



ANDY ANDREWS
...possible starter, guard

Conger 'We're Shy On Depth, Experience'

Depth and inexperience are the big problems being faced by Davie County Coach Jim Conger as they prepare the Rebels for the 1969 grid iron opener against Albemarle.

"We are certainly shy on experience this year as well as depth," Conger admitted, "and this is going to present us with a big problem. We certainly can't two platoon and a majority of our boys are going to have to go both ways."

Conger, entering his second year as boss of the Rebels after a 5-5 mark last year, sees some bright spots on the club, however. He is highly pleased with the club's speed and quickness and hopes the aerial game will come around.

"Steve Zimmerman should give us a fine running game at fullback and James Ijames is an excellent received with plenty of speed," he said. "We've got to work on our passing game but I believe Craig Ward will come around."

Conger figures East Rowan and South Iredell as the clubs to beat in the Northern Piedmont.

"We have nine letterman back and have switched some of them to new positions to fill crucial holes," he said. "It's up to the new boys to come through at the other spots."

Ward is currently battling David Poplin for the quarterback spot, with Bob Koontz and Mike Dalton waging a merry duel for the running back duties. Conger rates Bryant Smith a notch ahead of Joey Mason and Tony Seaford at the wingback.

Zimmerman is rated among the better runners in the conference and is backed up by Robert Ridge.

Up front, Allen Barger, a hard-hitting 215-pounder, is a fixture at center and is expected to be one of the stalwarts on defense. He is backed up by Paul Griffith and Ed Godwin.

James Ijames, the track star, is a fixture at one of the end spots while Conger rates "everything equal" between Eddie Jones, R. C. Athey and Joe Harris in the fight for the other flanker role.

Tackle, Conger admits, is a big problem but he is impressed with the work of the crew that includes Steve Lathan, Steve Blackwelder, Richard Crofts, Eddie Hendrix, Buck Hall and Buck Jones.

At guard, Donnie Davis, Andy Andrews and John Carpenter are currently the top trio.

Conger figures the punting game is all right, with Poplin and Paul Beaver the leading candidates, while Eddie Jones, Terry Cook and Davis are considered adequate in the place-kicking department.



Quarterback prospects David Poplin and Craig Ward will lead Davis's attack.



STEVE LATHAM
...rugged tackle



DONNIE DAVIS
...experienced



JAMES IJAMES
...new prospect

DAVIE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL 1969-1970 FOOTBALL ROSTER

NAME	POSITION	NUMBER	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	SCHOOL YEAR
R. C. Athey *	E	85	6-1	175	4
Eddie Jones *	E	86	6-2	185	4
James Ijames *	E	87	6-5	180	4
Warren Fleming	E	84	6-0	180	3
Jerome Goodlet	E	88	6-3	180	3
Joe Harris	E	42	6-1	175	3
Steve Blackwelder *	T	77	6-1	205	4
Eddie Hendricks *	T	78	5-11	175	4
Doug Jones	T	70	5-10	220	3
Richard Crofts	T	75	5-9	200	3
Steve Lathan *	T	76	5-11	225	4
Buck Hall	T	79	6-0	225	3
Andy Andrews *	G	64	5-9	150	4
Darrell Harpe	G	66	6-0	175	4
John Cartner	G	67	5-10	175	3
Donnie Davis	G	69	6-0	205	4
Allan Barger **	C	58	6-0	210	4
Donald Riddle *	G	65	5-11	170	4
Edward Godbey	C	59	5-10	160	3
Paul Griffiths	C	50	5-11	190	3
Craig Ward	QB	10	5-10	145	3
David Poplin	QB	12	5-11	160	2
Bob Koontz	HB	22	5-10	165	3
Ricky Phelps	HB	30	5-9	155	2
Steve Zimmerman **	FB	32	6-2	200	4
Robert Ridge	FB	33	5-11	185	3
Bryant Smith *	HB	45	5-9	145	4
Tony Seaford *	HB	43	5-10	150	4
Joey Mason *	HB	41	5-11	165	4
Terry Cook	HB	24	5-9	155	3
Ricky Naylor	HB	26	5-9	140	3
Don Ozimek	HB	28	5-7	135	4

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**Co-Captains

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Jim Conger

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Bill Peeler

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Bob Henry
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Rebels

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1968 RESULTS

Davie 12, Albemarle 27
Davie 6, North Stanly 7
Davie 6, East Rowan 7
Davie 21, C. Davidson 14

Davie 29, North Iredell 0
Davie 20, West Rowan 0
Davie 6, Mooresville 28
Davie 27, N. Davidson 10

Davie 20, South Iredell 21
Davie 19, North Rowan 12

1969 SCHEDULE

Sept. 5 Albemarle
Sept. 13 at North Stanly
Sept. 19 at East Rowan
Sept. 26 Central Davidson
Oct. 3 at N. Mecklenberg
Oct. 10 West Rowan
Oct. 17 at Mooresville
Oct. 24 North Davidson
Oct. 31 at S. Iredell
Nov. 7 North Rowan