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What's Happening with Emeka Smith

An exclusive interview with the Stony Brook men's all-time leading scorer

The Patriot SportSignal held an exclusive interview with Emeka Smith, the University's all-time leading scorer in men's basketball, via telephone from his Brooklyn home on Wednesday. Smith was suspended indefinitely earlier this year because of alleged campus burglary.

Patriot SportSignal: What type of support have you received from your teammates?

Emeka Smith: They have been very supportive and did not get down on me. I stay in contact with them often. I talk to Ricky (Wardally) and Pat (Cunningham) about every four days.

PSS: What have you been doing over the past two months?

Smith: I have stayed home and have been trying to get a job. I am not going to school right now.

PSS: Will you be going to be continuing school?

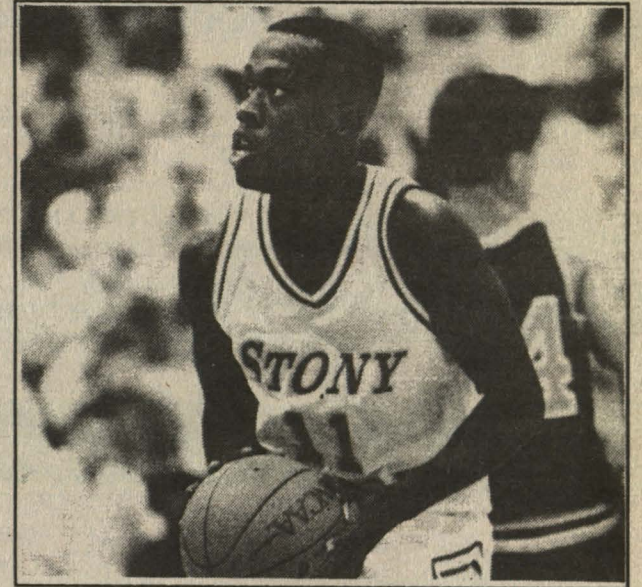
Smith: Yes, I will, but I am not going to go back to Stony Brook. They said that I would have to commute and could not live in a dorm. That would be too much of a financial problem. Also they would not allow me to return until the Spring of 1994.

PSS: Where will you be going to school?

Smith: I will be going to a CUNY school to graduate. I am very close and only need some credits. Then I want to go on to graduate school. I am looking to becoming a teacher and staying in the city.

PSS: What has Curtis Bunche been doing?

Smith: He is doing basically the same thing as me, looking for a job.



Emeka Smith

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17-Day Layoff Proves Positive For Laxers



Chris Chamberlain and his teammates have only played four of six scheduled games, including their opener versus the Duke Blue Devils

By JASON YELLIN

Coming off of their 14-7 loss to Lehigh on March 10, some players claimed that they were overlooking the Engineers and focusing on their next game. Well that next game was to have taken place just four days later on March 14 versus defending National Champion Princeton. But, that game was postponed due to snow, as was last Saturday's tilt with Providence, forcing the Patriots into a 17-day layoff. The Patriots went from two games a week to over two weeks with no games. They will, weather permitting, battle Colgate, this Saturday, March 31, at 2 p.m. on Patriot Field.

"It's been a long time," said head coach John Espey. "But we have used it as well as we could. We have had a chance to do scouting on Princeton and Adelphi."

Espey gave the players some time off with the long break between contests. "This break allowed me to give the players a day off," he said. "That keeps their enthusiasm high and also keeps them from getting stale."

It has been frustrating for Espey and assistant coach Brian McCormack as they worked their players hard for two intense games that never happened. "It is very tough to have the games postponed, especially on short notice," Espey commented. "The Providence game (scheduled for Saturday March 20) was called off the day before it was to be played."

On the positive side Espey has had a chance to reevaluate some of his voluminous talent. One player has come forward in Espey's eyes and has been doing an exemplary job. Freshman John Hillery, has impressed Espey on defense with his tough play.

Espey is looking for more players in the mold of Paul Schultes for the back line. "We need to built up the intensity," he said. "We need that emotion. I wish more players took on a tough style like Schultes."

The first midfield line has been reshuffled by the head coach. The line is now composed of Paul Leva, Kevin

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SUPPORT PATRIOT ATHLETICS

The Stony Brook teams will be home for these games this week:

Fri., March 26 Track and Field hosts USB Time Trials, 4 p.m.

Sat., March 27 Lacrosse hosts Colgate, 2 p.m.

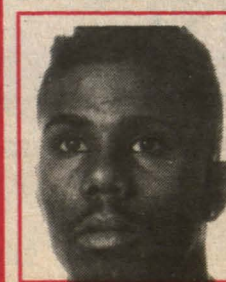
Sat., March 27 Baseball hosts Ramapo, 1 p.m. (Doubleheader)

Sat., March 27 Women's Soccer hosts 6th Annual Indoor Tournament, 9 a.m.

Mon., March 29 Men's Tennis hosts Hunter, 3:30 p.m.

Wed., March 31 Baseball hosts St. Joseph's (Patchogue), 3:30 p.m.

ATHLETE OF



SENIOR RICKY WARDALLY TALLIED 28 POINTS AND 14 REBOUNDS IN HIS FINAL GAME
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THE WEEK

WRITE OFF THE BAT

My heart goes out to the Cleveland Indians. The team that was on the verge of becoming a contender for the first time in many moon, was dealt an extremely severe blow when two players, Steve Olin and Tim Crews were killed in a boating mishap this past Monday night.

For years the Indians have been ridiculed nationally, by comedians, humorists and just about every sports fan. Any time it comes to thinking of a bad team to joke about the Indians are the first to come to mind. Even a comedy movie "Major League" was made about the misfortunes of the Cleveland team.

They can't get away from

protestors screaming for them to change their traditional nickname that they have had since the turn of the century.

They just cannot forge ahead. This season was to have been their best in years with Sandy Alomar Jr.,

Albert Belle, Kenny Lofton and a slew of young future stars about to crack through. Throw in a strong pitching staff headed by ace Charles Nagy, and all the pieces were in place.

Now they must work hard to recuperate from this devastation of losing two players, the first since 1979 when Thurman Munson passed away.

They have been unable to avoid hardship. During

the massive Hurricane Andrew last year they lost most of their brand spanking new, state of the art spring training facility in Homestead, Florida to damaging high winds, flooding and torrential rain.

They were looking to leave their mausoleum of Cleveland Stadium for a suburban ballpark in 1994, with a competitive winning year, but now they must focus on life and their families and what the world is all about.

When opening day rolls around watch for the Indians score and if they lose don't laugh, saying "Ha there go those Indians continuing on their losing way!" Just think of all the adversity they had to overcome, just to field a team, emotionally and physically.

AN OPENING COMMENT FROM THE EDITOR, JASON YELLIN

P.A.T.S. CLUB UPDATE

The P.A.T.S. Club would like to acknowledge and congratulate all of their fellow student-athletes and members who worked especially hard in the classroom by making the University's Dean List for the Fall 1992 Semester—

Sarah Anderson	Women's Swimming
Rich Black	Football
Tina Carew	Women's Basketball
Cathy Crean	Women's Basketball
Greg Cross	Football
Carey Cunningham	Women's Track
Chris Delmadge	Football
Kerry Diggin	Softball
Heidi Epstein	Softball
Ainsworth Farrell	Men's Track
Adam Felicetta	Football
Bonnie Fischer	Athletic Training
Frank Fuggini	Intramurals
Kristen Gregory	Women's Swimming
Jim Heptig	Football
Laleña Heske	Women's Track

Justin Kulchinsky	Men's Swimming
Chris Malanga	Softball
Dave Marcus	Baseball
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Jason Morales	Lacrosse
Catherine Murphy	Athletic Training
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A Look Ahead To This Week's Action

LACROSSE

The Patriots will be back in action after a 17 day layoff this Saturday. They will face off with Colgate, at 2 p.m. on Patriot Field. The Patriots are currently 1-3.

The Colgate Raiders opened their season earlier this week with a game versus Mount St. Mary's. Stony Brook assistant lacrosse coach Brian McCormack was at the game to scout for the Patriots.

Next Wednesday the Patriots will play on the road at Marist, in Poughkeepsie. The Red Foxes are one of the weaker teams that Stony Brook faces this season. They are coming off of a 20-1 drubbing at the hands of St. John's

The Red Foxes are 2-1 with wins over VMI (14-13) and Radford (18-17). Their top attacker is junior Doug Colsinski.

BASEBALL

The Patriots' home opener will be played this Saturday, weather permitting. The Patriots take on Ramapo College from New Jersey in a double-header. They enter the week with an 0-4 record losing to Rutgers and Western Maryland most recently by scores of 13-5 and 10-8, respectively.

The Roadrunners are led by two sophomores. Carmen Spina and Mark Tibak are returning from outstanding freshman seasons. Spina hit .455 with 25 RBI and Tibak at .333. First baseman J. R. Reid is another potent bat on the Roadrunner roster.

The Patriots will visit Division II Molloy College for a game Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. and will be home for Suffolk rival St. Joseph's of Patchogue, Wednesday at 3:30.

SOFTBALL

Stony Brook's softball team will finally get their season underway with the start of April. The Patriots travel to Manhattanville in Purchase, New York to take on the Valiants, on April 1 at 3:30.

The Valiants have been faced many of the same problems as the Patriots, the weather.

According to head coach Karen Peterson, the Valiants have yet to play outside as two feet of snow remain on the ground.

Stony Brook will have road games against Hunter (April 14) and twin-bill at William Paterson (April 15), before returning home for their opener in Stony Brook. First-year head coach Donna Lauria and the Patriots will kick off the home slate with Staten Island on April 17.

MEN'S TENNIS

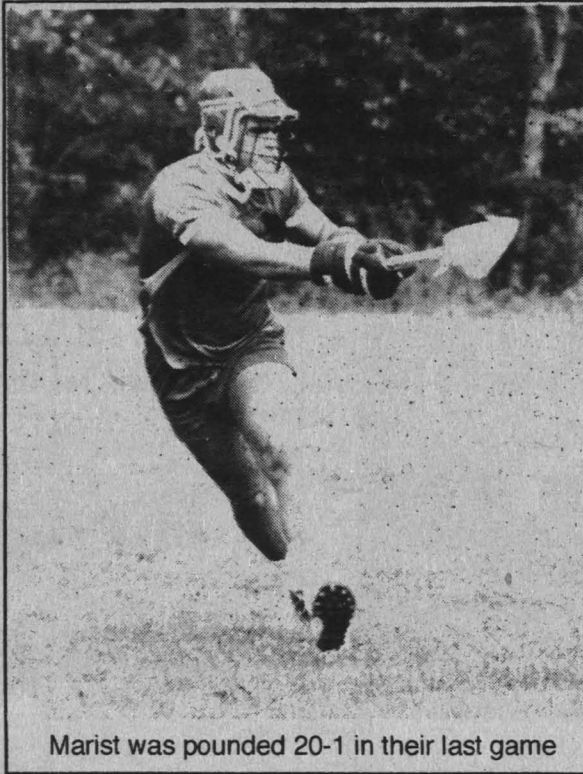
New head coach Tony McMullen and his new Patriots will start the tennis season early next week. On Monday the team battles Hunter College at home a 3:30 p.m.

The Hawks are coming off of a disappointing 2-10 year a season ago. Head coach Al Landes is looking for better and brighter results this 1993 year.

The Hawks began their year on Tuesday with matches against city rival New York University. They will also play St. Francis (NY) on Thursday.

Stony Brook travels to Queens College for their initial road match on March 31. That match will get started at 3:30.

The Pats then return for three home matches including the Skyline Tennis Championships set for April 4.



Marist was pounded 20-1 in their last game

WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

The outdoor track and field season gets underway for the Patriot women this weekend. They open the year with the USB Time Trials to be held at Stony Brook. They will get underway at 4 p.m. this Friday, March 26.

The Pats' first official meet will take place the following week as they travel down to Williamsburg, Virginia to compete in the Colonial Games, hosted by William and Mary.

They are one of the biggest, and oldest track meets on the East Coast. The event will feature races covering all three Divisions in the NCAA as well as high schools and independent runners.

Julie Bonura and Loretta Varbero will be two of the top Patriots coming off of successful season in the indoor ranks.

MEN'S INDOOR TRACK

On the men's side of track and field Roger Gill is seeking a repeat of his all-American honor captured during the indoor season. He will be the team's top runner in the 100 and 200.

Teammate Jerry Canada is also expected to challenge in the 200 and 400. Last year Canada barely missed qualifying for the Nationals in both events.

Led by Gill and Canada the 4 X 400 team will be very strong and possible at national team.

The Patriots open up the year with the warm up USB Time Trials this Friday at 4 p.m. Then they will compete at the reknown Colonial Relays in Virginia. Some of the top competitors will be at the meet to challenge Gill and Canada. The meet will run from April 2 through the next day.

SCHEDULED SPORTING EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

Thursday March 25—

No Stony Brook Action

Friday March 26—

Men's and Women's Track and Field
host USB Time Trials, 4 p.m.

Saturday March 27—

Lacrosse hosts Colgate at Patriot Field, 2 p.m.
Baseball hosts Ramapo in a doubleheader
at University Field, 1 p.m.

Women's Soccer hosts 6th Annual
Indoor Home Tournament, in
Pritchard Gym, 9 a.m.

Sunday March 28—

No Stony Brook Action

Monday March 29—

Men's Tennis hosts Hunter on the
University Courts at 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday March 30—

Baseball visits Molloy, 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday March 31—

Baseball hosts St. Joseph's of Patchogue,
3:30 p.m.
Lacrosse travels to Marist, 3:30 p.m.
Men's Tennis visits Queens College,
3:30 p.m.

Thursday April 1—

Softball travels to Manhattanville,
3:30 p.m.

USB INTRAMURAL NEWS

Three H's Claim Basketball Championships

Independent Championship— Faculty, Staff and Graduate Students

Hang Time defeated This Time by a score of 56-54. Arneaud 'Popcorn' Wilford led Hang Time with 32 points. Hang Time had a substantial 15 point lead at halftime. This Time put the pressure on during the second half with Billy Washington scoring all of his 14 points in the half. Darrin Anderson led the team with 27 points.



Hang Time



Homegrown

Independent Championship—

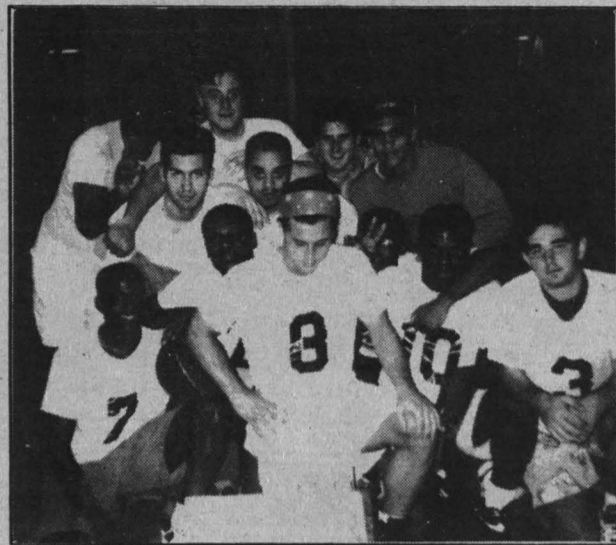
Homegrown defeated Skinny Puppets by a score of 59-42. Skinny Puppets were a dark horse in the tournament qualifying with a wild card.

The finally met their match, Homegrown. Homegrown was led by Dan Tupaj who contributed 21 points for his team, 16 in the first half. Also scoring in double figures for Homegrown was Bill Smaragus who picked up the slack in the second half, scoring 11 of his 13 points.

Skinny Puppets were led by James Mortimer who scored all of his 18 points in the second half

Resident Championship

The Resident Championship game was somewhat anti-climactic with Headbangers dominating from the opening tap. Paul Jenkins led the Headbangers to a 46-18 victory over Horsemen. He scored a game high 14 points. Duan Chi Chan led the Horsemen with 10 points



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Softball In Hunt For New York State Title



Third baseman Jo-Anne Greggo spearheads the Pats' offensive attack

By LIZANNE COYNE

In her first year as the head coach of Stony Brook's softball team, Donna Lauria is uncertain as to what she can expect from her Lady Patriots. However, she is confident that women's softball team will be an aggressive and hard working group this season.

Stony Brook is hoping to return to the state tournament and ultimately became a Long Island powerhouse. "With ten returning players, I believe our short term goal of returning to the state's is within reach," claims Lauria. "I am confident that we will attract top talent to Stony Brook, making the team one to be reckoned with for years to come."

The Lady Patriots graduated five players from last year's team, including three starting infielders. However, the 1993 squad will have a mix of seasoned veterans and newcomers eager to return Stony Brook softball to its winning ways. "There will be competition at all of our positions as I learn the skills of each of our players," said Lauria. "Players will be playing in positions where their abilities benefit the team most."

Leading Stony Brook this year will be third

baseman Jo-Anne Greggo who batted .360 with 18 hits, 10 RBI's, and 11 runs scored in 1992. Senior Beth Matich who suffered a broken ankle a year ago is healthy and expected to provide leadership in the outfield this season. Returning from a knee injury is junior Kerry Diggin. Diggin batted .333 as a starter before being sidelined. Diggin's versatility should allow her to see a considerable amount of action in both the infield and outfield.

Seniors Heidi Epstein and Liz Diaz, junior Joanna Kerney, and sophomores Chris Malenga, Aimee Brunelle, and Bridget Fennelly bring experience to the Lady Patriots line up and are expected to make a significant contributions.

The softball team will once again face a competitive schedule with doubleheader against Montclair State (NCAA Division III third place finishers in 1992) and William Paterson (NCAA Division III regional qualifiers last year). Also on the Patriot schedule are Division II opponents Molloy and Southampton.

Coming off a 7-8 record, the Patriots are eager to begin the 1993 season. With a new coaching staff and renewed spirit, Stony Brook fans and players are confident this season will be another successful one this season.

Outdoor Track's Back

By TODD ROSS

Coming off of the most successful indoor season in recent years the Stony Brook track and field teams are shooting for an even better one this spring, outdoors.

"The spring outlook looks pretty good," said Head Coach Steve Borbet. "We had an excellent indoor year and hopefully we will have a similar outdoor year." Borbet is aiming to for both the men's and women's teams to win the PAC Championships, and the Stony Brook Invitational. The Invite will be the Patriots lone home meet, taking place on April 25. (This Friday the Patriots will have their Time Trials at 4 p.m.)

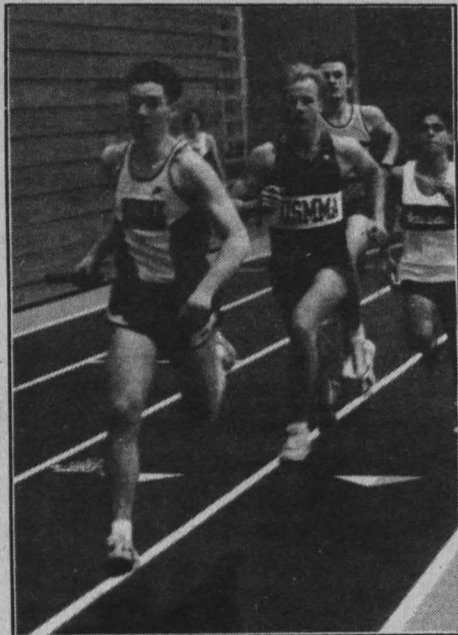
On the men's side Borbet sees good things for Roger Gill and Jerry Canada. Gill, fresh off of his all-American honor in indoor track, will challenge in the 200.

Canada will be seeking a repeat of last season plus a little more. He narrowly missed nationals in the 200 and 400 according to Borbet.

The team has a strong shot at nationals, taking place in a suburb of Cleveland, Ohio, in the 4 X 400 event. A season ago the Patriots qualified for the NCAA's but did not attend, due to personal circumstances.

The 4 X 400 team was one of a few bright spots for the team last year, as they were hit with many injuries. "This year we are a lot stronger," Borbet said. "Last year was a disaster."

The women's team will be loaded, as several newcomers are potent weapons. Freshman Julie Bonura and sophomore transfer from Wagner, Loretta Varbero will compete for Nationals said Borbet. Both starred in the indoor season. Bonura capped the indoor season by taking ECAC MVP honors and running at the NCAA's. "I expect Bonura to be up there in the 100, 200 and long jump," the head



Scott Scheffer and teammates made to move from indoors to outdoors

coach said. "Varbero will be looked to in the triple jump and long jump." Borbet also mentioned that Danielle Modica, coming off of an indoor season that featured several personal bests will be competitive in the high jump.

Borbet foresees a strong 4 X 100 squad for the ladies. Bonura and Varbero will team with Marissa Forsing and Dara Stewart in the event.

Delia Hopkins and Nicole Hafemeister each has an outside shot at Nationals. Hopkins in the 1500 and Hafemeister in the 1500, as well.

The time trials that open the season this Friday are a glorified workout in Borbet eyes. "We will get the season started with this rather than a scrimmage," Borbet said. "The following week we go on to Williamsburg, Virginia." The Patriots will race at the Colonial Relays, which is a very competitive meet according to Borbet, as Division I schools are involved.

THE SOFTBALL TEAM'S FIRST HOME GAME WILL BE ON APRIL 17, WHEN THEY PLAY STATEN ISLAND AT 12 NOON

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Emeka Smith Interview...

SMITH from front page

PSS: How has men's basketball head coach Bernard Tomlin helped you?

Smith: I have talked to him, just last week. He told me that he will try to help me get a job and asked me if I needed help to get a job.

PSS: How has your relationship with the Stony Brook players been since then?

Smith: We are very close. We did everything together and they have been there.

PSS: Have you been playing basketball?

Smith: Yes, I have been playing in a couple of leagues.

PSS: Have you been out to see Stony Brook play?

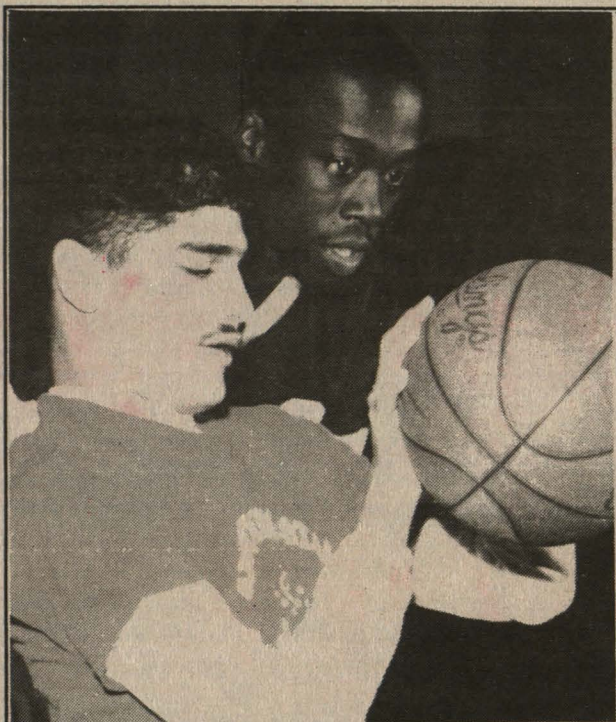
Smith: No I haven't been to any.

PSS: How did you deal with all of the negative publicity in the newspapers?

Smith: I didn't pay any attention to it. I just stayed away from the newspaper and did not answer phone calls. But it did bother me a lot.

PSS: What do you think of the way the Patriots played making it all the way to the ECAC Final?

Smith: They had a different type of atmosphere. Obviously Joe (Kirch) kept the team together and ran the show and did well because they made the ECAC Championship.



Smith enjoys working with kids and aspiring to become a teacher

PSS: When you look back on your Stony Brook career what was the most memorable moment?

Smith: Playing against Rochester in the NCAA's in 1991.

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KENNY KORTRIGHT

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Q's & A's With the Athlete of the Week *Ricky Wardally*

Full Name: Ricky J. Wardally

Age: 21

Year: Senior

High School, Year: South Shore, 1989

Hometown: Brooklyn

Major: Multiple Disciplinary Studies

Siblings: Three older brothers, Chris, Perry, and Kenny

Favorite School Subject: Sociology

Least Favorite Subject: Art History

Biggest Influence on sports career: My mother
Who taught you the most about basketball: My city-wide coach Al Williams

Toughest opponent: Hunter

Favorite Basketball Team : New York Knicks

Favorite Basketball player: Danny Manning

Behind my back, people say: Ricky's a cool guy

People don't know I can: Play the saxophone

People don't know that I am really: Very shy

In high school, I also played: Football

Favorite Food: Oxtail with rice and peas

Favorite Ice Cream Flavor: Grape-nut

Favorite TV Show: Married with Children

Favorite Movie: Goodfellas

Favorite actress: Halle Berry

Favorite music group: Shabba Ranks

Game day ritual: Always wear my black shorts, gold fronts, and make sure I have a fade

Biggest moment of basketball life: Playing in NCAA's with the packed crowd

Greatest college achievement: Winning the ECAC Championship, my freshman



A Look Back At Hoopsters' Roller Coaster Year

By CRAIG BLENMAN

The 1992-93 season has been a veritable roller-coaster ride for the Stony Brook Patriots men's basketball team.

Expectations were high when the season began, as the Pats were loaded with talent. They had offensive threats from literally every offensive position on the court. From the high scoring backcourt of Emeka Smith and Curtis Bunche to the versatile frontcourt of Vincent Farmer, Michel Lamine and Ricky Wardally. There was youth and experience. There were perimeter threats to compliment a dominating interior game. An explosive offense to go with a quick, trapping defense. They were supposedly headed for the NCAA Tournament, but a lot can happen over the course of a season. A lot of things defiantly did happen this season.

Playing an extremely tough schedule the Patriots jumped out to an impressive start to begin the year, but fell apart over Christmas break. First, Smith and Bunche left school under questionable circumstances. Farmer left school for personal reason. Lamine seriously damaged his knee, which required surgery, keeping him out of the line-up for the remainder of the season. By the time the second semester began the Patriots were down to nine players, including four freshmen and one sophomore transfer.

However, the team and Head Coach Bernard Tomlin refused to lay down and die. After beginning the second half of the season with a bunch of losses, the Pats put together a strong performances

to thrust them into the ECAC Tournament.

Behind the inside dominance of Wardally and the perimeter scoring from

the tournament. After defeating an intense Medgar Evers team at home, they went on the beat the number one seed of the tournament, Trenton State on their

game at Albany, and scored a career high 28 points, in the ECAC Final against Jersey City. He also provided the necessary experience and leadership that this young team needed.

Freshman Duckett emerged as a potential future star at Stony Brook, displaying his scoring abilities. Duckett, a player who combines a slashing in the paint game with a deadly perimeter shot, grew up very quickly after being saddled with the bulk of the offensive burden.

Freshman Joe Kirch ran the team as the point guard very well under the circumstances. Kirch filled in for Smith, effectively and quarterbacked the team to the final.

The other upperclassmen, senior Patrick Cunningham and juniors Luc Baptiste and Vernard Williams, stepped up and contributed whatever was needed at the time. Scoring. Rebounding. Defense. Toughness. Leadership. Stability. All the other intangibles that might not show up on the stat sheets, but are essential to the team's success.

The bench also was prepared, ready and responded when called upon. Freshman Gary Comer was steady throughout the season and sophomore Greg Alexandre was outstanding off the bench during the stretch run.

The Patriots are a young team, that can only improve next year from the valuable playing experience gained this year. But as the Patriots have learned, be prepared and take nothing for granted because a lot of things can happen over the course of a season.



Coach Bernard Tomlin had a lot of teaching to do during this up and down year

freshman Ron Duckett, the team ran off four wins in their last five regular season games. Their only loss, in that stretch, coming at the hands of Old Westbury at Madison Square Garden in the last game of the season. A game that was decided in the closing seconds.

The Patriots remained resilient in

court. The Patriots fairy tale run at the title ended with a 10-point loss to a 1992 NCAA Final Four team, Jersey City State in the championship game.

Throughout this trying season there were a number of bright spots.

Wardally ended a successful career breaking the 1,000 point barrier in a

STONY BROOK MEN'S BASKETBALL FINAL STATS

	G	FGM-FGA	FG%	FTM-FTA	FT%	RPG	APG	TO	S	PPG
WARDALLY	25	152-360	42.2	59-94	62.8	7.4	1.0	60	19	14.6
DUCKETT	28	112-258	43.4	81-112	72.3	2.5	1.6	60	29	11.7
WILLIAMS	22	90-190	47.4	26-43	60.5	4.1	0.7	35	29	9.8
LAMINE	15	52-111	46.8	20-38	52.6	6.7	0.9	17	11	8.3
KIRCH	22	41-100	41.0	20-35	57.1	2.2	2.5	59	31	4.8
BAPTISTE	28	32-84	38.1	36-67	53.7	4.5	0.5	25	15	3.6
CUNNINGHAM	27	30-92	32.6	34-48	70.8	4.5	1.3	34	23	3.6
COMER	25	30-81	37.0	11-20	55.0	1.6	0.3	24	11	3.2
ALEXANDRE	13	14-29	48.3	7-15	46.7	2.8	0.1	5	5	2.7
MEKIOS	9	1-2	50.0	1-2	50.0	0.6	0.1	5	1	0.3
PLAYERS THAT DID NOT END THE YEAR WITH THE TEAM										
SMITH	10	49-142	34.5	46-51	90.2	3.2	2.6	32	19	16.3
BUNCHE	10	57-134	42.5	26-45	57.8	7.4	2.0	23	25	14.5
FARMER	6	16-43	37.2	10-17	58.8	4.8	0.8	8	17	7.0
JACKSON	2	4-6	66.7	5-6	83.3	0.5	0.0	1	1	7.0
MATTOCKS	5	4-13	30.8	0-0	---	1.6	0.2	3	0	1.6
KERSHAW	2	0-1	00.0	1-2	50.0	0.6	0.0	3	0	0.5
TOTALS	28	648-1646	41.6	383-595	64.4	38.4	9.5	400	235	65.2

Lax returns at action

LAX from font page

Dalland and John Schafer, with help from Ed Havel. There is still some question in Espey's opinion whether Havel would be better used on defense, rather than at middle.

Espey dispelled the rumors of a Top 20 ranking saying that last season would have been the one that the team would have risen in the polls. "Our schedule is really overloaded this year," he said. "We really can't be thinking about things

like that at this point." He went on to say that they have many teams on their schedule that are in the same class as them, mid-level Division I, trying to reach the next level. Schools such as Colgate, Lehigh, Michigan State, Boston College and Air Force are in the same arena according to Espey.

The Patriots will be able to enhance their chances with a win this Saturday, and hopefully the weather gods will bring some sun to Stony Brook and shine down on the Patriots.

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Let's Go Stony Brook — Part 3

A Look At WUSB's Men Behind the Mike

By MARCO AVENTAJADO

If you could not make it to a Stony Brook game, chances are you were listening to 90.1 WUSB for the play-by-play.

All through the athletic seasons, year after year, the staff of WUSB has been in the thick of the action trying to relay their view of the scene to the audience.

WUSB has been there for the big moments for Patriot sports history. In the Lacrosse program's first game as a Division I team, WUSB was there. They covered the thriller against Notre Dame as Stony Brook won it 8-7 in overtime.

The WUSB crew of headed by Sports Director Jamie Alex, Curt Hylton, Matt Mankewich, Dave Mallow and Dave Vallone have been the on the call for the radio station for a while and collectively has had a great time doing it.

"If my voice is so hoarse after doing a game, then I know that I did something right," said Vallone.

Aside from their play calling during the home games and some road games, the crew puts out a weekly two-hour show called the "Sports Section" wherein they talk about the various goings-on in the sports world.

"Once a week we get together and talk sports," said Alex. "Dealing with the other opinions, different informations and other perspectives," said Hylton characterizing the weekly show.

From local Patriot action, other college sporting events to the various Professional teams' news this "round-table discussion provides chock-full of information in the past week. I was surprised on how in-depth the crew had their information on, I knew some of the news they were doing but not to the extent that they were talking about.

In their most recent show, the crew had on former Stony Brook basketball star Emeka Smith (see related piece, page 6). In the interview, Hylton and Mankewich discussed with Smith various aspects from the support of the team and the coach to his plans for the future. But unlike the other sports show that really drive into the controversial subject they didn't pry into the incident, which showed good taste in WUSB's part.

Most of the crew started with their radio careers with their respective high schools but it was the chance in College that was their break.

This year has not been the exception to the history making moments for the Patriots as well as the excitement and hoopla. WUSB was there to catch the football game against UMass-Lowell.

Late in the game and Stony Brook ahead, a fight broke out in the west end zone which prompted the officials to throw all four flags in the air. After a Lowell player got ejected from the game, he started a fight with his coach and the

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—DAVE VALLONE
WUSB

excitements began as Curt Hylton was giving the blow-by-blow summary and the parents of the player got into the action.

Also this fall, the Patriot volleyball team hosted the first two rounds of the NCAA Championships. Stony Brook played arch-rivals R.I.T. and Juniata and the WUSB staff was there to give their best effort in covering all the happenings of the games as well as the pandemonium of the aftermath.

In flip side, though, the radio station, has also had its share of bad moments.

Several years ago, the crew had to call a ECAC play-off game in Jersey City State not from the sidelines. "There

weren't any phone-lines at court-side during that time," said Vallone. "So we had to use the S.I.D.'s [Sports Information Director] phone line which was far so we had to call the game from the hallway."

The crew also have stories about the games which were not the best games to do the play-by-play. There could be games that are blow-outs and so they aren't the best to call Alex said. Such as the Lehman basketball game. (Stony Brook won 102-32). Or the tempo of a game being slow as molasses.

So when you're not able to make a Patriot sporting event, tune into 90.1 and chances are that they are covering it.

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Women's Soccer hosts 6th Annual Indoor Tourney

This Saturday the Division I Stony Brook women's soccer team will hold their sixth annual indoor tournament. The games will be held in the old gym, Pritchard Gymnasium.

The Patriots will be fielding one of the eight teams in the tourney. Another team will be put on the floor

by the USB Alumni.

Four college will be bringing teams to Stony Brook to play. Villanova, Farmingdale, Adelphi and Hofstra will be bringing teams.

Two other club teams are expected to play as well, one from New York and another from New Jersey.

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A Whole New Look For Men's Tennis Squad

By MARCO AVENTAJADO

The Patriot tennis team will start the season anew, both with a new schedule and a new coach.

Tony McMullen will be at the helm for Stony Brook replacing last year's coach Chuck Carron. McMullen, who served as the graduate assistant in the Sports Information Department last year, said that he is looking forward to the season.

As with all the spring varsity sports, the weather has been the problem with try-outs and practices. "We tried to practice in the gym but the nets would not fit," said McMullen. Getting court time at an indoor tennis club would be a possibility but the team's limited budget would not allow it.

The prospectus for the team is good. In the singles side, the one seed belongs to sophomore transfer Bruno Barbera. Barbera just beat out last year's one seed senior Tony Lu for the top spot. Lu is now the two seed, and McMullen said that both players will be competing for the team's top position. But Barbera seems to be leading for the top spot. In a projected line-up drawn up Wednesday McMullen placed Barbera atop the team's depth chart. Lu was placed sec-

Men's Tennis Team

Bruno Barbera (So.)
 Naveen Balasubramanyam (So.)
 Joe Gonzalez (Sr.)
 Tony Lu (Sr.)
 Ken Maget (Jr.)
 Larry Michel (Sr.)
 Jovan Milosaljevic (Fr.)
 Remo Moomiaie (Fr.)
 Keith Neuhs (Jr.)
 Dejan Novakovic (Jr.)
 John Spyropoulos (Fr.)
 David Zeaman (Jr.)
 Head Coach:
 Tony McMullen

ond.

In the number three slot McMullen will be using Dejan Novakovic. The fourth see will be played by David Zeaman.


Larry Michel is projected to start in the number five position. Rounding out the starting lineup will be Naveen Balasubramanyam.

In the doubles department McMullen has tentatively set three teams. The first team will be composed of the top two players in singles, Lu and Barbera.

The second doubles will be played by number three Novakovic and number six seed Balasubramanyam. The third doubles team will be made up of two players that are not scheduled for singles as of now. Remo Moomiaie and John Spyropoulos will play out of the number three spot.

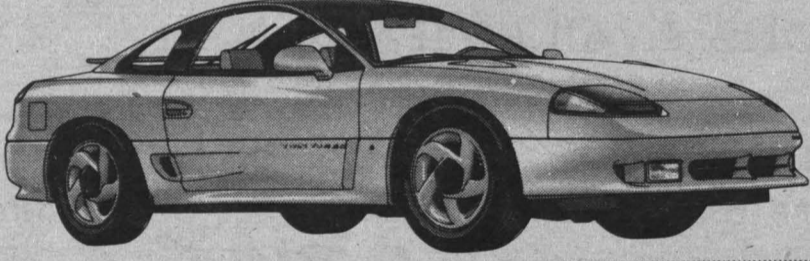
Stony Brook starts its season at home against Hunter College on Monday, March 29 at 3:30 p.m. Hopes are high for the season-opener since the Hawks are coming off a dismal 1992 season with a record of 2-10.

The Patriots will also participate in the Skyline Tennis championships on Sunday April 4.



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New York Jets Flying In the Right Direction

By JAY KASH

It's only the end of March and football season is only a couple of months away. Leaves aren't even on the trees but I just can't say how excited I am about the up coming year on the gridiron. I can hear it already, "J-E-T-S, Jets, Jets, Jets."

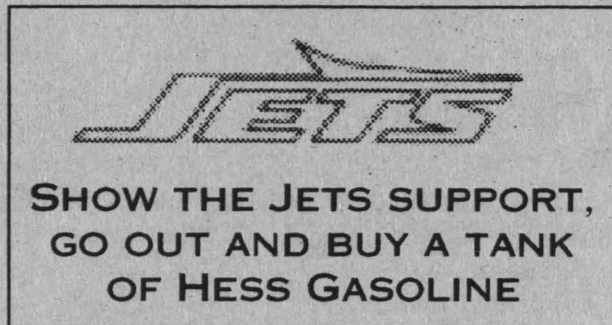
The idea of free agency has had the New York Jets spending a load of money. As a DIE-HARD Jets fan I think what they are doing is great. For all the fans who think otherwise, you're probably not a Jet fan.

What Leon Hess, the owner of the Jets, has shown me is that he is willing to do what he can do to make the Jets a better team. Being that the Jets are the only team not to win a divisional title, since the merging of the AFL and the NFL, it is really a good sign, at least to me, that the Jets are doing what they can to bring us Jets fans a championships.

Everyone seems to think that its a waste of money to bring these players to the Jets. I can't see any Jets fan being mad that Ronnie Lott will finish his career as a Jet. The best defensive back of all time will play his last games in the green and white. The Jets haven't had a player like this since Mark Gastineau, and the sack exchange. Also coming along with Lott is his four Super Bowl rings, and his undisputed leadership on and off the field. Anyway this fits perfectly for the Jets, because safety Lonnie Young will miss most of the season anyway with an injury.

The same goes with the acquisition of Leonard Marshall. The former Giant brings with him, his two Super Bowl rings and of course his ability to play

inside within the 4-3 defense that the Jets play. To me it was another void to fill after what happen to, the courageous young man, Dennis Byrd. And they got a great player to fill it. With all these moves made the anticipation of signing all-universe defensive-end Reggie White. The most controversial of them all was when they traded for Norman "Boomer" Esiason. A local product from right here on the Island. It was



strange that the Jets got him right after White said get Boomer and you will have a better chance of getting me. If this is why the Jets got him it's a shame, even if they do get White. Maybe the move might have been made even if White wasn't in the talks.

Remember at the beginning of the off-season when they wanted Boomer. Whether they get White or not, the fans have to get used to the new number "7". If the Jets think they have a shot why not bring in another

player with Super Bowl experience and he also is a little bit familiar with the coach.

I hear all the sportscasters saying why did the Jets do all of this? Why bring in old players when they don't have a chance to win now? And I have a lot of answers for them.

For starters, at the end of the pre-season and coming off of a playoff season the Jets were predicted by many of these sportscasters to at least make the playoffs and even win their division. But because of the rash of injuries, to Lageman, Byrd, Thomas, Baxter, the list can go one and on, they finished 4-12. Although a lot had to do with the new play calling from Coslet, they still had a very high amount of injuries. Maybe instead of signing another player, besides White, the Jets should hire an offensive coordinator.

The question on why the Jets are bringing all these "old" players here, is a funny one. The Jets were the third youngest team in the sport last year, maybe what they are missing is some veteran leadership. If players like Lott and Marshall think that the Jets have a chance than why not.

The Jets have had an active off-season, and whether or not they get White its been a great off-season. Still to come is the NFL Draft and maybe Marvin Jones, one of the nation's premier pass rushers. Even if the 1993 Jets turn out to be a little like the 1992 Mets, it still would make me respect them a lot more for attempting to go out and make the right moves.

From now on to show my support I'm going to buy Hess gasoline.

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The Sporting Life

Volleyball Men Kick Off Inaugural Spring Season

By ERIC HUNTER

The newly formed men's volleyball club team at Stony Brook will be playing in their first spring tournament this Sunday at Nassau Community College.

The team composed of 14 undergraduates, started up during the fall semester and has been greeted with many accolades. Stony Brook's nationally ranked women's volleyball team has been very helpful in aiding the squad set up and has both practiced and scrim-

maged against their male counterparts.

The club is registered with the United State Volleyball Association which allows them to compete at in other college tournaments. The team has established contacts with other area schools, Hofstra and Fordham along with several New York club teams according co-captain Stephen Boucher. Boucher along with John Vicciardo are the two captains of the squad.

During the fall the club played in

two tournaments, including one which they placed third.

The upcoming tournament this weekend is with over 10 teams from the area. Next Wednesday the Patriots will battle Fordham.

The team is looking at April 18 as a target date for their first home tourna-

ment, and are looking to invite many of the other area teams to play.

Boucher said this is just the start of something good. In the long run he sees this as a stepping stone to a varsity sport. He is on the right trail as many universities and colleges are just now beginning to get involved in men's volleyball.

Ruggers Pound Drew In Opener

The Stony Brook Rugby Club began their 1993 spring season last Saturday, March 20. The Patriots shutout Drew College of Madison, New Jersey by a score of 24-0.

Stony Brook registered four scores, worth five points each and a

pair of tri, each two points.

Stony Brook will be going up to SUNY-Albany this weekend for the tournament.

The following is an unofficial season schedule. For more information please call 632-1098.

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 MARCH 27 AT SUNY ALBANY TOURNEY
 APRIL 3 RUTGERS (HOME)
 APRIL 17 AT PROVIDENCE TOURNAMENT
 APRIL 18 AT DREW TOURNAMENT
 APRIL 24 AT RUTGERS
 MAY 1 AT NEW PALTZ
 MAY 8 ALUMNI GAME (HOME)
 MAY 15 AT FOREST HILLS

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 -you know who

Joe (#9 lacrosse) — I love a smooth Italian guy, especially one

who is good with his stick.

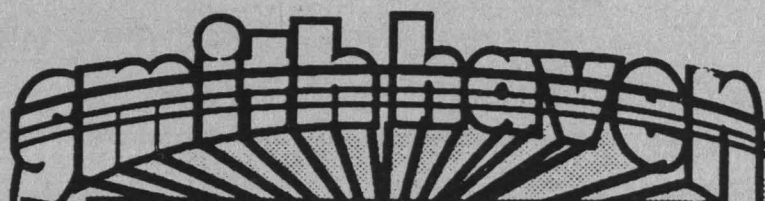
- Lori

Kenny (#7 baseball) — I know you are a small guy but a big stud.

- a loving fan

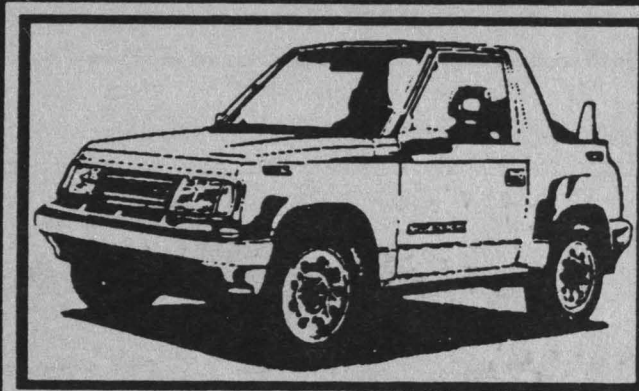
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