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INDIANS OFF TO FAST START, AIM FOR TOURNEY TITLE

HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT
SLATED FOR
DEC. 29 & 30
AT SMITHFIELD

Before practice for the 1972-73 season even began basketball coach Tom Foliard was proclaiming this should be one of the best years in Bryant history. Now after only three weeks of the season Foliard's predictions appear on their way to becoming reality.

Off to one of their fastest starts in several years the Indians hoopsters have registered five consecutive victories since dropping a two-point decision to defending NAIA regional champion Quinipiac in the season opener.

Three of those five triumphs have been against Naismith Conference opponents giving the Indians sole possession of the Conference lead at the holiday break.

But the holiday season won't be offering any rest for either Foliard or his players as the Indians face their toughest assignment of the young season on December 29th when they open defense of their title in the annual Bryant Holiday Tournament.

Their opening round opponent on Friday will be St. Michael's College of Winooski, Vt. The Purple Knights playing a combined university and college division schedule have posted an impressive three and two record thus far this season losing only to Holy Cross and Northeastern.

However St. Michael's isn't the only threat to the Indians championship crown. Both of the other teams in the four-team field, Bentley and Clark, are rated among the top college-division teams in New England and help make this year's field one of the most exciting in the tournament's history.

(For a closer look at all the teams in this year's tournament turn to the special "Tourney Preview" on page 3.)

As expected the Indians offensive leaders during the early part of the season have been senior co-captains Ray Depelteau and Bruce Stewart.

Depelteau, the 6-4 sharpshooter from Holyoke, Mass. is leading the team in both scoring and rebounding with an 18.5 scoring average and a 10.8 rebounding mark.



Senior Ray Depelteau will lead Indians into Holiday Tournament.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Sauna baths, basketball courts, swimming pool, exercise rooms; these are only part of the facilities available to the nearly 100 Bryant Alumnus who have become members of the new Bryant Athletic Association during the first month of the 1972-73 membership drive.

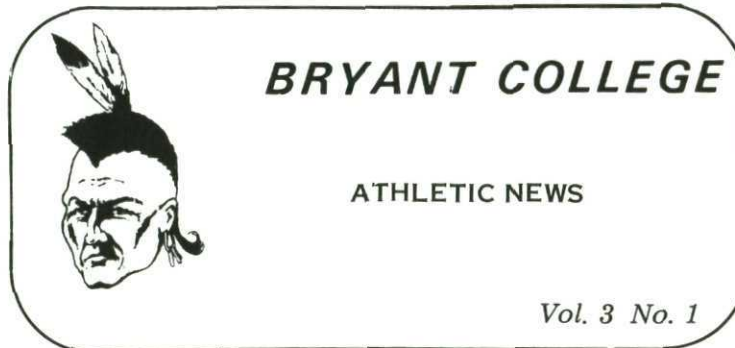
The Association, open to all Bryant alumni, was formulated so alumni could take advantage of all the new athletic facilities on the Smithfield campus while also generating support for the expanding varsity athletic program.

Members have ample time to enjoy all of the facilities as the gymnasium is open for their use from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week. In addition the swimming pool in the Unistructure is in operation from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday thru Saturday.

Besides enjoying all of the new facilities each member is given two season passes to all 11 home basketball games during the 1972-73 season.

Several additional activities are being planned for the spring and summer months. They include weekly tennis clinics for women during the spring, a tennis tournament for both men and women and a special alumni golf tournament for the men during the summer.

Membership applications can be found on the back page. So sign up now and start enjoying the fun.



CROSS COUNTRY WINS STATE TITLE

It was two in a row for the Bryant cross country team as the Indian harriers captured their second consecutive Rhode Island small college cross country title this fall.

With sophomore Dave Stone leading the way the Indians rolled to their second straight title by 17 points over runner-up Barrington. Stone delivered one of his top performances of the season in the meet finishing second to individual champion Jim Gallagher of Rhode Island College by only 12 seconds.

But the Rhode Island title was only one of the season's highlights for coach Fred Reinhardt's young squad. In addition to their first place finish in that meet the Indians also finished second in the Barrington Invitational, third in the Tri-State Championships, fourth in the NAIA regional meet and twenty-fifth in the college's first appearance in the New England Collegiate Championships.

In addition to their outstanding performances in champion-

ship competition the Indians also compiled a 7-6 record in dual competition.

Considering that three of those six losses came at the hands of Providence College, Brown and the University of Rhode Island the Indians actually recorded a 7-3 mark against college division opponents.

Included in that list of victories were triumphs over Rhode Island College, New Haven University, Kings College of New York, Salem State and Clark University.

Helping Stone make this one of the most successful seasons in Bryant cross country history were sophomores, Steve Olson, Richard Collard and John Johnston. This trio were among the top five finishers in every meet.

Another bright spot was the performance of freshman Bob Kashmanian throughout the season. Kashmanian, a former Classical High star, trailed only Stone and Olson in all five major meets this year.

INTERESTED?

If you have any friends, relatives or acquaintances who would like to receive a copy of the Bryant Athletic News just jot down their name(s) and address(es), complete with zip code and mail to John Gillooly, Director of Sports Information, Bryant College, Smithfield, R.I. 02917

OSTROWER SETS PACE FOR INDIAN GOLFERS

ALUMNI GOLF

Winning has become a habit for Bryant College golfer Larry Ostrower. In November the Massapequa, New York native completed his third consecutive collegiate season with an undefeated match play record.

Ostrower's victory string has stretched over 36 duel matches and has been one of the main reasons the Bryant linkmen, under coach Archie Boulet have compiled a 49-10 record over the past three seasons including a 12-3 mark in the recently completed fall season.

Larry, currently in his fifth semester at Bryant, started his winning string in the spring of his freshman year. Since then he has registered at least 10 victories in each of the two seasons, spring and fall, highlighted by a 14-0 slate this fall.

But Larry was only one of several outstanding members on this fall's squad. Heading the list of newcomers were freshmen Al Martino of East Providence, R.I. and Steve Pincine of Cumberland, R.I.

This freshman duo battled for the team's number one spot throughout the entire season as they continually carded sub-par performances. Pincine, a former Rhode Island Junior Champion, captured medalists honors in four matches during the campaign while Martino took top honors in three events.



Larry Ostrower

In addition Martino became the first player in Bryant history to qualify for the ECAC eastern regional tournament when he finished second in the New England qualifying tournament with a one-over-par 73. His 73 placed him only two strokes behind the tournament champion Noel Belski of Central Connecticut in the 149-player field.

With Martino, Pincine and Ostrower leading the way the Indian linkmen registered victories over some of the top collegiate teams in New England. Some of their top efforts were a 6-1 triumph over MIT, an 11-10 decision over Stonehill and 14-7 victory over Merrimack.

The final score was varsity 13, alumni 5. But the score didn't really make any difference as seventeen former Bryant golfers return for the golf team's annual alumni golf tournament at the Rehoboth Country Club in November.

Coach Archie Boulet was impressed by the turnout and hopes that each year the number of former golfers will increase so the affair can be put on a regular tournament basis.

Any suggestions that the alumni golfers would have with regards to this affair will be greatly appreciated. Just drop a line to coach Boulet. Also, letters are presently being sent out to the alumni golfers asking for contributions for the golf team's trip to Florida. Any donations former golfers would like to make would be deeply appreciated by both coach Archie Boulet and the members of the team.

FALL GOLF RESULTS

Bryant 11, Stonehill 10
 Bryant 15, New Haven 7
 Salem St. 16, Bryant 5
 Central Conn. 11, Bryant 10
 Bryant 23, St. Francis 1
 Bryant 14, Merrimack 7
 Bryant 6, MIT 1
 Bryant 16, New Haven 5
 Bryant 19½, Western Conn. 1½
 Bryant 6½, St. Francis ½
 Bryant 7, Nasson 0
 Bryant 6½, Clark ½
 Assumption 4, Bryant 3
 Bryant 5, Worcester St. 1

SWIMMING TEAM

The Bryant varsity sports program expanded to nine sports this winter with the elevation of swimming to the varsity level.

Under the direction of coach Gerry Sussman 26 swimmers and 2 divers have been working out daily in preparation for Bryant's first varsity swimming meet on January 27.

The Indians' opponents on that day will be Boston College and Southeastern Mass. University. The opening meet is one of the highlights of a six-meet schedule which also includes the regional NAAI championships on February 19th at Bridgewater State College.

Top men on this year's squad are expected to be captain Mark Rafferty of East Providence and John Johnston of Delaware. Rafferty was a former swimming star at East Providence High while Johnston was a former performer at Thomas McKeen High in Wilmington, Delaware.

Other leading swimmers on the squad include Charlie Deiderian of Cranston, Paul Brown of Seekonk, Mass. Richard Komita of White Plains, N.Y. and Kevin Gay, of Providence. Handling the diving chores will be Wayne Schoenoberger of Smithfield, N.Y. and Matt Starpoloi of New Field, N.J.

SCHEDULE

Jan. 27 at North Dartmouth, Mass. Bryant - Boston - Boston College - Southeastern Mass.

Feb. 8 at Worcester, Mass.; Bryant vs. Assumption

Feb. 14 at Dudley, Mass.; Bryant vs. Nichols

Feb. 19 at Bridgewater, Mass.; NAAI championships

Feb. 21 at Weeley, Mass.; Bryant - Babson - Lowell Tech.

March 2 at Chestnut Hills, Mass.; Bryant vs. Boston College

SOCCER FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT

Ask any college coach! It takes time to build a winning team.

Bryant soccer coach Gerry Guay would be one of the first men to agree with that statement. In only his second year of rebuilding the Bryant soccer program Guay is already beginning to produce results.

This past fall the Indian booters registered the best record in the college's history by capturing three of their 11 matches.

However youth and inexperience worked against the young Indians in several contest this season as they lost four matches by a total of only six goals.

The availability of some seasoned players might have made the difference in several of those contests but Guay isn't complaining. "Our players learned a lot this season and next year we should be twice as strong as we

were this season," the former Rhode Island College soccer star related.

Guay's optimistic forecast for next season is well justified. With all but two members of this year's squad returning and a host of promising schoolboy players expressing an interest in coming to Bryant next fall the future looks bright for the Indians' soccer program.

Two veteran lettermen returning next season will be sophomores Bill Flanagan and Jimmy Teixeira. Flanagan was the Indians top scorer this fall with 12 goals in the 11 matches. Teixeira, meanwhile, was the backbone of the Indians defense. The Ludlow, Mass. native established himself as one of the top fullbacks in New England collegiate ranks with his aggressive style throughout the season.

BENTLEY, CLARK, ST. MICHAEL'S BATTLE INDIANS FOR TITLE

Three years ago Bryant Athletic Director Tom Foliard conceived the idea of bringing Rhode Island basketball fans a top flight collegiate basketball tournament featuring the leading college division teams in New England.

The result was the Bryant Holiday Tournament which this year will stage its third edition on December 29 and 30 on the Indians' Smithfield campus.

Within its three years existence the Indians' holiday special has become one of the top collegiate holiday events in New England. Each year the four-team field seems to become more exciting.

This year the Indians will play host to three of the top collegiate teams in New England, Bentley, St. Michael's College and Clark University.

If a pre-tournament favorite was to be selected the nod probably would have to go to Bentley. The Falcons have four starters and seven of the top eight players returning from last year's team. That team set a New England collegiate record with 26 consecutive victories, reached the finals of the NCAA Northeast Regional College Championship and finished sixth in the final United Press International national rankings.

The Falcons currently boast a 4-1 record having registered victories over the University of New Haven, Kings Point, Lowell Tech and the University of Maine at Portland. Their only setback was a close two-point setback at the hands of Long Island University the team that handed them

their only regular season defeat last year.

Coach Al Shields' squad possesses an extremely balanced scoring attack with sophomore Al Grenfell leading the way. Grenfell, the Falcons' leading scorer and rebounder as a freshman last season, currently is averaging 18 points and 12 rebounds per game.

But Grenfell is only one of Shield's offensive aces. Senior co-

captain Bert Hammel, the older brother of Bryant freshman Bob Hammel is hitting at close to a 15 ppg average. All totaled the Falcons have five men averaging in double figures.

Bentley's opening round opponent will be Clark University of Worcester, Mass. Despite only sporting a 2-2 record against New England competition this season the Cougars are an explosive quintet that possess the talent to up-

set the Falcons.

Coach Don Amaral's squad looked impressive in its triumphs over Lowell Tech and Nichols after dropping decisions to Springfield College and Hartford University.

Bryant will be matched against the tournament's other powerhouse when they meet St. Michael's in the second game of the opening round doubleheader at 9 a.m. on Friday.

St. Michael's, playing a combined university and college division schedule, comes into the tourney with a 3-2 record including victories over Sacred Heart, Norwich and St. Anselm's.

Big man in the Purple Knights attack is junior Fran Laffin. The 6-4 forward has tallied 989 points in his three years of varsity competition and will be looking to reach the coveted 1,000 mark in the game with Bryant on Friday.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE Fri., Dec. 29

7 p.m. Bentley vs. Clark
9 p.m. Bryant vs. St. Michael's
Sat., Dec. 30

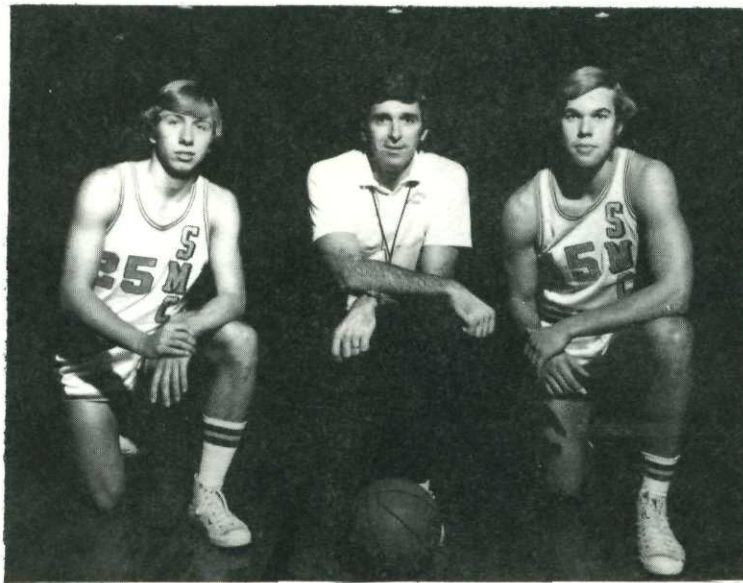
7 p.m. Consolation Game
9 p.m. Championship Game

INDIANS OFF TO FAST START (Cont'd. from Page 1)

Ray has turned in three 20-point plus performances in the first six games including a 27-point effort in the opener against Quinnipiac and 26 points against St. Francis.

Actually the Indians superiority in two games hurt Ray's scoring average. In both the Barrington and Nichols games the Indians jumped out to substantial leads early in the first half enabling coach Foliard to substitute freely in the second half. In both games Ray missed almost 15 of the 40 minutes which limited his point productions to 12 against Barrington and 14 in the Nichols contest.

Meanwhile Stewart is trailing close behind his mate in both scoring and rebounding. The 6-3 Washington, D.C. native has registered a 16.7 scoring mark and a 10.3 rebounding average in the first six games. His top effort of the season came in the St. Francis game when he tallied 22 points and pulled down 21 rebounds.



St. Michael's College coach Walt Baumann flanked by his top two stars Bob Toner (left) and Fran Laffin (right).

FRESHMAN SPARK SUB-VARSITY FIVE

The varsity isn't the only Bryant basketball team off to a fast start this season. The sub-varsity squad under the direction of coach Joe Fowlkes, has recorded an impressive 3-1 record in early season competition en route to establishing itself as one of the top sub varsity squads in Rhode Island.

The young Indians biggest triumph of the year came in their final outing before the holiday break when they took a 76-74 decision from Rhode Island Junior College.

The loss was the only setback of the season for RIJC at the hands of a Rhode Island team. The Knights recently captured the championship in the annual Johnson & Wales Holiday Tournament with convincing victories over the previously undefeated University of Rhode Island sub-

varsity and Johnson & Wales.

The Indians other triumphs were one-sided decisions over Barrington and Southeastern Mass. Their only loss was a close two-point decision to Quinnipiac in the season opener at Quinnipiac.

Leading the attack have been a trio of freshmen standouts, Charlie Armstrong, Paul Melvin and John Feeley.

The team will be out of action until Jan. 23 when they take on Gordon on the preliminary to the Bryant-Gordon varsity contest. The remainder of the schedule: Jan. 29 at Southeastern Mass., Jan. 31 Quinnipiac; Feb. 3 Johnson & Wales; Feb. 6 at Barrington; Feb. 8 New Haven; Feb. 10 at Babson; Feb. 15 Johnson & Wales; Feb. 23 at Bentley; Feb. 24 at RIJC; Feb. 27 Babson.

VARSITY SCHEDULE

12/29	Holiday Tournament
12/30	Holiday Tournament
1/4	at Armstrong State
1/10	at Fort Lauderdale
1/18	at Univ. of Maine-Pogo
1/23	at Gordon
1/26	at Suffolk
1/29	at Southeastern Mass. Univ.
1/31	Quinnipiac
2/3	Nasson
2/6	at Barrington
2/8	New Haven
2/10	at Babson
2/12	at R. I. C. (Civic Center)
2/15	Gordon
2/17	St. Francis
2/23	at Bentley
2/27	Babson



The swimming pool is only one of the recreational and athletic facilities available to you as a member of the Bryant Athletic Association. You can choose between swimming, basketball, volleyball, tennis, badminton, jogging, weightlifting or just general exercise with all the different types of exercise equipment. Or if you like you can just take a relaxing sauna bath. And in addition there's two season passes for all home basketball games.

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