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## Suit filed against Greenville, five police officers

Eli Baine  
TEC STAFF

**Editor's Note:** The story below describes video-captured police violence by the Greenville Police Department (GPD). Due to the content within the article and sensitive subject matter, reader discretion is advised. If you or someone you know has had negative interactions with the GPD, reach out to [news@theeastcarolinian.com](mailto:news@theeastcarolinian.com) to possibly have your experience shared in a follow-up news story. Requests for anonymity will be respected.

A lawsuit against the City of Greenville and five Greenville Police Department officers was filed on Aug. 15 by former East Carolina University wide receiver Demarcus Fox for an alleged violation of his constitutional rights during a traffic stop in 2022.

According to the lawsuit, Demarcus Fox v. City of Greenville, et al., Fox was stopped by marked and unmarked police vehicles on Oct. 7, 2022. None of the GPD vehicles turned on their dashboard cameras, according to the suit, but the stop was filmed by an eyewitness. The video was obtained by WITN and can be viewed on The East Carolinian's website.

"Shortly after Defendant Officers activated their lights, Plaintiff pulled into the driveway of his family home," according to the suit. "Upon stopping his vehicle in his family's driveway, Plaintiff was aggressively approached by Defendant Officers, who were pointing their firearms at him, yelling profanity and instructing Plaintiff to get out of the vehicle."

According to the suit, conversations over police radio during the incident indicate Fox had been "obeying all traffic laws," the assumption being that the GPD were only looking for a reason to stop Fox.

The five officers involved in Fox's arrest are named as defendants in the case, according to the suit. One officer who was named Keith Knox, pulled Fox by the hair during the arrest and ripped off multiple of his dreadlocks that he had been growing for 10 years.

"Defendant Knox and the other Defendant Officers continued to apply excessive force

against Plaintiff by pushing and pulling him in multiple directions, slamming him to the ground, placing a knee on Plaintiff's neck, repeatedly punching and kneeling Plaintiff, continuously pulling Plaintiff by his hair and needlessly grinding Plaintiff's face into the ground," according to the suit. "During the course

of the stop, Defendant Officers, and in particular, Defendant (Justin) White violently punched, kicked and kneed Plaintiff."

Upon bringing Fox into police-custody, he was asked to become a confidential infor-

mant for the department in exchange for the charges of Fleeing/Eluding Arrest and Resisting a Public Officer being dropped, according to the suit. Fox turned down the offer, according to the suit, and said he

would plead not guilty to the charges.

According to the suit, Fox's Constitutional rights were infringed by the officers by using excessive force and by questioning Fox prior to him being read his Miranda Rights. According to the suit, Fox is seeking \$500,000 in compensatory damages and another

\$500,000 in punitive damages.

Durham Attorney Brandon Atwater, the lawyer representing Fox, said regardless of Fox committing a crime, the force used by the GPD was unwarranted.

"Even if they did have reasonable and articulable suspicion, we maintain that they didn't, but even if they did, that would be no excuse for the level of force that was used," Atwater said. "Officer Knox, there was no reason for him to pull my client by the hair. You have five officers, you've got plenty of officers, my client clearly has his hands up. The officers have their weapons drawn. Why would you need to grab my client by the hair?"

Plaintiff Demarcus Fox said he was focused on going about his life normally, trying to ignore the "drama" surrounding him.

"I've been maintaining, just right now it's kind of tunnel vision," Fox said. "No matter what, I've still got to be a civilian and a human being, just go about my regular day working, so, I'm going to therapy, going to work and maintaining for now."

Greenville Public Information Officer Brock Letchworth wrote the Greenville Police Department takes public safety seriously.

The City of Greenville, Letchworth wrote, is aware of the recent lawsuit and the video evidence of the traffic stop in October 2022.

"It should be noted that the video includes only a portion of the events from that evening," Letchworth wrote. "While we do not discuss specifics of pending litigation, the City will vigorously defend this lawsuit and is eagerly anticipating the chance to pro-

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## One professor dead after UNC shooting

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On Aug. 28, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill experienced an active shooter situation that left one UNC faculty member dead.

Chief of Police of the UNC Police Department Brian James said in a press conference the suspected shooter is a UNC graduate student named Tailai Qi and he is currently being held in the Orange County Jail.

The one victim of the shooting was a UNC associate professor named Zijie Yan, James said. The suspect and Yan knew each other, James said, and Qi went straight to him in Caudill Laboratories on UNC's campus.

"We are deeply saddened by the loss of one of our Carolina community members," James said. "On behalf of all UNC Police, I extend my deepest condolences to Professor Yan's family. You will continue to be in our thoughts and prayers."

Qi, James said, is facing charges of first degree murder and possession of a firearm on educational property. James said additional charges may be added during the current investigation.

The suspect appeared in court for the first

time on Aug. 29, James said, and is awaiting his second hearing scheduled for Sept. 18.

"At this time, it is still too early to establish a definitive motive," James said. "This will be something we will continue to determine throughout the course of the investigation."

UNC Chancellor Kevin Guskiewicz wrote in a statement there is no evidence of an ongoing threat to UNC campus and its students.

The fact the shooting happened, Guskiewicz wrote, is an awful reality, and trust in the safety of UNC campus will be compromised.

"I am devastated and saddened by today's shooting in one of our campus buildings, a place where we conduct our important work of teaching, mentoring and research every day," Guskiewicz wrote. "This shooting damages the trust and safety that we so often take for granted on our campus."

Mental health resources are available to UNC students and their families, Guskiewicz wrote. The student wellbeing offices,

Guskiewicz wrote, are prepared to help people through the traumatizing experience.

Guskiewicz wrote he is thankful for the first responders involved in capturing the shooter and keeping UNC campus safe.

Guskiewicz wrote it took authorities approximately 90 minutes between the report of shots fired on campus and the suspect being arrested.

"I am grateful to our Emergency Operations Center and UNC Police for effectively managing this situation and to our faculty, staff and students for their cooperation to ensure the safety of our campus commu-

nity," Guskiewicz wrote. "I am praying for the victim, their family and every member of the Carolina community."

Due to the shooting, Guskiewicz wrote, all classes and campus events were canceled through Aug. 29.

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Kevin Guskiewicz



Brian James



Law enforcement officers search for 'armed and dangerous' person on UNC campus on Aug. 28

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Hurricane Idalia on course for Eastern NC

On Aug. 29, the storm, Hurricane Idalia, strengthened to the level of a category two hurricane. The hurricane is expected to become a category three by landfall in Florida. The heaviest section of the storm is expected to miss Greenville; however, such storms can be unpredictable.

CRW to hold paddle boating event on Tar River

On Sept. 1, Campus Recreation and Wellness (CRW) will be having a paddle boat event on the Tar River free to all students and CRW Members. Non-students and CRW Members may purchase trip tickets for \$10 each. Registration for the event closes on Aug. 30 at noon.

Pirate fitness program available for students

Campus Recreation and Wellness (CRW) is offering an eight-week fitness training program for all students. Participants will be working to achieve their health goals in a group setting with a coach to provide training strategies and techniques. Registration for the program opens on Sept. 7, and sign ups for preview days are available before then.

CORRECTIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

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Various of cars and automobiles in the parking area outside the entrance of the Hampton Inn hotel during daytime in Greenville, North Carolina.

Pitt County tourism hits new high

Eli Baine TEC STAFF

Tourist spending in Pitt County, North Carolina, has increased 13.2 percent between 2021 and 2022, reaching a total of \$290 million, a new local record.

Visit Greenville N.C. Vice President of Destination Marketing & Development Sierra Jones wrote in an email statement the new data was sourced from a Visit North Carolina study. Domestic spending has increased as well, Jones wrote.

"Total spending by domestic and international visitors in North Carolina reached \$33.3 billion in 2022," Jones wrote. "That sum represents a 15.2 percent increase over 2021 expenditures. The figure (\$33.3 billion) falls 14 percent above the record \$29.22 billion spent in 2019."



President and CEO of Visit Greenville Andrew Schmidt said N.C. beaches and mountains attained record tourism numbers during the pandemic, but rural areas like Pitt County took a substantial hit.

During the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic, Schmidt said, total visitation spending

in the area only reached \$180 million compared to the new 2022 figure of \$290 million. These numbers, Schmidt said, will help put more attention on Greenville statewide.

"We are completely recovered from the pandemic from the visitation part of it," Schmidt said. "What we're not recovered from is the staffing shortage."

Many jobs created through tourism were lost over the pandemic, Schmidt said, and it is a state-wide issue.

A new record of \$290 million in visitation spending was reached for Greenville and Pitt County, Schmidt said, and the figure is expected to clear \$300 million in 2023 assuming trends continue.

"We spend about 250,000 dollars a year marketing Greenville and Pitt County to outside groups, organizations and leisure travelers," Schmidt said. "Our mission is to create a positive economic impact through travel and tourism."

Schmidt said Visit Greenville N.C. is looking into what effects a new Greenville sports complex could have on tourism. As of now, Schmidt said, sports facilities are mostly owned by high schools and East Carolina University, so the City of Greenville has to "borrow" them for events. Schmidt said more information on this possible project will be made available in coming years.

Visit North Carolina Executive Director Wit

Tuttell said it is promising to see growth in less-populated areas like Greenville and it may lead to a better future for the state.

"North Carolina's tourism industry draws its success from the authentic culture and experiences that flourish across a spectrum of settings," Tuttell said. "The new report from Tourism Economics shows growth beyond our celebrated mountains and



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beaches to our urban centers and surrounding suburban and rural counties."

According to the Visit North Carolina report, N.C. hosted approximately 43 million visitors in 2022 and each N.C. household saved \$512 in taxes as a result of tourism in 2022, another new record.

Tuttell said tourism as a whole is greatly beneficial to the economy of the state, and it also increases job opportunities across the state.

"Tourism's strength across the state underscores the industry's role as an anchor of economic development," Tuttell said. "The money visitors spend benefits everyone by sustaining jobs and reducing the tax burden for every resident."

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Two people conversing at the Greenville Toyota Amphitheater at Greenville Town Common

Town Common remains popular spot for residents

Aida Khalifa TEC STAFF

Town Common, a park in Greenville, North Carolina's uptown district, features 21 acres of open green space and is the city's central park.

Connected to the Tar River Greenway, the Town Common includes the Greenville Toyota Amphitheater where the community can come together to enjoy live music and various events.

Recreation and Parks Superintendent Heather White said the Town Common is considered a central park in the community because of its location and its green space as well as its close proximity to the uptown district. She said there is something to do everyday for everyone of all ages.

White said the Town Common has been around for a while and the event that attracts the biggest crowd is always the 4th of July event that is thrown at the common every year.

"I would say that over the last several years we have initiated posting more city of Greenville events at Town Common because of the space and the draw of people that it will bring down there," White said. "So we're just diversifying our special event offerings in order to use the space to max capacity and potential."

She said as a part of the special events team specifically for Town Common there is always an event being put on. White said this can include an internal event created by the

parcs department or an external event put on by members of the community.

White said with the Town Common being in close proximity to East Carolina University, it is a good place for college students to go and there are lots of events intended for them.

"When the students are back we see obviously that there's an increase in sales," White said. "You could definitely tell that there are select events that when the college students are here on campus they do attend. I would say the college students benefit from the events at town comment during the school year."

Sophomore biology major Nordan Luduvivo said he visits the park frequently with his friends. Luduvivo said there is so much space to walk around and explore different trails. It is a nice place to go with friends at any time of day, he said, and the amphitheater has a great background for pictures.

Luduvivo said the best part of the park is how close it is to campus. The Town Common is a short drive from campus, making it easily accessible to anyone who needs a break or quick escape from campus, he said.

"The park is massive, there's so much to do there," Luduvivo said. "I love going there with a friend or by myself and walking around, or climbing the amphitheater or just taking some photos at all the different nature spots."

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## OUR VIEW

### Education should be equal for everyone

We at The East Carolinian believe students of all ages, backgrounds and ethnicities should be offered the same, unbiased education and local and state governments should leave the job of teaching to professional educators.

Recently in North Carolina, a slew of anti-LGBT education bills have been passed into law despite veto attempts by Governor Roy Cooper. Instruction on sexuality and gender identity has been limited, and in some cases, teachers are required by law to report to parents if a student requests a name or pronoun change. This is discriminatory and enables the abusive parenting of a marginalized group.

Just this year, a Florida elementary school, Bunnell Elementary, selected a group of only African-American students to show them a presentation containing statistics of how Black students score lower on standardized tests on average. The goal of the incident was to educate the Black students on how to improve their grades and study harder. This line of thinking fundamentally misunderstands the problem at hand and is blatantly racist, needless to say.

According to a 2019 report from the nonprofit EdBuild, despite there being a roughly equal number of students in predominantly white and predominantly non-white school districts, white districts receive \$2,226 more in funding per student on average. According to a 2023 MIT study, school funding has a direct, positive relationship with academic performance, especially with mathematics.



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East Carolina University letters on display, located outside of Main Campus Student Center, a popular study spot on campus for students

## It's a Pirate's Life - in Greenville, NC



Marion Blackburn  
TEC COLUMNIST

Welcome back to Greenville, Pirates! I'm Marion Blackburn, and it's my privilege to represent you on the Greenville City Council for District 3.

District 3 is one of the most diverse in our city. It has students, professors, families, small businesses and professionals. People of all ages and walks of life call District 3 home.

If you're an ECU student, you likely live in the district. It starts at Reade Circle and continues east to Portertown Road. It has parks, schools and ECU's main campus. Most of our center city apartments like Proximity, the Province and Jolly Roger, lie in District 3.

The greenway runs through the district - you can easily step onto it from many houses.

The neighborhoods in District 3 include the historic College View area, as well as the Tar River University Neighborhood, Colonial Heights, College Court-Coghill, Brookgreen, Stratford and my neighborhood, River Hills.

You won't find a better mix of student vitality and neighborhood quality of life anywhere else in Greenville.

As your representative, I serve as your advocate in the city. I can help with issues such as trash pick up, recycling and large items that need to be carried off. I can also help find information you need.

Let's take a look at some features of life in Greenville.

First, our downtown. You'll find restaurants, clubs and our distinctive mix of shops.

Our Dickinson Avenue Historic District continues to bloom with eateries, retail and breweries. Together they form a lively center city.

Soon, you'll see more construction as we build new greenways and initiate road improvements in this area.

If you're older than 21, you can enjoy alcoholic beverages in the outdoor Social Districts downtown. You can visit participating establishments and take your beverage with you.

A couple of blocks from downtown you'll find the Town Common on First Street. That's our "Central Park," where concerts, festivals, 5Ks and all kinds of fun events take place.

From there, you can begin your walk along the Tar River Greenway leading you to Green Springs Park, the stadium and

Evans Street. The greenway is an incredible way to experience Greenville surrounded by wildlife, trees, streams and bridges.

It's a wonderful place for walking your dogs, too. Just make sure they're always on a leash.

Fortunately, Greenville has a trap-neuter-return program. Homeless cats are "fixed" and returned to the area where they live to slow down this overpopulation. If you'd like to volunteer with the TNR program, let me know.

Keep an eye on your surroundings. When walking home at night from downtown, make sure you're with trustworthy friends.

Keep an eye on your drinks so no one tampers with them.

Parties off campus can be fun - but to avoid problems, keep the music down, especially at night. Greenville has a noise ordinance that applies throughout the city. If you plan to have amplified sound, you'll need a permit from City Hall. If your party is indoors, make sure you can't hear the music from outside.

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## PIRATE RANTS

The East Carolinian does not endorse the statements made in Pirate Rants.

The amount of congestion around campus right now gives me anxiety!

I love having Raising Canes on campus, but I wish there were more locations in Greenville.

Parking is just like coloring. Be sure to stay between the lines, especially in the parking deck!

I totally missed seeing the little robots on campus everyday. They make my entire week!

Fridays we wear PURPLE!

I'm looking forward to the remainder of this semester, but I won't lie in saying I'm already stressed out.

I seriously can't contain my excitement for this year's football season. It's gonna be a great year, I can feel it!

There needs to be a social etiquette class. The university spends thousands paving a path dedicated for walkers and bikers but both are getting hurt cause neither are obeying the path structure. People are entering buses through exit doors instead of getting in line through the entrance. What is your seat that important for a 5 minute ride? On top of that the disregard of disabled people on buses. Give up the seat and give them the right of way.

Questions regarding Pirate Rants can be directed to Kiarra Crayton at [editor@theeastcarolinian.com](mailto:editor@theeastcarolinian.com).

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TEC COLUMNIST

If you asked me my opinion on living in an apartment compared to a dorm, you would get a quick and simple answer: Although it has its downsides, I would say the benefits of having an apartment highly outweigh the negative aspects of it.

although it is similar to a dorm room on campus, an apartment provides more personal space and freedom, but it also comes with a larger responsibility. This can be especially true if one has roommates to share the living space with.

In an apartment room, most individuals have their own personal bedroom and bathroom. Each apartment typically includes a living room, kitchen area, laundry room and outdoor patio. A dorm room, on the other hand, is a single room which is usually shared with a roommate.

The dorms provide little to no privacy and a limited amount of room for personal supplies. In addition to the small amount of privacy you are given in a dorm, students also have to use communal bathrooms and shower areas and use a large living area with students from the entire building.

An apartment allows you to both value your personal space and limits your use of shared belongings with only a few individuals. It can also bring more of a sense of feeling at home and gaining more sense of freedom.



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The Eastern on Tenth, an apartment complex in Greenville, North Carolina, houses college students

A large majority of complexes also include swimming pools, a fitness center, outdoor social areas and are within close proximity to popular dining options and stores. These amenities are one of the many reasons an apartment is a popular choice among university students.

Personally, I enjoy living in an apartment because I am able to spend time with my roommates, but also have a private area I can go to when needed. It isn't too much privacy, but just the right amount.

One important thing to consider when planning to live in an apartment, however, is the financial aspect of it. Some apartment complexes may charge an extremely expensive monthly rental fee, depending on the chosen complex and if you decide to have roommates or not.

Most apartments are pet friendly as

well, which may be a great option for students who own one or more animals. In contrast, most dorms will not allow individuals to own a pet unless it is a service animal or under another special condition.

Overall, it's important to decide which living option is best for you and to do research on apartments you may favor and compare them to other living alternatives. In my own personal opinion, I believe an apartment is worth it.

If it is in one's best interest, an apartment complex can be an excellent choice for students to enjoy their years in college, gain independence and retain a level of privacy and security while pursuing their education.

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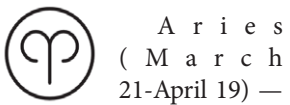
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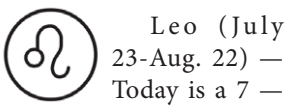
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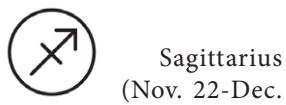
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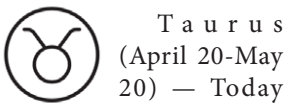
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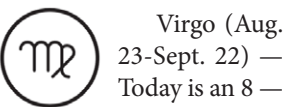
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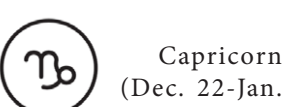
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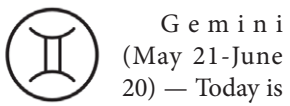
**Taurus** (April 20-May 20) — Today is an 8 — Teamwork can get beyond a barrier or obstacle. Patiently adapt with communication glitches. Coordinate your moves carefully. Work together to generate lasting value.



**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is an 8 — Compromise with your partner. Keep your sense of humor and patience. Clarify miscommunications as they arise. Don't push sensitive subjects. Support each other.



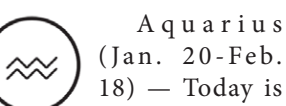
**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is an 8 — Get creative with a puzzle. Your bright ideas save the day. Express your heart in words, images and action. Keep communications simple and clear.



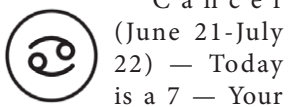
**Gemini** (May 21-June 20) — Today is an 8 — Handle professional deadlines and responsibilities despite complications. Don't push into a brick wall. Find clever ways around a challenge. Connect for team solutions.



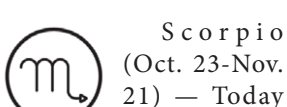
**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 7 — Prioritize health despite a challenge. Stretch well before launching into action. Stick to stable routines and practices. Nurture yourself with rest and good food.



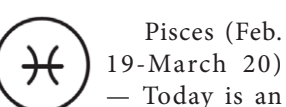
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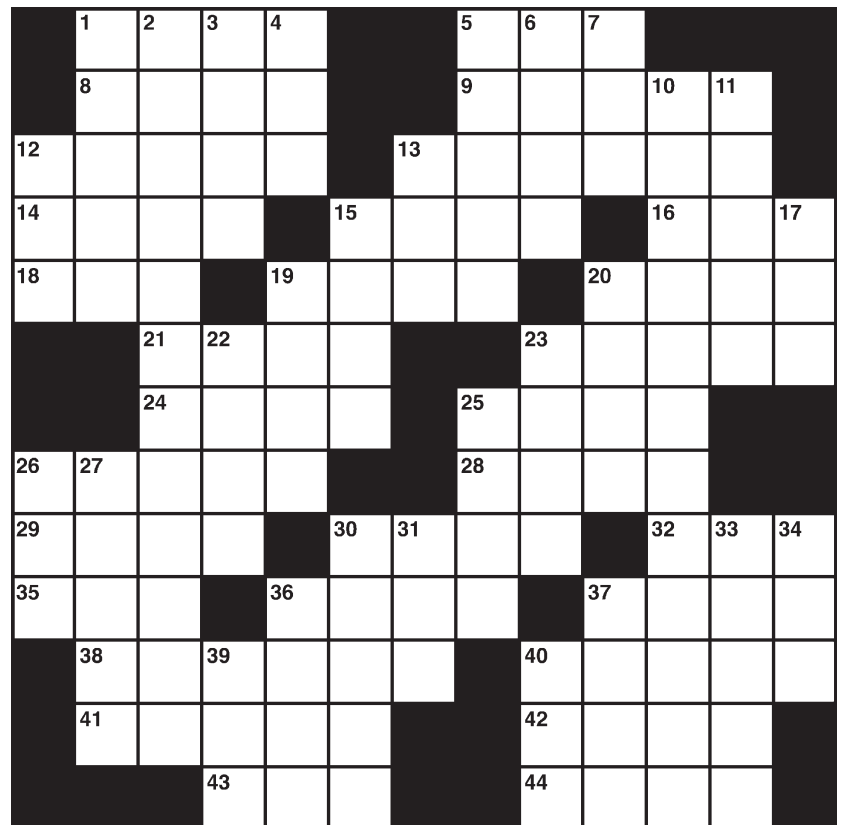
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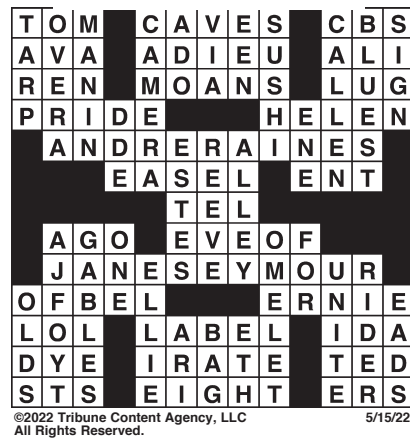
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- 13 Extreme
- 14 Haughtiness
- 15 "Chicago \_\_\_"
- 16 Cereal grain
- 18 \_\_\_ tai; rum cocktail
- 19 "Ticket to \_\_\_"; Beatles song
- 20 Actor Katz
- 21 "\_\_\_ Hand Luke"; Paul Newman movie
- 23 "\_\_\_ Family Robinson"; Disney film
- 24 Meara or Murray
- 25 Notices
- 26 Wyman & Pauley
- 28 Lois \_\_\_; "Smallville" role
- 29 Perón & Gabor
- 30 "An American \_\_\_"; film about Fievel
- 32 Crime lab evidence

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- 1 Actress Bello
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- 3 Certain bills
- 4 Explosive letters
- 5 "Are You \_\_, Chelsea?"
- 6 Wasp nest site
- 7 King Kong, for one
- 10 2022 John Ortiz series
- 11 "The Wonder \_\_\_"
- 12 Bagpiper's cap
- 13 Caesar, for one
- 15 Manicurist's need
- 17 "... the season to be jolly..."
- 19 Reagan & Howard
- 20 Dr. \_\_\_ Hunt; "Grey's Anatomy" role
- 22 White Monopoly bills
- 23 "\_\_\_ Team"
- 25 Went down a fire pole
- 26 "\_\_\_ Pilot"; John Wayne film
- 27 To no \_\_\_; fruitlessly
- 30 Carried
- 31 Pacino & Roker
- 33 De \_\_\_; actor Robert's kin
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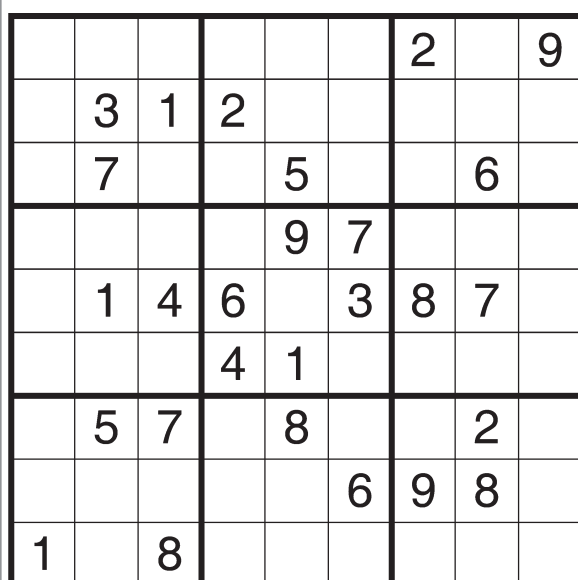
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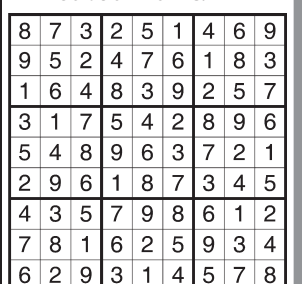
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## FEATURE



Yacht Club labeling at their Culture Fest event on Aug. 24 at the Main Campus Student Center lawn, which featured the following organizations



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ECU's NAACP at Culture Fest



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Black Student Union at Culture Fest

## TEC club feature of the month: Yacht Club

**Julia Lawson**  
TEC STAFF

**Kiarra Crayton**  
TEC STAFF



Every month, The East Carolinian will highlight a club or organization in the series, for the month of August, Yacht Club was selected.

As the new year commences, clubs at East Carolina University have big plans to encourage students to partake in their events and ECU's Yacht Club had many events for the Week of Welcome.

Ayanna Williams, senior theater arts major and the President of the Yacht Club, said the club's Week of Welcome was filled with advertising for the club, social mixers and musical guest performances. "Yacht Club is an acronym, it stands for Young Artists Chasing High Times," Williams said. "We

were founded in 2012 by four or five black male students, so Young Artists Chasing High Times, basically we're a marketing, promotions and event planning group, we also do community service and fundraising."

Each day of the week included a new event such as a field day, game night, sleeper night and a pool party, Williams said, to create a sense of community and encourage students to join.

Williams said after the initial welcome week, the club will continue to host a variety of events, including a talent show at the end of the first semester and basketball games. "We're (Yacht Club) open to everyone, there's not anyone who cannot join," Williams said. "We will be having an interest meeting Monday, September 4, our applica-

tions will open August 30th."

There will be more information about the club at Get a Clue, Williams said, the organization's executive board will be present to answer questions. Get a Clue is an easy way for incoming students to get involved because it showcases a lot of clubs around campus.

Williams said the application to join will close Sept. 10 and new member interviews will take place Sept. 11 through Sept. 13.

"The new member interviews, I know it sounds scary, but it's really just getting to know the people who want to join," Williams said. "They can give us ideas about different events we should throw and stuff like that."

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## Farmer Markets in Greenville, NC



JAYLIN ROBERTS | THE EAST CAROLINIAN  
LaRita Johnson sells Salsa & Jelli since 2004

**Kim Kassner**  
TEC STAFF

Fresh produce, local artists and community engagement: Farmers Markets in Greenville, North Carolina, offer a variety of products and engagement opportunities for its visitors.

One of the biggest markets with year-round vendors in Greenville is the Leroy James Farmers Market and has been around for the past 30 years, Farmers Market Coordinator LaRita Johnson said. Open both on Fridays and Saturdays, she said, visitors can enjoy "fresh flavors" from 8 a.m. through 1 p.m.

"We've got all the fresh fruits and vegetables," Johnson said. "We've got muscadine grapes, peanuts, lots of yummy baked goods, fresh honey and beautiful flowers. And you know, flowers make everybody smile. We've got people who are growers, we've got plants. We've got fabulous meat from outstanding grass fed animals. There is also delicious popcorn, it's the best popcorn you will ever have."

Other vendors include a woodworker, wine-maker, leather crafter, as well as a homemade card and shadowbox stand, Johnson said.

When visitors come to the Leroy James Farmers Market, she said, they not only support small businesses but also get one-of-a-kind items no one else has.

"Our people have to make their own products, the artisans and the bakers," Johnson said. "They all do. They're all certified to bake and sell at the market. On top of that, coming to the farmers market here is just an experience. Walking in there just makes me smile. The vendors are precious. Everyone adores their customers and the customers adore them. We are a family here and everyone gets along so well. There's nothing like it."

Johnson said she has been working as the Farmers Market Coordinator for the past six and a half years, but has been selling garden fresh salsa and jellies at the Leroy James Farmers Market since 2004.

Apart from her involvement in managing fellow vendors and selling her own products, she said, there are also community events she takes part in.

"In the fall, we have our pumpkin decorating contest for the kids," Johnson said. "I get a bunch of stuff that they can decorate pumpkins with. We then take pictures and announce a first, second and third place winner. Then we have what we call a 'holiday card decorating contest.' The best cards go to a senior center who are participating in the Meals on Wheels program. We really like to take care of our local seniors."

Johnson said the need to take care of local seniors is driven by the "gratitude" she feels due to the sacrifices they made in the past for the world we live in today.

The reason why American citizens have farmland, fresh produce and so much "love" for the country, she said, all comes from those who started it, meaning local seniors. Interested students, faculty and staff who want to volunteer for the Farmers Market can reach out to her, Johnson said, as help is always needed.

Owner Operator of Briley's Farm Market Rachel Whitehurst said their third-generation family farm provides different kinds of produce



JAYLIN ROBERTS | THE EAST CAROLINIAN  
Fresh produce is available at the L.J. Market

from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day at their produce stand every year.

"From spring to fall, we have our produce stand up and running," Whitehurst said. "We sell a variety of things that are locally grown here like squash, zucchini, cucumbers, corn, cantaloupe, watermelons, butter beans or peas. We do get peaches, blueberries, things like that, that we don't grow. We do get a bit of lettuce but they're all usually locally grown or as local as we can get them."

The last date for Briley's Farm Market stand will be Sept. 8, Whitehurst said. Until then, their business hours during the week are 9 a.m. to 6

p.m. and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

After their last day of the produce season, Whitehurst said, the family business will open up their pumpkin patch starting on Sept. 16 with fall squashes, hay rods and a corn maze.

"We will have two pumpkin lots and a pumpkin patch during the fall," Whitehurst said. "The pumpkins are already ready to be taken down. In the next couple of days, we'll go ahead and start picking them and putting them up. Even though it'll probably still be 100 degrees when people are coming to pick out their pumpkin, the new season is coming fast."

When Whitehurst joined her husband's family, she did not know much about farming, she said. Even though it took her some time to adjust to the life of a farmer, she has enjoyed learning how to grow different kinds of produce.

Since her husband has been farming his entire life, Whitehurst said, it's his second nature to grow food and take care of their animals.

"It is the only thing that my husband has ever done in his entire life," Whitehurst said. "He has worked and farmed and done produce and pumpkins. He was brought up in it with his grandparents and then continued with his mom. For him it's more than a job, he is a true farmer and you can tell by his work ethic. For me, it's not as easy and has taken years to learn. But it's been fun getting to know farming regardless."

During the winter time, Briley's Farm Market takes a break, she said. Her family uses this time to concentrate on other farm related assignments, like preparing for the new seasons. For more information about upcoming events, produce, business hours or related questions, she said, people can visit Briley's Farm Market's Facebook or Instagram page.

Greenville local and Farmers Market enthusiast Garrett McGee said he has been going to the different produce stands in town ever since he moved here.

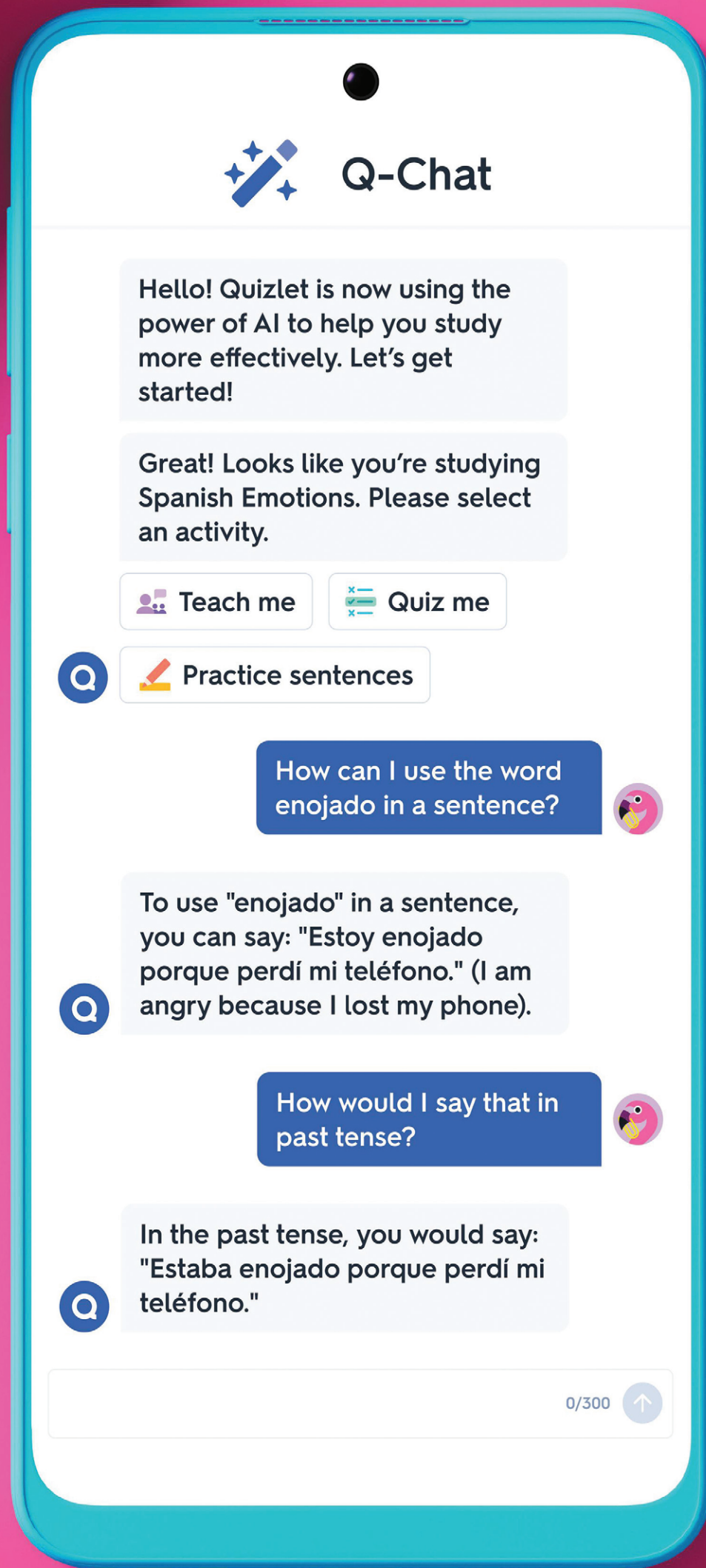
"My family back home in Pennsylvania, they are all farmers," McGee said. "I grew up around fresh produce and could not imagine a life without it. When I moved to North Carolina, I knew Farmers Markets were the place to go to get food like what I was used to."

The variety of markets and items one can buy really impress him, he said. Strolling around on a Saturday morning to fill up his fridge for the rest of the week is one of his favorite activities.

Without farmers, McGee said, the United States wouldn't be what it is today. He said he is thankful for the sacrifices people make so that we all can have produce, meat and dairy products on our tables.

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## TEC 'spertZ

The East Carolinian Sports experts predict this week's events

### Trevor McGlone

TEC Staff



**ECU vs. Michigan**  
**Score Prediction?**  
35-32 ECU

**Why?** ECU takes an early lead over the Wolverines, surprising the Nation in the first half. Michigan storms back to tie the game late in the 4 quarter. ECU then completes a two minute drill to kick the winning field goal, winning it 35-32.

### Diego Lerma

For The East Carolinian



**ECU vs. Michigan**  
**Score Prediction?**  
49-46 ECU

**Why?** The game is going to be a close one. ECU will surprise many by making it a very competitive game. The score will be even throughout the game but the Pirates will get a field goal late in the fourth beating Michigan.

### Nick Bailey

TEC Staff



**ECU vs. Michigan**  
**Score Prediction?**  
35-25 ECU

**Why?** The Wolverines' high-powered offense, which propelled them to the college football playoffs, is projected to score a lot of points. What no one expects is how many points the Pirates can score on Saturday. With a deep running back room and a new starting quarterback, ECU can put up a better fight than anticipated against the country's No. 2 team.

### Kim Kassner

TEC Staff



**ECU vs. Michigan**  
**Score Prediction?**  
24-27 ECU

**Why?** I've got this feeling that this game is going to end with a big surprise. ECU has surprised the Nation before and this might be one of those "That did not happen, did it?!" moments. Even though Michigan is a tough opponent, they've shown in past seasons that they can be upsetted. Pirate Nation - get ready for this unforgettable game!



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ECU football players battle against each other in preseason training camp prior to their matchup against the University of Michigan.

## ECU clashes with No. 2 Michigan

Nick Bailey  
TEC STAFF

East Carolina University's football team (0-0, 0-0 American Athletic Conference) will be kicking off their season in Ann Arbor, Michigan, on Sept. 2 at noon against the No. 2 ranked team in the country in the University of Michigan (0-0, 0-0 Big Ten Conference).

This game will not only kick off ECU's 90 season of football, but it will also be the Pirates' first ever meeting with the Wolverines. ECU has not faced a Big Ten Conference opponent since 1995, when they met the University of Illinois.

ECU Football and Mike Houston held the team's first media day on Aug. 19 and weekly press conference of the year on Aug. 29 and Houston answered some questions about his squad and their upcoming matchup in the "Big House".

"It's great to be back for another season of Pirate Football," Houston said. "Obviously, we're really excited about the opener with the opportunity to go and play in an iconic venue like The Big House in Ann Arbor. It's going to be a great opportunity for our program, players and coaches. I think everyone knows what kind of team we're encountering. Most experts will tell you on paper that Michigan is the most talented team in the country this year."

The "Big House" holds legendary history to its name, being around since 1927 and holding up 11 National Championship banners in their honor. Three Heisman Award winners have also gone through the Wolverines program.

Michigan Stadium has a capacity of over 110,000 people and the crowd may create a hostile environment for opposition teams. Here's what Houston had to say about the team's trip to Michigan and performing in that setting.

"They've got to be able to handle the stage," Houston said. "It's going to be the largest stadium any of them have ever played in,

so you must be able to handle that. You have to settle down and go play ball. We've got to go up there and understand that once we get on that field, the same rules. They've got eleven and we've got eleven. We've got to go play. We've got enough guys that have played in big games."

ECU has demonstrated before it would not shy away from highly ranked opponents on opening weekend with an example as recent as last season's opener. ECU came close to defeating the No. 13 ranked team at the time, North Carolina State University, losing 21-20 in the first game of the season.

After losing six players to the National Football League at the conclusion of last season, including wide receivers C.J. Johnson and Isaiah Winstead, the Pirates' roster has some gaps to fill and new players to step up and shine.

"One of the biggest positives from preseason camp for me has been Jhari (Patterson)," Houston said. "He has been very impressive and was very impressive again today. I think Jaylen (Johnson) has been very solid throughout camp. Jsi (Hatfield) has been very solid and consistent throughout camp. Kerry (King) has really improved. The receiver room is really coming around. I think that group has really stood out for me during this preseason camp."

The Michigan coaching staff has been rattled recently, with a few coaches missing the opening due to suspensions. According to ESPN.com, Michigan Head Coach Jim Harbaugh has been suspended for three games due to alleged recruiting violations. Sherrone Moore, the offensive coordinator, has also been suspended by the university, although only for the game against the Pirates.

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## ECU hosts annual volleyball invitational

Diego Lerma  
FOR THE EAST CAROLINIAN

The East Carolina University volleyball team (2-1, 0-0 American Athletic Conference) will host the Pirate Invitational in the Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum from Aug. 31 through Sept. 2

ECU has held many Pirate Invitationals in the past and this one will be no different. During both the 2021 and 2022 season the Pirates went 2-1. During both of these, ECU lost the second match scheduled. Those losses came to The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (1-2, 0-0 Western Athletic Conference) and Towson University (1-1, 0-0 Coastal Athletic Conference).

Last season, the Pirates ended with an overall record of 12-20 and an American Athletic Conference record of 7-12. A majority of the wins came at home (7-6), with many of the losses happening on the road (3-10). The Pirates ended the season winning two of their last three volleyball matches, with the one loss coming against the University of Cincinnati (2-1, 0-0 American Athletic Conference).

ECU had a 3-0 preseason win against Elon University (0-3, 0-0 Colonial Athletic Conference) in an exhibition match on Aug. 17. Elon has not had a successful start of the season, going 0-3 and 0-0 Colonial Athletic Conference record. The match was played at home. This game came a week before the first game of the season.

The Pirates competed in the Bash in the Boro at Hanner Fieldhouse Arena in Statesboro, Georgia. The Pirates went 2-1 in the first three games of the season, with their only defeat coming to Georgia Southern University (2-0, 0-0 Sun Belt Conference).

The Pirates picked up both their wins against The University



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Junior setter Payton Evenstad works on her technique in practice.

of North Carolina Greensboro (0-3, 0-0 Southern Conference). The first game happened on Aug. 25. ECU won the first game 3-0 (25-21, 25-12, 25-15) against the Spartans.

Some of the stand out players were sophomore outside hitter Angele Alderete (10 kills, 2 aces, 2 blocks), redshirt outside hitter Izzy Marinelli (6 kills and 1 block), senior right side Fran McBride (8 kills and 1 block) and sophomore middle blocker Carlia Northcross (5 kills and 5

blocks).

The second game played on Aug. 26 against the Spartans ended with a Pirate win 3-0 (25-17, 25-23, 25-15). The stand out players for the second match were Alderete (11 kills and 1 ace), senior outside hitter Brittany Wood (6 kills), McBride (5 kills and 1 block) and junior setter Payton Evenstad (20 assists).

Georgia Southern beat the Pirates 3-0 (16-25, 24-26, 23-25), but the Pirates kept it competitive during the last two sets. Both

Brittany Wood and Izzy Marinelli led the Pirates with eight kills each with Marinelli also getting a block.

ECU is set to face all three from Aug. 31 through Sept. 2. The Pirate Invitational will have a total of four universities competing, including:

Campbell University (0-3, 0-0 Atlantic Sun Conference)

Bethune-Cookman University (0-3, 0-0 Southwestern Athletic Conference)

Appalachian State University (3-0, 0-0 Southern Conference)

Campbell lost their first three games of the season in a close back and forth game against North Texas University 2-3 (16-25, 25-19, 19-25, 25-21, 8-15). The second game came against the University of Colorado Boulder 3-0 (25-20, 11-25, 25-22). The third game against the University of Nevada, Los Vegas ended in 1-3 (25-12, 30-28, 19-25, 29-27).

Bethune-Cookman has had three consecutive losses so far, with their next game scheduled in the Pirate Invitational. Those three losses came twice against Marshall University (2-1, 0-0 Sun Belt Conference) and the other against The Citadel.

The Mountaineers are going into the invitational riding a three-game winning streak with their next game against Bethune-Cookman. The three wins came against William & Mary, Bellarmine University and Tennessee Tech University during the Mountaineer Classic.

The Pirate Invitational kicks off with ECU vs. Campbell with the first serve at 7 p.m. on Aug. 31. ECU will face Bethune-Cookman and Appalachian State the following Sept. 1 and Sept. 2, respectively.

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Sophomore forward Juliana Viera sets up her feet to pass the ball to a teammate in the Pirates matchup game against the Univeristy of Florida on Aug. 17 in Gainseville, Florida.

# ECU look to go 2-0 at home vs UNC Wilmington

Trevon McGlone  
TEC STAFF

East Carolina University's women's soccer team (2-1-1, 0-0 American Athletic Conference) gets ready to take on the University of North Carolina Wilmington (0-3, 0-0 Coastal Athletic Association Conference) in Johnson Stadium, Greenville, North Carolina on Aug. 31 at 7 p.m.

ECU comes into this game fresh off a win against Campbell University (1-2-1, 0-0 Coastal Athletic Association Conference), with the winning goal scored by ECU freshman defender Lucy Fazackerley in the fifth minute of the game. The defense held the line to survive the second half push by Campbell in order to secure the win.

UNC Wilmington lost 0-3 in the last game against Liberty University (4-0, 0-0 Conference USA Conference). They conceded two goals in the first half and weren't able to recover from there, as Liberty got the final goal in the second half to close the door on any UNC Wilmington comeback attempt.

The two sides are very familiar with each

other, as ECU and Wilmington have played each other 14 times in their series history, with UNCW claiming the first victory in 2005 by a score of 3-2. That game went into OT tied 2-2, after ECU conceded a penalty in the 50 minute that was converted by UNCW.

The game was scoreless from there until Seahawks Liz Criss scored the final goal to give Wilmington the win. Criss scored the first goal of the game as well.

After another loss in the series, ECU went on a three game series streak, claiming the victories in 2007, 2008 and 2009. ECU also has won the last two played games, beating UNC Wilmington in 2022 and 2017.

Last year's game was won by ECU senior defender Annabelle Abbott, who scored in the fifth minute of a 1-0 victory for the Eagles. ECU senior goalkeeper Maevae English shut down the goal in that game, tallying four saves and winning the AAC goalkeeper of the week honor for that week.

If the Pirates can make last year's matchup a repeat this year, it'll be their first time since Sept. 1, 2022 where ECU won three straight games and did not allow a goal scored in a

single one of them.

To begin the season, Fazackerley and English's performances have been recognized on a conference level. Fazackerley was named AAC Rookie of the Week after scoring her first collegiate goal against Campbell and playing all 90 minutes against George Mason University (0-4, 0-0 Atlantic 10 Conference).

The AAC named English Goalkeeper of the Week for her all-conference performance. She has not conceded a goal in over 270 minutes of play and has had many shutouts this season.

A key stat to note is the amount of shots ECU has racked up over their first three games. ECU averages 13.3 shots per game, which has led to them converting 1.25 of those shots into goals so far into the season. They only allow 8.3 shots per game from their opponents, which is higher than the amount that UNCW is averaging, which is six shots per game.

On the defensive side for UNCW, they've given up nine goals in their first three games, conceding three goals per game.

Wilmington is also looking for their first goal of the season, having been shut out in every game they've played so far. UNCW has

a shots on goal percentage of 39%, around the same range that ECU allows to opponents.

ECU has only given up two goals this year, both coming in the opening game of the season. Since then, they haven't conceded in their last three games. English's three shutouts so far this year ties her for second in the nation. English recorded seven last year and made the 2022 AAC All-Conference second-team.

Each of ECU's five goals on the season have been scored by five different players. ECU's junior forward Samantha Moxie, senior midfielder Brooke Burzynski, sophomore defender Jazmin Ferguson, freshman midfielder Elsa Stedman and Fazackerley have all scored for ECU so far this year.

The Pirates will look for their first three-game winning streak of the season, which they did twice last season but not near the end.

This year, fans have been loyal and showed up to ECU home soccer games in record numbers, with Johnson Stadium hosting the fifth-largest crowd ever on opening night versus George Mason.

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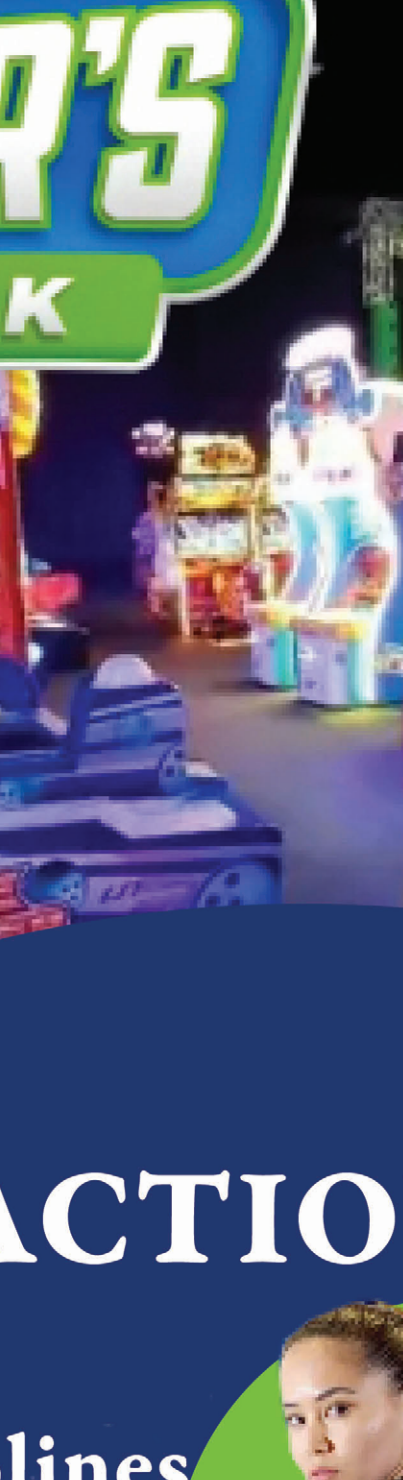


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