



Carver quarterback Chris Hairston, left, puts a fake on Glenn's Weymouth Jones en route to an 18-yard touchdown run in the first quarter (photo by James Parker).

Ram Report

Junior adds balance to offense

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Bobby Junior's debut as Winston-Salem State's starting quarterback was a success, and it couldn't come at a better time.

Junior, playing with the aplomb of a senior instead of a redshirt freshman, led the Rams to 498 yards in total offense in a 17-13 victory at Fayetteville State last Saturday. The win enabled WSSU to keep the pressure on Livingstone in the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association Southern Division race. The Bears, 19-17 winners over Johnson C. Smith, remain one-half game ahead of the defending division champion Rams.

"Junior played well," Ram Coach Bill Hayes said. "I knew he'd be on and I knew he'd be real accurate (10 for 20). But I was a little surprised with his poise."

Sheridan Poll		
Ranking	Record	Points
1. Grambling State	6-0	159
2. Central State	6-0	130
3. Fort Valley State	6-0	115
4. Mississippi Valley	5-1	110
5. Delaware State	6-1	80
6. Alcorn State	4-2	55
7. Winston-Salem St.	5-1	46
8. Norfolk State	5-2	41
(tie) Tennessee State	4-3	41
10. Hampton U.	6-1	33
11. Jackson State	4-2	31
12. Southern U.	4-2	27
13. Albany State	5-1	8
14. Livingstone	5-1	4
15. Bethune-Cookman	3-3	1

Junior had only one interception while throwing for 175 yards, the best total by a Ram quarterback this season. Among the Charlotte product's completions was a five-yard toss to Masha Paul for WSSU's last TD. Junior's 50-yard connection with Keith Torrence had set up Tyrone

Smith's 21-yard field goal in the second quarter.

Hayes, whose team improved to 5-1, decided to insert the 6-foot-2, 185-pound Junior into the starting lineup after five so-so performances by Dana Walker. The junior had completed only 38 percent of his passes and averaged only 52 yards per game.

More of a dropback passer than Walker, Junior hit four different receivers in the win over the Broncos, 1-4-1. Paul, Torrence and Leroy Wonsley each had receptions for big yardage. Meanwhile, tight end Harry Giles proved to be a dependable short threat, catching three passes for 33 yards.

"My goal is to show Coach Hayes that I'm ready to be a leader and run the WSSU offense," Junior said. "Coach turned to me because we had not
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Hairston Scores Prep Football

Hairston, Ashby lead Carver win

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Carver failed to collect its sixth shutout of the season against Glenn last Friday night. But the Yellow Jackets' first homecoming since 1969 was jubilant nonetheless, as they posted a 28-12 win over the talented Bobcats.

The unranked Yellow Jackets, tied with top-ranked Greensboro Page for first in the Metro 4-A Conference, rolled to a 28-0 first-half lead. The defense set up two of the scores, the passing game a third and field position the fourth.

"I think we got a little comfortable with a four-touchdown lead," said Coach Jim Bovender, whose team improved to 2-0 in the Metro and 6-1 overall. "That's only the second team to score on us (West beat Carver, 21-8). I told them at halftime, 'You're in 4-A now and lots of people are going to score on you.'"

Glenn saved face by marching 56 yards in eight plays just before halftime. The Bobcats received key runs of 16 yards from Charlie Harris and 15 yards from Randy Jones. Harris capped the drive with a half-yard dive.

Coach Al Hooker's team, which entered the game in a three-way tie with Carver and Page for first place, added its second touchdown in the fourth quarter on a 68-yard pass from Tim McCann to Mario Patterson.

"We wanted to stop them at 21-0," Hooker said. "But they got the momentum and just kept going. In all of Carver's games, it's either been real close or they've blown people out."

In part, this mini-blowout highlighted the Yellow Jackets' improved offense. Although the Carver of-



The Bobcats' Jiwan Jessup juggles the ball and just misses an interception (photo by James Parker).

fense remains inconsistent, it has been less predictable since Chris Hairston took over for Anthony Joyner at quarterback for the Dudley game. In that 40-0 win over a Panther team that lost to Page by only a 17-8 score, Hairston accounted for 165 yards and two touchdowns.

"From the West game 'til now, we've improved 100 percent," Bovender said. "Chris still needs to learn to go to his knee, instead of butting heads with the big boys. But he's given our offense an added dimension."

The 5-foot-7, 160-pound Hairston scored the
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Sports Beat

Albeck: Jordan can raise game a bit

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GREENSBORO -- Stan Albeck stood in the Chicago Bulls' locker room and quietly proclaimed that Michael Jordan's rookie season was only the epiphany.

The new Bull coach hopes Jordan's sophomore season in the National Basketball Association will find the 6-foot-6 guard ascending to new heights.

"Once he learns the game is easier for him, he will move to another plateau, if there is one," said Albeck, the man Bulls' owner Jerry Reinsdorf has entrusted with making the most of the Jordan years in Chicago.

Albeck, who came over from the New Jersey Nets in the offseason, was suggesting that there might be a way to get more out of Jordan, who averaged a superhuman combination of 28.9 points, 6.5 rebounds and 2.39 steals last season. Only Boston's Larry Bird put together a better season, averaging 28.7 points, 10.5 rebounds and 6.6 assists. Appropriately, Jordan was the NBA Rookie of the Year and Bird the Player of the Year. If Albeck succeeds in extracting more from Jordan, the former two-time college Player of the Year at North Carolina will certainly be the most valuable player in the NBA.

Although the Bulls finished the preseason with their eighth loss in as many outings last Sunday night, Jordan had a game in keeping with his rookie season. He totaled 31 points, six steals and four assists in the Bulls' 119-112 loss to the Milwaukee Bucks.

As if to show how well he has adjusted to the big-time game, Jordan was critical of his performance.

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Michael Jordan penetrates the Bucks' defense for an easy basket (photo by James Parker).

Youth Football

Vikings take four from Indians

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This was big, really big.

Folks, this was bigger than the Carver Homecoming, a Friday night at Chicken & Honey Drive Inn or Wednesday lunch at Bell Brothers.

This was Winston-Salem youth football's Michigan-Iowa.

When the dust settled at Mineral Springs Middle School around 10 o'clock last Saturday night, the Vikings had chalked up four wins in five games over the Tiny Indians. It was a glorious day for the unrivaled Vikings; a day of infamy for the proud Indians.

While the Viking organization was the clear winner this year, it must be noted that three of the five games were close. The blowouts belonged to the unbeaten Tiny Indian Junior Pee Wees, 20-0 winners, and the powerful Viking Junior Midgets, 36-0 winners and losers of only two games in the last three and one-half seasons.

A blocked punt for a touchdown here or a busted play for a big gain there in any of the other three games could have meant a much different day overall. In fact, the Viking Midgets won 6-2 on Tim Withers-

poon's touchdown run. That forced a tie for first in the division and the two teams met Wednesday to break the tie.

But the Vikings, who have raided the Indians for many of their most talented players, proved their dominance for this season.

The best show came from Coach Eddie Beard's incomparable Viking Junior Midgets.

"This ball team is something else," Beard said after his team ran its record to 6-0-1. "We've been playing well all year long, but this is the best we've played. It looks like we peaked for this game."

Running back Robert Bohannon, a former Indian, led the Viking offense with a pair of touchdowns, including an 80-yard kickoff return to start the second half. Cleo Hyman also scored twice.

But nobody on the Vikings played any better than noseguard Tulsa Scales, who had seven sacks and blocked a punt. Scales led a Viking defense that continually pushed the Indians. It is probably fortunate that nobody kept stats, for it is likely the Indians would have had an embarrassing total-offense figure.

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Hold On!

Hall-Woodward wide receiver Carlos Brown tries to hold on to this pass in a GRA-Y football game at Winston Lake. The Hall-Woodward Jets, coached by

Thurman Purvis and Linwood McCoy, captured the league championship. See the story on the league on page B2 (photo by James Parker).