





## The Living DESIGN

### Sports

It had been just a date on a calendar. Now, a sea of purple and gold crowded into the stands — the game, complete with the band, cowbells and cannons. The atmosphere was ready for the kick off.

Yet, behind the first downs, tackles and touchdowns were months of sweat, memorizing plays and going to bed early.

For each team, the winning design was based on split second timing — a unity that evolved only from hours and hours of extra practices in Walton, on the track or in the pool.

The intramural schedules went up. Another 10 p.m. game in Walton — just part of the continuing design. □

**THE END OF THE  
HOMECOMING GAME**  
marked the beginning of  
the celebration over the win  
of the “across the ravine”  
rivals.

by Rex Nelson

**T**here aren't that many outside the state of Arkansas who can even pronounce the word Ouachita, but Ouachita Baptist University has made itself known to many simply through the success of its athletic program. For a small, church-related institution, Ouachita has done remarkably well in intercollegiate athletic competition. A combination of good coaches, quality athletes, a winning tradition and a normally supportive alumni have made athletics an important part of life at Ouachita.

A typical autumn Saturday, for example, sees cars turning off US Highway 67 looking for a place to park. The sweet gum trees surrounding A.U. Williams Field are varied shades of yellow and gold as are the giant pecan trees toward the Ouachita River. Mill Creek bubbles along under a bridge that is being crossed by students clad in bright colors. Noise fills the calm fall air. A band plays, cowbells ring and a cannon fires.

A Monday or Thursday night in the winter, meanwhile, finds a mass of loud students in Rockefeller Field House supporting the basketball team. Any given spring afternoon might find the tennis team practicing on the Freeman-Dunklin courts, the golf team at work on its homemade course where the North Campus pastures were once located, the track team practicing at A.U. Williams Field, the football squad engaged in spring practice across the street from Blackmon Field House and the baseball team involved in a doubleheader at Rab Rodgers Field.

The athletic teams have traditionally served to unite Ouachita students, faculty and alumni. The football program, perhaps, has the greatest tradition of all at Ouachita. The sport began in 1895 just nine years after the founding of the school. Since that time, Ouachita has fielded numerous successful football squads such as the 1914 team which defeated both the University of Arkansas and the University of Mississippi en route to an 8-0-1 record.

The baseball team also has traditional with the late W. H. Halliburton writing in his *History of Athletic Ouachita Baptist College*, "Ouachita was baseball king all she surveyed in the early 1900's and she surveyed plenty. The Ouachita bat and ball artists during that decade could hold their own with any college or university nine in the nation."

**W**hen Otis Galloway retired as head football coach and athletic director at Ouachita following the close of the 1933 football season, the school looked to the high school ranks for the most qualified man. The search ended in El Dorado with the hiring of Bill Walton, who had graduated from Ouachita in 1924. Walton had begun his coaching career at Fort High School where he established one of the state's high school football programs turning out college players for the University of Arkansas, the University of Alabama, Louisiana State University and the schools that presently form the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference.

His career at Ouachita, beginning with the 1934 football season, would prove almost as successful. Following the conclusion of the 1942 season when Ouachita lost its last game (no other schools in the state were playing that year) athletics were suspended. Walton joined the Navy. Upon his return found that former assistant Bob Cowan had been hired as head coach at Ouachita.

Cowan would head the program until his suicide in 1949. Following a school year in which the program operated without any real direction, Rab Rodgers was hired as head football coach and athletic director in the summer of 1950. An athletic star in his own right, Rodgers had earned four letters (football, basketball, track and baseball) each year of high school at Tupelo, Mississippi.

Rodgers went on to play professional baseball in the Cotton States League and then began his career as coach at Sunflower Junior College in Morehead, Mississippi where he remained for eight years. That



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**COACH VAN BARRETT** played baseball at Ouachita under the late Rab Rodgers from 1962-65 and returned to join the physical education department in 1977. Since then he has taken his team to the NAIA District 17 playoffs in 1979 and '80.

**WHEN CAROLYN MOFFATT ARRIVED** as coach in 1965, it took some time to install her new program. But before long she had built one of the nation's most powerful women's



...one year at Northwest Mississippi Junior College in Senatobia and four years at Smackover High School. He was not that successful as a football coach at Ouachita with only two winning seasons in 15 years as head coach, but Rodgers was well-respected around the school as an administrator.

Rodgers' sudden and unexpected death in December of 1954 saw the beginning of the Bill Vining era of athletic administration at Ouachita. Vining, who still serves as Ouachita athletic director, has become somewhat of a legend in small college athletic circles as much for his personality as anything else. A native of Eudora, Vining was selected as head basketball coach at Ouachita in 1954 because of the fact that he had no previous coaching experience.

Vining took over a program at Ouachita that was at the time a basketball program that was looked upon by many as simply a way for football players to stay in shape during the winter months. Yet he soon had built a winner and was rewarded by his selection as NAIA District 17 coach of the year in 1970, '72, '73 and '78. Vining has spread the

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Vining's name around the world in his position as one of the persons most responsible for the development of the sport on an international level of competition. He has coached on the coaching staffs of NAIA, AAU and U.S. State teams that have toured Europe, Mexico and South America. In the summer of

United States team at the World University Games in Bulgaria and the next year was head coach of the U.S. team that toured Russia and played for the Yuri Gagarin Cup. Vining has been a member of the coaching staff at the U.S. Olympic men's basketball trials in 1968, '72, '76 and '80. The Ouachita athletic director has served as president of the NAIA Coaches Association and is a member of the NAIA Hall of Fame.

One secret to Ouachita's athletic success has been the lack of turnover in the major coaching positions. In football, Buddy Benson took over for Rodgers when the latter resigned his coaching duties before the 1965 season. Benson is still head football coach. With an overall record of 95-61-4, Benson has led Ouachita to the best overall won-loss record of any AIC school over the past 15 years despite the ever-present lack of facilities and funds. Benson first gained fame as a player in helping lead Bowden Wyatt's "little pigs" at the University of Arkansas to a share of the Southwest Conference championship in 1954.

Selling used cars for a living, Benson attended the Arkansas state coaching clinic in 1961 in hope of finding a job. He found that Rodgers was at the time looking for an assistant, he jumped at the opportunity and has been at Ouachita ever since.

The same year that saw Benson take over as head football coach, 1965, also saw Bob Gravett come to Ouachita as head track coach. A 1958 graduate of Arkansas State Teachers College (now the University of Central Arkansas), Gravett coached on the high school level at Humnoke, Keiser and DeWitt before being hired at Ouachita. His teams have won six of the past nine AIC track championships and Gravett was one of the moving forces behind the success of the NAIA outdoor national championship during its five-year stay at Arkadelphia. He has served as secretary of the NAIA Track Coaches Association, as a member of the NAIA Games Committee

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**TWO OF THE MOST WELL RESPECTED COACHES IN THE AIC:** Coach Buddy Benson (left) and Coach Bill Vining (top). The arrival of Vining (1955) and Benson (1965) marked a new era for the basketball and football programs at Ouachita. In the 17 seasons that Benson has led the Tigers, Ouachita has suffered only three losing years. Vining took over a program on the bottom and has turned it into a winner with nine state championships.



**WILLIAM MILLER** led the Tigers to an 8-2 record his senior season.

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and as president of the AIC Track Coaches Association.

The fall of '65 also saw Carolyn Moffatt come to Ouachita as women's basketball coach. The 1956 Ouachita graduate had her team in the AAU national tournament in only her second year at the helm. The Tigerettes would return to that tournament the next five straight years and advance to the final game on two of those occasions. The Ouachita coach has spoken and given countless demonstrations through the years while having served as chairman of the National AAU Women's Basketball Executive Committee and a member of the United States Olympic Women's Basketball Committee.

**T**he hiring of Buddy Benson as head coach marked a turning point for the football program at Ouachita. The school had experienced just two winning seasons in the 16 years previous to his move to head coach. In the 16 seasons since that time, Ouachita has had just two losing seasons.

In '48 the Baptists rose to the top under the coaching leadership of Wesley Bradshaw. Ouachita went 9-3 that fall including a pair of postseason games in December — a 7-0 victory over Southeastern Oklahoma in the Texoma Bow at Denison, Texas and a 40-12 loss to Hardin-Simmons University in the Shrine Bowl at Little Rock.

The 50's however, could easily be referred to as "the dark decade" as far as Ouachita football is concerned. After a mark of 6-6 in 1949, the Tigers started the new decade and the reign of Rab Rodgers as coach with a 2-7 record. That was followed by records of 0-10, 2-5-1, 7-1, 3-6, 2-6-1, 3-5-1, 1-8, 2-5-1 and 3-7. Rodgers had moved to a position of full-time athletic director preceding the '58 season, but came back as head football coach when three-year mentor Lamar Watkins resigned after his team had gone 1-7-2 in 1960.

The last four Rodgers-coached teams went out with records of 4-4-1, 4-5, 6-4 and 4-5-1. It didn't take Benson

long to work his magic as his first team went 5-4-1. In 1966, Ouachita had captured a share of the AIC title with record of 6-4. Marks of 6-4 and 8-2-1 followed in '67 and '68 with the 1968 season seeing a 13-10 upset of previously undefeated Arkansas Tech and a 39-6 crush of Livingston in the Peanut Bowl at Dothan, Alabama. After a 5-5 mark in '69, Benson led his team to a share of the AIC crown with an 8-2 season in 1970. The years 1971, '72 and '73 then saw respective records of 7-6-3-1 and 5-5. Coming into the '74 campaign, Ouachita was picked to finish in the last division of the AIC but surprised the experts with a 7-2-1 mark. The next fall saw a share of the conference championship, a trip to the NAIA national playoffs and a record of 9-2. The past five seasons have witnessed marks of 5-5, 4-6, 8-2, 5-5, and 2-8.

If the coming of Benson marked a turning point for football, the coming of Vining was even more of one for the basketball program. His first two squads went 8-12 and 5-20, but by 1957 Vining's skill as a coach was beginning to show. Ouachita won the Arkansas AAU championship that year. By the year 1962, Ouachita basketball had arrived for sure. The Tigers stunned ASTC and Arkansas Tech, both powers in those days, to win a trip to the NAIA National Tournament in Kansas City where they fell to Morris Harvey in the first round. Behind sophomore performers Leon Clements and David Kossover, though the Tigers bounced right back to go 18-7 in 1963 and the AIC championship for the first time in 18 years. That feat was accomplished with a 15-3 mark in nonconference play, a record the Tigers duplicated in 1964 as they went 22-5 overall and won a second straight AIC crown. Over Henderson, Harding and Hendrix came in the NAIA District 17 playoffs and the Baptists were once again on their way to Kansas City. Emporia State downed them in the first round that year. Vining's team made it three straight AIC titles in 1965 with a 27-10 record. And Ouachita would not lose in the first round at Kansas City this time around, either. The Tigers piled up wins over Lincoln University, Lewis College and third-seeded



OUACHITA won six AIC track championships in the 70's.

**ALTHOUGH THE 50'S** was considered the "dark decade" for football at Ouachita, the arrival of Benson in 1965 saw the Tigers begin to compete with the teams in the Arkansas Intercollegiate Conference. An AIC title in 1966 and a 13-10 upset of previously undefeated Arkansas Tech signaled that the Tigers were contenders. After nine consecutive winning seasons the Tigers won a share of the AIC title in 1970 and a trip to the NAIA national playoffs with a record of 9-2.



With their star player on the bench, the Tigers finally Oklahoma Baptist University by a score of 66-53. The loss of both Clements and Kossover, the '66 was obviously supposed to have been a rebuilding year. It appeared just that as the team got off to a slow start surprising everybody in the conference by winning eight games down the stretch to finish third in the AIC. The AIC title returned to Ouachita in 1970 with a record of 23-9 overall and 16-2 in the conference. AIC championships and trips to the national tournament would also come in both '72 and '73. Ouachita's last AIC basketball championship was in 1978.

Over the past few seasons, Ouachita has simply waited. Gravett has seen the program rebuild, go to the top and stay there with no end in sight. His initial coaching efforts began to pay off in 1967 when a team

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Freshmen on it set eight new school records. After finishing fourth in 1970 and second the next year, the team arrived in 1972. Ouachita won three straight AIC championships with talented athletes like Danny Pynes, Jerry Gragg, Jeff Thomas and Gary Crawford. Finishes of second in '79 and third the next spring, the team came back to Ouachita in the spring of 1977. The team repeated in first-place finishes in '78 and '80 and earned a second place finish in 1979. The early years of this century saw Ouachita win the championship in baseball year after year. Tiger teams

in Arkadelphia with Ouachita giving the Class AA club tough opposition in a number of games. The tradition continued into modern times with Rab Rodgers having several fine teams including an AIC championship squad in 1960. Jake Shambarger took over following Rodgers' death. He won six straight conference titles beginning in 1967 before turning the coaching duties over to George Jone in 1973. The following year shortstop Roger Pattillo made All-American and led the AIC with a .423 average. Pattillo repeated as an All-American in '69. Bubba Cope was a second-team All-American in 1970 as the tradition lived on. After several years of mediocre play under Jones and Don Purdy, Van Barrett took over in 1979. The Georgia native and Ouachita graduate led his first team to a second-place tie in the AIC and his second team to a tie for third. Each of those seasons saw Ouachita as only one of four teams in the state invited to the NAIA District 17 playoffs.

The so-called minor sports are anything but that at Ouachita. In tennis, Ouachita was first in 1977, first in '78, first in '79, second in '80 and second in '81. In golf, Ouachita was first in 1977, first in '78, first in '79, second in '80, and second in '81 also. Registrar Frank Taylor doubles as golf coach and has totally revitalized that program.

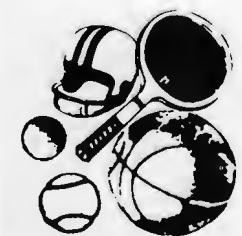
Another coach that doubles up is religious activities director Elmer Goble who serves as head swim coach. In 1978-79, his first season as coach, the Tiger sharks broke every school record but one and finished second in the AIC. Ouachita was second again the next season and third in 1981. And this type of success is coming from a program that was once struggling just to stay alive. Lamar Watkins had only four swimmers on his team in 1966. Bill Goff took over the following year and didn't have much better luck as the team failed to win a single meet. The situation had

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THE EARLY 1900'S saw Ouachita dominate the state in baseball. The team continued to do well with Coach Jake Shambarger taking the coaching duties in 1967. He won six straight championships before leaving the team in 1973.

THE BASKETBALL TEAM'S FIRST state championship came in 1957. Dan Taylor, number 23, was one of the players that led the Tigers to a 21-4 record in 1978, and a berth to the NAIA national championship tournament in Kansas City, Missouri.



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gotten so bad by 1968 that swimming was not even listed in the athletic section of the Ouachita yearbook. The year 1975 was an important one for the swimming program for a pair of reasons. First, Goff resigned after eight years as coach with Jim Miller taking over. Secondly, Debbie Phelps joined the team and became the first female to participate in competitive sports against men at Ouachita. A giant stride was made when high school star Jim Cawthorne came to Ouachita as a freshman in 1976.

Goble now states, "I think we'll be championship contenders from now on. The combination of a new pool, our growing program and a fine school could prove to be a good one in the future."

The winning tradition at Ouachita does not just extend to men's sports. In fact, the school's greatest athletic success story might just be that of the women's basketball team during the 1960's. The year 1960 saw Ouachita win the first of six consecutive Arkansas AAU crowns. Carolyn Moffatt then arrived as coach in the fall of 1965. It took some time to install her new system and Ouachita failed to win the state AAU championship for the first time since 1969. Needless to say, a number of Tigerette followers were disappointed. Little did they realize the Moffatt was in the process of building one of the nation's most powerful women's basketball machines. The 1967 season was one which saw the Tigerettes go undefeated against Arkansas competition, a feat that would be repeated in the future. Ouachita regained the Arkansas AAU crown as Southern State (now Southern Arkansas University) fell by a score of 59-53 in the state championship game. Ouachita came into the 1968 campaign with a record of 41-3 against Arkansas schools the previous five seasons and proceeded to win its eighth AAU title in nine years. The Tigerettes made the trip to the AAU national tournament in Gallup, New Mexico where they stunned basketball observers by downing third-seeded Wayland Baptist, 42-40, in the quarterfinals. More victories were in store for 1969. The

Tigerettes again were undefeated against Arkansas teams as they climbed to fourth in the national polls. Ouachita went to Amarillo, Texas for the National College Women's Invitational where the team defeated John F. Kennedy in the semifinals before losing to Wayland in the championship game. The Tigerettes then hit the road more a week later for the AAU nationals in New Mexico where they finished sixth after losing to Wayland in quarterfinals. All three Ouachita losses in 1970 would be followed by Wayland as the Tigers finished second nationally. A third-place national ranking would follow in 1972.

Things would go down hill from there. Increasingly more numbers of colleges and universities began to add women's athletics as term such as Title IX suddenly became quite common. The Ouachita program was immediately since the school did not have the funds to offer scholarships to women and thus compete with other institutions in the recruitment of top female athletes. Ouachita ended AAU competition in 1976 and joined the state's other colleges in the Arkansas Women's Intercollegiate Sports Association. With the addition of scholarships for women in 1978, Ouachita began the climb back out of the cellar and toward the basketball penthouse it once occupied.

**O**uachita's long history of athletic success has produced a number of well-known individual athletes and coaches. Over the past two decades seven men have been inducted into the Arkansas Hall of Fame that either played or coached at Ouachita at one time or another. In 1961, Morley Jennings was inducted. He had come to Ouachita as football coach in 1912 and stayed at the school for 14 seasons before taking the job as head coach at Baylor. Those 14 campaigns, five of which were undefeated, saw an overall football record of 69-11. Carey Selph was inducted in '62. Born 16 miles from Ouachita campus at Donaldson, he had been an all-state quarterback for Arkadelphia High School. Selph entered Ouachita in the fall of 1922 and became a



A TEN YEAR DALLAS COWBOY STAR, Cliff Harris graduated from Ouachita in 1970.



**THE 1980 CANADIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE ROOKIE OF THE YEAR, William Miller led the nation in rushing with 1,688 yards and scoring with 19 touchdowns his senior year. Miller ran for more than 4,000 yards during his college career and scored over 40 touchdowns.**

**WHEN THE TIGERS WERE SUFFERING with a 1-6 record in the early part of 1980, Coach Bill Vinina worked his**



son. After graduation in 1926, Seiph played professional baseball before going into business in an area where he worked as a noted sports supporter up to his death. The next Ouachita inductee was J. L.

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Carter in 1965. Carter had transferred to Ouachita from the University of Arkansas and immediately led his team to an undefeated season in 1914. Carter also played in baseball and following graduation he spent the remainder of his life in Arkadelphia including a period in which he was Ouachita business manager. Inducted to the Hall of Fame in 1968, Bo Rowland crossed the ravine to become Ouachita's head football coach in 1931 following a period of successful years at Henderson. Foy Hammons, inducted in 1971, was Ouachita's head football coach until Jennings' departure in 1925 and Rowland's departure in 1931. Hammons left Ouachita to become head coach at Monticello A&M (now UAM). Walton was inducted in 1973. The last individual to gain entry into the Hall of Fame with Ouachita connections was Jim Jennings in 1979. He starred for Jennings at the school in Arkansas from 1915-1918 and later went on to a successful school coaching career in Lonoke.

In addition to the above seven gentlemen, Ouachita had three inductees into the NAIA Hall of Fame for three straight years: Leon Clements in 1977, Cliff Harris in '78 and Bill Jennings in '79. Harris, a 1970 Ouachita graduate, has

played for the Dallas Cowboys of the National Football League, and was an all-pro five times and started in a record five Super Bowls.

Several Ouachita athletes of recent years performed feats that will likely gain them some type of Hall of Fame recognition in the future. For instance, William Miller was the 1980 Canadian Football League rookie of the year after having led Ouachita to an 8-2 record his senior season, 1978.

In track, Ouachita graduate Gerald Masterson has become one of the top middle distance men in the world. Masterson won both the 800 and 1500 meter runs in his junior and senior seasons at Ouachita (1977 and 1978) to help pace the Tigers to conference championships. And Masterson was always bringing national attention to the Ouachita athletic program such as when he won the 880-yard run in the university division of the 1977 United States Track and Field Federation Championships.

Great individual efforts as both players and coaches have always gone hand-in-hand with good team records in the Ouachita athletic past. □



IN 1978-79, the first season for Elmer Goble as coach, the Tiger Sharks broke every school record but one and finished second in the AIC. Ouachita was second again the next season and third in 1981. Goble said after the '81 season, "We broke numerous school records and everybody placed in the district. Our goal now is to qualify people for the nationals."



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As early as the 1900s Ouachita offered student competition in spring sports.

# A reputation of dominance

Every time an OBU athlete won a race, hit a home run, sank a putt, or won a match, they were continuing a Ouachita tradition: domination in spring sports. Last year's players and coaches were part of a program that had been developing as early as the turn of the century.

In the early 1900's baseball became a part of life at Ouachita. Famed Arkadelphia journalist W. H. Halliburton once wrote, "Ouachita was baseball king of all she surveyed in the early 1900's and she surveyed plenty."

Talented players like W. F. Rodgers and Donald Muse helped develop a winning tradition that continued into the years. Rab Rodgers coached the team to an AIC championship in 1960, while All-Americans like Roger Pattillo and Bubby Cope brought baseball into the seventies.

These players and coaches along

with many more have developed baseball the way it was at Ouachita. With Coach Van Barrett at the reins the team was invited to the NAIA District 17 playoffs two of the last three years.

But baseball isn't the only spring sport with a winning background.

Frank Stroope led the Tigers to an AIC golf title in 1928. Since that time, golf took a lesser roll until the arrival of Coach Frank Taylor. With Taylor's guidance the team finished second in 1975, sixth in '76, first in '77, first in '78, first in '79, and second in '80.

Just as golf enjoyed success in the seventies, the tennis team also finished remarkably well. Of the last five years the team finished first three times and second twice. The team was so dominant in 1977 and '78 that they finished 17th and 14th nation-wide respectively.

But a spring sports success story wouldn't be complete without the

telling of the track story. Coach Gravett's recruiting efforts made Ouachita an AIC champion in 1972, '73, '74, '77, '78 and '79. With a second place finish in '75 and '79, Ouachita had a record that was by far the best in the state.

Although other schools have considered OBU a top winning year in the 1980 season, it was considered a year for the Tigers. Baseball finished fifth, while golf and tennis finished second in the AIC. Tennis finished second after regular play, was forced to forfeit games and thus finished last in the league.

At so many other schools sports take a back seat to track sports, but not at Ouachita. Track and field train year round to continue winning programs that were in the early 1900's.



WITH AN INTENT EYE ON THE BALL, Junior Beth Olsen prepares to return a serve during a match against Henderson.

JUNIOR MIKE McGOUGH found it necessary to take a few practice shots before the match at the DeGray Fall classic.



PUTTING THE TAG ON A PINE BLUFF BRAVE, Freshman Jimmy Brown helps to insure a Tiger win over the semi-pro team in the fall.

TIGER POLE VAULTER I approaches and prepares over the bar. Kirk finished first at Henderson.



Spring '81



ve OBU a competitive spirit  
each track event

# Down to the wire

by Steve Bowman

al weather conditions, healthy  
hletes, and a good track season  
id Coach Bob Gravett expect-  
o win the Arkansas Intercolle-  
te Conference Track and Field  
nionship.

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his expectations were not lived  
o. Don't misunderstand, the  
track team ran extremely well,  
ing second just 4.5 points be-  
Harding. But if not for two un-  
nate mistakes it could easily  
been another AIC cham-  
pionship for the Tigers.

ron Hill, who had been finish-  
igh for the team all year, anx-  
o get out of the starting blocks  
g the preliminaries, was dis-  
fied for stepping on the line.  
e second misfortune, probably  
deciding factor in Harding's  
happened during the 400-  
r relay. The Tigers were lead-  
ing on the final leg but drop-  
e baton and were unable to

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ad breaks, — "You shouldn't  
t that," Coach Gravett said.  
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have to expect something to  
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**LAYING FINE FORM,** Bert  
p prepares to heave the discus  
g the AIC Championship meet  
ich he placed second.

**ID AND AGILITY** kept Keith  
r and Terry Thomas leading in  
100-meter run throughout the

moments the Tigers had their mo-  
ments of glory, placing at least one  
person in 13 out of the 17 events,  
with four first place and six second  
place finishes.

Anthony Daniels, having a very  
good night, compiled 22.5 points  
for the Tigers and was high point  
man for the second year in a row.  
Daniels while compiling his points  
raced to a first place, record-setting  
finish in the 100-meter dash with a  
time of 10:57, and another first  
place finish in the 200-meter dash.

"I was hampered all year by a  
pulled muscle," Daniels said. "I'm



finally able to compete to the ul-  
timate. It's just the Lord's will that I  
got out tonight and won that dou-  
ble."

All-American Henry Harrell  
placed first in the 800-meter run  
with a time of 1:53.98 with Keith  
Baker following exactly a half-  
second behind.

Prior to the AIC Championship  
the Tigers had an overall good year  
winning all of their AIC meets but  
one. In the Harding relays they  
placed second behind Harding,  
who won the meet with 91 points.  
The Tigers had 80.5 points. The  
University of Central Arkansas had  
54.5 points for third place and the  
University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff  
finished with 31 points.

The Tiger track team was the  
only AIC school represented in the  
Delta State Relays held in Cleve-  
land, Mississippi. Mississippi Valley  
won the meet with 196 points.  
Ouachita was second with 114  
points. Other finishers were Missis-  
sippi State with 80, Alcorn State  
with 69, Southern Mississippi with  
58, Delta State with 49, and Missis-  
sippi College with 36.

Out of the 22 events Ouachita  
won four and placed second in six  
other events. For the day OBU  
finished among the top six in 14  
events.

During a track meet held at A. U.  
Williams Field the Tigers compiled  
85 points outdistancing conference  
foes Henderson State University  
with 51 and University of Arkansas  
at Monticello with 38.

O.B.U. had first place finishes in  
the 440-yard relay with a time of  
42.30, the 880-yard relay with a  
time of 1:31.29, and the mile relay  
team broke the tape with a time of  
3:22.32.

Henry Harrel sped to a first place  
finish in the 800-meter run with a  
time of 1:56.15, Terry Thomas fin-  
ished fourth at 2:01.50.

In the 100-meter run the Tigers  
had the top three times with Tyrone  
Hill coming in first with a time of  
10:28, second place went to An-  
thony "June Bug" Daniels with a  
time of 10.41 and Melvin English  
was right behind with 10.65. Hill  
also won the 200-meter run at 22-  
.54.

Chris McCollum won the blue  
ribbon in the triple jump with a leap  
of 44'5.5"; he also placed second in  
the long jump with a leap of 21.4.

Winning most of their meets  
down to the very close conference  
championship, no matter what the  
event, you could always see the  
purple and gold giving it all it had,  
down to the wire. □



**TRACK TEAM MEMBERS ARE**  
**FRONT ROW:** Carl McGill, July  
Mitchell, Tyrone Hill, Rowland Car-  
rasco, Kirk Lee, Johnny Williams,  
Nathaniel Williams, Leonard Cam-  
bell. **SECOND ROW:** Greg Gideon,  
Gene Flores, Phil Brown, Bert Sharp,  
Tim Zachery, Henry Harrel, Terry

Thomas, Russ Morphus, Vernon  
Brown. **BACK ROW:** Jerry Byrum,  
Kieth Baker, Dwayne Franklin,  
Bobby Chadwick, Chris McCollum,  
Anthony Daniels, Raymond Brown,  
Larry McFarlin, Tommy Inman,  
Coach Bob Gravett.

**CHRIS McCOLLUM** takes off on his  
first leap during the triple jump.



The Tigers found they v  
a few outs short of bein  
a good team

# In need of strike thre

by Tim Wooldridge

It was the top of the sixth. The Tigers led 5-0 over the University of Central Arkansas Bears and were doing everything right against the AIC leaders. They were hitting, fielding, and scoring. But then disaster struck. UCA rallied for five runs to tie the game. In the last inning the Bears struck again, rallying for five more runs to take the win 10-5.

"We were the kind of a team," said Coach Van Barrett, "that was always a couple of outs away from being a good team."

For the last two years, the team has met the Bears when both were in contention for the AIC championship. Both years the Bears swept the two game series knocking the Tigers out of the race, but this time the team won the second game 7-5.

"The doubleheader against UCA

typified the year," Coach Barrett said. "We had them beat, and lost 10-5. But then we came back and won 7-5."

The season was marked with close wins, close losses, and split double headers.

Although the team was young, with only two seniors on the team, they broke out to a 3-0 record in non-conference play. The team belted 30 hits in the three games while winning 3-2, and 12-5 against Southern Baptist, and 12-3 against Paris Junior College.

From there, the Tigers lost two to University of Arkansas at Little Rock before sweeping two victories from AIC opponent Southern Arkansas 4-2, and 5-4.

"After we won two games against Southern Arkansas," said Coach Barrett, "I wondered how good our team really was. I knew we were

young, but we looked pretty

As the year went on, though, the Tiger's lack of experience proved to be a big factor.

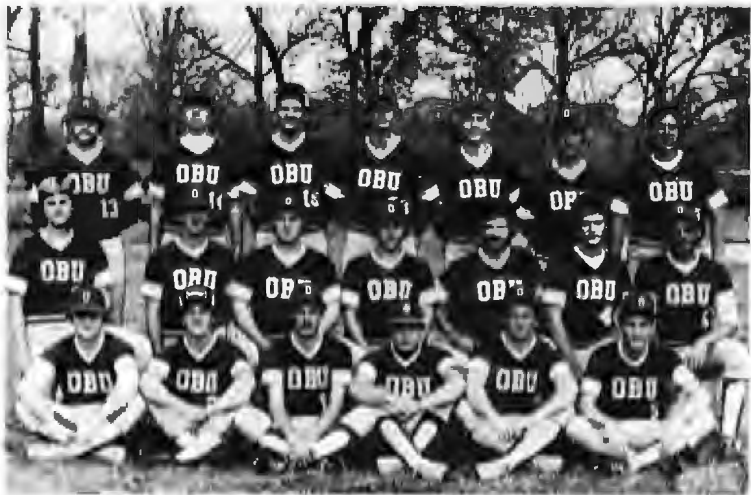
The Tigers lost two to University of Arkansas Monticello before meeting with University of Central Arkansas and Harding to close the season with a 4-4 AIC record. They then swept two from Henderson State before losing its final four to the college of the Ozarks and Arkansas Tech.

The team finished fifth in conference with a 6-8 AIC record and a 15-17 overall record.

Britt Marley, a senior from Poteau, Oklahoma, was named to the All-AIC baseball team, having a .333 batting average and receiving honorable mention. The team was shortstop Darrell Brown and outfielder John Hurst.

A TENSE COACH BARRETT looks on as his team narrowly defeats the UCA Bears 7-5. It was the first win over the Bears in two years.

Members of the BASEBALL TEAM are, FRONT ROW: Tommy Smith, Britt Marley, Billy Land, Doug Bussell, Joe Bunch, Mike Baldwin. SECOND ROW: Darrell Brown, Mike Moore, Randy Arnold, B. J. Brown, John Klingensmith, Charlie Brown, J. D. Morgan. BACK ROW: Steve Brown, Robert Jayroe, Gerald Ezell, Mike Watts, Steve Hartley, Tommy Reed, Coach Van Barrett.



PITCHING THE CURVE, Keith Long, A SUMMIT MEETING FO



**The mens tennis team knew they were winners even though the season was forfeited**

# A record breaking fault

by Tim Wooldridge

**S**urrounded by anticipation and concern, the men's tennis team watched as Harding University rolled onto the campus for a showdown of the unbeaten.

Earlier in the year, Chris Chance said, "Ouachita has dominated for so long in AIC tennis that it (championship) is taken for granted. This year it is hard to say. It'll be tough between us and Southern Arkansas, Hendrix and Harding."

It was the last team they were concerned with now. In the heat of the day the teams slugged it out with the victory going to Harding 6-3.

At the time, the match was important. It was a pre-championship. Harding took first and Ouachita took second. But later in the year the match was meaningless due to the ruling of an ineligible player for

Ouachita. As a result, all won games were forfeited.

The team was under the impression that all their players were eligible, but after the season was over they found Keith Chance ineligible.

"My first reaction, I was disappointed," said Thomas Talbot, "but it was typical of the entire year."

"What would have been bad," said Mark Cushman, "is if we had beat Harding and won the championship. We would have been forced to give it over."

At the first of the year, the team turned in a player roster to the registrar's office. The registrar found Chance ineligible and turned the roster over to Coach Bill Vinning, Athletic Director, without Chance's name on it. Vinning had no knowledge that Chance's name was on the original list and therefore word

didn't get to the tennis team.

"It's a shame that this happened," said Vinning. "The way the system was set up, it is surprising that it hasn't happened before."

A new system is set up to prevent any future mishaps. Under this system, the coach of the team will receive a copy of the list from the registrar, sign it, and then send it to the athletic director.

The women's team enjoyed another winning season finishing 5-4, and fifth in the AWISA.

The highlight of the year came when Diane Mackey, sophomore from Fort Smith, advanced to the finals in the number five singles flight in the AWISA tournament.

Mackey won her first two matches 6-3, 6-3 and 6-2, 6-3 before facing Beckey Wiskotoni of ASU in the finals. Mackey won the first set 6-1, but lost the next two

3-6, 3-6.

Beth Olson advanced quarter finals before losing to dual flight winner Mary S 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.

Michelle Raymick also advanced to the quarter finals in her first round before losing to Paula Halke 2-6, 7-6, 6-4.

In doubles, Olson and Cushman advanced before losing to the champions Swanson and Ziegler in the number one flight. Olson and Sheri Grober advanced to the semi-finals before falling to Pridger and Halke team.

"I'm very pleased with the results," said Coach Tona. "We've got a good program despite a lack of financial assistance. We have no scholarship money," she said, "so the players come here to play really hard for the game." □



Members of the MENS TENNIS TEAM are, FRONT ROW: Doug Lancaster, Mark Cushman, Dale Tommy. BACK ROW: Thomas Talbot, Keith Chance, Bobby Smith, Chris Chance.



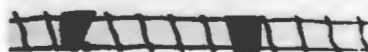
A SHARP EYE and quick reflexes keep Bobby Smith volleying with Doug Lancaster during an afternoon practice.

JUNIOR THOMAS TALBOT returns a shot in a fall practice against Mark Cushman.





**IMPROVING HER SKILL** of playing the net, Sheri Grober backhands a quick shot.



**Members of the WOMENS TENNIS TEAM** are, **FRONT ROW:** Coach Tona Wright, Michelle Raymick, Beth Olson, Connie Lawrence. **BACK ROW:** Jenny Neal, Diane Mackey, Cheryl Clem, Vaughn Clary, Sheri Grober.

**BETH OLSON**, a junior from New Boston, Texas, returns a shot against Lisa Atkins of Henderson in a 6-2, 6-1 victory.



Spring '81



**SUFFERING FROM INCONSISTENCY**, the team finished second behind Harding. Bob White completes his follow-through on a shot.

**PRACTICING IN THE** late afternoons, Joe Schwarz, a sophomore from Heber Springs, uses an iron on the OBU practice course.



**e golf team a few  
rokes away from first.**

# On and off the green

by Tim Wooldridge

It was typical. The final two rounds, five and six, of the AIC golf season mirrored the performance of the golf team throughout the year. In both rounds a team score in the AIC tournament in Hot Springs and to qualify for the NAIA national tournament. In the fifth round shooting was poor, with the team finishing fifth with 344. In the final round team scoring was great, with the team finishing first with 305. Their performance left them second, however, they were too inconsistent," said Coach Frank Taylor. "We were hot in the first round of the season,

Harding established its power by taking first and leaving the Tigers second.

The next round of 18 holes proved to be the best ever. Led by John Kinley's four under par 67 and medalist honor, the team fired a 282, breaking the 1980 record of 291. Kinley's score was followed by Rocky Mantooth's 72, Scott Heller's 73, and Andy Edwards' 70. The Tigers won the round, the last they would win until round six.

In rounds three and four, the team was close to a win, only a few strokes short of defeating Harding. Round four was a heartbreaker when the Tigers shot 318 to take second place, while Harding took first with 317.

"What really hurt," said Coach

Taylor, "was round three. We finished third, but we were only one stroke behind second place and three strokes behind first."

Had the Tigers taken first, they might have been able to out score Harding for the championship.

As it was, Harding finished six points ahead of Ouachita when awarding points for placement in each of the six rounds.

The team placed three members on the All-AIC golf team. John Kinley, Rocky Mantooth, the only senior on the team, and Joe Schwarz were named to the team for being in the top eight in the league. Kinley, who broke Reid Allison's 18-hole record of 69, was also named to the All-District NAIA golf team. □

**WARMING UP FOR the upcoming round, Joe Schwarz takes a few points from Coach Taylor. Schwarz had a 75 score on the Hot Springs course.**



**Members of the GOLF TEAM are: Bob White, Andy Edwards, Jeff Miers, Scott Heller, Barry Hardin, Mike McGough, Joe Schwarz, John Kinley, Rocky Mantooth.**

**COACH FRANK TAYLOR talks with Andy Edwards about the upcoming round. Edwards fired a 70 in round two in Little Rock.**

The young Tigers  
show their teeth as they face  
national powerhouse  
week after week

# Sweating to survive

by Tim Wooldridge

**T**he stage was set. The season opener in Durant, Oklahoma, would set the tone for the young Tigers in 1981.

Following a disappointing 2-8 record in 1980 the team set out to reestablish itself as a contender. Coach Buddy Benson's first job was to hit the recruiting trails. And he did, bringing back a plethora of freshmen talent.

But this soon led to Benson's first worries: a freshman-sophomore dominated team. The Tigers started seven sophomores and four freshmen with 18 freshmen in the back-up positions. It was obvious these players had the talent as the JV squad went 4-0 in their season with scores of 21-0, 30-0, 24-16, and 28-0 against Southern Arkansas, Henderson State, Arkansas-Monticello, and Harding University, respectively.

Along with these young players were talented experienced players. One of the most noted was Senior tailback Kent Baggett who was top rusher for the Tigers in 1981.

The chemistry seemed to be set for the opening game. Talented underclassmen, experienced veterans, coupled with a tradition of winning opening games (13 of the last 14) seemed a positive overtone as the Tigers sought to erase question marks.

The Tigers won the toss and elected to receive. The quick offense — the backbone of the team — would be the first tested. But on the first play, disaster struck. All-AIC runningback Kent Baggett went down with a broken collar bone — out for the season.

From there the game was a seesaw battle. Southeast Oklahoma broke the ice first with a 7-0 lead. The Tigers came right back to lead at the half 14-10. The Savages took

the lead again 17-14 before Todd Quick booted two 30-yard field goals to lead 20-17. But with ten seconds left to play the Savages were on the Tiger one-yard line. Two plays later the Savages' quarterback scored the winning touchdown to send the Tigers home with a 23-20 loss.

It was a narrow loss, and except for a few mistakes on both sides of the ball, it was a well played game. Quarterback Robert Jayroe completed 14 of 25 passes for 215 yards while the Tiger backfield rushed for 148 yards. On defense the Tiger secondary came up with two inter-

ceptions while the defensive line held the Savages to only 95 yards rushing. But even with these bright spots, the first game loss put a damper on the season.

However, the team quickly bounced back the next week by holding on to a 21-14 victory over Texas Lutheran. A well balanced offensive attack with a strong defense was the key in the win. Freshman Dwayne Stanley netted 161 yards rushing while Jayroe threw for another 195.

"They hung in there real well," said Coach Benson. "We could have folded like we did last week,

but this time we refused to

It was a sweet victory, but the team would see for the first time in a long while.

"It was expected," said Coach Benson. "We were young but we won every game and won our last one."

Trying to hold a 12 game winning streak over UAM at home, the Tigers responded to UAM's 7-0 lead with a 95-yard kickoff-return touchdown. But it wasn't enough. The Boll Weevils added two touchdowns in the second half to lead 20-14.

For the Tigers, turnovers were the killer. Three fumbles and one interception on the day were a lack of foresight though of the victory to come.

Ranked fifth in the NAIA, the Tigers hosted the Tigers and took a 12-0 lead after a game of nine turnovers to result in a 28-7 victory. Those nine turnovers were eight in the second half, nearly as much as any power the offense had.

Fans were hoping for a miracle showing when the Tigers met Baptist rival Mississippi State. They were disappointed though as the team coughed up the lead three times in a 17-10 loss. One bright spot was the return of the offensive line. The offensive line had 211 yards, 91 for Stanley.

The Tigers had no time to rest back on their performance as they prepared for UCA.

It was a long evening for the Tigers as they failed to make a first down in the first half while UCA jumped out to a 17-0 lead.

The second half looked the same as the Bears went to work before the Tigers got on the field with a 10-yard TD pass from Dwayne Stanley to Billy Edwards. Each team scored again as UCA moved to 3



IT WAS A LONG HARD SEASON for the Tigers as they put out every effort they had. Todd George, a freshman, takes a break in the SAU game.

**FRESHMAN RUNNING**  
Dwayne Stanley breaks the Tigers' defense before for a first down. Stanley was the NAIA District 17 Offensive Player of the Week for his 281 yards rushing in a game against the Reddies.



## Sweating to survive

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conference and OBU 0-3 with the 30-14 loss.

A week off for an open date was thought to benefit the Tigers as they faced Arkansas Tech.

The rest helped for three quarters. Tech led 17-14 but quickly put it out of reach with two quick touchdown drives of 78 and 41 yards to lead 31-14.

The team fought back but fell to its fourth conference loss 34-21.

At 1-6 the Tigers moral was naturally low. Playing at Searcy the team let Harding jump on top 14-0 on its first two possessions.

But then time experience caught up with team. Sparked by a 42-yard run by David Muldrew, Ouachita cut the lead to 14-7. On the next possession Quick booted a 31-yard field goal to make it 14-10.

The defense took over and forced a Harding fumble on the Bison's 20-yard line. Three plays later Ouachita led 17-14.

The Tigers picked up in the third quarter where they left off in the second. A 14-yard pass from Jayroe to Muldrew and a two-yard run by Stanley lifted the score to 31-14. The defense held tight allow-

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**CALLING THE SNAPS** for the 1981 season, Robert Jayroe threw for 96 yards and one touchdown against Harding. The Tigers won 31-22.



**AGAINST SAU**, tight end Watty Strickland caught a 13-yard touchdown pass from Robert Jayroe. Here, Strickland brings down another reception for a first down.

**WINNING COMES WITH REBUILDING.** Coach Benson plans on rebuilding the team as an AIC contender with players like Steve Woosley.





**THE BATTLE OF THE TRENCHES** was even more grueling against SAU. Senior tackle Brad Scott blocks out SAU's linemen during a 28-7 loss.

**AGAINST UAM** Dwayne Stanley and Robert Jayroe combined for 230 yards. Stanley scored once but the Tigers lost 20-14.



for the tigers.  
**SHMAN DWAYNE STANLEY**  
 a break in the action against  
 Stanley finished the year with  
 yards rushing on 202 carries.  
 lost to SAU 28-7.

# Sweating to survive

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ing only one more touchdown for  
 Harding to make the final score  
 31-22.

The Tigers had their first AIC win,  
 but more importantly their five  
 game losing streak was snapped be-  
 fore facing ravine-rival and 14th  
 ranked Henderson.

Both defensive squads ruled the  
 first quarter forcing five punts be-  
 tween the teams. The Reddies,  
 however, managed to break the tie  
 before the quarter ended with a  
 9-yard sweep to lead 7-0.

Tiger fans held their breath as

Henderson took over the ball on  
 the Tiger 25 after a fumble. The  
 defense held tough, though, forcing  
 a missed field goal attempt.

Momentum swung to the Tigers  
 as they marched 70 yards in 12  
 plays to boot a 20-yard field goal  
 and cut the lead 7-3. Ouachita went  
 up for good when Jayroe hit Mul-  
 drew in the end zone with 1:27 left  
 in the half.

The third quarter ended with no  
 scoring but Stanley broke 50 yards  
 for a TD on the second play of the  
 fourth quarter to stretch the lead to

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**LEG STRETCHES AND TWO-A-  
 DAYS** welcomed the Tigers back in  
 the late summer. The Tigers returned  
 32 letterman and added 25 freshmen  
 to the team.



**CALLING A TIME OUT** Coach Ben-  
 constructs Freshman Robin Han-  
 about the next offensive plays.  
 on passed for 71 yards against  
 Tech and had one  
 down.

**AS ONE OF THOSE SEASONS**  
 to forget. The heat of the day  
 stration takes its toll on Jerry  
 Tiger Jordan, and David Mul-







# weating to survive

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defense once again held on  
Tigers put the Reddies down  
second year in a row, win-  
7-13.

victory was sweet, but the  
was sour. Although talent  
like Stanley's 944 yards on  
ries, three wins to six losses  
at a typical season for the Ti-

winning comes in cycles, and  
national powerhouses each  
made it difficult for a rebuild-

inning comes in cycles," said  
Benson. "If you have a bad  
ing year it will come back  
to hurt you."

time the AIC boasted four  
the NAIA top 20. UCA was



**ARM OF TACKLERS** Dwayne  
goes down after gaining 18  
Stanley gained 93 yards  
the Bisons as OBU won

**ST HARDING,** Greg Bollen  
Ed Thomas combined for 20  
Assistant Coach Richard  
discusses defensive strategy  
players during a time out.

ranked seventh, SAU 11th, UAM  
13th, and HSU 14th. Henderson  
and SAU each held the number one  
spot for a week during the season  
while UCA's highest climb was to  
third.

These tough teams and their play  
helped establish the AIC as a tough  
league in the NAIA. It was these  
tough teams that OBU played each  
week.

"But these teams were once in

our place," explained Coach Ben-  
son. "We were once the team to  
beat and they had rebuilding teams  
that had to play us."

Two conference wins at the end  
of the season was definitely a moral  
booster for the '82 season. And  
with the great job of recruiting  
the last two years, the cycle of  
winning may be on its way back to  
Ouachita.

**MEMBERS OF THE FOOTBALL  
TEAM ARE, FRONT ROW:** Melvin  
English, Buddy Brown, Robin Han-  
kins, Billy Edwards, Kyle Baird,  
David Norris, Dana Barnett, Kent  
Baggett, Joe Bunch, Jerry Wilson.  
**SECOND ROW:** Sean Seligman,  
Scott Jackson, Todd Quick, Michael  
Hall, Ed Thomas, Brian Bunch, Dino  
Muldrew, Mark Whatley, James Jordan,  
Kelly Harris. **THIRD ROW:** Mil-  
ton Light, Monte Gibson, Dwayne  
Stanley, Bill Meador, Greg Bollen,  
Alexis Reed, Scott Embrey, Mike  
Tarkington, Mark Horton. **FOURTH  
ROW:** Todd Eubanks, Britt Stevder,  
Todd George, Clay Price, Robert  
Jayroe, Steve Woosley, Calvin  
Thomas, Chris Slaten, Steve Ray,  
Todd Lovell. **BACK ROW:** Mark  
Harmon, Craig Webb, Charles  
Reynolds, Charles Strickland, David  
Muldrew, Brad Scott, Steve Quinn,  
Randy Almond, Kraig Reuter.

## Scoreboard

Southeastern Oklahoma	.....20-23
Texas Lutheran College	.....21-14
Univ. of Ark. Monticello	.....14-20
Southern Arkansas Univ.	..... 7-28
Mississippi College	.....10-17
Univ. of Central Arkansas	.....14-30
Arkansas Tech University	.....21-34
Harding University	.....31-22
Henderson State University	.....17-13

Overall record 3-6

AIC record 2-4

(bold face indicates conference games)



gether as close friends.

# More than a spirit squad

Cheerleading became a way of life for 10 students as they met with Randy [unclear], sponsor, in his office. The [unclear] unanimously elected Mike [unclear] as captain. They sat down [unclear] outlined their next year as cheerleaders.

A week before summer cheerleading camp at Southern Methodist University, all ten met at Ouachita to begin practice, morning and afternoon, for the camp.

"I can still remember how awkward and clumsy everybody was while we were building our pyramids," said Paula Holland, one of eight that were new to the squad. Mike Spivey and Toby Anderson were one-year veterans.

Commenting on the eight new members, Mike said "We had a long way to go before camp competition, but I was impressed with the willingness and enthusiasm to work."

At SMU the cheerleaders proved their ability with awards of five excellents, one superior and a spirit stick for two nights of competition.

"Camps were what the squad needed," said Laura Bailey. "We grew and became united. We became more of a group of friends than just a mere squad."

With the beginning of the fall semester, two freshmen joined the squad as well as a mascot. Accompanying the fall was football which meant practice for the cheerleaders.

"We practiced four to five times a week," explained Glenda Clifton,

"plus a pep rally and a football game each week. Also we had individual effort to develop all that we could be."

Dedication is important in any sport as long as it is a team effort and cheerleading was definitely a team effort.

"I was well surprised with our dedication to work," said Spivey. "We sacrificed to make the squad better."

At the first game the fans at Durant, Oklahoma were impressed with the Tiger cheerleaders. "Several fans came up to me and said what a good group we were. Still, I knew we had much more potential," said Toby Anderson. Throughout the season as the cheerleaders practiced, their techniques were polished. The result left a feeling of accomplishment and an anticipation for basketball season.

"Basketball season was fun. We traveled to most every game," said Lisa McCoy. "At basketball games we can influence the support of the crowd. I felt we were doing something for the benefit of the team."

With basketball season coming to a close, a sigh of relief settled upon the cheerleaders. "Cheerleaders have a long season," Cheri Vining

said. "People don't realize how much we practice. During basketball season we had games sometimes three times a week. It was a relief for the cheerleaders, but all will remember the good times."

Looking back over the year, freshman Kathy Kirk said, "I was thrown into a situation to work with people I've never worked with and barely knew, but we learned to work together to perfect the squad."

The other freshman, Suzanne Martindale said, "We were treated as adults with a sense of responsibility. With that sense of responsibility I felt I was doing something worthwhile. When I made the team, I felt alienated from the others, but as the year progressed, I felt like a sister to all of them."

For Johnny Gosser, the year was filled with unexpected experiences. "I had no idea what I was getting into," he said. "I had never done anything like this. A lot of people asked me why? The reason was I wanted to be part of an organization that lifted the spirit of the campus."



TIGER STUNTS WERE enjoyed by the members of the squad and fans. Lisa McCoy sits on Al Stanford's shoulders awaiting for Glenda Clifton.



THE SQUAD WAS fortunate to have [unclear] who added extra life to games. Laura Bailey and mascot Andrew Wilkendorf are anxiously waiting for the football team to

MEMBERS OF THE CHEERLEADING SQUAD ARE: FRONT ROW: mascot Andrew Wilkendorf. SECOND ROW: Laura Bailey, Glenda Clifton, Sheri Vining, Lisa McCoy,

Paula Holland, Suzanne Martindale, Kathy Kirk. BACK ROW: Phil Watts, Al Stanford, Mike Spivey, Toby Anderson, Johnny Gosser.



ONE OF THE uniquenesses of the squad was a large group with guys that allowed them to build pyramids: a crowd pleaser.

The Cross-Country team  
second all year but for  
third in the AIC F

# In the long run

by Steve Bowman

**T**en minutes before starting time runners are scattered close around the starting line doing anything from the hurtle stretch to the neck roll, preparing for a grueling four to five mile race. "But the most important part is to become mentally prepared," says Freshman Brad Pippins, "you have to clear your mind and just think about the race and tell yourself that you've got to get out there and do it."

As the clock ticks down closer for time to start, adrenalin starts to flow and tension fills the air as coaches unconsciously bite their fingernails, and teams of stolid faced runners stand in their starting blocks, thinking of nothing but finishing on top. As the shot rings out, a throng of runners, between 60 and 150, pour onto the course, the runners' minds turn toward strategy and how to run the race. The blank faces turn to looks of determination, pain and joy as they cross the finish line.

For the Tiger Cross Country

team, fondly referred to as the Harriers, the face of joy was often a common sight. The Harriers won all but two of the six AIC meets. In non-conference action the Tigers won the team title in the LeTourneau College Invitational Cross-Country meet in Longview, Texas.

The Tiger Harriers were paced by Tony Chambliss, who finished in sixth place with 26:04 over the five mile course. Three other Tiger runners finished in the top 13 spots. Brad Pippins was eighth at 26:11, followed by Ray Brown in 11th place spot at 26:24 and James Pickens finishing 13th at 26:33. The Harriers ended the day with 49 points followed by Stephen F. Austin State University with 65 points. Louisiana Tech University "B" team was third with 78 points, after which came Centenary College with 89, Henderson State University 102, LeTourneau with 134, University of Dallas with 176, Prairie View A&M University with 198, while Southern Arkansas University and East Texas State University did not score.

Two weeks later the Tiger the Northeast Louisiana University Cross Country meet in Louisiana. Out of ten teams the Tigers placed fifth behind teams as Louisiana Tech, Mississippi Louisiana, University of Louisiana at Monroe and Grambling, finishing through fourth respectively.

The Harriers finished in 6th place Northwestern, Southern Mississippi, University of Arkansas at Monticello, Centenary College at Louisiana Southern Arkansas University bringing up the rear in 10th spot.

Pacing the Tigers was Tony Chambliss in 18th place, followed by Ray Brown wasn't far behind in 20th spot. Tim Zachery came next in 21st place. Brad Pippins, James Pickens, and Henry Martinez finished at the 38 through 42 spots respectively.

After another win in AIC District 17 the Tigers traveled to the UA & NAIA District 17 meet at the Knob. Going into the meet the Tigers were hoping for a top place finish and no worse than second place. Harding came in with 42 points to win their AIC Championship in the past year. A surprise was the final outcome. The Tiger Harriers, regarded as sure shots for top honors, came in third, coming behind UA-Monticello who won the day with 66 in second place.

College of the Ozarks finished with 129 points. Henderson State University came in fifth with 102 points. Southern Arkansas had 115 points for sixth place, Arkansas finished with 174 points in seventh place. In 8th place came Louisiana Tech University with 177 points. University of Central Arkansas had 178 points and Hendrix College had 293 to round out the 10th spots.

Henry Harrel was the Tiger runner for the day finishing in 11th place with a time of 26:27; Zachery came in next for 12th place at 27:27; Brad Pippins was 13th at 28:06; James Pickens was 14th at 28:15; Raymond Brown was 15th at 28:50; and Kieth Baker was 16th at 29:43.

ALL-NAIA RUNNER Henry Harrel paces himself to a fourth place finish in the Ouachita Invitational meet.



MEMBERS OF THE CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM ARE, FRONT ROW: Tim Zachery, James Pickens, Tony Chambliss, Brad Pippins, Tony Martinez. BACK ROW: Ed Garza, Kevin Stewart, Raymond Brown, Kieth Baker, Coach Bob Gravett.

DRIPPING WITH PERSPIRATION after a 5 mile race, Tony Chambliss quenches his thirst with a cold drink.





**CONFIDENCE AND DETERMINATION** are reflected in the faces of the Tiger runners as they start the Ouachita Invitational, a race in which the Tigers ended up in first place.



# Year after year

by Dan Berry

The OBU team that has a reputation of being a power house in Arkansas proved again in 1982. Who was this? The OBU soccer team. They the little regarded, underrated that was state champions for last four years.

After finishing out the spring season with an unprecedented fourth the team aimed higher. They

engaged both the "A" and "B" Memphis champions. De-

only two weeks of practice the reinforced team left with one

and one tie. The first game

last "The Quicksilver" was a

raw battle that was culminated

second goal by rookie Greg

from Rio de Janeiro, Brasil.

next day the team gave one of

best performances of the year.

an injury to goalkeeper

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himself through running con-

for 90 minutes two days in a

only the love for the sport," ac-

ing to Dan Berry, the team cap-

from Rio de Janeiro.

in the six inches of snow

covered the campus some of

players played what they called

"Snow Bowl." Fools? Maybe,

record shows that they

sport seriously.

league started out rocky for

them. Suffering their only shut

and worst defeat in the past four

years, they were handed a 4-0 upset by Searcy Steel. But that didn't slow down the Tigers. The very next week they came back with a 9-1 rout over Hendrix college. Bruce Green from Ghana, and Paul Damon from Rio de Janeiro scored their first goals in a Ouachita uniform. Dan Berry became the only goalkeeper to score a goal in OBU history.

The following week was the most important game for the team. They faced arch rivals International Brotherhood with whom they only managed a tie the year before. A brilliant performance by right winger Steve Swedenburg from Korea sparked the Tigers to a 5-3 win.

The soccer team then went to Hot Springs for the annual Oktoberfest Tournament. Larry Redmon from Costa Rica, the major threat of the offense, led all scoring with three goals. Vince Everhart, the "Pharaoh" of the defense, scored a beautiful long range shot, his first at OBU. The final score was 9-1.

Number two rated Westside YMCA Soccer club was OBU's toughest game of the year. But the Tigers rose to the occasion with an inspired 5-2 victory. Jim Crawford scored three while the other half of the one-two punch, Redmon, scored the other two.

With all of the toughest games over, the team could breath easier, but the year was not over. UALR

was the next obstacle. Fancy footwork by Mike DeLoach, from Argentina, eluded the UALR goalkeeper to clinch the 7-2 win for OBU, after Carlos Ichter, from Rio de Janeiro scored his pair of goals.

The final game in the league was against the North Little Rock Soccer Club. A victory would assure the team a first place for one more year. Despite falling behind 1-0, the team came back with their only double digit victory of the year. The final score was 10-2, five goals by Crawford, a career high.

With another title under their belt the soccer team wanted to win their version of the Arkadelphia battle between OBU and Henderson State. Solid defense by Tony Williams from Searcy held the rivals from across the street to two goals. Throughout the year his steady play kept OBU from suffering many more goals. Senior Bob Mills also contributed to the excellent defensive performance.

The season came to a close with the annual game against the OBU alumni. Don Willis, the soccer club's president had a good 90 minutes performance helping to dominate the alumni's defense. Larry Redmon scored all four of the goals for the soccer team and later said, "As far as talent is concerned this is the best team we played all year. We were just in better shape than they were and had better teamwork." This game was more than just a game annually, it was

also a reunion with old teammates, and was considered by some, the highlight of the year.

The spring semester was not a usual semester for the team. They had a chance to really show their talent by playing such teams as SMU, TCU, Southwestern Baptist Seminary, and eighth ranked Northeast Louisiana State. In that semester they proved that if given a chance they can go places in soccer most anywhere in America.

Though soccer may have the smallest following at Ouachita, the team says they are proud to have the most faithful. And soccer fans were growing by the day. But despite this small following the team continued to dominate soccer in Arkansas year after year, all for the fellowship, the teamwork, and the love for the most popular sport in the world, soccer.



Members of the SOCCER TEAM are: FRONT ROW: Nolan Buenconsejo, Norman, Tony Williams, Joe Tiffany, Steve Swedenberg, Panpong Pan-somchit, Monday. SECOND ROW: Bob Mills, Mike DeLoach, Gill Davidson, Robert Gianetta, Larry Redmon, Bruce Green, Gerald Harkins.

THE PAST four years the soccer has dominated their state in the fall players practiced and then bumping the ball with



PRACTICES ON DANIEL field prepared the team for spring games against Southern Methodist University, Texas Christian University, and Northeast Louisiana State.

SOPHOMORE NOLAN BUEN-CONSEJO (left), blocks a kick at mid-field. The soccer team had a 9-1-1 overall record for the fall semester.

## Scoreboard

Quicksilver	5-5
B League Champions	3-2
Searcy Steel	0-4
Hendrix	9-1
International Brotherhood	5-3
Hot Springs	9-1
West Side YMCA	5-2
UALR	7-2
North Little Rock Soccer Club	10-2
Henderson State Univ.	6-2
OBU Alumni	4-2

Overall record: 9-1-1  
Conference record: 7-1



**The Tiger Sharks had an outstanding year through the conference**

# Making a splash

by Steve Bowman

**W**hen most people hear the word swimming their thoughts turn to sunny days on the beach, swinging on a rope across the creek, jumping into an ice cold lake. When the words Tiger Shark are brought to mind thoughts turn to "Jaws," sharp teeth, and fear of the damage they are capable of doing, but when associated with the Ouachita Tiger Shark swim team, the competition feared what the Tiger Sharks would be able to do to their team record and chance of the conference title.

The Tiger Sharks didn't earn their respect and fear by luck or chance, but by hard work.

While most students were asleep and dreaming of anything from a test to the opposite sex, the swim team was hard at it. Starting practice at 6 a.m. and later in the day at 3 p.m.

The hard work payed off for the

swim team with a finish at third place in the conference and compiling a 12-1 dual meet record, qualifying in 6 of 7 events in the NAIA Championship Swimming meet held at Simon Frazier University in British Columbia, Canada, and breaking 17 of the 19 OBU swimming records.

Starting out the season, the Tiger Sharks traveled to Hendrix and handed them their sixth defeat in the past 21 years. While literally whipping Hendrix the Tiger Sharks established 8 new school records. Starting with Alan Grant who won the 200 yd. butterfly in a time of 2:02.36 smashing the old record at 2:16.06, and in so doing qualified for the NAIA Championship. The rest of the record breaking came out with Harley Northup winning the 1000 freestyle with a clocking of 10:45.48 beating the old mark of 11:08.0; In the 200 freestyle Stan Lee placed first at 1:51.28 and Blair Thomas was right behind in second



**TAKING A DEEP BREATH** freshman Tom Nourse gives all he's got to aid in the Tiger Sharks winning effort. OBU defeated SAU 68-55.

**TEAM CAPTAIN JIM ED STILLWELL** relaxes after his last dive against Hendrix in which the Tiger Sharks won 54-50.



**Members of the SWIMMING TEAM are: FRONT ROW: Theophilis Vodounou, Shawn Patterson, Kerry Allen, Mike Ogle, Joey Cunningham, Glen Wolber, Harley Northup. BACK**

**ROW: Assistant Coach Jim Wright, Kevin Carswain, Grant, Blair Thomas, Stan Nourse, Bobby Gosser, Dr. Jim Ed Stillwell.**

place with a time of 1:55.84. Both swimmers broke the previous record of 1:56.37. Donald Moore won the one-meter diving with a score of 186.25. Jim Ed Stillwell was third with 180.30, and Shawn Patterson was fourth scoring 166.20. All three divers beat the old mark of 165.0. In the 100 freestyle Stan Lee set his second record with a time of 51.32 eliminating the old record of 51.79, he was not through, however, breaking his third record in 500 freestyle with a time of 5:08.49 throwing out the old record of 5:15.54. Donald Moore set his second record of the day in the three meter diving with his score of 179.45 beating the old record of 164.0. Jim Ed Stillwell was above the record with 177.50 as was Joey Cunningham at 166.55 and Shawn Patterson at 166.55.

"Our team wanted to win the meet and their performances were the results of a terrific amount of

hard work," said Dr. Elm, head coach of the Tiger Sharks.

Winning the first meet of the season and breaking the old record gave the team a chance to see how they really were. With the team they picked up in the conference, having a very successful year with only one defeat in dual meets. "The reason for our success," says Coach Goble, "hard work that assistant Jim Wright has done with the team. Credit should go to him."

Assistant Coach Jim Wright, formerly the head coach of the University of Florida swim team and the past coached national record holders and Olympians, moved to Ouachita to help coach the Tiger Sharks. The move helped Coach Goble attend his other duties as head of the Baptist Student Union and director of religious activities.

**WITH FINGERS UPRAISED** men Stan Lee and Alan Grant everyone know that the Tiger Sharks are "Number 1."

**JIM ED STILLWELL** congratulates Shawn Patterson after a dive at the NAIA meet.







**Three years ago the volleyball program started an upswing. In 1981 the upswing continued.**

## Maintaining a tradition

by Johnny Gosser

**A**s the season came to a close, four senior starters — Thelma Coleman, Paulette Henderson, Danna Pananganan, and Shelley Williams, played with their hearts as well as

their volleyball skills to end the season on a winning note. The four have played together since starting their freshman year, compiling an impressive record.

As sophomores, their season was the best in Ouachita's history, finishing third in the Arkansas Women's

Intercollegiate Sports Association (AWISA) tournament.

As juniors, their record was even better. Finishing third in the AWISA tournament gave the Tigerettes a berth in the Region 4 Tournament of the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women. In this tour-

namment the team upset the one team in Oklahoma.

The four seniors had a chore outlined as they began their final season: to maintain the tradition that they had helped start for Ouachita volleyball.

Five games into the s

COACH WRIGHT WORKED with starters throughout the season maturing when the ball changed hands. Danna Pananganan, Christie James, and Kerri Culpepper are inducted by Coach Wright before alternating for offense.

KNOTS IN THE stomach build tension for the players on the bench as they watch their teammates defeat Pine Bluff 15-6, 5-15, 15-3, and 15-10.



## Scoreboard

Southern Ark. Univ. ....	1-3
Univ. Ark. Little Rock ....	3-0
Ark. PolyTech Univ. ....	2-3
Arkansas College .....	3-0
Henderson State Univ. ....	1-3
Southern Ark. Univ. ....	3-0
East Tex. State Univ. ....	0-3
UA Pine Bluff .....	3-2
UA Pine Bluff .....	3-1
Arkansas State Univ. ....	0-3
Univ. Ark. Little Rock ....	3-1
Hendrix College .....	3-0
Univ. Central Ark. ....	0-3
Henderson State Univ. ....	0-3
Overall record	7-7
Conf. record	7-6

A SPIKE IS one of the deadliest shots in volleyball, and the most feared by opponents. Thelma Coleman is up for a spike against Henderson. Because of her outstanding play for the season, she received an All-AWISA honor.



MEMBERS OF THE VOLLEYBALL TEAM ARE: Kelly Culpepper, Karen Williams, Melanie Crockett, Christie James, Jane Gray. SECOND ROW: Sheri Grober, Diane Mackey, Connie Lawrence, Danna Pananganan, Shelley Williams, Paulette Henderson, Beth Olson, Thelma Coleman, Kerri Culpepper, Vaughn Clary, Coach Tona Wright.



coached by Tona Wright, and themselves with a mark of with wins over the University of Arkansas at Little Rock and Arkansas College. The next six matches led the team into second place they won five of the six, defeating Southern Arkansas University, H.R. Hendrix College and the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. Ending the regular season two losses gave the team a 7-6 conference record.

The regular season had ended AWISA tournament play began. Led by eight veteran starters and one freshman starter, the team led a defeat to Arkansas College by scores of 15-6, 15-11, 15, and 15-11. The team then

advanced to the second round of competition to play Arkansas State University. With the scores of 8-15, 8-15, 15-11, and 7-15, the Tigerettes were placed in the consolation bracket to face SAU. In four games the match was decided in the Tigerettes favor by scores of 11-15, 15-8, 15-12, and 15-5. With this win the team placed third in the tournament behind ASU and Henderson State University.

The team featured two players with All-AWISA honors. Thelma Coleman and Paulette Henderson, both from Arkadelphia were elected for the honor. Diane Mackey was named to the Honorable Mention team.

"We received exceptional play

from those honored," said Coach Wright, "as well as Kerri Culpepper, Sheri Grober, and Beth Olson."

"We had a better team this year than last year," she continued. "And we were much improved."

The team for next year will have lost four starting seniors, and could be hurting.

"It's tough losing starters who have height" said Coach Wright, "but the recruits look good. Also we have five returning starters. I'm looking forward to next year's season to see if we can do as well as we've done in the past three years."

**Tigerettes start slow but finish  
with the AWISA title**

# Unexpected finish!

by Steve Bowman



**PLAYING AGAINST A TOUGH  
UALR DEFENSE** Landa Laudermill  
drives to the basket to score. The  
Tigerettes won 69-63.

**U**nderrated, undersized, and returning only two seniors, the Tigerettes weren't given much of a chance on finishing very high in the final conference standings, much less in finishing first and sharing a piece of the Arkansas Women's Intercollegiate Sports Association (AWISA) title with Arkansas Tech.

The title was the first one for the Tigerettes to win since they joined the AWISA in 1976.

The Tigerettes started out slow but picked up the tempo to end with a 13-5 conference record and a 15-7 overall season record. At the beginning of the season the Tigerettes had a 2-4 record but bounced back with a 9 game winning streak against conference foes. The team was led in scoring with sophomore Sherry Epperson averaging 17.9 points a game and senior Kathleen Dixon averaging 14.9.

The Tigerettes started their winning streak by defeating the University of Central Arkansas' Sugar Bears by a score of 85-78 on the

Sugar Bears' home court. Coached by Carolyn Moffatt, the team totally controlled every aspect of the game with the biggest advantage coming on the boards and through shooting. Although small, the Tigerettes outplayed the UCA women to pull down 32 rebounds to their 29. On the free throw line, the Tigerettes hit 32 while UCA had 17 for 28.

In individual scoring the team was led by Sherry Epperson with 17.9 points, followed by Kathleen Dixon with 20, Sharon Hicks with 17.9 and Debbie White scored 12.

After three more conference games against UA — Pine Bluff (77-67), Southern Arkansas Uni- versity (67-54), and Arkansas State Uni- versity (54-51), the Tigerettes travelled across the ravine to Henderson State Uni- versity. It didn't come easy for Henderson leading at half time 44-36, but the Tigerettes came out in the second half fighting like winners to win it 75-70.

Sherry Epperson led in scoring with 25 points, while Sharon Hicks scored 12.

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**DEBBIE WHITE DIVERTS** defensive pressure from Landa Laudermill. White then passed the ball underneath for an easy layup.



**ASSISTANT COACH RICK ALLEN** gives instructions to the team as Debbie White and Coach Moffatt watch the action.

**ALL-AWISA FORWARD Sherry Epperson** scores two of her 18 points against UALR.



# Unexpected finish



MEMBERS OF THE TIGERETTES  
**ARE: FRONT ROW:** Sherry Epperson, Lee Dodson, Ida Mae Dixon, Mar-  
**ion Frias, Lisa Greenwood. BACK**  
**ROW:** Leslie Lankford, Debbie White,  
 Sharon Hicks, Lyn Vance, Dena

Lisemby, Landa Laudermill, Susan  
 Cheatham, Kathleen Dixon.

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had 17, and Kathleen Dixon had 12.

After the Henderson game, the Tigerettes had eight more conference matches on their schedule, winning all but two, which left them on top of the conference tiebreaker with Arkansas Tech. Their overall record was better than any of the other teams, they received a bye into the finals of AWISA Tournament at Tucker Coliseum on the campus of Arkansas Tech University in Monticello. Even though Ouachita lost to UCA in the final game, they were able to go to the AWISA regional finals held at Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas. The tournament consisted of women's basketball from Sam Houston University, Angelo State University, Central Arkansas College, Texas Christian University, Central Oklahoma University, Rice University, and University of Central Arkansas.

For the Ouachita Tigerettes, there was a new feeling of winning and confidence on top of the conference that the team cannot be taken for granted any longer.

## Scoreboard

Centenary College	76-78	Texas Wesleyan College	97-90
Henderson State U.	71-75	UT — Arlington	55-71
UA — Little Rock	69-63	Henderson State U.	75-70
Arkansas Tech U.	61-76	UA — Little Rock	63-62
UA — Monticello	78-75	Arkansas Tech U.	53-45
Arkansas College	63-78	UA — Monticello	58-56
U. of Central Ark.	85-75	Arkansas College	61-59
UA — Pine Bluff	73-71	U. of Central Ark.	60-79
Southern Ark. U.	67-54	UA — Pine Bluff	66-55
Arkansas State U.	54-51	Southern Ark. U.	76-64
Centenary College	71-68	Arkansas State U.	66-69

Overall record: 15-7

AWISA record: 13-5

(Bold face indicates conference games.)



**SHERRY EPPERSON**, shoots a jump shot against a scattered Sugar Bears defense. OBU won 85-75.

**DRIVING INTO THE LANE:** Sharon Hicks pulls up for a jump shot.





After losing two plays due to injuries, the Tigers knew that individual play wouldn't win games.

# Team balance

by Tim Wooldridge

**T**eam is defined as "a group working together for a common purpose."

Teamwork requires pulling together, picking up the slack, and following leaders. The basketball team fulfilled every aspect of teamwork.

For the fans it all started with a questionable beat. Fans had that gut feeling that their team may be a contender but they just weren't sure. It was that kind of a feeling one gets when you buy a used car.

For the players, they felt they had potential. In non-conference play the Tigers played consistent and won the Dallas Baptist College

Classic.

"We played real well early in the year," said guard Randall Dickey, "everything seemed balanced."

But just as soon as everything seemed stable, center Chris Reynolds went down with an injury. Soon afterwards reserve center Craig Bennett and forward Tyler Trumbo went down with injuries.

Fans thought their flash team had turned into a lemon.

Being head coach for 17 years, Coach Bill Vining knew alternatives were needed to keep the team from souring. Roy Allen, a center and Dickey came guard.

The combination worked. The team and fans caught fire in 1971.



The Tigers raced to the top of the league with three quick wins over the University of Central Arkansas, Arkansas Tech and Arkansas College by scores of 82-62, 75-55, and 55-49, respectively. Team unity also pulled the Tigers together for the wins. About three days after the season was hurt the team

realized he would not be back," said Dickey. "It was a big loss but it pulled us together because we knew we'd have to work harder." At 3-0 the Tigers hit the road to take on the University of Arkansas at Monticello. The team was never able to control the tempo as the Boweevils handed the Tigers their first AIC loss 60-51. But hope was

not lost; the team was still tied for first. But a last second shot by Harding's Hubie Smith in overtime dropped the Tigers from their high perch, never to be regained. The Tigers had gone into the four corner offense and was working for the last shot when the ball was stolen by the

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**TEAMWORK BECAME VITAL** for the Tigers as they faced Harding University. Guard Randall Dickey sets up the offense from outside. OBU won 66-55.

**PRESSURE DEFENSE** by the Tigers helped Ouachita avenge a two-point loss to Harding with an 11-point victory in a home game.



**AND OFF THE BENCH** the team unit. Coaches, as well as fans, kept a close attention to the late action.

**THE SECOND LEADING SCORER** on the team, Terry Woods, menaced the Hendrix inside defense with power drives to the basket. OBU won 63-62.



**IN AN EARLY GAME**, senior Craig Bennett tips in two against Bethel College. Bennett missed most of the season with an injury.





# Game Ball

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s. Smith then took the in-  
d pass and bombed the win-  
shot.

3-2 the team was still in the  
and in the next game the pen-  
n shifted the Tigers way as  
clipped Hendrix by one,  
! With the win the Tigers  
d up to second place with  
remaining games in the first  
f the season.

the road at Southern Arkan-  
niversity, the Tigers kept a  
w battle going before the  
ders won 44-42. Then it  
time for the annual rivalry  
The Reddies were coming to  
and they came ready to play  
to a seven point lead at the  
f the half. Only the run and  
ots by the Tigers in the sec-  
elf kept the score respectable  
: Tigers fell to Henderson

The first half of the season ended  
on a high note with a double  
overtime win over the College of  
the Ozarks, 64-62. Tyler Trumbo  
hit the winning shot, but Johnny  
Baxter was the star with 22 points,  
three rebounds, three steals and  
three assists.

At 5-4 in midseason the Tigers  
still felt confident about AIC play.

But the pendulum swung back  
away from the Tigers. The three  
teams that they hardly defeated at  
the start of the season handed the  
Tigers three straight losses. UCA  
won by two, Arkansas Tech by four,  
and Arkansas College by six.

Pressure for a playoff spot built  
with the team slipping to 5-7.

But again team unity pulled the  
players together as different stars  
pulled the slack in each game.

The team avenged their three  
straight losses with four straight

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**LEARNING FROM THE BEST,** Tre-  
vor Lavy takes in a little of coach Vin-  
ny's strategy during the quick con-  
ference along the sidelines.

**"WE DON'T TAKE A SHOT UN-  
LESS THE OTHER FOUR PLAYERS  
GET US OPEN,"** said Randall Di-  
ckey. Terry Woods (32) sets a pick for  
Trevor Lavy who drove to the basket  
for his first points of the night.



**TERRY WOODS** taunted Hen-  
drix in an inside game with his quick  
moves. Woods had 12 points in  
the game and had four assists. OBU  
won 55-51.

**AFTER JOHNNY BAXTER SHOT  
DOWN TEAMS WITH HIS OUT-  
SIDE BOMBS,** defenses started  
pressuring him more. Here, a Hendrix  
Warrior was called for a foul for reach-  
ing in.



**LEADING SCORER OF THE YEAR,**  
Roy Allen banks in two against Hen-  
drix. The Arkadelphia senior scored  
24 points leading the Tigers to victory  
79-66.



# Team ball

**S 17th YEAR AT OUACHITA,**  
**Bill Vining kept his team from**  
**in midseason by stressing**  
**work and unity.**



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wins. The Tigers avenged the UAM loss with a five-point victory and the Harding loss with an eleven-point win. The team kept the streak going with a 79-66 win over Hendrix and a 73-68 overtime win over SAU.

It became rivalry time again. In an almost remake of the first game, HSU controlled the game rolling to a 62-57 victory.

The Tigers got back on track whipping College of the Ozarks, 77-70, and finishing the race with a 70-61 win over Arkansas College. The regular season of the AIC ended for the team at 10-8, a tie for fourth place, and an invitation to the NAIA District 17 playoffs.

In the first round the Tigers faced Arkansas College and sent the Scotts home 70-61.

With four teams remaining, the

Tigers faced the Reddies for the third time. And for the third time the Reddies knocked the Tigers off 61-52. Henderson went on to win the District 17.

In the AIC, Ouachita led the league in free throws percentage with a 79 percent average. Allen was high scorer for the team with 364 points. Woods and Baxter followed with 346 and 300 respectively. Trevor Lavy led the team in assists with 109.

The AIC race and the year ended and the fans as well as the team were pleased with the Tigers competitive team spirit. Although they faced major problems in a tough league, the Tigers never quit competing and their efforts paid off.

"Teamwork," said Dickey, "was the key." □

## Scoreboard

Louisiana College	53-55	Southern Ark. Univ.	42-44
East Texas Baptist	54-49	Henderson State U.	61-66
East Texas Baptist	55-64	College of the Ozarks	64-62
Dallas Baptist College	62-52	U. of Central Ark.	45-47
Howard Payne Univ.	85-73	Arkansas Tech Univ.	58-62
Louisiana Tech Univ.	38-47	Arkansas College	60-66
Dallas Baptist College	70-45	UA — Monticello	50-45
Louisiana College	78-50	Harding University	66-55
Bethel College	67-71	Hendrix College	79-66
U. of Central Ark.	82-62	Southern Ark. Univ.	73-68
Arkansas Tech Univ.	78-65	Henderson State U.	57-62
Arkansas College	56-49	College of the Ozarks	77-70
UA — Monticello	51-60	Arkansas College	70-61
Harding University	65-67	Henderson State U.	52-61
Hendrix College	63-62		

Overall record: 16-13

AIC record: 10-8

(Bold face indicates conference games.)



**ED ROCKEFELLER GYM**  
**as trap defenses by the Red-**  
**Roy Allen. The tenacious**  
**defense smothered the Tigers**

**MEMBERS OF THE BASKETBALL**  
**TEAM ARE: FRONT ROW: trainer**  
**Mark Dopson, Greg Castleman,**  
**Johnny Baxter, Randall Dickey, Jerry**  
**Bridges, Trevor Lavy, Fred Heaggans,**  
**Kenny Lyons, Tyler Trumbo, Rick**  
**McKinney, filmer Russell Strickland.**

**SECOND ROW: Coach Bill Vining,**  
**student-assistant coach Keith Wat-**  
**kins, Terry Woods, Jeff Mann, Roy Al-**  
**len, Mike Hayes, Craig Bennett, Chris**  
**Reynolds, Matt Blevins, Tim Hall,**  
**Kevin Barnes, Assistant Coach Jim**  
**Hamilton.**

**AFTER DRIVING THE BASELINE,**  
**Johnny Baxter made a quick pass to**  
**Roy Allen for a layup. The Tigers**  
**crushed the Harding Bison 66-55.**

# An endless playground

**For sports enthusiasts, the Ouachita region offered a variety of athletic areas**

by Tim Wooldridge

It's the same old story, but with a new twist. The story goes, for college students, when work was over, play time began. And for most students, playtime was in the form of sports.

After a long day of lectures, note taking, and studying, students settled back and took part in "people sports."

For some students, the SUB game room was the ideal place to be for sports. The SUB offered games from ping-pong, to pool, to bowling, and also offered tournaments on some weekends.

"I like ping-pong because you can play it anytime of the day," said Mike Treadway, "and even though they raised the prices, it's still inexpensive."

For others, outdoors was the perfect playground. The Ouachita area offered students a place for all kinds of sports buffs.

"The DeGray Lake area is my

favorite place for sports," said Brad Turner. "I can do almost anything out there: ski, swim, fish, float, jog, or just throw frisbees."

And we can't forget the inside sports like basketball, weightlifting, raquetball, or card playing in the dorms.

Tim Knight, a sophomore, explains the variety of dorm sports, "Card playing is something to do to relax, but it's surprising how many sports you can play in a dorm: friseee football, nurf basketball, baseball, or almost anything."

"I played basketball in high school," said Kevin Frierson, "and I keep playing here to keep in shape for baseball. It gets to be a problem though in trying to get a court when Henderson students come over to Walton Gym."

The new twist of the story comes in a new type of sport — video games. Although non-physical (at times) the sporters of video games

scramble through mazes, invading aliens, sink ships and rocks.

In the fall of the year, the room rented four video machines and purchased two inter television games. Hooked up to the television, the game offer baseball, basketball and football — your

But the big story is with video games. Like a fever the college students dazed themselves into Arcades with their pockets full of tokens. The biggest fever was with the game "Pac Man."

"It took eight dollars for me to learn to play 'Pac Man' one day," said Curtis Ritchie. "Then on I spent as much as ten dollars a week playing. It was a

Physical, non-physical, together, expensive, or intensive, people sports were a part of the college life. □



**POOL, PING-PONG, VIDEO GAMES, AND BOWLING** kept many students in the game room for sports. Two inter television games were bought in the fall with cartridges for baseball, basketball, and football.

**THE DORMS OFFERED STUDENTS** a wide variety of sports, depending upon the imagination. One of the more common sports, though, was card playing. West dorm, east side, second floor became a common place for card games.



**AS AN INCENTIVE TO BOWLING,** the game room offered "Pin night." Free prizes were given to students who made a strike when a colored pin

**VIDEO MACHINES** became the most popular sport for college students across the nation. Sometimes expensive, play







allowed for fun and healthy competition

# Students vs. students

by Steve Bowman

**L**ook out America, here comes the Gutless Wonders, the Commodores, the Stray Dogs, the Vermein, and the Non-Conformist. No, they're not punk rock bands but intramural teams, consisting of half the student body and a few faculty members. Competing against each other not only for bragging rights but to let off a little pressure from classes and to run off those extra few calories picked up at Walt's cafeteria.

The intramural games started in the fall with football. Competition between ten men's teams and six women's teams became very physical with several minor injuries occurring throughout the six week season.

First place went to the Crusaders in the men's division with an unde-

feated record of 9-0. The women's EEE social club won their division with two losses beating the Jawbreakers in a very close final. Winning 8-7 with seven seconds left on the clock and the E's 35 yards away from the goal line, the Jawbreakers looked as if they had it wrapped up. But, nobody told the E's that. Donna Moffatt connected on a pass to Michelle Bone on the one yard

line, and was knocked into the end zone as the buzzer rang giving the E's the championship.

After competition between students and faculty was said and done, a men and women's All-Star team was picked to play against the Henderson All-Star teams in an intramural Battle of the Ravine. In the end Ouachita owned half with the

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**DIVING FOR THE FLAG, Mark Stallings attempts to stop B.A.S.S.'s Kieth Baker from scoring in a close game played on Daniel Field.**



**PUTTING DEFENSIVE PRESSURE on Randall O'Brien, Scott Meador tries to break up a play in a game between the Beta 1's and Faculty.**

**WITH EVERY EYE ON THE BALL the batter swings at an attempt to get into scoring position.**



defeating the Reddies 36 to 17. The women fell short in the playoffs to lose in overtime 28 to 27.

came volleyball with 3 mens divisions and one womens division. Competition moved indoors to the gym with games lasting times as late as 11:30.

Crusaders and Jawbreakers put on top to win their championship positions.

Crusaders ended with a 19-0 undefeated record beating the Beta in the final of the volleyball tournament, and the Jawbreakers defeated the Foxtrotters to win the women's title.

After the Christmas break, basketball season opened with three

men's divisions and one women's division.

Competition was stiff not only during the games, but before and after trying to get Rockefeller and Walton gyms for practice became a big problem with over 30 teams wanting to practice.

When Old Man Winter left and spring fever came to town competition moved out to the softball fields where players stopped imitating George "The Ice Man" Gervin and started playing like George Brett and Reggie Jackson.

Whatever the sport, students found participation that allowed for fun and healthy competition with friends vs. friends and student vs. student.



**CELEBRATING JOYFULLY,** Kevin Hill congratulates Kent Street following their volleyball match.

**WITH THE OPENING OF SOFTBALL SEASON** mens intramurals moved down to the lower field to make room for the girls who played at Daniel.



**MEN'S INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL** sometimes got as rough as football.

**SWEEPING AROUND THE END** Chuck Atkinson picks up yardage during the Ouachita and Henderson faculty game, Ouachita won 30-0.



**SPECTATORS** were always on hand not only to watch the game but to socialize.