In Knoxville Saturday Harriers compete in NCAA's

by Dan Collins Sports Writer

Jim Beaty was the last All-American in cross country at Carolina in 1956.

Fifteen years is a long time to go without an All-American but Coach Joe Hilton feels that at least three of his runners have a crack at the honor when his team travels to Knoxville, Tenn., Monday to compete in the NCAA tournament.

Approximately 50 schools and 125 individual runners will be competing, a pack of close to 500 runners. All-American honors will go to the top 25 finishers.

"I think we've got two men, Reggie McAfee and Larry Widgeon," Coach Hilton said, "that have a good chance to be All-American and possibly a third, Mike Garcia, who ran what I called an inspired race in the conference meet."

Last year, without McAfee, who was still running at Brevard Junior College, the team made a strong showing in the NCAA's, finishing 30th. This season, however, Coach Hilton feels the squad can finish much higher.

"We certainly hope we can finish in the top ten," he said. "The team is looking forward to the race. We think we have a considerably better team than last year and we're looking to improve."

Both Coach Hilton and captain Larry Widgeon feel the victory over Duke in the conference meet two weeks ago will help prepare the team mentally for the NCAA's. This past weekend Duke finished third in the IC4A meet, a membership consisting of some of the top teams in the East.

"The Duke victory," Coach Hilton said, "certainly should give the team a lot of confidence going into the nationals. The whole squad has to realize the reason we're there is because we're just as good as the rest and even better than some.

"I think (Bob) Wheeler of Duke will be one of the top two or three individual finishers at the NCAA's. He was the top individual finisher in the IC4A meet. I think the running in our conference is as tough as any in the nation.

One bright spot for the Heels is the fact Tony Waldrop, although still not fully recovered from his season-long virus, is stronger now than any other time this year.

"He'll be better than before," Coach Hilton said. referring to Waldrop, "but I still wouldn't say he'll be at his top peak or condition."

Indoor track-depth is problem

by David Zucchino Sports Writer

With the 1971 ACC cross country hampionsihp safely tucked away, golina track coach Joe Hilton now turns his attention to indoor track in his duest for another conference title.

Hilton's cross country squad ran off with the ACC title two weeks ago in Releigh, overwhelming heavily-favored Duke in one of the most enjoyable upsets in recent Carolina athletics.

The indoor track season doesn't open until Jan. 14, but Hilton is already accembling a talented cast of solid returning veterans and unproven feestimen.

last year's crew was loaded with top-notch individuals in almost all events, but there was precious little manpower beyond that.

This season's squad may face the same "It takes a lot of good athletes to run

In the pole vault, Deacon was impressive last year as a frosh, and Hilton likes the looks of freshman Phil Hatch, who provides much-needed back up strength.

The weight department is a problem. Ace shot and discus man John Jessup carried the two events almost single-handedly last year, but he has since graduated.

Hilton is counting on two freshmen, Brad Mullinex of Kernersville and Tar Baby football standout Charles Waddell of Pinecrest, to fill the void left by Jessup in the shot. Another freshman, John Fleming, will throw the discus, along with footballer Terry Taylor.

4 p.m. today

The distance events appear stronger with the return of Mike Caldwell, who has been sidelined by a leg injury. Caldwell was running smoothly in cross country competition until straining the tendons in his leg early in the season.

Another essential cog in Carolina's cross country achievements was junior transfer Reggie McAfee, who finished in the ACC meet.

"McAfee will certainly help us in the mile and two-mile events," Hilton says. "He has very good speed for a miler, which makes him tough to beat."

McAfee will be joined in the distances by junior transfer Lennox Stewart and stead, reliable Larry Widgeon. The mile

and two mile events should be two of Hilton's best.

The high jump department also looks better than ever. Junior Charles Ball placed among the conference leaders last spring and will be bolstered by the return of Dave Hilliard.

Hilliard holds the current UNC record in the high jump but missed all of last season because of a broken shoulder.

Hilton expects considerable improvement in the sprints, in which first-place finishes were few and far between last season. The hurdling should also be much stronger, with the return of Reid Hilton after a long injury spell.

Al Thomas Another weekend So this is another one of those weekends.

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Hundreds of football teams across the country will run onto the gridirons Saturday afternoon amid colorful pageantry and blaring bands.

Television cameras will zoom in and out, carrying "instant replays" into millions of homes and making athletic departments all that much richer.

Pretty cheerleaders will bounce up and down, continuing to call for participation from a crowd more intent on the game than sideline theatrics.

It's been going on like this for 10 straight weeks so far this fall. This will be the eleventh.

After this long stretch, many of the hundreds of thousands of fans have begun to cheer and boo more out of habit than because of deep-felt enthusiasm.

For many, the grind is taking its toll. Football, which had been eagerly awaited in August, has lost its appeal . . . its interest.

In the Atlantic Coast Conference, there aren't many teams who have managed to escape the throes of monotony and disappointment.

This football campaign has been a long and tortuous one for Maryland, Virginia, N.C. State and Wake Forest. None of these teams played up to pre-season expectations.

For these four teams, Saturday night will bring a long sigh of relief, a chance to begin thinking about next year's prospects. Their 1971 season will have ended.

The ACC actually has only three clubs-North Carolina, Clemson and Duke-who have performed as well or better than expected. Carolina has at least a tie for the ACC title, Clemson will either tie for the title or finish in second and Duke has won some big games under a new coach.

The season ends for all these teams Saturday, except Clemson who meets South Carolina next week and Carolina who may be invited to a post-season bowl.

The most important battle will involve two of the impressive clubs-Carolina and Duke,

The Tar Heels have had their troubles against air attacks, but have managed to present the most balanced attack in the ACC.

Duke, meanwhile, has been plagued by injuries from the start of the season and has been sporadic because of it.

The Blue Devils have beaten Stanford and West Virginia and then have lost to Navy. Duke has shown strength but not consistency.

Saturday's battle in Wallace Wade Stadium will probably be a low-scoring affair. unlike last year's 59-34 Tar Heel romp in Kenan Stadium. A win will give UNC outright possession of the ACC crown.

The next biggest conference meeting will be at Clemson where the Tigers entertain a fired-up Wolfpack.

Blue-White swimming meet State has had more than just a disappointing season, but in the last two games has shown new and unexpected strength. State whipped Miami two weeks ago and then, after trailing Penn State only 7-3 at the start of the fourth quarter, fell apart. The members of the Wolfpack team issued a statement Wednesday calling for the re-hiring of interim coach Al Michaels, and will probably play their best game of the year Saturday to help him. The Tigers have been tough in conference warfare, however, and just how much State can accomplish will depend on Clemson's mistakes. The Tigers don't make many. Wake Forest will travel to another part of the Palmetto State Saturday night to face the South Carolina Gamecocks. The Deacons, picked by ACC coaches to repeat as conference champions, have played good football all year long. Only one team-Miami-has outplayed them. The breaks Cal Stoll's players got last year have been scarce this time around, however, with the result that the Deacons have been out of the title picture for several weeks. South Carolina, after being picked in the Top Twenty in pre-season polls, has played mediocre football. The game won't mean anything nationally, but it's always nice when an ACC team can whip the Gamecocks, who quit the conference last spring. The other scrimmage involving ACC teams will feature Virginia at Maryland. The game will probably be close, but not worth any space in a newspaper other than mention.

a successful track program," Hilton says, "and it looks as though we may have a problem with depth again this year. We're hoping that our freshmen will help us in

The Tar Heels will be hard-pressed to match list year's crop of newcomers, which featured pole vaulter Danny Deacon, broad jumper Hank Snowden and runners Mike Garcia and Tony Waldrop, who placed eighth nationally in

"We have several good freshmen in the 440 and in the dashes, where we badly need some added depth," Hilton points out, "Most of them were fairly successful athleter in high school and we expect them to help us tremendously."

The Tar Heels are strongest in the field events, where the talent is strong and deep. Broad jumpers Snowden and Hubert West return, along with ACC triple jump champion Darryl Kelly.

Hot Cougars

The Carolina Cougars, winners of three straight after their 113-101 win over Denver in Charlotte Wednesday night, meet the New York Nets in Greensboro tonight and play Kentucky at Louisville Saturday.

The Cougs are within a half-game of escaping the Eastern Division cellar of the ABA, Wednesday's win was keyed by mokies Jim McDaniels and Ted McClain, who combined for 46 points.

Tonight's game will be the first return of John Roche, now a sub for New York, to the floor where his South Carolina team edged Carolina in the ACC lournament last March.

by Dan Collins Sports Writer

Some interesting questions may be answered when the Carolina swimming squad holds its annual Blue-White meet at 4 this afternoon.

-Will the added spirit, instigated and led by co-captain Gerry Chapman and Bob Nagle, account for better performances?

as Chapman, Nagel, Glen Garella, Bob DaryImple, Jike Southard and Dave Bedell, improved over last year?

-How much have the returnees, such

-Are the incoming freshmen such as

Dave Medlin, Peter Ray and Bill Koczyk as good as they have appeared in fall practices?

survive its schedule, probably the toughest in the Southeast?

Of course many of these and other pertinent questions will not be answered until the regular season is well under way. but the intrasquad meet will no doubt indicate to some extent what caliber of team the Heels will have.

A new spirit of confidence definitely prevails over the team this season. The enthusiasm of Nagel and Chapman has rubbed off on the whole team and they

American football rivals in the Chapel

Hill suburb of Durham. Though

thousands will attend the more

traditional and historic game of rugby

football, the club will forgive those few

who may take some passing interest in

Saturday matches.

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feel they will be in the same class with the top teams of the area. "Our spirit has changed a lot since last

-Will the team be strong enough to year," Chapman said. "The whole team is psyched up.

Last season, N.C. State was truly the cream of the conference and the Wolfpack are expected to be as good or better this season. Chapman, however, feels the Heels will give the Wolfpack a good run for the conference crown.

"Maryland will be tough," he said, "but I think it will be between us and State."

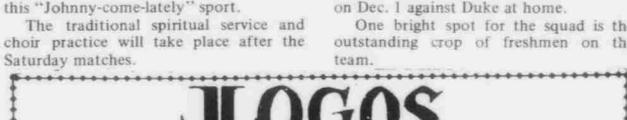
The top returnees this season outside of Nagel and Chapman, will be Glen Garella, a sophomore sprinter, Jike Southard, a sophomore in the free style, Dave Bedell, a senior in the butterfly and Bob DaryImple, a junior in the free style.

"Bedell has really improved," Nagel said. "We're hoping he will qualify for the nationals in the butterfly.

The schedule will be rigid to say the least, with four of the opponents, Fla. State, Florida, Tennessee and N.C. State finishing in the top 13 in the nation last season. Another opponent, Alabama, sent several members to the nationals.

The opening meet of the season will be on Dec. 1 against Duke at home.

One bright spot for the squad is the outstanding crop of freshmen on the



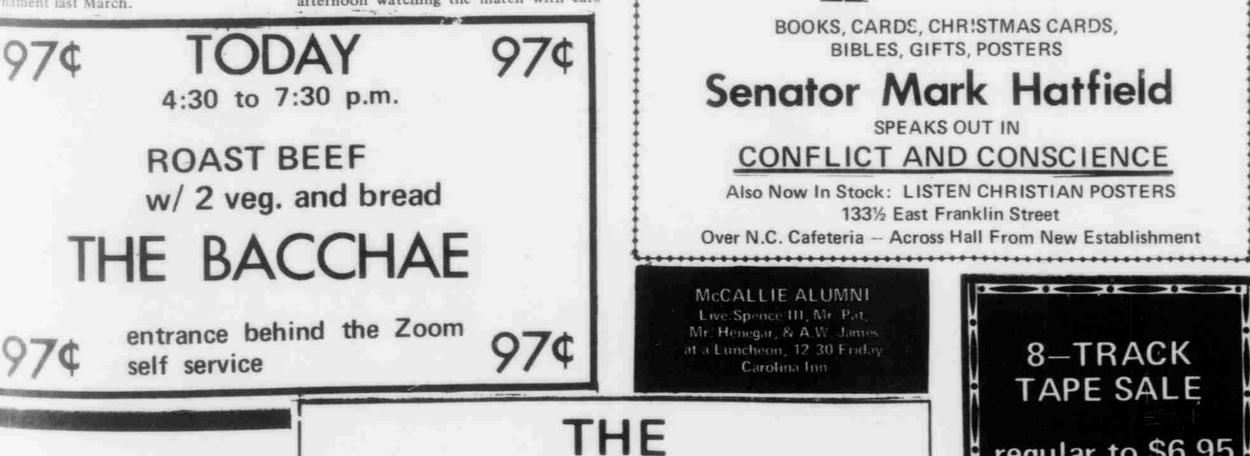


Can the elderly ruggers survive busy weekend? Tonight is the night for the UNC attuned to the monumental clash of

O.F.A.P. game with the Carolina young bucks. The O.F.A.P., led by the indefatigable Scot, Adrian Scott, the tired old man of rugby, Bob Porter (who is soon to celebrate his 65th or so birthday) and a score of other drunks and burnt-out athletes, will do battle with their younger counterparts of the regular UNC rugby club.

If all concerned come out of the affray in reasonable condition from this 7 p.m. match on Ehringhaus Field, then the two groups will combine to play South Carolina at two the next day, at the same place.

Spectators are invited to spend their afternoon watching the match with ears



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