

Touchdown Club Helps Support Eagle Gridders

The Morehead City Touchdown Club is one of the most active organizations currently helping to support football in the county.

As early as the 1957 season, a group of business men had worked together to help the football team.

After the Eagles won the state championship last year, the men collected enough money to buy Coach Norman Clark an outboard motor and assistant coach Walter Taylor a watch.

Nick Galantis, unofficial president of this group, began a membership drive during the last week of March.

In less than two weeks the boosters (now known as the Touchdown Club) reached their membership goal of 100.

Officers elected were Bernard Leary, president; Thomas Oglesby, vice-president; John Baker, secretary; Mr. Galantis, treasurer, and Bob Seymour, public relations director.

A six-man board of directors was also elected. Its members are Dr. Outlaw, George R. Wallace, Dom Femia, James Smith, Skip Willis, and Frank Cheek.

Since the organization has been in existence, it has helped pay the coach's summer salary, donated \$50 toward helping build restrooms at the football field and voted to give \$200 to the school for equipment.

Seadogs

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Havelock put the first blemish on the Seadog record in the fourth game of the season.

The roof eaved in on the Seadogs in the fifth game of the season. The Beaufort squad, hopeful of an upset, faced the power-packed Morehead City Eagles at Beaufort.

The Seadogs, in their only slump of the season, dropped their second straight game the following week, a 22-20 decision to the Wilmington Jayvees.

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Clubs Support Grid Programs

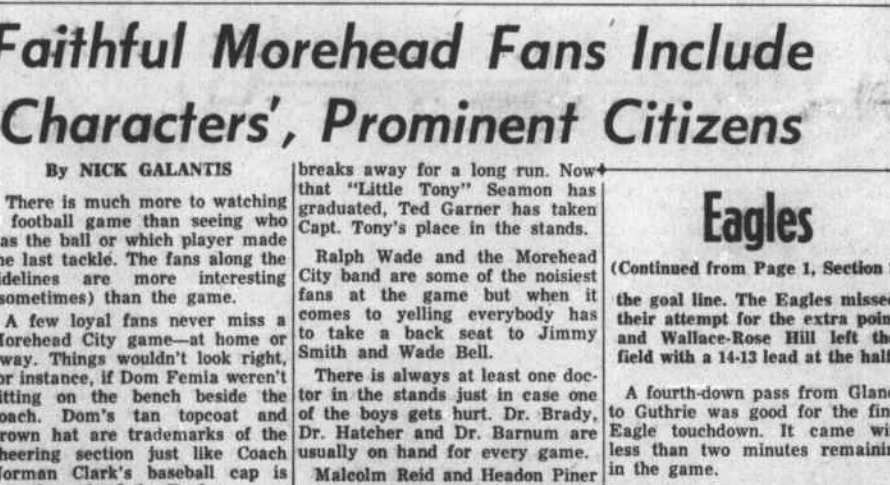


Photos by Bob Seymour

James Potter, left, representing the Morehead-Beaufort Elks Lodge, presents \$100 checks to principals of the Morehead City and Beaufort high schools.



Bernard Leary, left, president of the Morehead City Touchdown Club, gives a \$50 check to Louis Russell, co-chairman of the Jaycee football committee.



There is much more to watching a football game than seeing who has the ball or which player made the last tackle.

A few loyal fans never miss a Morehead City game—at home or away. Things wouldn't look right, for instance, if Dom Femia weren't sitting on the bench beside the coach.

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Principal Backs Team School principal Lenwood Lee is behind the team 100 per cent. He even rides to many of the games on the same bus with the players and coaches.

Parents of the players are always in evidence along the sidelines. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Oglesby don't hesitate to leave their seats when the Eagles are knocking on that touchdown door.

Eagles Set New Scoring Record With 375 Points

James Guthrie Leads Eagle Scoring Parade With 147 Points

The Morehead City Eagles set a school scoring record last year with a total of 375 points scored in 11 games.

The year before that the Eagles racked up 257 points while winning nine and losing two.

James Guthrie was the leading scorer for the Eagles last season. The flashy halfback crossed the goal line enough times to score 147 points.

Gerald Jones, Guthrie's running mate at halfback, ran for 123 points. Jones was selected by the Eagles as the outstanding player on the squad for the second consecutive year.

Quarterback John Glancy, who seldom ran with the ball, scored 28 points over the season. Glancy, an all-conference selection and Gerald Jones are the only members of last year's starting backfield that will not be back.

Glancy's understudy last year, Jackie McQueen, was scheduled to direct the Eagles from the quarterback slot this season, but may be used as a halfback.

Fullback Freddie Oglesby will be back for his senior year this year and will be out to improve on his record of 21 points scored last year.

Snags Three TD Passes End Linwood Swinson, now graduated, caught three touchdowns passes last season for 18 points.

Coach Norman Clark says his backs were terrific last year but that they had superb blocking for most of their scoring runs.

Center Gordon Patrick was one of the best men on the line, along with Jackie Simpson, Sherman Salter and Russell Guthrie.

This was the nearest the Eagles came to tasting defeat during the long trail to the state title.

They slaughtered Massey Hill 31-7 in a game played at Wallace-Rose Hill the following week.

The Eagles won the eastern championship with a 33-12 romp over Fuquay.

Fuquay managed to push two last-quarter touchdowns across, but it was too late then to stop the Eagles from taking the eastern championship.

Scores of loyal fans drove to Mt. Holly (near Charlotte) to see their Eagles play the Mt. Holly Hawks for the state A-A-C championship.

Eagle fans kept plenty warm, though, as they yelled for their team to pull the game out of the fire.

They scored on a 70-yard run by fullback James Helton on the first play from scrimmage and scored on a 20-yard pass play.

James Guthrie had scored all seven of the Eagle points on a short plunge through the line and an extra point.

In the second half the Eagles roared back to score 23 points and wrap up the victory going away.

Coach, Fans Pick Outstanding Eagle Plays for Last Season

Managers Play Vital Role



The Beaufort Seadogs will have plenty of attention from "assistant coaches" this year.



Managers Donald Oglesby, left, and Bill Fox play an important role in the Morehead City football program.

Two offensive plays stand out in the minds of the football fans who watched the Morehead City Eagle sweep through an undefeated season last year.

Persons questioned were Coach Norman Clark, Dr. R. O. Barnum, Nick Galantis, Bernard Leary and Dr. Russell Outlaw.

Coach Clark says, "Without doubt, the most brilliant run of the season was turned in by Jones. The Eagles were on their own 2 yard line in the second quarter of the Massey Hill game."

Just as a couple of Massey Hill players were coming up to be pulled him down, Jones broke away from that last man and legged to the goal—still some 35 yards away.

That stands out in my mind as the outstanding individual effort of the season," concluded Coach Clark.

Dr. Outlaw added, "That plays goes to prove that a little more with a lot of drive can go a long way in high school football."

The other play that was mentioned by everyone questioned was the screen pass used by the Eagle on the last play of the first half against the Wallace-Rose Hill Bulldogs.

The Eagles were trailing by a 7 score and were on the Bulldog 4 yard line. There were 12 seconds remaining in the half when Coach Clark sent in a substitute with the big play.

It was the first time the Eagle had been called on to use the screen pass all year.

The other Eagle game is with Havelock. The teams were scheduled to meet last season but the game was postponed due to a flu epidemic.

Last year the Eagles romped to a 42-0 victory over Swansboro but the year before the Pirates lowered the boom on Morehead City by a 7-0 margin.

Faithful Morehead Fans Include 'Characters', Prominent Citizens

By NICK GALANTIS

breaks away for a long run. Now that "Little Tony" Seamon has graduated, Ted Garner has taken Capt. Tony's place in the stands.

Ralph Wade and the Morehead City band are some of the noisiest fans at the game but when it comes to yelling everybody has to take a back seat to Jimmy Smith and Wade Bell.

There is always at least one doctor in the stands just in case one of the boys gets hurt.

Malcolm Reid and Headon Piner are a pair of the faithful "play followers" who walk up and down the sidelines following the action.

Other faithful fans include George Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Edwards, Clarence Pelletier and former football stars like Kemp "Baby" Wickizer, Kent Brown, Danny O'Neal and Horace Willis.

Not everybody can get out to the games, but if they can read there is always an account of the action in THE NEWS-TIMES.

Everyone appreciates the job done by Bernard Leary and Jimmy Wallace as they operate the public address system for all the home games.

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Bucket

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The Eagles turned the tables the following year, winning by scores of 8-0 and 25-7.

Because of that, the Mullet Bucket ran into hard days. While everybody talked about the "battle of the Mullet Bucket," no one seemed interested in the ceremony involving the bucket.

The custom now is for members of both teams to go to Dom's for their free hamburgers and drinks after each game.

Scores of the Mullet Bucket games after 1952 follow: 1953, 32-0; 1954, 7-0; 1955, 34-0; 1956, 25-7; and 1957, 47-4.

The team was met at the race track west of Morehead City.

The bus was escorted into town by police cars, a fire engine and decorated cars.

Ex-Seadog Coach Joins Morehead City Eagles

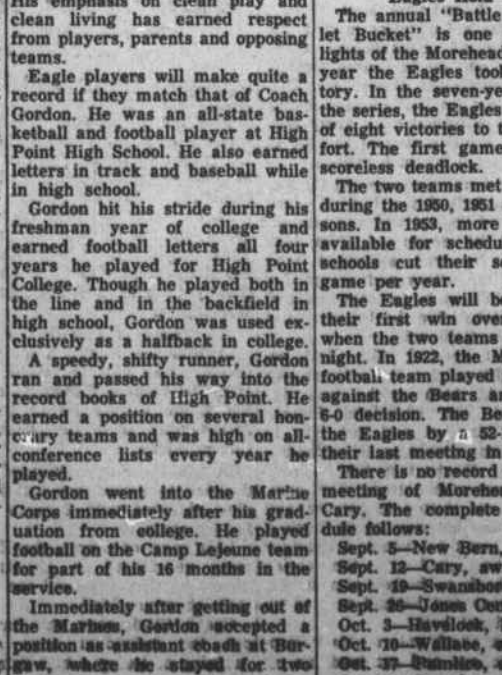
After coaching on the east side of Newport River for the past four years, Hugh Gordon accepted a position as assistant coach to Norman Clark at Morehead City this season.

Coach Gordon left Beaufort with a record of 19 victories, 17 losses and four ties.

The Seadogs tied Farmville in the play-offs, only to have Farmville advance in the play-offs because it gained more yardage during the contest.

The Seadogs won six, lost two and tied two in their last year under Coach Gordon's supervision.

Coach Gordon says the primary duty of a coach is to make men from boys, physically and socially.



Hugh Gordon ... crosses river

Eagles to Meet Five '57 Foes This Season

The Morehead City Eagles will meet five of the teams they faced last year during the coming season.

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The Eagles were trailing by a 7 score and were on the Bulldog 4 yard line.

It was a perfect set-up for screen pass. Glancy took the snap from center Gordon Patrick and faded back with the whole Wallace line after him.

The Eagle line re-formed in front of Guthrie just behind the line of scrimmage.

Dr. Barnum called it "the most perfectly executed play I've ever seen in high school football."

Fourth Down Pass Mr. Leary mentioned one other play as being one of the top plays of the year.

The Eagles were on the Wallace seven-yard line with a fourth in five situation.

Another season is here and the year's crew of Eagles will be made to make more pleasant memories for the fans to discuss next summer and fall.

Organize Team The W. S. King High School Morehead City will field a football team for the first time this year.