

Spring sports update

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Graduation is less than three weeks away and spring sports are close to shutting the door on another season. Several teams saw their share of ups and downs throughout the past few months. Here is a brief look at each of the sports and their current status.

Baseball

After starting off their season with a red-hot offensive attack the Phoenix encountered some obstacles when they lost senior outfielder Grant Rembert to a hand injury. Rembert was a key part to the lineup and redshirted after learning he would be out for the season. He will return as a fifth-year senior for the 2006 season. The pitching staff also struggled after losing senior Justin Weeks and freshman Patrick Adams. They both red-shirted and will be back for next season. Currently the Phoenix holds a record of 28-19 overall, 15-9 in the Southern Conference. That is good enough for a third place spot behind Georgia Southern and College of Charleston. They have seven games left on the season against Western Carolina, Wake Forest and Appalachian State. The Southern Conference Tournament will be hosted by College of Charleston on May 25 to May 28.

Golf

The men's golf team went for a rollercoaster ride in their various tournaments this season. Their best finish was first in a seven-team field at the GEICO Direct Spring Invitational in Savannah, GA. Bennet Smith had the best finish on the season tying for eighth place at the Southern Conference Tournament.

The women's team finished first at the Bethune-Cookman Invitational and Shamrock Intercollegiate tournaments in fields of 11 and 14 teams, respectively. They then cruised through the Southern Conference Tournament securing a second place finish out of nine teams. Senior Morgan Olds was named to the First Team All-Conference list after claiming seven top-10 finishes, five top-five and two titles.

Conference Tournament and were knocked out by sixth seeded Georgia Southern in the first round. Senior Pramote Malasitt ended his career at Elon with a 52-25 record as the No. 1 singles player over the last four years. He also was named to the All-Conference team along with Austin Fenn. Malasitt was 17-4 on the season and received the Buddy Hartsell and Don Bunch Sportsmanship Award.

The women's team saw a little more success snagging the eighth seed in the Southern Conference Tournament and advancing to the second round only to be eliminated by Furman, who had the top seed in the field. Elon advanced to the second round after defeating Chattanooga 4-0.

Softball

The softball team currently stands at 28-26 overall, 8-10 in the Southern Conference. Despite a middle of the road record the Phoenix saw several milestones towards the end of the season. In a weekend series against Georgia Southern, senior Dani Concepcion recorded her 213th hit and 47th double moving into first all-time for both categories. Senior Meredith Miley then cranked her 10th home run of the season, a single-season record for a Phoenix softball member.

Women's Track and Field

Sophomores Angela Carlberg and Alice Turner reached the greatest accomplishments of any team member during the 2005 season. Carlberg was named to the All-Conference team after finishing third in discus at the Southern Conference Championships. Turner earned a bid to the NCAA regional in the 400-meter hurdles. She is the first women's track and field athlete to earn a berth in the regional championships.

Tennis

The men's team struggled throughout the season posting a 5-17 record. They claimed the No. 11 seed at the Southern

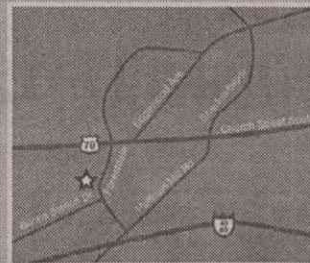
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