

## Prep Football Preview

# Both Reynolds and East Forsyth face rebuilding years in '84

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Though it's much too early for East Forsyth Coach Perry Pearson to determine what type of team the Eagles will field in 1984, Pearson knows the Eagles will be very young and inexperienced this season.

"This is a real typical first part of practices for us," Pearson says. "There are going to be a lot of changes. We have some experienced players, but we don't have a lot of depth."

As in past years, Pearson lost the majority of his offensive unit, including quarterback Calvin Davis, tailback Robert Hill, wide receiver Greg Scales and offensive lineman Grady Crosby.

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-- Reynolds Coach Doug Crater

Quarterback looks to be the major concern for Pearson as senior Dedrick Barber saw little action a year ago. Junior Reggie Torrence is also in the running for the signal-calling slot but has no experience on the 4-A level.

The Eagles' backfield will be solid with senior tailback Rodney Mullins and junior Maurice Robinson ahead of the pack.

Chris Christmas and Chris Jerrell are both solid performers at the wideouts. Either, according to Pearson, can provide the big play for the East offensive unit.

Geno Segers, a starter last fall, and Andy Roddy will anchor the Eagle offensive line. "We're going

to have a nice-sized line," Pearson says. "We have pretty good experience, but we don't have a lot of depth."

On the defensive side, Pearson will likely use several of the offensive starters. Segers will be a mainstay on the defense as will linebacker Darrell Graham, a starter last year.

Pearson will also receive a boost from two members of the Eagles basketball team of a year ago who didn't participate in football as juniors. The two, defensive lineman Brian Smith and defensive back Michael Johnson, will have to shoulder much of the load on defense.

Placekicker Keith Shaeffer, a solid performer on P.A.T.s as a junior, is back for another season. Jeff Purvis will step in to take over the punting chores.

Overall, East's senior class looks very strong, but, other than Torrence and Robinson, the Eagles won't receive much help from a thin junior class.

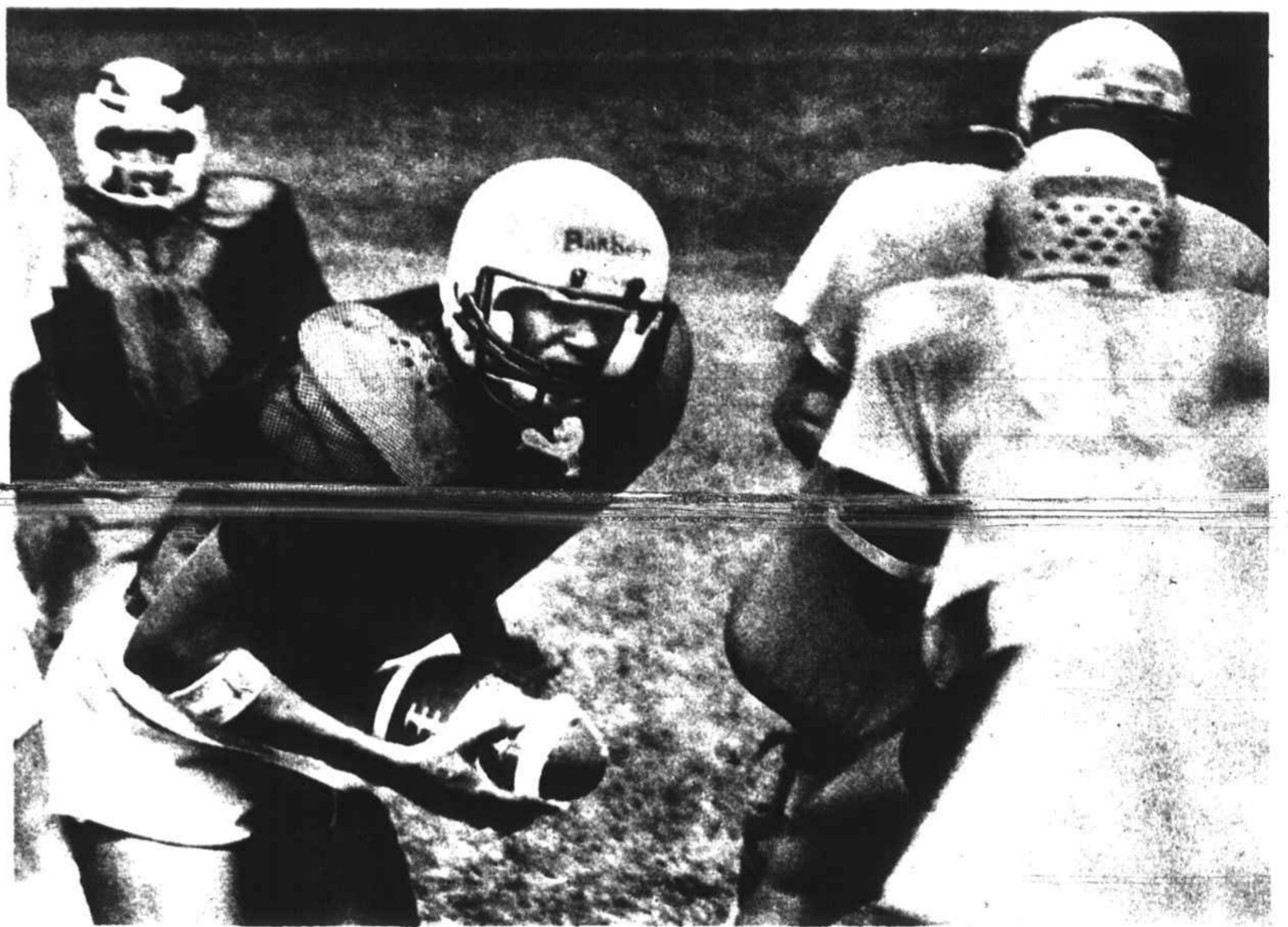
Coming off a 6-4 season a year ago, Reynolds High Coach Doug Crater faces a tough challenge in 1984. While Crater has constantly been forced to rebuild the Demons' program, this year presents some especially vexing problems.

"Every year, we've had very few seniors with playing experience," says Crater. "But we've always had a lot of juniors coming in to help us. This year we only have 11 juniors on the entire team."

To make matters worse, 20 of the Demon seniors haven't seen any action. Only four players on the Reynolds roster have experience against 4-A competition.

"The changeover (to the four-year high school system) has sort of crushed us," says Crater. "It has put us in a situation where we have to play young, inexperienced players. I don't know what to expect from them."

Chris Spock, an offensive tackle, is the most ex-



## Practice Makes Perfect

Senior Dedrick Barber will be counted upon to lead East Forsyth's young offensive unit (photo by James Parker).

perienced player on the team. He, along with Brian Sellers, will be relied on to carry the offensive line.

Patrick Friday, who saw spot duty at running back a year ago, will be the major weapon in the Demons' backfield. He'll be joined by junior James Combs, another untried player. Marvin Black, a powerfully-built senior who did not play football last year, should help Reynolds by mid-season, says Crater.

Senior Troy Gurkin is currently the leading candidate for the starting quarterback position. Gurkin was the backup last season, but saw little action.

Throughout Crater's tenure at Reynolds, the

Demons have been known as a powerful offensive team. This year they'll have to use other tactics.

"It looks like we're going to have to throw the ball," says Crater. "We don't have the size or the experience to go right at people, so we'll have to do things differently."

The Demons haven't devoted much time to defense, but Crater says there won't be much change in personnel from the ones manning the Reynolds offense.

"We should be pretty strong at tackle and nose

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## WINNERS

Carl "Tommy" Hicks will enter North Carolina Central University this fall on a tennis scholarship. Carl, a 1984 graduate of East Forsyth Senior High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thomas Hicks Jr. of 2312 Gerald St.

North Carolina Central also signed Calvin Davis of East Forsyth to an athletic grant. Calvin has begun pre-season drills with the Central football team as a quarterback.

Gregg Scales, a member of East Forsyth's football team last year, is one of several freshmen vying for positions on the Wake Forest University team. Gregg has signed a grant to the hometown school, where he'll try to break into the lineup as a wide receiver.

Other East Forsyth athletes who will enter college football programs are Grady Crosby, who is headed for Howard University, and Rodney Jacobs, who will play for Bill Hayes at Winston-Salem State.

Winston-Salem State University has five other local freshmen on its roster. They are Vernard Dillard, James Burch, Cedric "Twink" Moss, Clifton Mack and Clarence Harrington.

On Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 24 and 25, the Winston-Salem Pond Giants will celebrate their 70th anniversary. They will host Old Timers double-header games in Mocksville at Rich Park on Aug. 24 and at Winston-Salem's Ernie Shore Stadium the following day.

In the opener, the old timers from the Winston-Salem Red Legs, managed by Whit Lowery, will take on the Pond Giants old timers. In the nightcap, the Winston-Salem Indians old timers, under

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## Eighty report for WSSU fall football tryouts

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After compiling an 8-1-1 regular season record and winning the CIAA Southern Division title a year ago, Coach Bill Hayes of Winston-Salem State faces a major challenge in 1984.

Gone are all-CIAA linemen Alvin Powell and Jonathon Nimmons, CIAA Defensive Player of the Year Eddie Sauls, all-CIAA defensive back Jack Cameron and quarterback Karlton Watson.

However, Hayes remains optimistic about his team's chances this season.

"It's really too early to tell what type of team we'll have this season, but I think we're going to be a pretty strong team," Hayes said after the Rams' opening practice session on Monday, Aug. 13. "We have a lot of experienced players back and we'll have some young players that will help us."

On Monday Hayes welcomed some 80 players for fall drills, including 30 freshmen. In the group, Hayes has several surprises, including highly-touted running back Lonnie Pulley of Laurens, S.C..

Hayes' major priority at this point will be to find a quarterback. The Rams hope to have

senior Mike Winbush, who was the starter two years ago, in the fold by Aug. 23, but at this point it is questionable whether Winbush will return.

Winbush signed a professional baseball contract two years ago, has recently been promoted to the AAA level in the minors and may sign a lucrative multi-year contract. If he does sign a new contract, Winbush would be required to play winter baseball and would not return to school this fall.

"I believe Winbush will be back," said Hayes. "I'm saving him a room in the dorm and hoping he'll show up next week."

If Winbush decides to pursue his baseball career, Hayes will have to choose from among four young signal callers (three freshmen and a junior college transfer).

"In the event we don't have Winbush, someone will have to get a lot of experience in a hurry," said Hayes. "Danny Walker, a junior college transfer (from Eastern Arizona Junior College) and Haywood Workman, a freshman, both performed well on our quarterback skills test and are capable of doing a good job."

What the Rams lack in experience at quarterback will be made up by a bevy of ex-

perienced running backs. WSSU has the best stable of offensive backs in the CIAA.

Sophomores Leonardo Horn (the Rams' leading rusher in 1983), James "Jet" Johnson and Ed Byers are all top-quality runners, as are seniors Alex Cowan, "Truck" Turner and Danny Hayes.

Turner fractured his hand in the first practice of the year but should be healthy by the time the Rams get to the heart of the '84 season.

If that isn't enough, Hayes has a slew of freshman that had impressive credentials as high school players. The Rams pulled a major coup in signing highly-regarded Lonnie Pulley.

"Lonnie Pulley was the best running back in the South last year," Hayes said. "He was the South Carolina Back of the Year and was captain of the South Carolina team in the Shrine Bowl (in which he was also the game's most valuable offensive performer)."

Pulley set state season records for most touchdowns (31) and yards gained rushing (2,360). He also rushed for a staggering 341 yards in one outing last fall.

While the Rams lost the right side of their

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## Sports People

# Outspoken Harold Dunovant: Still candid, still searching for a job

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When restaurants, movie theaters and other public facilities were segregated, golf pro Harold Dunovant was one of the most controversial and outspoken men in Winston-Salem.

Though times have changed since then, Dunovant still speaks his mind -- perhaps to his detriment.

While some people have benefitted from his deeds and those of others like him, Dunovant says his tendency to say what he means and stand up for what he believes in isn't so handy when you're job-hunting.

"I'm one of only 21 black Class A, PGA (Professional Golf Association) golf pros," says Dunovant. "I'm as qualified as anyone in golf and I still can't find a job."

Since returning to his hometown three years ago, Dunovant says he has pursued every job opening

for a golf pro in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. And he's still jobless.

"There's no doubt in my mind that the reason I can't find a job in this area is because I'm black and outspoken," Dunovant says. "Golf is still closed to blacks."

During his years as a golf pro, Dunovant has had to cope with peaks and valleys before. Among the peaks were jobs at Madden Golf Course in Dayton, Ohio, and Lake Pontchartrain in New Orleans.

But his most noteworthy tenure was at Kissena Park Golf Course in Long Island, N.Y., where he was the golf pro at one of the country's most heavily-played courses for 11 years.

"All the jobs I've held have been in the \$60,000-per-year range and now I can't find anything in my field, even at less pay," says Dunovant.

Throughout his stormy 34-year career, Dunovant

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Harold Dunovant: "If something isn't done in the next couple of years, there won't be any touring black pros on the PGA" (photo by James Parker).