



**STEVENSON CONTROLS**—Don Stevenson (white) controls the ball for the Warriors while the Turntables' Charles Hill defends. Stevenson scored 13 points but the Turntables went on to win, 58-45.

## Turntables Win Rec League Championship

The Shallotte Turntables, behind the play of Melvin Johnson and Herbert Bell, topped the Longwood Warriors 58-45 last week in the Brunswick County men's basketball league championship at Shallotte Middle School.

Johnson led the Turntables with 18 points while Bell added 10 and Charles Hill eight.

Don Stevenson led the Warriors with 13 points followed by Joe Herrinway with 10.

The Turntables included the following players: Pernel Hill, Johnson, Bell, Stephon Grissett, Ruben Bryant, Hill, Trampus Gause, Ray Bland and Alf Hill.

Playing for the runnerup Warriors were Chaisey Brown, Stevenson, Lee Vance Frink, Donnie Bromell, Kenneth Thomas, Timmy Thomas, Willie Butler, David Stevenson, Joe Vereen, Ricky Thomas, Darryl Smith, Hemmingway and Johnny Brown.



**TURNTABLES WIN CHAMPIONSHIP**—The Turntables won the tournament championship of the men's basketball league last week over the Warriors. Pictured for the Turntables are (front, left to right): Melvin Johnson, Charles Hill, Trampus Gause, Alf Hill, Ray Bland and Wrathel Gause; second row, coach Adell McNeil, Stephon Grissett, Pernel Hill, Ruben Bryant, Herbert Bell; back, LaSalle McNeil.

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### SPORTING SCENE

## Cherryville Spoils Whiteville's Bid

BY JOHNNY CRAIG

For the second time in the 1984-85 school year, the Whiteville Wolfpack has fallen just shy of a state championship. In early December it was the Wolfpack falling short to Forest Hills, 13-6 for the state football title. Last week in Greensboro it was the same Wolfpack (comprised mostly from the runnerup football squad) again coming up short to Cherryville, 82-75, for the state 2-A basketball title.

Senior basketball and football standout Terry Whisnant (6-4, 225 pounds), the game's most valuable player, led the Ironmen with 30 points and 11 rebounds. The state title was Cherryville's first and capped a near-perfect 28-1 season.

Tim Southern led Whiteville with 27 points followed by Pat Lennon, Keith Jordan and Larry McMillan with 19 each.

Cherryville led from the onset taking a 27-17 lead in the first quarter with Whiteville cutting the margin to six, 41-35, at the half.

The Ironmen held an eight-point, 62-54 advantage at the end of the third period. Whiteville managed to close within four points, 73-69, in the final quarter but Cherryville pulled away for good with a five-point spurt for a 78-69 lead.

The loss ended the season for the Wolfpack, East Waccamaw Conference regular-season and tournament champions, at 25-5.

In other state championship play last weekend, South Robeson (West Waccamaw Conference champions) lost its bid for a 2-A girls title as Southwest Guilford (27-3) downed the Lady Mustangs (22-5), 75-66.

Orrum won its second straight girls 1-A championship with a 65-36 trouncing of Edneyville. Orrum finished 30-0 with the championship win good for its 59th straight victory. Edneyville finished at 21-7.

Clarkton won the boys 1-A title with a 57-54 win over defending champion Edneyville (16-12). The Blue Devils (22-7) had advanced to the state finals four previous times since 1976 but came away a winner this go 'round.

In the 4-A championship, Hunter Huss (Gastonia) won its second title in six years with a 40-37 win over E.E. Smith (Fayetteville). The Huskies finished the year 20-9 while Smith concluded its season at 24-6.

Raleigh Broughton won the girls

4-A title with a 51-49 win over High Point Central. Broughton finished at 28-1 while Central ended the year at 23-2.

West Caldwell (Lenior) won the girls 3-A championship with a 65-54 win over Farmville Central. West Caldwell finished its season at 28-1 while Farmville Central ended at 23-6.

All boys championships were played at the Greensboro Coliseum while the girls titles were decided at Elon College.

**Trojans Return To Action**

West Brunswick resumes baseball play Friday at home against South Brunswick at 4 p.m. in non-conference action. The Trojans' conference opener against Clinton last Friday was postponed due to rain.

Following Friday's contest with the Cougars, West Brunswick plays two straight road games before returning home to face South Robeson on Thursday, April 11.



**INSIDE POSITION**—The Turntables' Stephon Grissett (50) signals for the ball while gaining position from Timmy Thomas (10) of the Warriors. Moving in on the play is Herbert Bell (52) of the Turntables.

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## Vikings And Whiteville Win Openers

Although the prep baseball season is barely underway, most teams in the Three Rivers-East Waccamaw area have already begun conference play. Both West Columbus and Whiteville, preseason favorites in their respective TRC and EWC leagues, won conference openers last week.

West Columbus downed Pender, 9-2 behind the four-hit, 14-strike out pitching performance of Keith Frink. Frink also had two hits at the plate while teammate James Faulk collected three hits and stole three bases. James Whitley had a pair of nits to lead Pender.

The win raised the Vikings to 3-2-1. Unbeaten Whiteville ran its record to 8-0 overall while winning its second EWC decision with a 14-1 trouncing of South Brunswick.

The Cougars were limited to two hits by Whiteville pitcher Tommy Hammonds who also struck out 11 in just five innings.

The game was called after five innings due to the Wolfpack's lead in excess of 10 runs.

Tommy Greene led the Wolfpack at the plate with a three-run homer while Henry Threadgill had three hits and two runs batted in.

Mike Russ had both Cougar hits to lead South Brunswick.

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