

# 1960-61

## No Football

**BASKETBALL** Coach Hal Cuff 12-7 Last year's SMJCC scoring leader Larry Scheid returns to lead a gifted freshmen class but a early pre-season knee injury (may be a serious cartilage injury) will slow his progress. Coach Cuff will look for Dave Anderson and Bill Kruger to provide the leadership. The Blue Devils would notch their first win of the season by defeating the Winona State freshmen 80-77 in a season opening thriller. Freshman Denny Turner would turn in 28 points to lead his team to victory, followed by Anderson (19) and Kruger (14). Austin would win its next two games 82-68 over Pillsbury and edge Concordia JC 58-56 to run its early season record to 3-0. Dave Anderson would lead four double figure scorers against Pillsbury with 24 points while the Turner twins, Dean and Denny would score 16 and 15 respectively in the conference win over Concordia. The Blue Devils would lose their first game 75-64 in a re-match with the Winona State freshmen. The Turner brothers would again the lead the scoring with 16 apiece while Dave Anderson chipped in with 10 points in the loss. In their next contest, Coach Cuff's Blue Devils "fought" their best game of the young season as Bethany outlasted Austin in a wild 102-91 free scoring affair. Austin gave last year's conference champions all they could handle and trailed 96-90 with 1:27 left but the comeback ran out of steam. Denny Turner would score 24, while Dave Anderson and Dean Turner chipped in with 23 apiece. A second loss within 24 hours would occur as the Mankato State freshmen ripped Austin 68-49 in non-conference action. The effects of the night before rapid pace showed as the Blue Devils were very slow and played poorly. They would the play Waldorf back to back before the holidays, losing there 95-92 and rebounding with a 91-80 victory at home. Dean Turner had a season high 30 points in the loss and 28 in the win. Also scoring in double figures in the victory was Anderson (21), Denny Turner (11), and Larry Scheid (10). Their record stood at 4-4 going into the Christmas break. AJC would crack the century mark in its first game back and defeat Worthington 108-91 in conference play. The Blue Devils behind only after the first basket of the game, came through with their "best shooting exhibition thus far" commented Coach Cuff. Dean Turner (35) and Dave Anderson's (28) torrid shooting kept their squad ahead the entire contest. Jack Meyer would add 14 followed by running mate Denny Turner with thirteen points.

Austin would defeat Rochester 86-74 to record their third victory against one loss in the conference (6-4 overall). Dean Turner paced his team with 20 points, Anderson (18), Denny Turner (13), and Larry Scheid added 11. Austin would step out of conference play and lose to Mason City 109-69 and defeat the Mankato State freshmen 93-92 in overtime. Larry Scheid scored a free throw line jumper as time ran out to give the Blue Devils a one point victory. The thrilling victory avenged an earlier 20 point loss to the Mankato frosh. Scheid, who was last year's scoring leader, entered the game in the second half and sparked them when it counted. He would end up with 12 points. Dave Anderson had a season high 31 points to lead five scorers in double figures. Termed as "our best road game thus far" by coach Hal Cuff's Blue Devils downed Dr. Martin Luther 78-75 to go 4-1 in the conference. Jack Meyer was the surprise hero as he scored 16 with 10 coming in the crucial second half. A hectic finish would allow the AJC to claim another SMJCC triumph as they beat Concordia 67-65. Forward Dean Turner stole a half court pass and hit a lay up with 17 seconds to go for the slim margin of victory. Lynn Renville came through with his best performance of the season, blocking 10 shots and scoring 14 points. One of those blocked shots came with 4 seconds remaining in the contest. The game saw eight ties and was as see-saw battle all the way to the end. With five men in double figures, Austin continued its winning ways in the conference (6-1) with another nail biter 89-85 win over Worthington. Dean Turner played his usual steady night, scoring 23, while Renville had his best point total of the season with 18. Meyer (14), Scheid (12), and Bill Kruger (11) drew plaudits from Coach Hal Cuff. In the latest addition to the string Austin defeated Rochester 73-69 to boost their SMJCC record to 7-1, trailing Bethany (8-0) by one game. Larry Scheid fired in 15 of his 19 points in the first half for a 39-29 halftime lead. Rochester never got any closer than the final margin. Austin would sew up a region 13 tournament berth with a 116-64 clobbering of Dr. Martin Luther and climb to 8-1 in the conference. Dean Turner would lead all scorers with 29, followed by Anderson (18), Denny Turner (16) and Lynn Renville's 16. The massive total was the all time single game point total for the Blue Devils. Austin would tangle with Bethany (9-0) in the "showdown" for first place and the conference title. Dave Anderson would leave the game in the first half with an ankle injury which greatly hurt the chances of an Austin win. Bethany (19-2) would win their 50<sup>th</sup> straight home floor victory with a 82-74 win over the Blue Devils. Austin closed the gap to four, 68-64 but never got any closer. Dean Turner (24) and Larry Scheid (17) were the scoring leaders for Austin. The outcome left the Blue Devils 12-6 on the season and 8-2 in the conference, good for second place. AJC received one of two bids to the Region 13 tournament hosted by Hibbing and would draw Hibbing JC in one of four games to be played in the opening round. The Blue Devils got off to a bad start, trailing 17-3 to Hibbing and were defeated handily 91-62 and were eliminated from any further competition.

Dean Turner led the SMJCC in scoring with a 32.1 scoring average. Their season would end with a 12-7 record, 8-2 in the conference (2<sup>nd</sup> place).

Roster Included:

Roger Johnson	Larry Scheid	Jerry Butt
Jim Ulwelling	Denny Turner	Jack Mayer
Dean Turner	Earl Butler	Norb Schmidt
Bill Kruger	Dave Anderson	Lynn Renville
Don Kraft	Doug Meyer	Mike Donovan
Ass't Coach: Al Lehrk	Student Manager: Ron Alstadt	

**WRESTLING** Coach Kay Hompe 4-4 Austin Junior College added wrestling to its sports programs and announced Kay Hompe would be the man in charge. About 18 boys turned out when the call was first issued for wrestling to begin at the college. The Blue Devils would lose their inaugural match 21-11 to Concordia JC. Dave Erickson (137), Brian Christianson (147), and Jerry Robinson (157) all notched wins. Winona State freshmen handed Austin their second loss with a 19-11 victory. Winners for Austin were Tom McFarland (123), Christianson (147), and Art Cain (137). After a loss to the Mankato State freshmen (no score found), Austin would get its first season victory, defeating Worthington 30-6. Heavyweight Roger Martin won a 5-0 decision to wipe out a Rochester threat and Coach Kay Hompe's grapplers handed the Yellowjackets a 21-13 SMJCC wrestling loss at the Vocational School gym in Austin. Austin now stands 2-3 on the season. Dave Erickson (123), Cain (130), Christianson (147), and Robinson (157) all recorded wins along with Martin. Concordia would notch the final three matches and defeat Austin 21-11 in conference wrestling. A pin by Jerry Robinson (157) and decisions by Cain (130) and Christianson (147) were the Blue Devil's only victories. AJC ran its record to 3-4 with a 21-13 win over Worthington JC as Art Cain (130) and Brian Christianson (147) paved the way with pins. Clint Wolf (137) and Roger Martin (Hwt) won by decisions and Dean Erickson (123) won by forfeit. Coach Kay Hompe's wrestlers would finish the regular season with a 19-9 decision over Rochester to give them a 4-4 season. Art Cain (130) and Roger Loescher (167) would win by major decisions. It was Loescher's first win of the season. Erickson (123), Christianson (157), and Robinson (157) would also get decisions. Austin competed in the four team SMJCC tournament to end the season. They would finish fourth with Concordia JC as the champions (57 points), followed by Rochester (54), Worthington (48), and Austin (35). Art Cain (130) and Brian Christianson (147) would win individual championships. Dave Erickson finished second at 123 and Roger Martin was consolation champion at heavyweight.

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Dave Erickson	123	Art Cain	130
Clint Wolf	137	Brian Christianson	147
Jerry Robinson	157	Brian Ingvolson	167
Roger Loescher	177	Roger Martin	Hwt

**TENNIS** Coach Bill Evan The tennis team was scheduled for four matches along with the SMJCC tournament. Members included: Wally Klement, Bill Krueger, Tom MacFarland, Douglass Lees, John Bonnes. Concordia would beat AJC twice, 6-1 and 5-2 in match play. Austin would finish fourth in the SMJCC tournament won by Rochester. The Blue Devils only points came on Krueger and Klement's victory in the consolation finals. Austin would enter and participate in the NJCAA national invitational tennis tournament hosted by Rochester Tennis Club. Pratt, Kansas would be the champion, with Rochester tied for fifth with two other colleges. There were 12 teams entered. No scores were available for individual competition.

**GOLF** Coach Red Hastings **SMJCC Champions** 7-4 Austin Junior College's golfers dethroned Rochester JC's eleven time SMJCC titlists with a strong comeback on the final nine holes. Down three strokes at the turn, the Blue Devils would finish strong and win by 10 strokes, 322-332. Concordia was third (380) and Worthington fourth (385). Austin's Clayton Pike grabbed medalist honors with a 38-38=76 while teammate Larry Heimsness was right behind Pike with a 77 (41-36). Other Austin scores were Nick Goergen (45-37=82), Al Highum (45-42=87), and Larry Swenson (44-43=87). Robert Hockett was also a team member. Another highlight of the season was in a dual meet with Mason City as Austin would win 9-6. Larry Heimsness and Clayton Pike would shoot even par (72) to lead them to victory over the Iowa Junior College state champions and give them their only loss of the season.

**BASEBALL** Coach Hal Bergeson 6-8 The Blue Devils return only shortstop Larry Scheid and Coach Bergeson is not overly optimistic about this year's team. Pillsbury would upend Austin in the opener 5-4 in non-conference action. AJC got combined four hit pitching from Jim Ulwelling and Ron McKay to defeat Waldorf 12-2. Ulwelling got the win striking out 10 in five innings. Shortstop Larry Scheid collected 3 hits and Norb Schmitt had two doubles. The Blue Devils reversed a season opening loss to Pillsbury with a 8-3 verdict a got a 3 hit pitching performance from Ulwelling (4 innings) and McKay (3 innings). AJC would drop a conference doubleheader to Dr. Martin Luther 4-2 and 4-3. Coach Hal Bergeson said the winners had to use 3 seniors –violating SMJCC rules and both games could be forfeited. Top batsman for the day was catcher Dave Hatten who went 3 for 5 including a double.

Austin would thump Waldorf 8-1 in its next contest as lefty Jim Ulwelling notched his third victory and struck out 12 batters. Schmitt and Hatten each collected two hits. Don Stilwell pitched a 3 hitter in his first mound appearance for a 4-1 triumph over Concordia to give Austin a split with the St. Paul team. The Blue Devils lost the opener 12-0. The big blow in the second game was a 2 run double by Norb Schmitt. Jim Ulwelling would tame Mankato Bethany 6-4 before the visitors took the second game 2-1. Ulwelling walked eight batters but managed to give up only 4 hits in the mound victory. Hatten would go 2 for 3 in both contests. Austin traveled to Mankato in their next appearance and split again with a 7-5 win and a 4-3 loss. Ron McKay got the mound win scattering 5 hits while Ulwelling suffered the loss in the second contest. Schmitt and Bob Oliphant each were 2-3 and 2-4 respectively. AJC ended the season with a twin bill loss to Concordia JC 5-3 and 9-3. The double loss meant that Bergeson's squad finished the season with a 6-8 record.

Roster Included:

Larry Scheid	Norb Schmitt	Dave Hatten
Ron McKay	Jim Ulwelling	Warren Wollenberg
John Greenameyer	Brian Morgan	Jerry Butts
Charles Dockham	Gary Irwin	Bob Oliphant
Ron Barnath	Don Stilwell	