest, deceitful, desperate, happy or sad. There are big bear hugs, exciting, dull, suggestive and spur-of-the-moment hugs.

But no matter what kind of hug you may give or receive, it will always convey some kind of message.

Hugs also give you a feeling of security. New mothers are strongly urged to breastfeed their babies. This gives the child a close-

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