

GHS Football Outlook

Football is definitely one of the most watched games of all sports. It is also one of the things that the majority of the students look forward to. I myself cannot wait until I have to wrap up in big bulky sweaters and drink about five cups of hot chocolate to try and stay warm during the games. The atmosphere is one of the best things about the whole event. Sometimes there is more action in the stands than there is on the field. Hopefully that will not prove true this year. (unless we get a very rambunctious sophomore class that insists on throwing everybody down the big hill or unless the football team turns out to be rotten.) I don't think the latter will happen.

Being the first sport to be played in the new year, football practice started a couple of weeks before the summer ended. It's a lot of hard work. On Friday, August 19, the four high school football teams got together here at Jamieson Stadium. Dudley

GHS 1977 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE	Date	Opponent	Location
★ Sept. 2	BURLINGTON WILLIAMS	AWAY	
★ Sept. 9	DUDLEY	HOME	
★ Sept. 16	WEST FORSYTH	AWAY	
★ Sept. 23	RAGSDALE	HOME	
★ Sept. 30	KANNAPOLUS	HOME	
★ Oct. 7	PAGE	HOME	
★ Oct. 14	REYNOLDS (GRIMSLEY HOMECOMING)	HOME	
★ Oct. 21	SMITH	HOME	
★ Oct. 28	PARKLAND	HOME	
★ Nov. 4	HIGH POINT ANDREWS	AWAY	

seems to have been a little more prepared than the rest of the teams and they certainly have their spirit up. The purpose of these games was to give the teams practice before the season starts so they would know what they needed to work on the most before playing the Conference games.

The season starts Friday, September, when the Whirlies face the at

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The team is being coached by Dr. Henry Vansant who came to us last year after having a successful program in Fayetteville. The goals which he had set for last year's season were reluctantly not reached. Maybe they'll do it this year.

Let's hope so. Get your tickets and come on out and support your team.

THE Ladies TAKE OVER

by Lisa McDowell

Women have been getting more and more involved in everything everyday. Minute by minute more progress is being made. It seems like just yesterday that harsh ridicule and criticism was the only result women got when trying to gain use of their rights as human beings. Though some ridicule still flairs up now and then, I truly believe that the main battle has ceased.

Women have progressed more in the last 25 years than many companies. One of the most important gains in the whole deal, was that which brought women into the world of sports. Tennis is one of the most popular sports all over the world, and many of those who play it best are women.

If you put all this together--women, tennis, best--you can only get one thing...Grimsley's Girls' Tennis Team. They may not be the best yet but they're good. Practice started August 22. Grimsley will participate in matches with a non-conference team. This is being done mainly to give the girls some practice. The Conference matches will begin and continue through the end of October. For those on the

team who play exceptionally well will be able to go to the Sectionals in November.

The team consists of girls. Some of the players returning from last year are:

There are new members. They are:

The HIGH LIFE staff wishes the entire team the best of luck in the upcoming season and hope that everyone will make it a point to support them.

WADSIITY GIRL'S 1977 TENNIS SCHEDULE					
Sept 8	PAGE	Sept 29	PAGE	Oct 30	PARKLAND (H)
Sept 13	RAGSDALE (H)	Oct 4	ANDREWS (H)	Oct 25	OPEN
Sept 15	KANNAPOLUS (A)	Oct 6	RAGSDALE (A)	Oct 27, 28	CONFERENCE
Sept 20	DUDLEY (A)	Oct 11	KANNAPOLUS (H)	Nov 2, 3	REGIONAL
Sept 22	W. FORSYTH (H)	Oct 13	DUDLEY (H)	Nov 9, 10	REGIONAL
Sept 27	PARKLAND (A)	Oct 18	W. FORSYTH (A)	Nov 16, 17	STATE

Cross Country: Off to a Running Start

While the football teams command much attention on each of their practice fields, with reporters and interested parents and others watching, taking pictures and adoring, a silent group of runners move away from the campus each afternoon going on a five or six or eight mile run, and with this pained breathing and aching legs, the Grimsley cross country team prepares for its debut in the 1977 season. For this year at least, cross country and later track will be synonymous with the name of Dan Morton who figures as the top runner in the state of North Carolina, finishing second in last year's state meet to senior Billy Lynch, who this year will be sporting the blue and white of Duke University.

Coach Smith's main job will not be with Morton, but rather he will be faced with finding a handful of runners to make the team good. One great runner does not a cross country team make. His choices will be headed by junior Paul Bailey who had a mildly successful sophomore year but who shows definite promise. Other returnees includes senior Jay Bennett, who is primarily a sprinter but who is a gutsy runner and an excellent competitor. Senior Mollie Berry will be trying to become the first quality distance woman runner in the state which would add to her prominence as being the state's top female miler. Any boy who is

afraid of being defeated by a girl better not show up at a Grimsley meet for Mollie will be there waiting for a chance to beat him. Others who will try to land a place in Grimsley's top five include Hank Howard, Gary Baldwin, Tommy Few, Weston Whitaker, Mike Williams, Jim Austin and

two promising sophomores, Mike Sink and Ed Cottingham.

Entering a new conference this year provides Grimsley with a chance to win the first conference championship, and that will depend on whether four or more Whirlies can give Dan Morton the support he needs.

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by Lisa McDowell

Hello, I am your friendly neighborhood benchwarmer. For those of you who are not familiar with my writings, I am constantly cutting down athletes. I want you to understand that it's not because I'm a mean person, actually I don't know why I do it. Force of habit I guess. Whatever makes me do it, I want you to know that it's entirely satirical. So, please do not get upset and try to beat me up when your favorite athlete has his name in my column. After all, when you're in the newspaper business you can't be too picky about who you pick on. There are deadlines to be met.

Since I am new at this type of writing it may cause some difficulties. Don't you worry though, if I can't think of enough bad things to write I will surely consult my colleagues for some good information. Yes, I have scouts! One of them recently saw an unidentified football player wearing a pink tutu and dancing around the goal post with the head coach. UH, OH, I'd better not start that so early in the year. You know I'm not trying to get anyone mad or embarrassed. That's the last thing I would want

to do. Any 240 pound quarterback deserves more respect than that. O.K., I'll compromise, maybe the tutu WAS blue.

This article has always leaned a bit harder on the boys around here. Well that's not really fair because we have some pretty weird females running around this place too. So, to even things up a little, I'll tell you about what I saw at cheerleading practice. My eyes seemed to have deceived me but I could swear that I saw Kelley Haines shinny up the flag pole in front of the main building about ten times. Now, that's talent! As for the talents of our other great women athletes, well, somebody told me that Ann James can jump around the entire traci while holding one foot in her mouth. These are just a few examples of the great abilities which are hidden beneath the eyes of Grimsley's own superstars.

Throughout the coming year I hope to be bringing you the best coverage of such unusual events and more. Personality interviews are among my best, depending on which side of the fence you're on. Well, anyway, welcome to Grimsley and I hope everyone has a great year.

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