

Young golfer out-shoots older competition

ECU junior places first at weekend tournament



Photo by Anthony Hill
R.J. Goolsby eyes the greens before a shot.

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Take a generous dose of sunshine, powdery white sand bunkers, emerald putting greens and glistening fairways. Mix those elements with 10 good golfers and more than likely you had the final round of competitors in the second annual E. Jerry Jones golf tournament last weekend.

Winston Lake Golf Course was the site of a clinic being put on by one of the more skilled, black teenage golfers in Winston-Salem, R.J. Goolsby shot a 68 on Saturday and a 74 on Sunday to capture the victory in the championship flight in a tournament sponsored by Sigma Gamma Rho sorority.

"I didn't play that well in the beginning of the day (Sunday)," Goolsby said. "I missed a couple of putts, and I didn't hit the ball like I wanted to. I just told myself, 'If I could shoot a couple under on the back side, I could still pull

it out.'"

Goolsby did more than pull the win out. He did it in amazing fashion. He birdied the final two holes and drove the ball well over 300 yards twice to secure a four-stroke win over Clint Petree.

"I made a couple of putts and I hit a lot of greens," Goolsby said. "I birdied hole 17 and 18 to close it out. You know, I've never done that before. But I knew I had to do it to win. So I got it done. I figured I had a good shot at winning the tournament if I shot well. Yesterday, I shot a 68, with a double bogey and a birdie.

"I knew that if I came out here today and shot an even par I would be OK. This was some good experience for me. I figure there could've been more competition, though. I'll get into a few more competitions. And when college starts, I'll be ready (for) those (games)."

The other two big winners of the tournament were Harry Transou, who placed first in the first flight, and

William Warren, who won the second flight.

The Alpha Mu Sigma Chapter sponsored the tournament and named it in memory of the late E. Jerry Jones, former golf pro at Winston Lake Golf Course. Proceeds from the tourney went toward the sorority's scholarship fund to assist local students with educational expenses.

"The tournament went well," tourney coordinator Naomi Jones said. "It didn't go as well as we might've liked, but it went well. We were hoping to have a larger field. But due to other tournaments and a lack of sponsor, we didn't have as many players as we would've liked.

"But, overall, we're satisfied. This will be bigger and better next year. The golfers have already expressed how much fun they had playing this year."

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MEAC names preseason favorites

Suber, Hilton named top preseason players

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The 2003 Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Preseason Players of the Year are Allen Suber (offensive) of Bethune-Cookman College and Isaac Hilton (defensive) of Hampton University, as voted by the league's sports information directors and head football coaches.

This is Suber's second consecutive year winning the league's preseason offensive player of the year award. Last season Suber led the Wildcats to 7-1 conference record and an MEAC championship while rushing for 1,035 yards and 15 touchdowns.

He also completed 84 of 164 pass attempts and finished the season with 1,307 yards and eight touchdowns.

Hilton led the conference in sacks last season, finishing with 13 for a total loss of 94 yards. Hilton also had 78 total tackles last season, averaging 6.5 per game.

2003 MEAC Pre-Season All-Conference First Team

Offense

- OL - Tyrone Sapp - BCC
- OL - Patrick Cheatham - Hampton
- OL - Johnny Dennis - DSU
- OL - Julius Franklin - BCC
- OL - Kareem Sanders - NCAT
- C - Jelani Clement - Hampton
- TE - Samuel Buck - Howard
- WR - Howard Gilmore - NSU
- WR - Jerome Mathis - Hampton
- QB - Allen Suber - BCC
- RB - Rian Thompson - Hampton

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Suber



Hilton

Salandy sisters have become Elite

Two sprinters bring energy to track club

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After being placed in the wrong events, constantly being looked over and finally being clipped in the AAU state meet, Shakirah and Akilah Salandy decided to become elite. Ever since the two joined the Elite track club last season, only good things have happened. The move also has sparked a lot of excitement around the Elite camp.

"We're very excited to have the two young ladies," Elite coach Antwan Hughes said. "I really enjoy working with them. They are very hard workers and very dedicated to getting even better. I really think the two will do some very exciting things. After all, they are elite."

Last season, the youngest of the two, Shakirah Salandy, ran a time of 15.13 in the 100-meter race and finished at 30.46 in the 200-meter run. Those finishes qualified her for the Junior Olympics, where she ran the 100-, 200- and 4x100-meter races. She placed in the top 16 in the 100- and 200-meter races. This year she's expected to finish a lot higher. The coaches for the 9- and 10-year-old girls are Shea Martin and head coach Hughes.

"Shakirah is going to (do)



From left: Shakirah, Andy and Akilah Salandy pose at the Mt. Tabor track after the Tri-City meet Saturday.

Photo by Anthony Hill

very well for us," Hughes said. "She's been doing very well in all of her races so far. She's showing why she's elite. Just look at her races the past few weeks."

Shakirah captured the most valuable player award for her performance in the UNC-Charlotte Jim Law Invitational meet June 21-22. She also received runner-up honors after compiling the second

highest score in her age group. She finished second in the 100-meter race, first in the 200-meter race and long jump. She also took home a gold medal and a silver medal in the AAU meet June 28-29.

"At the beginning of the year, I told Shakirah that our goal was to run (13.99) in the 100-meter and to break 30 seconds in the 200-meter," Hughes said. "She has already

run a 14.20 in the 100-meter and a 29.25 in the 200-meter so far this year. Her older sister, Akilah, who runs in the 15-16 age division, is also very good. We expect a lot from the sisters."

Akilah is coached by her father, Andy Salandy. He's the 800-meter and 3,000-meter coach for the club. Akilah, who was clipped during a race she was winning at the AAU

state meet in 2001, had to sit out during the regionals and Junior Olympics that year. Since joining the Elite club, she's become a lot faster than most expected.

"Everyone knew that she had great speed," Hughes said. "It was just a matter of helping her use her ability to become elite. And I'm feeling pretty good about her progress"

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Rename Big East to 'Big Crybabies'

FROM THE HUDDLE
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I don't know about you, but I'm sick of the Big East Conference crying about losing teams and the possibility of losing more.

The Atlantic Coast Conference didn't threaten or force Virginia Tech or Miami to join the conference. Both schools simply realized the move was better for both institutions in the long run. Four Big East football schools are seeking millions of dollars in damages, contending the ACC conspired with former Big East member Miami to join the ACC and weaken the Big East.

Come on now. Those schools can't really believe the ACC and Miami got together and thought of a way to make the Big East look like the Big South Confer-

ence. The lawsuit originally was filed in a Connecticut court in June. ACC lawyer Steven Errante asked the judge to dismiss the lawsuit, because Connecticut courts do not have jurisdiction over the ACC.

Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal, one of the lead attorneys for the Big East schools, said, "We are committed to this court fight, aiming to achieve the most effective and appropriate remedies as soon as possible."

The most appropriate remedy is to just drop the lawsuit and figure out a way to get more teams in your lackluster conference.

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Karen Duncan stands beside some of the many products available at The Baby Milk Store.

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NFL player known for generosity visits to help his mom open business

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Oakland Raider tight end Roland Williams was in town over the weekend. No, the Raiders weren't hosting a junior training camp for their fans on the East Coast. Williams was in town for the opening of his mother's new store.

"With my son's help and support, I was able to start my own business here," Karen Duncan said. "He's extremely proud of me. It's always been my desire to help him have a better life. And for him to reciprocate and help me do something I've wanted to do my entire life is very special."

Duncan, with the help of Roland, opened up the first store of its kind in Winston-Salem. It's called the Baby Milk Store, and it's located at 2936 Old Greensboro Road. The store will provide WIC-

approved food items, a community resource room and occasional words of encour-



Courtesy of Roland Williams
Roland Williams

agement from women who have survived hard times.

"I came up with the store because I'm interested in helping young women handle

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