TIFTON- Dale White, former assistant tennis coach, has been named head coach of the men’s and women’s tennis teams at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College. He will also serve
as an academic support counselor.

White has served as the ABAC assistant coach for the men’s and women’s tennis teams and physical education instructor since 2008. The Stallions wound up this year ranked ninth in the country with two All-America selections, Oliver Snaider in singles and doubles and Ricky Symanski in doubles. The Fillies finished the year ranked 16th in the nation.

“I am excited to move into the head coach’s position after having been here five years as the assistant,” White said. “It will be a great opportunity for me to become the coach of one of the top junior college programs in the country and work to bring a national championship back to ABAC.”

White, originally from Boston, England, came to the United States when he was 18 to play tennis at Armstrong Atlantic State University. He played for the Pirates from 2001-2005, where he achieved All-America honors three of his four years. He was a member of the National Doubles Champion in the fall of his senior year.

White continued his education at Georgia Southern University (GSU) to earn a master’s degree in Sports Psychology. He spent two years at GSU between 2006-2008, where he also taught physical education classes and was the assistant coach for the men’s tennis team.

As an academic support counselor at ABAC, White will assist and guide students through all areas of the academic process from acceptance through graduation.

Longtime tennis coach Alan Kramer will give us his coaching duties but will continue to serve as the ABAC Athletics Director. On July 1 he will also assume duties as Assistant Dean of Students, working with Dean Bernice Hughes to provide leadership for the student government and other student activities.

“Dale has excelled as assistant coach and will do a great job as he takes the reins,”
Kramer said. “I am excited about my new responsibilities at ABAC and look forward to the opportunities that lie ahead.”

Since his start at ABAC in 1993, Kramer has compiled a career record of 339 wins and 207 losses including a 191-110 record with the Fillies and a 148-98 record with the Stallions. The Fillies won the Region XVII Championship 19 straight years before the streak ended this season when they finished second.

Kramer has won 25 Region XVII Coach of the Year awards and has led ABAC’s tennis teams to 15 Fillies’ and 10 Stallions’ Georgia Collegiate Athletic Association (GCAA) championships. Under his direction, the ABAC women’s teams finished in the top 10 nationally on 10 occasions, and the men’s teams finished in the top 10 nationally 12 times.

Highlighting these strong finishes was a women’s national runner-up in 1999 and men’s national runner-ups in 2002 and 2003. The Stallions finished third in the nation in 2006, 2008 and 2009. Kramer has coached 58 All-America selections (22 women, 36 men), including five national champions (Milena Stanoytcheva, Monica Lalewicz, German Dalmagro, Arya Vafaei and Matthew Holland).

The tennis season will open play again in the fall, but ABAC will offer a tennis camp on June 24-27 for middle school and high school tennis players. The cost is $199 per person. Registration is available by calling 229.391.4937.

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