

Braves Make Impressive Record During Season

By JEFF MILLER

Chowan College basketball team set an impressive record during the 1964-65 season, finishing regular season play with a 9-12 record. Coach William McCraw stated that he was "well pleased" with his cagers, and added a note of optimism that "next year Chowan should make an even better showing."

The Braves claimed runner-up position in the Conference Tournament, played at Danville, Va., by defeating Louisburg College in the semi-finals, but dropped a well-played contest to the powerful Ferrum College cagers in the championship tilt. (See separate story.)

A summary of the more recent season games is given below.

Defeat Newport News

The Braves out-played the Newport News Apprentice School five in a tough defensive battle on the home court February 3. John Jenkins and Jim Royster paced the squad to the 64-55 victory by scoring 17 points each.

Mike Hynson played an outstanding game and contributed eleven points to aid the Braves in winning.

Bow to Richmond

Despite a game-high scoring performance by popular Chris Felts, the Braves suffered defeat at the hands of the University of Richmond freshman February 4. Felts, Chowan's swift guard, sank 23 points, while Mike Hynson was credited with 19, but this was not enough to stop the Virginia freshmen who won by a 77-66 margin.

The two squads seemed to be evenly matched in the first half of the contest, and the Braves trailed by only two points at half-time. The Baby Spiders rallied in the third period and hung on to the lead for the remainder of the tilt.

Down DTI, 108-82

The Braves broke the 100 mark for the first time of the season by defeating Danville Technical Institute 108-82, on Saturday, February 6.

The game, played on the home court, was highlighted by brilliant ball-handling by Chris Felts and "Scooter" Griffin.

Every member of Chowan squad saw action in the conference game, and each contributed in the scoring column. Mike Hynson turned in his highest mark of the season as he dropped in 30 points. Lonnie Thigpen was next in line with 17, and Jenkins and



TWO POINTS—John Jenkins, forward for the Braves, scores a field goal during a recent home game. Jenkins was one of the leading scorers throughout the 1964-65 season.

Felts turned in 15 and 14 points, respectively.

Lose to Frederick

Chowan lost by a close decision February 10, when Frederick College cagers slipped by them 70-68. The Frederick Five invaded the local gym with a bitter memory of the one-point loss which the Braves handed them earlier in the season.

The winners were spurred by a game-high 19 point contribution from their fast-moving guard, Pete Johnson. John Jenkins garnered 16 points for Chowan, as Mike Hynson and "Scooter" Griffin collected 12 each.

Valentine Weekend

The Braves made a fine comeback effort against the East Carolina freshmen cagers, only to

lose in overtime performances in the contest played at home February 15. Scoring honors for the tilt went to Mike Hynson, Chowan's scrambling center, who hit the backboards for 20 points. Royster and Jenkins poured in 18 and 17 markers, respectively.

Mackie Nicholes, popular young Chowan forward, contributed greatly to the Chowan effort with brilliant plays.

Chowan faced the powerful Panthers at Ferrum Junior College for the second time of the season February 19, and were defeated 87-58.

Coach McCraw started his taller boys in an effort to hold down his unbeaten opponents, but they were unable to stop the fast-moving John Quinn, who dunked 22 points for the Panthers.

Jenkins and Linwood Parker turned in 12 points each for the Braves, followed by Jim Griffin with 9, and Mike Hynson with 8 markers.

The next evening, the "Big Blue" moved to Roanoke, Va., and faced the National Business College cagers, to capture a 100-88 decision. Mike Hynson paced his teammates and took scoring honors with a 34-point performance.

Teamwork was outstanding in the contest which saw Jenkins and Sullivan hit for 17 markers. Royster dunked 12 points, followed by Felts with 10.

Lose Last Game

The Braves were disappointed by one point when the University of Richmond Baby Spiders won the final game of the season on the home court February 22, 73-72.

Coach McCraw directed his squad with good offensive plays, and were trailing by only five points at halftime. The Braves pulled up in the second half and tied the contest in the last seconds of regular play. The two teams went into the five minute overtime session, and swapped the lead several times, but never by more than a two-point margin.

With eight seconds left and Chowan leading 72-71, the Baby Spiders made a final drive to score a field goal on an outside shot to go ahead by one point and win the hard-fought tilt.

John Jenkins again sparked his teammates with 20 points. Parker had a good night and contributed 14, followed by Jim Griffin with 9.

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BASEBALL

SCHEDULE



March 24 Hiram College	Home
March 25 Hiram College	Home
March 29 Mt. Olive College	Away
April 3 Williams College	Home
April 6 Louisburg College*	Home
April 10 East Carolina Frosh	Home
April 16 Louisburg College*	Away
April 27 Newport News Apprentice School	Home
April 30 Ferrum College*	Away
May 3 Ferrum College*	Home
May 5 Mt. Olive College	Home
Mty 7 East Carolina Frosh	Away
May 14 Newport News Apprentice School	Away
May 17 Edwards Military Institute*	Away

* Doubleheader

Single Home Games Start at 2:30 P. M.

Doubleheaders Start at 1:15 P. M.

Braves Begin Baseball Practice; Outlook Good

On February 15 some 40 to 45 boys gathered together to begin practice for the 1965 baseball season. The baseball season will officially begin on March 24 when the Braves play host to Hiram College, a four year school from Hiram, Ohio. This game will make history because it will be the first game played on the new baseball diamond.

Last year the team got new uniforms, this year the team has new dressing facilities and a new field. The latter two will help to make the baseball program quite adequate here at Chowan.

Each boy competing for a position is pitting his abilities against the others in order to land a position on the twenty-man squad. These boys will be trying to improve on a 10-7 season in 1964.

This year's squad will consist of seven returning lettermen. Players returning are: Infielders Mike Pintz, Vic Camechis and Bill Underhill; outfielder Mickey Perry and pitchers Douglas Barnes, Jackie Hellems and Buck Starkey. These boys will make up the nucleus of the team along with many new prospects. Some of the new prospects include sophomores Tommy Grayson, Jimmy Clark, Larry Smith, Wade Johnson, John Cook, Wayne Barnes, Mac Lowery, Allen Seager, Donnie Whitehurst and Charles Harris. Freshman prospects include C. T. Mathis, Ronnie Hendricks, Randall Pulley, Bo Ellett, Michael Lassiter, Debney Hudson, Harold Newton Ronnie West, Billy Stalls, Kenny West, Dickie Turner, Joe Willis, Charles Fagan, Ronnie Hicks, Raymond Warren, James Savage, Kurt Pierce, James Dixon William Boyce, Douglas Harrell, Billy Holloman, Harvey Allen and others.

Baseball will afford these young men an opportunity to

improve their abilities in many respects. Recreation, competition, sportsmanship and physical health including stamina, agility, co-ordination, speed and quickness will be taught. Winning and losing will also be taught in relationship to the game of baseball and later life.

Many fundamental principles of baseball such as hitting, fielding, throwing, base coaching, sliding and thinking will be taught.

These principles will help to serve as an incentive towards better play and future coaching.

Little or no financial help is given to baseball players at Chowan although this by no means hinders the chances of having a good program. The student body is large enough to get many good athletes who enjoy playing simply for the sake of playing itself.

Former Chowan players who have signed professional contracts or who have played elsewhere include: Ray Cox (Giants), Alton Lowe (White Socks), Tommy Winston (Salem) Wayne Cosby (ECC), Earl Wade (A.C.C.), Willie Crowder (ACC) Clarence Nichols (ACC), Tom Redman, Richard Mansfield (ACC), Don Redford (U. of Alabama), Beasley Jones (E.C.C.), Bob Willoughby (Frederick), Wayne Yates (ACC), Johnny Dollar (ACC), Dallas Nance (Guilford), Jackie Brinkley (Guilford), Jesse Sikes (East Tenn. State), Pete Britton (U. of Richmond) and Pete Hunter (ECC).

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The web of this world is woven of necessity and chance. Woe to him who has accustomed himself from his youth up to find something capricious in what is necessary, and who would ascribe something like reason to chance and make a religion of surrendering to it.



TENSE MOMENTS—Coach William McCraw talks with his team members during half-time of the Chowan-Ferrum championship game recently at Danville, Va. The Braves fought a hard battle but lost the final decision to the powerful Ferrum Junior College Panthers.