

Sports

Bucks lose heartbreaker to Scotland County

"It took a great play to beat us," Hoke High Head Football Coach Tom Jones said of last Friday night's close loss to Scotland County.

Hoke High had led the Fighting Scots the whole game.

The final score was Scotland 21, Hoke 19.

With 47 seconds left in the game, Scotland completed a pass

to the back of the end zone to give them the win.

"We felt like we played well enough to win," Jones said.

The heartbreaking pass came on the Hoke 12 yard line and there was little way of stopping it, said Jones.

"We had good coverage on the play," he said.

According to Jones, the man

who caught the ball was covered but the Hoke player stumbled and gave the receiver just enough time to pick up the pass.

"I have heard people say that game was the most exciting high school game they have ever seen," said Jones.

"We were pleased with the effort the team gave. They played well," said the coach.

The leading rusher for Hoke was

Terrell Carpenter who carried the ball 12 times and gained 177 yards.

Quarterback Marco Pickett passed for 23 yards in the game.

Although Jones was obviously disappointed by the Friday night loss, he is neither giving up hope on his team nor putting all the blame on them for the team's 3 and 2 record.

There is a lot of football left to

play this season and Hoke is not licked yet for a spot in the playoffs, Jones said.

This Friday, the team faces Reid Ross in this year's Homecoming game.

"Reid Ross is always a very physical team," Jones said.

One of the major things Jones and his team will be working on this week is avoiding "mistakes in four down territory," he said.

That is the area that an opposing team can score in four downs from or any area inside the 30-yard-line.

Those mistakes will have to be eliminated, said Jones.

The head coach is looking forward to a good game with Reid Ross.

"In our league, there are no pushovers," he said.

"On any given Friday night, anyone could win."

Hoke teams victorious during week's contests

With the exception of the varsity football team, last week was a very good one for young athletes in Hoke County.

The Hoke High Women's Tennis Team once again defeated all takers in two matches last week.

On the past Tuesday, West Robeson High School came for a disappointing visit to Raeford.

Wendy Simpson, number one seed on the team, easily defeated her challenger in both sets, 6-0.

Also winning in singles competition were Stephanie Holland, Beth Archer and Kim Hawkins.

Hawkins won a hard fought match in that tournament 6-4, 2-6 and 7-6.

In doubles play, the teams of Simpson-Payne, Booker-Archer and Tran and Potts all won with Tran and Potts not losing a game.

The final score was Hoke 7 and West Robeson 2.

On Thursday, the team travelled to E.E. Smith and again walked away with a victory.

Simpson, Holland, Archer and Hawkins again all won singles matches quite easily.

Simpson and Payne and Booker and Archer won doubles matches with neither team having to fight too hard.

In Volleyball play during last week, Hoke Varsity and Junior Varsity teams did not lose a match.

When West Robeson came to visit Raeford on last Tuesday, all hopes of their winning were dashed soon after arrival.

Both Varsity games were won with scores of 15-10 and the Junior Varsity ripped a 15-1 win out of

the first game and squeaked a 15-13 win out of the second game.

Travelling to E.E. Smith on Thursday, the J.V. team had no one to play.

E.E. Smith has no J.V. Volleyball team; however, the Varsity team had little trouble winning their match 15-7 and 15-3.

The overall J.V. record is 9 and 1 while the Varsity teams boasts an 8 and 2 record.

Hoke County's J.V. Bucks are on a comeback trail after a slow start in their season.

The young Bucks, in what coaches are calling "a defensive struggle," beat Scotland County's J.V. team by a score of 8-7.

The opposing team went on top early in the game, on the second play of the game, and went on top 7-0 and stayed there until there were only two minutes left in the game.

The only Hoke County score was a blocked punt picked up by Anthony Monroe and run into the end zone.

Realizing that six points were not enough to defeat the Scotland team, Monroe caught a pass from Bobby Little for the two point conversion.

During the second half, the young team hit hard causing fumbles and stopping all hopes for Scotland.

The overall J.V. record is now at 2 and 2.

The ninth grade football team was also a winner last Thursday as they defeated Reid Ross 20-14.

In the first quarter, Josh Pate completed a 40-yard pass to Barry



Winning start
Members of the Hoke High cross country team line up last week for the start of a four-school race. The Bucks were victorious capturing the fewest points to top Lumberton, West Robeson and E.E. Smith.

Fellows for a touchdown, but the extra point try did not make it.

In quarter number two, Roderick Bratcher ran 40 yards for a touchdown and James Carpenter made the two point conversion.

The final Hoke score came in the last quarter when Bratcher again broke loose and ran 50 yards only to be tackled at the three yard line.

Thomas Glen picked up those needed three yards on the ground

to seal the win for Hoke.

Last Wednesday, an undefeated Hoke cross country team won again with Don Woods leading the way with a time of 16 minutes and 45 seconds on the course.

Out of the four schools competing in the meet, Hoke put four men in the top 10 finishers.

The final score was Hoke 32, Lumberton 37, West Robeson 85 and E.E. Smith 106.

RoadRunners win in two area races

On Saturday, October 6, the Autumn Run Fest was held, they sponsored a one mile, three mile and a six mile race. The Hoke County Roadrunners participated in these three races.

In the one mile, Roadrunner Don Woods won first place overall, this is the second year in a row that Don has won this race.

Then 30 minutes later Don ran in the three mile race, placing third overall and first in his age group with a time of 17:28.

The other two Roadrunners ran in the six mile race. Robert Lambert placed third overall with the time of 38:08. Marty Locklear placed fourth overall and first in his age group with a time of 38:10.

On Sunday October 7, Flora McDonald Highland games sponsored a six mile run. All three Roadrunners participated in the races.

Don Woods placed fourth overall and first in his age group in a time of 35:50, Robert Lambert placed seventh overall and third in his age group in a time of 38:07.

Marty Locklear placed ninth overall and fourth in his age group in a time of 38:09.

There were 103 runners in the race.

The Roadrunners will compete again November 11 in Lumberton.

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