

# Another gridiron victory, now 3-0

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Sports Editor

A hostile crowd of 6,243 was at Hundley Stadium in Hampden-Sydney, VA last Saturday and watched the Quakers go to town with the most productive offensive performance in school history en route to a 24-21 victory over the Hampden-Sydney Tigers.

At 5:27 into the first quarter, the Quakers cracked the scoreboard first as quarterback Santes Beatty scampered eight yards for a touchdown. Junior kicker Chris Meehl added the point-after-touchdown to give Guilford a 7-0 lead.

Less than eight minutes later, Beatty found receiver Dee Rankin 15 yards away in the end zone and hit him with a perfect strike for the score. Meehl's successful PAT put the Quakers ahead by a score of 14-0.

Then the Tigers came roaring back.

With 4:33 remaining in the first quarter, Tiger runningback Robert Thompson found an opening around the end of the Quaker defense and scurried 27 yards for

Hampden-Sydney's first touchdown. Tiger kicker Robert Deloach's PAT made the score 14-7.

Then, with 9:25 remaining in the first half, the Tigers tied the score on runningback Wes Dearing's 15-yard touchdown run. Deloach's extra point evened the score at 14-14.

But with only 10 seconds left in the first half, the Quakers retook the lead as Meehl capped off a late 12-play, 58-yard drive with a 25-yard field goal to give Guilford a 17-14 halftime advantage.

In the second half, the Quakers gave themselves some breathing room. With 5:50 left in the third quarter, quarterback Beatty once again found Rankin. This time, however, Rankin's catch and successive run was good for a 54-yard touchdown reception. Meehl's PAT put Guilford up 24-14.

Then late in the fourth quarter Hampden-Sydney made the score a little more respectable when Tigers quarterback Kemp Smith hit receiver Jody Cohen 13 yards downfield for the touchdown. Deloach's extra point ended all scoring in the game and the Quakers were victorious, 24-21.

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This was the first Old Dominion Athletic Conference game of the season for the Quakers and the offense was, for the most part, dominating in their conference opener.

Guilford amassed 283 net yards on the ground (led by freshman runningback David Heggie's 227-yard rushing performance), and Beatty completed 15 of 34 passes for 251 yards in the air. In all, the Quakers obtained a school record 534 yards in total offense. For his part, Heggie was named ODAC Offensive Player of the Week.

Things were not all good for the Quakers though. Thanks to a tough Quakers defense who forced Hampden-Sydney into 5 turnovers on the day, Guilford was able to overcome 5 interceptions by Beatty and two other fumbles for a total of 7 turnovers.

In addition, the Quakers were slapped with another school record of 15 penalties in the game for a total of 112 yards.

But none of this hides the fact that the Quakers are now 3-0 and off to their best start in four years.

The Quakers continue their long

road trip this week as they travel to Davidson, NC to face Davidson College (0-2) in a Saturday night game.

For those planning to attend and

cheer on the Quakers, a bus is being provided to help transport fans to and from Davidson. The game's opening kickoff is scheduled for 7:00 pm.

## Quakers' defense, Ross dominating in victory over Chowan Braves

Athletic Department

Press Release

Quarterback Santes Beatty ran for one TD and passed for another to lead the Quakers to a 22-3 victory over the Chowan Braves in a non-conference match-up on Saturday Sept. 17th.

Freshman runningback David Heggie had the other Guilford TD, while kicker Chris Meehl had a 24-yard field goal.

Heggie carried the ball 30 times for 114 yards on the day.

But it was the Guilford defense that stood out, holding the Braves

to 44 yards rushing and giving up a field goal only after a Quaker fumble.

Cornerback Sean Ross, who was named ODAC Defensive Player of the Week, had two interceptions, with returns of 50 and 31 yards. Guilford's defensive line combined for four sacks, led by D. W. Perdue with two.

With the Chowan victory, the Quakers matched their win total in each of the last two seasons.

Getting off to a fast start was crucial for a young Guilford team that plays its first five games on the road.

# Lady Quakers volley to victories

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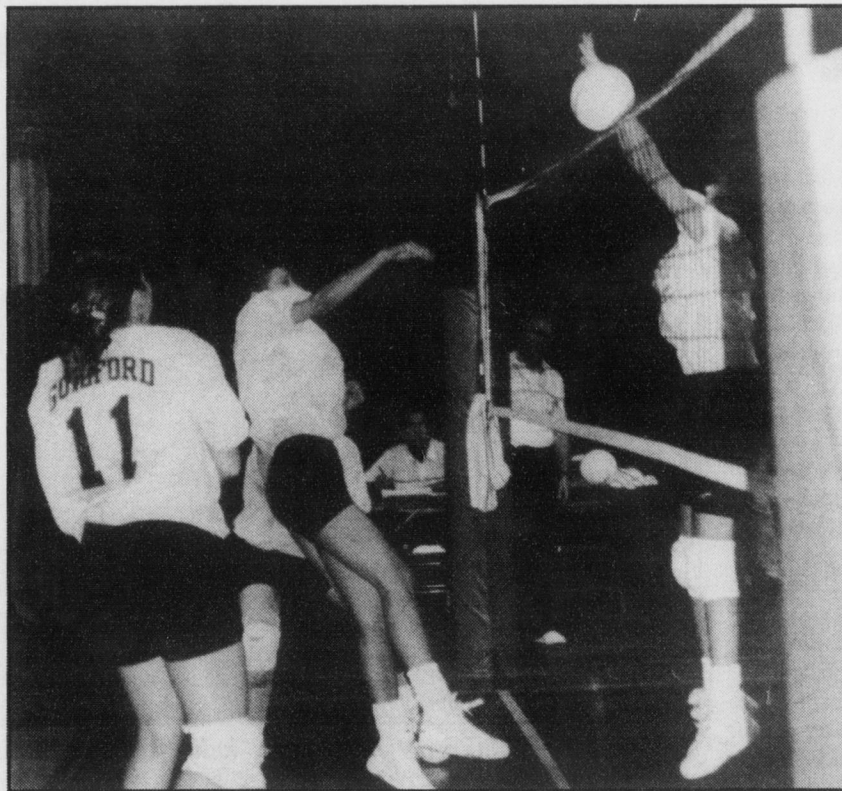
Staff Writer

The women's volleyball team's first home appearance last Thursday was a splendid one. The match was against Sweetbriar, an ODAC opponent.

The ladies were in top form for the first match winning 15-4. Sara Johnson and Trudy Buckingham combined for a series of spikes that bewildered the opposition.

The second match finished as successfully with a 15-9 win for the Lady Quakers. Christine Schroeder and Beatriz Juncadella put in a superb performance to rally another win. In the third and final match the ladies closed out the evening with a 15-12 victory. In this tug of war, it was hustle and determination that won out. Everyone on the team came together for the victory.

On Saturday, the Ladies left for Methodist to play two matches: first against Methodist and then against Mt. Olive. In the game against Methodist, the ladies showed that their opponent did not even deserve to be on the same floor. In three straight matches the Lady Quakes won 15-0, 15-1, and



Sara Johnson successfully spikes the ball past a Sweetbriar blocker in last Thursday's home victory.

15-3. Methodist scored a combined four points against Guilford. After this pounding, the ladies went on to play a worthy opponent.

It took five matches to send Mt. Olive home. The first was a hard loss, 9-15. But Guilford rallied in the second to reverse the tide, 15-

breath. The ladies rallied first, but Mt. Olive caught up. After the two short rallies, the ladies went up and stayed on top to win 15-8.

9. Entering the third, it was a see-saw until Mt. Olive posed a rally of their own to take the third match 11-15. With their opponents leading 2-1, the ladies had their backs to the wall. It was gut-check time, and the Quakers rose to the occasion with a 15-11 win.

Turning the tables once again to even the score, both teams faced yet another challenge. The fifth and final match to decide the game started off slow as both teams seemed to try in catch their

Beatriz Juncadella, who had 44 digs in the Mt. Olive game, which is good for 19th overall in NCAA Division III history, comments, "I really thought we pulled together as a team and left whatever differences we had outside of the court."

It seems with the passing of every game, the ladies get stronger and stronger. Sara Johnson has filled Brenda Davis' shoes very well, and Trudy Buckingham is hitting the ball harder than ever. The addition of this year's freshman class has proved to be a huge asset.

"They (Keli Malo, Amy Shores, Andrea Goodrum, and Danielle Johnson) are developing as players with every practice," says assistant coach Craig Lenninger.

Susan Raney adds, "I think we are making a lot of progress."

The women's volleyball team is a must-see. Their matches for this week are all on the road with Averett (10/3) and Randolph-Macon (10/5).

The next home game is not for a while yet. During fall break, Eastern Mennonite will come here for the Oct. 14 match.

Make plans to see the last home game on Oct. 25 against Greensboro College.

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