



# PEMBROKE STATE SPORTS

By Gary Spittler  
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collegiate Athletics Athlete of the Year in North Carolina" for 1982.

Henry was selected by the North Carolina Association of Sports Broadcasters, with 110 members in the organization. The recipients will be honored at the NCASB Annual Awards Banquet at the Ramada Inn in Burlington on Sunday evening, May 1st, at 6:30 p.m.

The award will be accepted by Pembroke State Head Track and Cross Country Coach Larry Rodgers who coached Henry during the 1982 season.

"First I consider it a great honor to accept this award on behalf of Garry Henry and Pembroke State University," commented Coach Rodgers. "It is only once in a lifetime that an individual can accept this kind of award and it is important what the award stands for. He would have been honored to accept this honor himself."

Henry, a native of Australia, was unable to return to the United States to receive the honor since returning to

his native country.

Also recognized and honored at the banquet will be the NAIA Coach of the Year for 1982, Sam Moir of Catawba who has led the Indians to many basketball triumphs at Catawba. Moir led the Indians to the 1983 Carolinas Conference Basketball Championship.

Other honorees include the North Carolina High School Football Coach and Athletes of the Year.

Garry Henry left his mark at Pembroke State University. The Australian native dashed to 15 First-Team All-American titles, five national championship laurels, and twice was selected "Carolinas Conference Athlete of the Year" while at Pembroke State.

In 1982, Henry won championship banners at the NAIA National Track and Field Championships in the 10,000 meters and set a new national record running the event in 29:30.76. He also won the national championship title in the 5,000 meters helping pace Pembroke State to a third-

place team finish at the NAIA National meet.

In 1980, Henry was a two-time All-American as he helped pace PSU to a National Runner-up spot at the NCAA Division II Cross Country Championships. Henry won the NCAA II National title and then finished a remarkable sixth at the NCAA Division I National meet.

Pacing PSU to the National Championship in 1978, Henry took second in the NAIA meet in cross country and then at the NAIA National Track and Field Championships. Henry won All-American honors in both the 5,000 and 10,000 meters. Likewise, the sleek runner placed on both events at the 1979 NCAA Division II Nationals, thus five all-American honors in his junior year.

Among his triumphs in 1977, Henry won the NAIA National Cross Country Championship in record time (24:11) over the five-mile course. He captured the 5,000 and 10,000 meter National Championships in the NAIA in 1978 and then was second in the NCAA II 10,000-meter run. Thus he swept three national championships and was All-American four times in 1977-78.

As a freshman, Henry finished second in the 1977 NAIA 10,000-meter run and seventh in the 1976 NAIA National cross country meet. Those represent two more All-American laurels.

Henry ended his fine career at PSU in 1982 graduating holding the national records in the 10,000 meters in the NAIA and NCAA II. His clocking of 29:32.0 in Kenosha, Wis. in 1980 set the new national mark in the NCAA Division II while the NAIA's new mark of 29:30.76 was set in Charleston, W. Va. in 1982. Henry also ran in the Japan Marathon in December 1980 and posted the sixth best time in the world in the marathon—two hours, 10 minutes, and .09 seconds. This also set a college world record.

### PEMBROKE STATE CLAIMS SEVENTH STRAIGHT CAROLINAS CONFERENCE TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP

Pembroke State University claimed the 1983 Carolinas Conference Track Championship here last week scoring 123 points in the championship meet.

Claiming second place team honors was Elon College with 30 points while High Point took third with 27.

Pembroke State claimed first-place honors in 16 of the 17 events. Named "Most Valuable Performer in the Field Events" was Elon College's Fred Jordan. Jordan won the shot put with a toss of 46' 7 1/2", took second in the high jump with a leap of 6' 6", and third in the long jump with a measurement of 21' 8".

"Most Valuable Runner" was awarded to Pembroke

State's George Pone, winner in the 100 meters, 200 meters, and a member of the winning 400 meter relay team.

Pembroke State University Coach Larry Rodgers was voted "Coach of the Year."

### NEXT WEEK END

Next week's column will be the final column for 1982-83 and will feature a Spring Sports Review plus signers added to all the programs for 1983-84 thus far. PSU's sports activities in the summer include camps which will also be highlighted next week.

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Jones, Lumberton; Roxanne Wright, Tabor City; Sandra Holland, Kenly; Richard Ward, Red Springs; Michael

Marler, Lumberton; Michael Freeman, Lilesville; Lisa Cholston, Wagram; Vicky Price, Lilesville; Kimberly

Locklear (asst. chief marshal), Pembroke; Susan Packer, Garland; Mary Eanes (chief marshal), Raeford; Karen

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Mrs. George Dewey (Miss Mary) Locklear of Route 1, Pembroke celebrated her 86th birthday Saturday, April 16 with a buffet dinner given by her children, relatives and friends in Riverside Park. There were approximately 100 in attendance.  
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