

Sports

Buck teams shine

Hoke High teams had a good week capturing wins in almost every sport.

The Hoke High girls' softball team beat E.E. Smith by a score of 14-10 on Thursday.

The Lady Bucks took the lead in the first inning and never relinquished it.

The win brings the Lady Bucks' season record to 2-10 and the conference record to 2-4.

The boys' freshman baseball team took one Thursday from Ellerbee, 7-5 and another Friday from Reed Ross, 9-7.

The boys' tennis team also came

out on top, putting together what coach Andy Brown called "an outstanding team effort, to win their match with E.E. Smith, 6-3.

The tennis team is now 4-4 in the conference and 4-5 overall.

Finally, the ninth grade softball took a pair on Thursday and Friday by first beating Ellerbee 17-9 and Reed Ross 7-0.

The Buckettes battle back from a second inning deficit of 6-1 to take Ellerbee by slamming 15 hits.

In the game, Tina Brewer went 3 for 4, Nancy Singletary 3 for 5, Jackie Hunt 2 for 3 and Regina Oxendine 2 for 2.

Tennis Assoc. season starts

The Hoke Tennis Association has begun plans for 1984 by having an ice cream social at the McLauchlin Park Tennis Courts Sunday, April 29 at 3 p.m.

All members and prospective members of all ages are welcome to attend and make an afternoon of fun and fellowship. Dues may be paid at this time.

The purpose of the Hoke Tennis Association is to promote and encourage the sport of tennis; to organize and promote tennis tournaments, clinics and other similar activities for the benefit of the members of the association and for the general benefit of the community; to promote among the people in the community the theory and practice of the principles of good citizenship; to encourage and sponsor the youth in the community in the sport of tennis and to foster good will and public relations.

The members of the Executive Board are Carol Holland, Presi-

dent; Julian Johnson, Vice-President; Joy Upchurch, Secretary; Terry Houston, Treasurer; Mary James, Membership Chairman; Ches Hayes, Tournament Chairman; Susan Houston, Public Relations Chairman; and Julian Johnson, Planning Chairman.

Tournament dates have been set for June 1 - 3, HTA Spring Open and HTA Closed Association Championship Tournament in September.

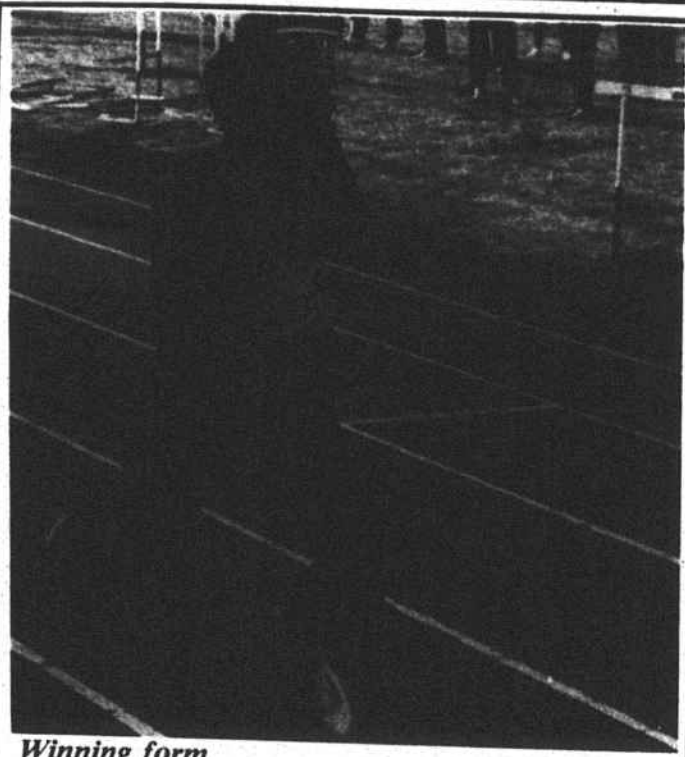
Ladder competition will begin May 1.

The second general meeting and social outing will be held Friday, May 25 at McLauchlin Park Tennis Courts.

A wiener roast will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by a brief business meeting, family fun and games.

The Hoke Tennis Association needs your support.

Please make plans to attend the outing on April 29 and again on May 25.



Winning form

There is poetry in motion as Hoke High's Terrell Carpenter streaks down his lane to win the 100 meter dash in 10.52 seconds in last Thursday's meet. (Photo by Terry Houston)

Special Olympics on tap for Hoke High Thursday

The 1984 Special Olympics, sponsored by the Division for Exceptional Children of the Hoke County Schools will be held Thursday, April 19 at the Hoke High Stadium. This will be the ninth annual event for these special athletes.

The grand march will begin at 9 a.m. led by members of the Hoke High Band. Each school will be represented in the parade. From J.W. McLauchlin will be

"Caldwell's Cougars," followed by "West Hoke Dolphins," "Scurlock Scramblers," "South Hoke Super Team," and "Turlington Super Stars." Upchurch Jr. High will be represented by the "Super Smurfs," the "A-Team" and "Upchurch Eagles." "Simpson's Sizzlers" will represent Hoke High.

In the opening ceremonies, Kenneth Locklear, of "Simpson's Sizzlers" will have the honor to light the torch and to extinguish the flame at the closing.

Competition will begin at 9:30 a.m. and will continue until 2 p.m. Several Fun Events are also scheduled throughout the morning. George Drawhorn, Coach at Hoke High is the meet director this year.

Everyone is invited to attend this event and to share the excitement experienced by these special athletes on their day of "Special Joy."

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Umpire meeting

Anyone interested in umpiring Bambino League (10-12) Baseball, Babe Ruth (13-15) Baseball, Men's and Women's Softball games should make plans to attend our officials' organizational meeting/clinic on Wednesday, April 18 at 7 p.m. in the Recreation Office. Parnell Miles, from Fayetteville, will conduct the meeting. For additional information, please contact the Recreation Office at 875-5603.

Easter egg hunt

An Easter egg hunt, sponsored by the Recreation Commission, will be held on Saturday, April 21 at 2:00 p.m. at McLauchlin Park. (Behind McLauchlin Elementary School). This event is free and is open to those ages 2-8 only. Parents or guardians are requested to accompany the child.

Karate

For those interested in the martial arts, classes are currently being held in the room above Howell's Drug Store on Main Street. Classes are on Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30-7 p.m. Cost is \$25 per month for instruction plus insurance fee. (\$5 for ages 18 and under, \$10 for those 19 years or older. Insurance is good for one year from date paid, and needs to be turned in at the recreation office). For more information, please call 875-5603.

Men's softball

The Parks and Recreation Commission is sponsoring a Men's Softball League for all interested men ages 16 and up. If you are interested in entering a team in the league or just playing yourself, contact the Recreation Office at 5-5603. The season is set to start May 1 at Armory Park. The deadline for a team's entry is Friday, April 27 at 5 p.m.

Babe Ruth baseball

The Parks and Recreation Commission is organizing a Babe Ruth Baseball League for all interested participants ages 13-15. Players eligible are those whose 16th birthday comes on or after August 1 or whose 13th birthday comes on or before August 1.

Sign-ups will take place at Armory Park on April 23-26 (Monday-Thursday) from 4-6 p.m. All potential players must bring \$3 to cover registration fees, before they will be allowed to sign-up. Participants are also requested to bring birth certificates, even if they have participated in a Recreation sponsored event prior to this season.

Bambino baseball

The Recreation Commission is organizing a Babe Ruth Bambino League for all interested participants ages 10-12. Players eligible are those whose 12th birthday comes on or after August 1 or whose 10th birthday comes on or before August 1.

Sign-ups will take place at Armory Park on April 16-19 (Monday-Thursday) from 4:00-6:00 p.m. All potential players must bring \$3 to cover registration fees, before they will be allowed to sign-up. Participants are also requested to bring their birth certificates even if they have participated in a Recreation sponsored event prior to this season.

Babe Ruth coaches meeting

There will be a meeting for all interested Babe Ruth Baseball (13-15) Coaches at the Recreation Office on Monday, April 30 at 7 p.m. Suggestions and ideas are encouraged.

Bambino coaches meeting

There will be a meeting for all interested Babe Ruth Bambino Baseball (10-12) Coaches at the Recreation Office on Tuesday, May 1 at 7 p.m. Bring your ideas and suggestions to the meeting.

Liniment softball meeting

The Recreation Commission will hold an organizational meeting for the Men's Liniment Softball League (ages 30-up) on Wednesday, May 9 at 7 p.m. in the Recreation Office. All interested teams should have a representative present.

Women's Softball Meeting

An organizational meeting will be held for those interested in playing in the Women's Softball League (ages 16-up) on Wednesday, May 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the Recreation Office. All interested teams should have a representative present.

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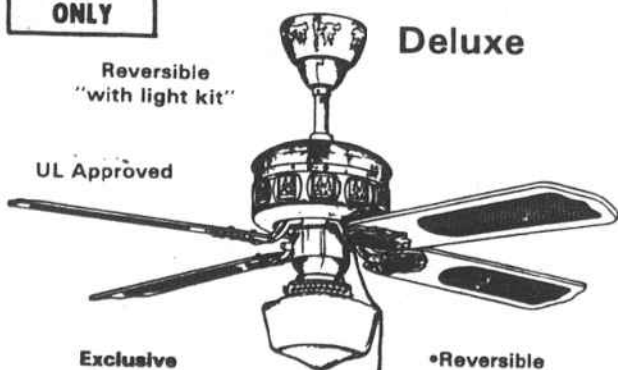
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