Golf team takes home SAC title

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Elon's golf team has had its share of ups and downs this season. Head coach Bill Morningstar and the rest of the

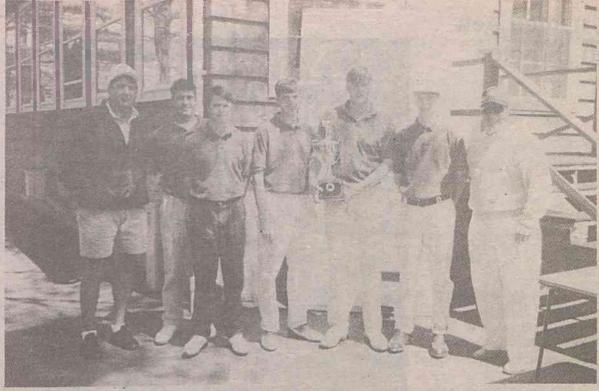
team topped off the roller coaster ride by winning the South Atlantic Conference tournament.

Elon finished 24 strokes ahead of second place Catawba College, who was followed by Gardner-Webb.

Elon senior and top player, Jim Arnold, was named SAC Scholar Golfer of the Year. Arnold has also won such titles

as All-Conference and All-District as well as Freshman of the Year in 1990.

However, this years Freshman of the Year goes to Jason Powell.



Members of the golf team stand proud after winning the South Atlantic Conference Tournament

"It was a good end to my year, since I did not play as well as I wanted to in the beginning," Powell said.

Arnold, Powell and senior Bryan Rowley were all named to the All Conference Team.

Coach Morningstar was also named SAC Coach of the Year for the 13th time in his career.

In the past Elon has been a golfing powerhouse, they have won the SAC title the past three years and have competed for the National Championship 15 of the last 17 years.

Even through the team felt like this year was a rebuilding stage, Elon entered the preseason rankings at sixth place in the

"This year was a rebuilding year for us. Next year we should be strong, since we have three guys in the top five returning," Powell said.

While the semester may be ending golf season is not. The

NAIA National Tournament will be held on June 1-4 in Jacksonville, FL.

Intramural soccer has poor turnout

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After a long drawn out season, intramural outdoor soccer is finally over. The season was stretched out due to Greek Week and Spring Break.

Out of nine men's teams and seven women's teams the championship tournament lacked luster.

Only three teams turned out for the tournament last weekend, the Zoomers, Runnin' Rednecks and the Righteous Bros.

In the women's league, last semester's champions, the Zoomers repeated by forseit. The Zoomers were unchallenged all the way to the championship. Tougher teams like Alpha Xi Delta, who were undefeated, did not even show up.

The men's league was divided into two brackets. With the Runnin' Rednecks in one bracket and the Righteous Brothers in the other. Both teams received forfeits up until the final.

The championship game was scheduled to be played on Saturday; however, both teams had trouble getting players together, so the game was postponed to Wednesday.

The Righteous Bros. kicked off the game hard and strong. The Righteous Bros. scored early in the first half with a goal that caught the bottom left hand

A second goal in the second half sealed the game for the Righteous Bros. Throughout the rest of the game, the Rednecks could not get their offense together to score.

While one returning championship team, the Zoomers, was able to repeat, the other returning champs, Runnin' Rednecks, were cut short by the undefeated Righteous Bros.

Tennis team looks to Nationals

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Plowing their way through the district tournament, the Elon men's tennis team won by a

margin of eight points over second place Presbyterian.

tournament sets the Fightin' Christians up for a trip to the

NAIA National Championship at Kansas City, which runs May 24-29.

At the helm of Elon's program is district Coach of the Year, Tom Parham, who has won three National Championships

during his 30 years of coaching in the collegiate ranks, including

the 1990 tournament title while at Elon. Under Parham's direction this years team went 17-0 for its first undefeated season in 70 years and won the

South Atlantic Conference as well as the district.

"We had strong leadership, an experienced team, and we were lucky. Our players also stayed

Winning the district injury free and were mature beyond their years," Parham said.

> The team had a strong work ethic and attitude going into the season.

emphasized conditioning and did a lot of running to get in shape. The kids never complained. I think

they took Peter Lindstrom, who plays while sick and hurt, as an

example. Lindstrom was the quiet leader," Parham said.

Advancing to nationals, Elon

is led by Linstrom, SAC and District Player of the Year, and

SAC Freshmen of the Year, Danny Colangelo. All-district players Ashley Shaw, Andy

Faehlman and Jon Morel will also be making the trip our west.

"This is Elon's last year in

the NAIA, and a last chance at playing in the largest tournament in America. I think we have a decent shot of winning it all, if we get favorable draws," Colangelo said.

The team's goal is to get all of the players to advance through the first round of the tournament.

"If we get everyone through the first round we get nine points. Nine points go a long

way towards our ultimate goal of winning the tournament," Colangelo said.

