

Salem Sports

Archrivals Meet Head On

By: Tate Renner

The dates are April 16 and April 21. The events will be monumental. On these days, Salem's soccer team will meet archrival Wake Forest in matches destined to go down in history.

Salem's opponents include Davidson College, Duke University, and the UNC-CH club team; none of these matches, however, is packed with the intensity of a Wake Forest encounter.

Lois Gramley, co-captain and third year player sees the rivalry this way: "Wake Forest is the closest and most familiar team we

play, so it is our most competitive. Their team is about as old as ours and their skills are comparable, so it is always a good game." Of all the games we play, these against Wake Forest are the standards by which we measure our success as a team.

Salem has played Wake Forest since the inception of our team in the fall of 1983. Dr. Doug Cardwell, coach of the soccer team, remarks, "Most seasons we have split the number of wins and losses. Last spring, though, was the only time we didn't. Then, we tied one and won one." He adds, "Wake

Forest has a tough team. We're going to have to play our best to beat them."

The February 26 game was postponed because of inclement weather, but it has been rescheduled for April 16 here at Salem. We play again on April 21 at Wake Forest on the fields off Polo Road.

Lois Gramley adds, "The games against Wake Forest bring out the most determination in our players." So, if you want to see a battle of wills, make plans to attend the games of the years. Both games begin at 4:00 p.m. sharp.



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Tennis Team Takes Off

By: Mary Summers

The Salem College tennis team is already off to a great season. They successfully played Belmont Abbey College on March 5 with a 5-4 victory.

Ellen McEwen is coaching the tennis team for the first time. Despite the fact that the team is quite young (the majority of the players are freshmen and sophomores), McEwen is optimistic about the season. "The girls are hardworking and dedicated to the

sport," she says. "I've got a great bunch of kids out there."

One thing that the team does not lack is enthusiasm. Sophomore Sally Aman says, "The team has an unbeatable spirit, win or lose, we are a great team."

Junior Sarah Gregory returns this year along with sophomore Margaret Mays and a talented new freshman, Leslie Bromley. As of now, these three women hold the top three positions. But the team's

talent goes on. . . other members include Bekah Little, Barbara Stang, Paige Wagner, Francis Patteson, Molly Quisenberry,

Sally Aman, Tara Monaghan, Nanette de Groot, Mary Summers, Catherine Penry, and Stacy Little. Charlotte Daves, who was sidelined at the beginning of the season, is now the team's manager.

Coach McEwen encourages everyone to come out and support one of Salem's winningest teams.

Reach for Regionals

By: Laney Frick

The Equestrian Team began this semester with much enthusiasm as many members doubled-up on their riding lessons each week to get back in shape for the spring semester's horse shows.

At the same time, however, academic classes were very demanding on these same students. Therefore, only four riders were able to compete at the Southern Seminary show on Feb. 20, and only five riders were able to compete at the Hollins College show on Feb. 28. All of Salem's riders did well at each of these shows despite the favoritism of the judge at one show and the team's

knack for drawing tough horses at the other.

There is one regular season show left this semester: April 11 at Ferrum College. For those riders who qualify, the Regional horse show will be held April 15 at Southern Sem. Salem hopes to have several riders going to the Regionals; the Regionals act as a stepping-stone to qualifying for the National Horse Show. The Nationals will be held this year at the Barracks in Charlottesville, Virginia on May 3-5. Salem currently has only one rider qualified for Regionals, but several others need only a few more points to do so.



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