ETSU places third in SC

From staff reports

East Tennessee State University finished third in the men's. Southern Coinference Indoor Track and Field Meet held Saturday at Memorial Center.

The event was marred by a fight which broke out during the Atlantic Coast Conference meet.

Three ETSU individuals carried the team score. Freshman Seamus Power had first-place finishes in the mile, 3,000-meter and 5,000-meter runs. Denis Barry was second in the mile and the 5,000-meter runs. Barry was third in the 3,000-meters. Kevin Gill was third in the 5,000-meter and second in the 3,000-meter races.

All three individuals were on the third-place two-mile relay team.

Virginia Military took the men's title and Appalachian State won the women's championship. North Carolina took the ACC

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men's title, and Clemson won the women's competition.

The VMI men had 157 points while Appy (104), ETSU (76), Marshall (74), Western Carolina (42), The Citadel (30), Tennessee-Chattanooga (16) and Furman (7) followed.

Appy State's women totaled 185 points. Behind the Lady Mountainee's were Western Carolina (81), Tennessee-Chattanooga (56), Marshall (48), Furman (34) and ETSU (29).

The men's MVP honors went to Appalachian State's Frank Allen, who set the men's meet record in winning the 200-meter dash in 21.60 seconds.

The ACC meet featured an altercation between Kevin Braunskill of North Carolina State and Clemson's James Trapp. Braunskill had won the 200-meters in an ACC and Memorial Center record time of 20.75 seconds. The Wolfpack All-American bowed to the athletes in the stands upon claiming his victory.

When the three medalists were pretented with their awards, Trapp took a swing at Braunskill and a fight broke out. It took several coaches and meet officials to restore order.

Both athletes were disallowed to continue competing in the meet.

The coaches and Dee Todd, assistant ACC commissioner, met in the infield to discuss the incident.

"We're not proud of this action," Todd said. "I've never seen anything like it before."

Todd said that further action would be taken by the ACC office.

"There will be further disciplinary action, but the Commissioner (Eugene Corrigan) will look into the incident first," he said.