

Myers named SAC Coach of the Year

Bob Grimmie
Reporter

The Elon lady's tennis team finished second and received many individual awards when they traveled to Wingate College last weekend to participate in the Food Lion/South Atlantic Conference tournament.

Despite finishing second to Presbyterian College, the Lady Christians received a variety of individual accolades.

Fumiko Masuda was named the SAC Player of the Year for the second year in a row, and Kristin Fleming was named the SAC freshman of the year.

Head coach Jackie Myers

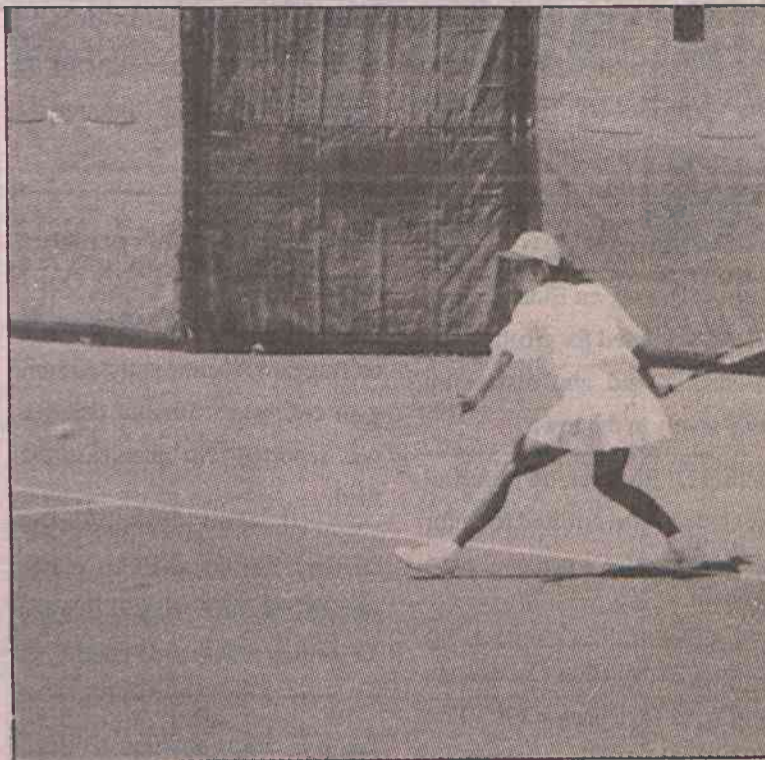
received the SAC Coach of the Year Award for the second year in a row. Myers resigned in March and is not yet sure what she will be doing after this year.

It was a very close tournament. Presbyterian edged Elon by only four overall team points, 91-87.

Masuda, Fleming, Paige Fuller and Sarah Delfausse all finished first in their singles matches in the final round.

In the doubles finals, Masuda and Fleming and Fuller and Delfausse finished first in their respective divisions.

However, it was not enough to overcome Presbyterian's consistent top five finishes in almost every division.



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Women's tennis pounded the courts, but were edged out by Presbyterian in the SAC tournament.

Track team finishes in seventh place

Angie Riley
Sports Editor

Elon College's track team finished seventh out of eight teams in the Carolina Championships on Saturday at Pembroke State.

This was its final season. Track will not be offered at Elon next year because it did not receive enough funding. It was not considered a conference team and Mike Brodowicz was only a part-time coach.

In Saturday's tournament, Spencer Carter won the shot put event along with breaking the school's previous record by throwing 48-10. Carter also took first place in the discus event.

Elliot Armstrong qualified for the finals in the 100 meter dash and Jason Hafu finished second in the javelin competition.

"Overall we had a good season and its too bad the program won't be here next year," said junior John Graves.

Pion's Picks for NBA championship playoffs

John Piontek
Columnist

Today, I am going to talk about the present NBA. Eleven of the twenty-seven teams have been eliminated by the 82-game regular season.

The sixteen that remain have aspirations of acquiring what Michael Jordan won't this season, a NBA championship

ring. Here is a series by series breakdown of what will happen in this year's NBA playoffs:

Atlanta vs Miami

Atlanta has far too many skills to lose to the Heat in this series. This matchup will showcase Danny Manning's talents.

Orlando vs Indiana

Shaq's first appearance in the playoffs does not bode well for the Pacers. The ominous clouds

provided by Shaquille O'Neal and Anfernee Hardaway will prove to be too much for Reggie Miller and crew to handle.

New York vs N. Jersey

The Knicks are the strongest team from top to bottom in the Eastern Conference. Get the brooms out, because this series is already over.

Chicago vs Cleveland

I curse the fact that Brad Daugherty will not be able to participate in this series at full strength. In five of the last six years, the Cavs have been eliminated by the Bulls. This will go five games but I give the slight edge to Chicago.

Seattle vs Denver

Denver has a lot of talent, but this is not their year. Don't be surprised if they keep a couple of games close and even steal one from Seattle.

San Antonio vs Utah

Utah won the season series against the Spurs, but the most valuable player of San Antonio will rise to another level and take the spurs to victory. That's right, Dennis Rodman will get 30 rebounds a game and put the disgruntled Mailman on an early pension.

Houston vs Portland

Portland's time has past. They will be caught napping, and "The Dream" will turn out to be

their worst nightmare.

Phoenix vs Golden St.

Charles Barkley is hungry to get the title before his back problem forces him to retire. This year's biggest first round shock will occur when the trio of Chris Mullin, Chris Webber, and Latrell Sprewell merge to knock off last year's conference champ.

Orlando will surprise top-seeded Atlanta in the second round. New York will physically decimate the Chicago Bulls.

In the Western Conference, Seattle will knock off San Antonio in seven. These two teams are even, but the home field advantage is the deciding factor. Don Nelson will reach in his bag and find one more trick against Houston. In the seventh game, Webber won't call time out, but he will hit the winning shot.

In the Eastern Conference championship series, New York will take it from Orlando in six games. Pat Riley is back.

In the west, Seattle will beat a weary Warrior team in five games.

The finals will go seven games. This will be one of the more entertaining championship series to watch in years. The new NBA champions will be the Seattle Supersonics.

Golf has strong start in tourney

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Elon College's golf team had three golfers in the top seven of the SAC golf tournament on Monday at Cedarbrook Country Club.

Elon had a team total of 299 which gave them an eight shot lead in the South Atlantic tournament. Catawba was close behind with 307, followed by Lenoir-Rhyne at 309.

Wingate's Rod Kinsey had the individual lead with a 69. Elon's Paul Irvan was tied with Terrance Stewart of Lenoir-Rhyne with a score of 72.

Sean Walker and Brad Lawrence of Elon were also in the top seven with scores of 74 and 75, respectively.

The tournament ended on Tuesday.

Events for the rest of the year

April 28 Baseball vs. Longwood College (AWAY) 3 p.m.

May 1 Baseball vs. USC-Aiken (AWAY) 1 p.m.

Congratulations Men's Tennis on winning the Food Lion/South Atlantic Conference Tennis Championship

Congratulations Jackie Myers on being selected as SAC coach of the year for the second year in a row.

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