Rams' basketball program getting better every day

The Chronicle Sports Editor

Every day now, it seems, Winston-Salem State's basketball program gets into better shape.

There are a couple of reasons for this development.

First of all, the Rams are working hard to get into condition for the upcoming basketball season. Official practice doesn't begin until Oct. 15, but members of the team are hitting the track bright and early each morning to put themselves in top physical condition.

Secondly, the Rams are continuing to acquire top talent to upgrade the pro-



Coach Sam Hanger

Waterman, a native of Hemingway, S.C., was considered one of the top 100

players in the country as a high school season. However, after encountering academic difficulties at Winthrop he decided to look elsewhere for an opportunity to play elsewhere.

Waterman averaged 15.6 points per game last season and was named to the Big South's second team All-Conference squad as a sophomore. As a freshman, Waterman was named the league's Newcomer of the Year.

"We just happened to stumble up on him," Hanger said. "He got himself into a little problem and was looking for somewhere to go."

WSSU was the beneficiary of good luck in this situation. Trevor Redfearn, who has also matriculated to WSSU, informed Hanger of Waterman's situation and Hanger followed up by following the correct procedure for signing transfers from Division I programs.

"We faxed the school's athletic director and got permission to talk with him and then we offered him an opportunity," Hanger said.

Waterman, who attended Sanford Prep, decided to attend WSSU because he will be forced to sit out only one semester. Had he gone to another Division I program he would have been out at least 1 1/2 seasons.

"He will be available to us the second semester," Hanger said. "I don't know

whether we're going to use him or let him sit out and have two years left. But he does give us more depth at the point."

Redfearn will also provide depth for the Rams' program. Redfearn transferred info WSSU from Genesse Junior College in New York. He played for Bill Van Gundy, the father of New York Knicks

"Trevor is a solid kid," Hanger said. 'We feel fortunate to have him."

Coach Jeff Van Gundy.

Hanger said his class of recruits will likely push the Rams to another level. They include Tyrone Thomas, a 6-1 shooting guard from Baltimore, who Hanger said is "the real deal".

Modern Chevy's Hoop D Do set to hit the streets of Winston Salem in October

It's all about simultaneous hoops action and having a good time at the Modern Chevy Hoop D Do in Downtown Winston-Salem on Oct.

Modern Chevy Hoop D Do will transform Modern Chevrolet's parking lot and downtown streets into a basketball fantasy land for players and spectators to enjoy. Modern Hoop D Do offers divisions for everyone from the totally uncoordinated to the talented, experienced basketball player.

everyone during the weekend," says Rob Fowler of Modern Chevrolet, "The key to our tournament 's success is the carnival atmosphere, exciting events and matching of teams."

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Some 7,500 ball players and 8,000 spectators are expected for the Winston-Salem event. Tournament divisions range from top competition (Top gun) to relaxed basketball fun (couch potato).

Top Gun winners get a chance to advance to "Modern Hoop D Do will have something for Orlando for the Southeast regionals. Then winner

there advances to the Final Four which is part of an NC Sports Special. In addition to the basketball courts dedicated to tournament play, the event also will feature various "off the court" special events for all ages. Events include the Converse 9" Power Slam, Eastwinds Destination Shootout, Shoppers Paradise Free Throw, Lowes Foods 10' dunk and Bojangles Speed of Light Challenge.

Tournament registration deadline is Friday September 26, and entry forms are available at

Modern dealerships, Lowes Foods and Local Pizza Hut stores.

The entry fee of \$98 per team (or 110 Top gun Division) guarantees each team at least three sched-

Spectator admission is free and the hoops action takes place from 9am-6pm on Sunday. For more information, call the Hoops Hot Line (910) 774-

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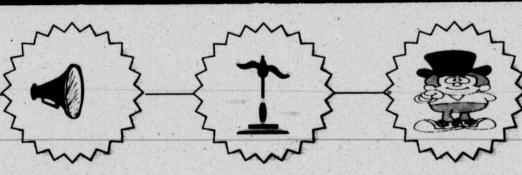
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For information on Teen Court, call 724-9923, ask for Mr. James L. Blackburn or Ms. Keller Parker