

SPORTS

UNLV WOMEN'S TRACK TEAM FINISHES 11th in AIAW

Las Vegas, Nevada -- Finishing a surprising 11th in the AIAW National Championships at UCLA, the UNLV Women's Track season as ended as the best-ever in the three-year history of the sport at the school.

Head Track coach Al McDaniels commented about his seven-girl squad, 'They had a very outstanding season indeed. We reached a lot of our goals; overall it was the best team and individual performance total in the history of UNLV. And, six of the girls are only freshmen.'

Winner of the Terrance Welsh Memorial Trophy as the m MVP of the team was freshman Dolores 'Tuti' Lee. 'Tuti was our high point performer and our most consistent performer,' said coach McDaniels, 'not only in her meet performance, but in her total commitment to track this year.'

From Merced, California, Lee set one school record this season and also ran a leg on three relay teams which also set new UNLV standards.

Lee was clocked at 24.4 seconds in the 220 yard dash for a Rebel record and ran a leg on the 440 yard, 880 medley and mile relay teams which all set new marks.

The most outstanding individual performance award went to freshman Nedra Washongton who ran a 53.9 second 440 leg in the 880 medley relay in the AIAW national championships. Her run helped give UNLV a school record 1:41.8 time and a surprising 3rd in the event. Wash-

ington is from Fort Worth, Texas and she also ran a leg on the record-setting 440 mile relay teams as well as setting a record in the 200 meters with a 24.37 time. She also tied the record in the 100 meters with a 12.0 second run.

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From Halifax, Nova Scotia, Branch set a UNLV record with a 13.9 second run in the 100 meter hurdles and the 100 meter record was tied by her in a 12.0 time.

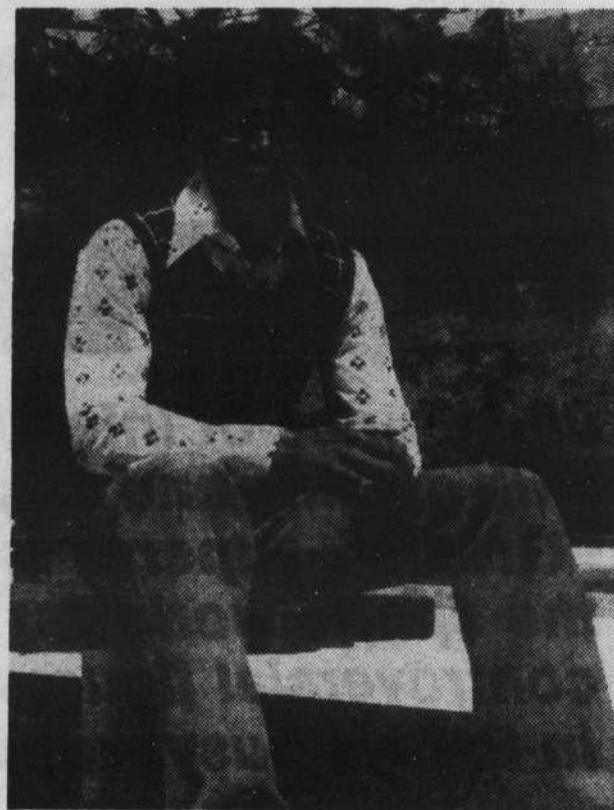
The other freshman Rebel from Canada this past season was Ann Crump, who is from Vancouver, British Columbia. She was a pentathlete and in her five-event specialty, she set a Rebel record by compiling a score of 3,628 in one meet.

Robin Tanner and Emma Jean Major, both from Las Vegas, also had a part in the Rebel records this year. Major, from Valle y Hg and a Junior this year, tied the school mark in the 100 meter with a 12.0 time and ran a leg on both the 440 relay and the 88- medley while Tanner from Chaparral High, was part of the mile relay team.

Freshman Vaune Kadlubek from Santa Barbars, also helped the squad in the weight events, although she did not qualify to compete in the nationals.

With only seven performers, most teams couldn't win a meet, but the powerful and hard-working Rebel women did a good job in that category as well, UNLV was second in the BYU invitational, third in the Sun Devil Classic at Arizona State and second in the Redlands Invitational this year. They also won a six-way meet which featured teams from BYU, Utah State, Redlands, the University of Utah and the University of Texas. The hustling Rebel women also finished fifth in the prestigious 30-team Texas Invitational in Fort Worth in early March.

Assisting coach McDaniels with the Rebel track program this year were Bonnie Rennald, Dave Roberts, Thurbin Warwick and Lyle Hurst.



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT--Robert Wright, 17 a Chaparral High School National Honor Society student who has been offered \$100,000 in college scholarships, has received an appointment to the U. S. Air Force Academy. This includes a four-year scholarship with a value of approximately \$75,000. Robert was also offered a \$25,000 Air Force ROTC scholarship from USC.

Robert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Wright, Sr., of 4249 Cartagena Way.

He has accepted the Air Force Academy appointment where he will begin basic cadet training June 27, the same month as high school graduation.

At Chaparral, Robert participated in football and ran track. He was also a member of the National Honor Society, Varsity Club, Chess Club, and active in student council.

Robert plans to major in aerospace engineering, and then, as part of the stipulation of his scholarship, he must serve five years in the Air Force.

Since Robert's father is retired from the Air Force, he was eligible for a presidential appointment from former President Ford. A candidate to the Academy must have either a congressional or presidential appointment.

'I made application last June, but it takes several months for the application to be processed,' Wright said. 'I learned of my appointment in January, but I didn't know all of the financial details until recently.'

Candidates for appointment must score high on college entrance examinations, which includes the ACT AND SAT tests, and pass a physical fitness exam. Robert took and passed his physical at Nellis Air Force Base in Dec.

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