

# 1973-74

**FOOTBALL** Coach Earl Perkins 1-7 The school is the same, the colors are the same but the name has changed. This year it is Austin Community College (formerly Austin State Junior College) with all the Minnesota junior colleges renaming their colleges. ACC hasn't had a winning season since it resumed the sport four years ago. Thirty members began the season, with ten lettermen. Austin was handed its worst defeat ever 76-0 in the opener to Lakewood JC. Ed Noterman finished with 73 yards in 16 carries in the only bright spot. Bryan Baker had three interceptions in less than six minutes to lead ASJC over Waseca 8-2 in conference play. That gives Baker five thefts in two games. Austin's defense held Waseca to 24 total yards. ACC's only score came in the first period, as QB Jim Westmoreland directed a 59 yard march and scored from 3 yards out. Each team got a fourth quarter safety for a final score of 8-2. The Blue Devils dropped a 21-14 decision to Anoka-Ramsey and was unable to take advantage of opportunities. Anoka fumbled six times and Austin could not capitalize. Westmoreland scored on a 65 yard run and threw a 35 yard TD pass to Don Hagan for the other score. Ed Noterman rushed for 82 yards and Hagan caught seven passes for 92 yards and a TD. Austin was defeated 41-0 by nationally ranked Rochester (4-0) in league play. ASJC record is now 1-3. The Blue Devils played their worst game of the year, according to Coach Earl Perkins and lost 28-0 to Inver Hills. North Hennepin JC duplicated the identical score 28-0 over Austin in its next contest. It was ACC's fourth loss in a row and dropped them to 1-5. Don Hagan hauled in 8 passes for 85 yards in the loss. ACC snapped a 13 quarter scoreless string but still lost to Normandale 31-12. Setting the pace was Noterman who rushed for 122 yards and scoring both Austin's touchdowns. Hagan had six receptions and led his team to a season high 308 total yards on offense. Austin was pounded by Willmar 78-6 to end the season 1-7 and a six game losing streak. ACC's Don Hagan hauled in 38 passes for 464 yards, setting a new receiving record. Jim Westmoreland passed for 632 yards and 46 completions, a new ACC record. Bryan "Nate" Baker had 9 interceptions, including 3 in one contest for a new record. Neil Noterman ran for 510 yards. Last year he set a single season record with 625 yards, giving him a two year record of 1135 yards. Garth Heydt (guard), All-Conference, All-MJCAA (offense). Bruce Nelson All-Conference, All-MJCAA (defense).

Roster Included:

Mark Erickson	Ed Noterman
Don Hagan	Greg Sattler
Garth Heydt	Howie Strey
Steve Maschka	Paul Tate
Dan Morem	Jim Westmoreland
Bryan Baker	Bruce Nelson
Roger Beckel	Mark Reeve
Mike Frisk	Ralph Rezac
Dave Halligan	Dave Sampson
Rick Helmer	Jim Sewick
Mike Helland	Jim Stratton
Dave Lewis	Kevin Swank
Stan Munson	Brad Odlund
Bob Yokum	Jeff Lessard
Randy Voigt	Larry Knutson

SCHEDULE AND SCORES

9/8	Lakewood	0-76	L
9/15	Waseca	8-2	W
9/22	Anoka Ramsey	14-21	L
9/29	Rochester	0-49	L
10/6	Inver Hills	0-28	L
10/13	North Hennepin	0-28	L
10/20	Normandale	12-32	L
10/27	Willmar	6-72	L

RECORD: Won 1, lost 7

**MEN'S BASKETBALL** Coach Jim Mittun 3-19 Austin returns Jim Riles, Rob Haddorff, Jon Iverson, Stan Muson, and Carl Peterson. Austin lost its first eight contests before getting their first triumph. They opened the season losing 49-43 to Inver Hills, shooting only 25 percent. The Blue Devils dropped to 0-2 as WWTI won 95-85. Jim Riles poured in 36 points in the losing effort. ACC lost their third game Lakewood JC (no score found), then were defeated 105-63 by a powerful Normandale team. Brian Freidrich, a reserve scored 18 points to lead Austin, now 0-4. Golden Valley Lutheran coasted to a 96-64 win over the Blue Devils in non-conference play. Dave Witthus had 13 to gain scoring honors for Austin. North Hennepin defeated ACC 79-70 in a game where Austin showed some promise on offense. Riles (21), Stan Munson (20), and Dan Blaser (10) all reached double figures. Jim Riles poured in 26 but NIACC tumbled Austin 96-61 in non-league play. Jim Riles scored a career high 39 but the Blue Devils fell to unbeaten Mesabi JC 90-71. The loss left them winless in eight straight games.

ACC got its initial victory of the season with a 66-64 win over Gogebic JC. Once again it was Jim Riles, who tossed in 32 points while Dave Witthus had 11. Riles topped the thirty point mark for the third game in a row (35), but Austin lost 91-81 to Waldorf JC. Dan Blaser chipped in with 17 points. Austin stands 1-9 overall and began conference play against Worthington. Riles tallied 27 points but it wasn't enough as Worthington bested ACC 86-66 in league play. Witthus (16) and Mark Dixon (13) had double figures in the loss. Dave Witthus, Jon Iverson, and Jim Riles turned in their career best for ACC as they edged Waseca 84-82 in southern division play. Riles hit a half court shot at the buzzer for the victory and he took game scoring honors with 31 points and grabbed 14 rebounds. Witthus had a career high 19 points. Iverson scored a season high 12 points. It was the Blue Devils second win of the season (2-10). Bethany defeated ACC 90-86 in overtime to drop Austin to 1-2 in league play. Austin only scored two points in the final 7:14 of regulation and it was 76-76 going into overtime. Riles had 38 to lead all scorers. Austin was soundly defeated 79-49 by Willmar in league play. Dan Blaser led all Blue Devils with 18 points. Jim Riles poured in 28 points in an 87-76 loss to Rochester. The loss dropped the Blue Devils to 2-13 overall and 1-5 in southern division play. Worthington dealt Austin another loss 80-49 as Riles connected for 22 points. Dave Witthus came up with 10 assists and nine points to play a big roll in his team's win over Waseca 70-54. Riles had his usual steady night with 24, followed by Stan Munson (12) and Jon Iverson (11). The win was their second in seven league contests (2-5). ACC played the preliminary game to the Minnesota Gophers-Ohio State game and lost to their freshmen 57-50. Riles had 19 in a losing effort. Bethany Lutheran pounced on Austin who had earlier defeated the Vikings 85-65 in league play. Jim Riles would hit for 26, followed by Brian Friedrich 13 and Bob Cummings (10). Austin fell to 2-7 in Southern Division play as Willmar triumphed 84-76 over the Austin squad. Riles had 23 and Dave Witthus collected a dozen. The Blue Devils may have played their best game of the year but were edged by Rochester 88-79. Austin led 58-50 in the middle of the second half and disaster struck the final ten minutes. Jim Riles had 34 points and Witthus 10 assists in the loss. The Blue Devils turned in their best offensive performance of the year and yet it wasn't enough as Iowa Lakes JC turned back Austin 114-98 in their final contest of the year. The loss left the Blue Devils with a final 3-19 record. Riles topped the 30 point mark for the eighth time this season and finishing with 554 points (25.2 average). His point totals are the third all-time in Blue Devil history. Stan Munson had his season best with 17, while guard Dave Witthus added 13 and center Mark Dixon chipped in with 10 points. Austin finished 2-8 in league play. Jim Riles, All-Southern Division, All-State, All-Region XIII 2<sup>nd</sup> team, Honorable Mention All-American (553 points, 25.1 third all time highest in history for one season) 10.1 reb/pg and the top Junior college scorer in Minnesota. He finished among the top 15 scorers in the nation.

Roster Included:

Rob Haddorff	Carl Peterson	Jon Iverson
Jim Riles	Stan Munson	Dan Blaser
Robert Cummins	Steve Morem	Mark Dixon
Jeff Nelson	Brian Friedrich	Dave Witthus
Jon Iverson	Carl Peterson	

Student Managers: Rod Kolb and Paul Tate

Cheerleaders: (advisor Vel Moen); Marge Hanson, Debra Bednar, Barbara Gibart, Dindy Bellrichard, Jody Huber, and Barbara Qvale.

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** Coach Vel Moen 7-5  
MCCC-state 3<sup>rd</sup> The Austin Community College Lady Blue Devils returned only one letter winner (Mary Johnson). Austin opened its season with a 46-16 loss to powerful NIACC and a 48-28 defeat to Anoka-Ramsey. ACC got their first win with a 43-19 decision over Inver Hills. Beanie McDonald tossed in 17 points, Marg Graff 16 to lead their team to victory. Mary Hagen starred on defense. Pillsbury nipped Austin 52-50. Beanie McDonald netted 19 points, Mary Novak added 17 and Margie Graff had 12. Austin defeated Inver Hills a second time 42-25. Anoka-Ramsey belted ACC 52-35 to drop their record to 2-4. Mary Novak had 12 and Marg Graff 10 for ACC. Austin would win its final three games of the regular season. The handed Pillsbury a 51-44 loss, a game in which Beanie McDonald scored 23 and Graff add 19. ACC defeated Lakewood 34-13 (McDonald had 14 and Novak 11 points), and triumphed over Worthington 42-24. McDonald poured in 17, Margie Graff 13 and Mary Johnson had five key points in the victory. ACC women finished the regular season 5-4. They advanced to the Minnesota State JC tourney to take on Hibbing JC, who they defeated 42-30 in the opening round. Beanie McDonald led the Blue Devils with 18 and Mary Novak added 13 in the victory. Anoka-Ramsey defeated Austin for the third time in the semifinal round 51-28 as Margie Graff had 16 points for ACC. Austin rebounded with a 38-33 win over Willmar in the consolation round to take third place. After trailing 16-15 at halftime, Novak led a comeback and scored 13 to lead the ACC cagers. Beany McDonald (14.3 ppg), Mary Novak (8.5 ppg), and Margie Graff (10.3 ppg) led the lady Blue Devils to a 5-4 regular season and a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish in the State Tournament.

Roster Included:

Penny Kittleson	Mary Mullenhoeff	Beany McDonald
Cheryl Dimit	Lois Leif	Mary Jo Ripley
Cheryl Nybo	Margaret Graff	Mary Ann Hagen
Mary Johnson	Sally Luphes	Mary Novak
Mary Hagen		

Leading Scorer was Beany McDonald with 171 points. (14.3)

**BASEBALL** Coach Earl Perkins 8-11 ACC returns four lettermen from last year's Region championship team; Bob Rosel, Jim Westmoreland, Howie Strey and Jim Riles. The Blue Devils launched their season with a 10-5 romp over Pillsbury. Strey collected four hits including a three run homerun to lead the attack. Jim Riles had a no-hitter for 6 and 2/3 innings but line drive single broke it up with one out to go in a 5-1 win over NIACC in game one of a double header. Riles struck out nine and walked four in the win. Bob Rosel had three hits in the opener while Strey collected two in the nightcap. ACC lost twice to Worthington 13-3 and 5-3 in the opening conference contests. Rosel had two hits each game in a losing effort. The Blue Devils committed seven errors in two games and tumbled twice to Rochester 4-0 and 6-4. The losses drop Austin to 0-4 in league play. Howie Strey collected three hits in five at bats to lead ACC. Austin split a pair with Lakewood JC, winning 8-4 in the opener and losing 10-9 in the nightcap. The split left ACC 3-6 overall. Wes Trytten got three hits including a two run double in the win. Scott Bjerke and Strey each had three hits in the second contest. The Blue Devils pounded out 15-0 and 11-3 decision over Bethany Lutheran in southern division play. Austin now stands 2-4 in league play. Big 6 foot 4 John Riles threw a two hit shut out in the opener, striking out 8 and walking none. Riles and Strey had 2 RBI apiece. In the second game, Trytten, Riles and Jim Westmoreland each had two hits. ACC dropped two decisions to Worthington 3-2 and 2-0 in division play. Bob Rosel had two of Austin's hits in game one while Riles took the loss on the mound. ACC had only two hits in defeat in game two. Scott Bjerke fired a 4 hitter and clouted a two run homerun to lead Austin to a split with Rochester. The Yellowjackets won game one 6-0 but Bjerke's heroics gained them a split which left them 3-7 in southern division play and 6-9 overall. The Mankato freshmen handed ACC a pair of losses, 2-1 and 3-0 in non-conference play. The loss dropped Austin to 6-11 overall. Shortstop Dave Witthus collected three hits in game one. Austin won its final conference double header (not report found) to finish 5-7 in division play and 8-11 overall. Bob Rosel led them in hitting with a .373 average (19-51) while Jim Riles struck out 51 hitters.

Roster Included:

Jim Riles	Howie Strey	Bob Rosel
Jim Westmoreland	Scott Bjerke	Don Hagan
Bob Cather	Dave Halligan	Mark Erickson
Gary Heard	Mike Frisk	Jeff Nelson
Rob Haddorff	Wes Trytten	Dave Witthus

## **GOLF**

Coach Jim Mittun 49-2 MJCAA-2<sup>nd</sup> Region XIII runner-up (633) out of 18 teams. Austin Community College had a record setting year for season tournament victories. ACC won five invitational tournaments. Freshman Ron Snater led ACC (344) to win its own invitational at the Austin Country Club. Jack Edling (74) won on an extra hole playoff to claim medalist honors in the Worthington invite to pace Austin to first place in a seven team field. Snater claimed third with a 75. Edling did it again taking medalist honors at Willmar to capture their invitational with a 309 score. Edling shot a 73 for a new meet record. It was Ron Snater's turn as he took home medalist honors in the Rochester invitational and led ACC to another team win, shooting a 311 to win the seven team field. Carl Peterson shot 77 to be edged by one stroke by Edling (76). Snater also added a 77. ACC golfers are now 31-1 one the season. Carl Peterson stepped forward to take medalist honors as ACC won another tournament, scoring a 343 to win the Bethany Lutheran invitational. Peterson took honors with a 79. Snater shot 78 to earn medalist honors. Austin competed in the State and Region 13 golf tournament at Coon Rapids. ACC had to settle for runner-up honors in the Minnesota State and Region 13 JC tournament. Austin led after one day by a 317-318 over Northland. Northland came back and finished with a 629, four strokes better than Austin at 633. Ron Snater tied for medalist and took 3<sup>rd</sup> in playoff (156). Carl Peterson finished 4<sup>th</sup> with a 157. Jack Edling (161) and Dan Hunter (170) also participated. Snater and Peterson qualified for NJCAA nationals in Lehigh, Florida. Peterson shot 80-82=162 and Snater shot 75-82=157 but did not make the cut in the NJCAA national meet at Lehigh Acres in Fort Meyers, Florida. Members included: Carl Peterson, Dan Hunter, Ron Kelly, Jack Edling, Ron Snater, and Jim Neff.

## **TENNIS, Men's**

Coach Bill Goblirsch 1-6 Austin won their debut with a 4-3 win over Anoka-Ramsey. North Hennepin blanked ACC to drop them to 1-1. Jon Iverson at #1 singles turned in their best effort, losing 1-6, 6-3, 6-4. The Blue Devils dropped to 1-2 as NIACC defeated them 4-2. Iverson was a double winner, winning the only singles match and teaming with Tim Johnson in a doubles victory. Austin dropped 7-2 and 6-3 decision to Bethany Lutheran and Metropolitan respectively. Jon Iverson won two singles matches and was on the winning doubles team in each match. ACC lost its fifth in a row to Rochester 9-1 but Jon Iverson continued to win, defeating his opponent 6-1, 6-4. The Blue Devils tumbled to Bethany 7-2 leaving them at 1-6 on the season. Iverson was the lone singles winner and the team of Larry Larson and Tim Johnson were the only doubles winners. The Minnesota State JC tournament started in Austin but rain halted the meet and it moved indoors to the Winona State indoor athletic center. Jon Iverson, the super sophomore from ACC, captured the MSJC singles championship winning a three set match over Mike Miller from North Hennepin.

Iverson started his drive with a 6-0, 6-1 win, then 6-1, 6-1. It was on to the semifinals where he defeated his opponent 6-2, 6-4. Then on to the finals where Iverson controlled the final set, winning the first three games and on to the championship. The four victories boosted Iverson's record to 13-1. he was runner-up last year in the state tourney. He now advances to the Region 13 tournament. North Hennepin won the tourney while Austin finished 7<sup>th</sup> out of 14 teams. Iverson opened with 6-3, 6-2 win opening round of the singles championships, then won easily 6-1, 6-3 to advance to the semifinal round. Iverson won in a tough match, winning 7-6, 7-6 with a nine point tie breaker deciding each of the two sets. He breezed in the finals winning 6-0, 6-0 to advance to the NJCAA national tournament at Central Florida College in Ocala, Florida. The victories upped his record to 17-1. North Hennepin and Anoka Ramsey tied for the Region 13 title. Jon Iverson lost his opening round 6-7, 2-6 to Jim Dombke of Deerborn, Michigan in the opening round of the NJCAA tourney. Iverson came back to win six matches to win the consolation trophy (5<sup>th</sup>) in the NJCAA tourney. In the finals of the consolation, he won 6-3, 6-2 over Greg Mason of Lincoln, Illinois. A total of 140 players competed and 70 of them in the consolation bracket. Iverson finished his season with a 23-2 record in all his matches. Members included: John Iverson, Paul Tate, Tim Johnson, Darwin Larson, Larry Larson, and Barb Wangen, Ron Snater.

**Tennis, Women's** Coach Vel Moen 2-3 Austin women netters lost their opening match (no record) but defeated Pillsbury 5-1 to win their inaugural match. In singles, Mary Ann Hagan, Beanie McDonald and Mary Binder all were winners. Connie Millam lost in singles. In doubles, Dawn Ferguson-McDonald team and Margie Graff-Mary Jo Ripley team won. The Winona State defeated ACC 5-2 to drop their record to 1-2. Ferguson won in singles and the doubles team of Hagan and McDonald won their match. ACC lost their next match (no record found) and bounced back with a 7-1 win over Pillsbury, upping their team record to 2-3. Coach Vel Moen teamed with one of her players, May Ann Hagan to win in doubles. ACC closed against Inver Hills JC but no score was found. Members included: Beany McDonald, Margie Graff, Connie Millam, Mary Ann Hagan, Dawn Ferguson, Penny Kittleson, and Mary Jo Ripley.

