

SPORTING SCENE

County Grid Teams Struggling Early

BY JOHNNY CRAIG

At least two of three Brunswick County football teams are struggling somewhat in the early going of the '85 football season. South Brunswick has yet to crack the win column after two games and West Brunswick received a rude welcome to the new season last Friday.

North Brunswick did manage to even its record at 1-1 with an impressive 26-0 road win over Dixon last week.

While the three county squads sport a less-than-impressive 1-4 record against outside competition, the early schedules of the trio are the toughest in years.

Both West and South Brunswick have fallen to Pender, a team that finished runnerup in the Three Rivers 3-A Conference last season and advanced to the state playoffs.

South Brunswick's 33-13 loss last week to the bigger 4-A Hoggard Vikings was not much of a surprise.

North Brunswick dropped its opener to Clarkton but rebounded to rout Dixon Friday. The loss to Clarkton came to an experienced Blue Devil team that returns nearly everyone from last season.

While the Scorpions have this week off, both West and South Brunswick should manage to break into the win column for the first time playing smaller 1-A teams.

Friday is the home opener for both as West entertains Littlefield and South hosts Acme-Delco. Littlefield and Acme-Delco has experienced similar early problems of the Trojans and Cougars—neither has yet to win a game.

Only Winner

Whiteville was the only other Waccamaw 2-A Conference team to manage a win last week along with the Scorpions. The Wolfpack avenged last season's upset and a two-game losing streak at the hands of Bladenboro with a 43-0 blanking of the

Bulldogs.

Whiteville rolled up 365 yards in total offense in the impressive showing that featured the three-touchdown performance of tailback Patrick Lennon.

Both Fairmont and East Bladen fell in nonconference play as the Golden Tornadoes were edged by Orum, 20-18 and the Cougars lost to Clinton, 14-6.

Such a close loss to traditionally powerful Clinton has to have East Bladen followers looking to the upcoming weeks with guarded optimism.

Both West Columbus and South Robeson had open dates last week but return Friday to nonconference play.

Softball League Forming

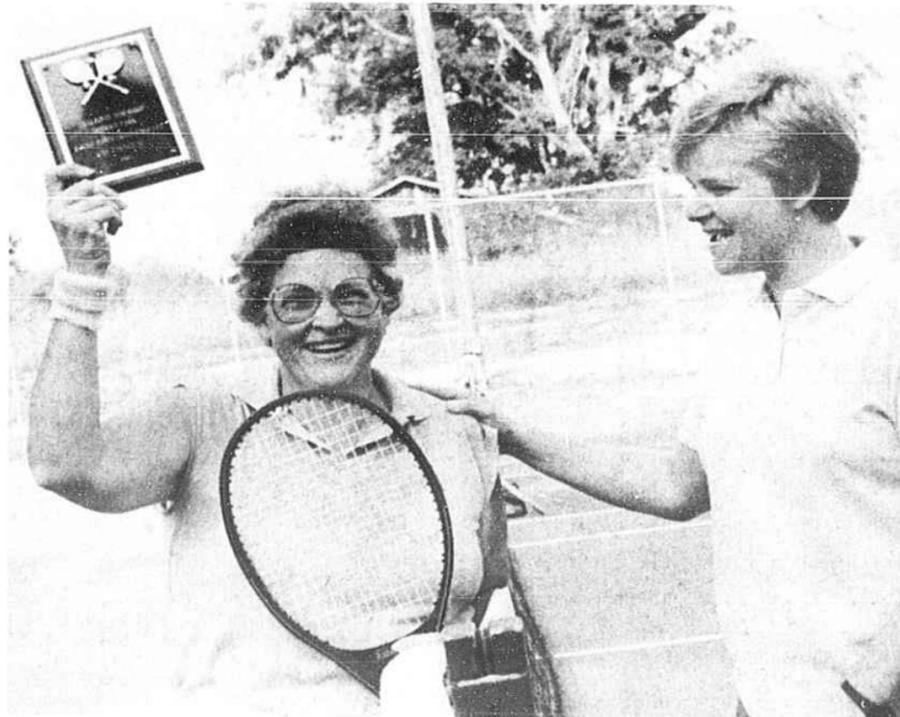
The Brunswick County Parks and Recreation Department will have an organizational meeting for the fall co-ed softball league Monday, September 16 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Planning Building at the County Complex in Bojvia.

Teams interested in participating should send a representative to the meeting or call Doug White at 253-4357 for more information.

NCHSAA Meetings Set

The North Carolina High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA) will be holding a series of regional meetings at six different sites across the state during the next month.

The local meet will be held on Sept. 25 in Jacksonville. On the agenda will be discussions on corporate sponsorship, minimizing loss of instructional time, non-faculty head coaches, liberalizing out of state competition, relaxing sports season concept, double participation rule, advisory committee, expanded handbook, more bulletins, classifying sports, state championship facilities, NCHSAA Hall of Fame, scholar athlete program, coaching vacancies and various current committees.



Owens Wins Ladies' Round Robin

Peggy Owens of Shallotte emerged the winner in a ladies' round robin tennis tournament sponsored by the Brunswick County Parks and Recreation Department at Shallotte Township Park. She's shown above left with Tina Pritchard, assistant director of the county department. Participants were to all play each other at

least once, with the winner claiming the best two of three sets with no add scoring. The round-robin followed four weeks of Saturday morning drills. Other participants included Lattie Stanley, Gerri Parsons, Theresa Wooten, Joyce Carmichael, Martha Sanders and Carol Roycroft.

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Hoggard Whips South

South Brunswick suffered its second loss of the season in as many games Friday to the larger 4-A Hoggard Vikings in Wilmington, 33-13.

But the Cougars didn't go down without a fight. Literally.

The game ended in an all-out brawl that followed a Viking touchdown in the final seconds with the final outcome well at hand.

As players from the two teams exchanged blows, the coaching staffs traded words as the nonconference matchup ended.

Hoggard took a 13-0 lead in the first quarter on Chris Pinckney's four-yard scoring run, a 75-yard touchdown carry by Sean Ross and Jeff Altice's extra point.

South Brunswick closed to 13-6 at the half on a 35-yard scoring pass from quarterback Glyn McCuen to Nick DiFoggio and Scott Gales added the extra point with 11:46 to play in the second quarter.

Ross connected with Jeff Richardson on a 69-yard scoring toss in the third quarter. Pinckney scored his second touchdown on a two-yard run and Altice converted on a pair of extra points as Hoggard opened a 27-6 lead at the end of the period.

Aaron Swain scored the Cougars' final touchdown on a three-yard run in the final quarter as South Brunswick closed to 27-13.

Viking backup quarterback Dean Britt scored Hoggard's final touchdown on a 13-yard sneak with the two-point conversion attempt failing for the final margin.

South Brunswick (0-2) continues nonconference play Friday hosting Acme-Delco in its home opener at 8 p.m. Hoggard (1-0) will entertain Conway, S.C. Friday in next action.

THE YARDSTICK

S. Brunswick	Hoggard
14	14
146	317
80	69
13-4	3-1
4	1
2-39	2-54
2	3
50	135

SCORE BY QUARTERS

S. Brunswick	0	7	0	6-13
Hoggard	13	0	14	6-33

SCORING SUMMARY

- (H) Pinckney, 4-yard run (kick failed).
- (H) Ross, 75-yard run (Altice kick).
- (SB) DiFoggio, 35-yard pass from McCuen (Gales kick).
- (H) Richardson, 69-yard pass from Ross (Altice kick).
- (H) Pinckney, 2-yard run (Altice kick).
- (SB) Swain, 3-yard run (run failed).
- (H) Britt, 13-yard run (pass failed).

North Brunswick Blanks Dixon

BY JOHNNY CRAIG

North Brunswick scored in every quarter Friday to give new coach Clark Harrell his first win with the Scorpions in a 26-0 shutout of host Dixon.

Chubby Sanders led the Scorpions scoring twice and running for 103 yards on 14 carries. Lanier Sloan also scored twice and ran for 87 yards on 11 carries to help pace the North Brunswick ground attack.

"I was very pleased with our play, particularly with our defense that held Dixon scoreless. Our timing was more in place and we executed our offense better," said Harrell on the win.

"Our defense was staying after people and not standing around as we did against Clarkton in the opener."

The Scorp defense held Dixon to minus nine yards rushing on 21 attempts.

Ricky Edge set up North Brunswick's first scored in the opening quarter on a 20-yard run that gave the Scorp a first down at the Dixon one-yard line. On the next play Sloan went over for the score and Chris Williams added the extra point for a 7-0 lead.

Sanders scored the first of two touchdowns in the second period and Williams converted his second extra point to give the Scorp a 14-0 halftime advantage.

Sanders scored again in the third quarter on a 40-yard dash to give North Brunswick a 20-0 lead as the extra-point attempt failed.

Sloan capped North Brunswick scoring with a 50-yard TD run in the final quarter and the Scorp failed on the two-point conversion attempt.

Dixon attempted 32 passes in the game while completing 11 but the

Scorp secondary intercepted four of the tosses.

"Our defense did a fantastic job considering Dixon threw the ball 32 times and never got it in the end zone," continued Harrell.

North Brunswick has an open date this week before returning to non-conference action next Friday at Acme-Delco.

THE YARDSTICK

N. Brunswick	Dixon
10	7
244	-9
0	200
2-0	32-11
1	4
1-15	3-26
3	0
112	20

SCORE BY QUARTERS

N. Brunswick	7	7	6	6-26
Dixon	0	0	0	0-0

SCORING SUMMARY

- (NB) Sloan, 1-yard run (Williams kick).
- (NB) Sanders, 1-yard run (Williams kick).
- (NB) Sanders, 40-yard run (kick failed).
- (NB) Sloan, 50-yard run (pass failed).

Laney Edges Lady Trojans In Volleyball Opener

BY JOHNNY CRAIG

West Brunswick opened its girls volleyball season this week dropping a three-set decision to 4-A Laney of Wilmington. Laney took the first game, 15-2 before the Lady Trojans forced a third game with a 15-11 win in the second.

Laney went on to take the match with a 15-8 win in the final game.

"We only trailed 10-8 in the final game but committed three straight errors which took away our momentum," said West Brunswick coach Bridgers Sabiston. "I was overall pleased despite the loss. We have five experienced players returning from last year and I feel we will have a fine year."

Two senior all-conference performers return to lead the Lady Trojans in Julie Benton and Amy Jones. Dorothy Gore (sr.), Heather Reaves (soph.) and Diana Causey (sr.) are three other returning starters from last season.

Rounding out the team are Cathy White (jr.), Kelly Stanaland (fresh.), Sheila Lancaster (soph.), Tanya Hewett (fresh.) and Sheila Johnson (sr.).

Sabiston sees West Columbus again as being the team to beat in the conference.

"South and North Brunswick along

with Whiteville also figure to be pretty tough. I really don't know that much about South Robeson and East Bladen."

West Brunswick's schedule has the Lady Trojans facing Acme-Delco, East Bladen and Fairmont at home while visiting Whiteville, North Brunswick, South Brunswick, South Robeson and West Columbus on the road.

The Lady Trojans conclude their regular season on October 16 at North Brunswick in a quad-meet that also includes Whiteville and South Brunswick.

The top three finishers in the regular season will advance to the 1-A-2-A state playoffs.

1985 West Brunswick Girls Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent
Sept. 10	at Pender
Sept. 19	Laney, Pender
Sept. 25	at S. Brunswick
	Whiteville, N. Brunswick
Sept. 30	E. Bladen, Fairmont
Oct. 2	at W. Columbus, S. Robeson
Oct. 7	at N. Brunswick, S. Brunswick
Oct. 9	E. Bladen, Fairmont
Oct. 14	at W. Columbus, S. Robeson
Oct. 16	at N. Brunswick, Whiteville, S. Brunswick

All home matches begin at 3:30 p.m.

Trojan Netters Top Whiteville In Opener

BY JOHNNY CRAIG

The West Brunswick Lady Trojans successfully opened the new tennis season Monday with an 8-1 rout of Whiteville. Gina Howard, Jill Hewett, Lee Scarborough, Joelle Bolick and Leslie Gore all won in singles play for West Brunswick while the doubles team of Hewett-April Causey, Howard-Scarborough and Bolick-Gore were victorious.

"After looking at our play today in our first match, I am very optimistic about the season," said West Brunswick tennis coach Jerry Small. "We haven't had a whole lot of practice time but I was very impressed with our play."

The Lady Trojans return two all-conference players from last year's (9-1) league championship squad—seniors Gina Howard and April Causey. Also five of last season's top six players are back including Jill Hewett, Joelle Bolick and Leslie Gore.

New to the top six is Lee Scarborough while a pair of freshmen—Kelly Ward and Karen Lominac—may also see some action in singles play.

West Brunswick's schedule is somewhat confusing in that the Lady Trojans play league foes South Brunswick four times, Whiteville three times and West Columbus, Fairmont and South Robeson twice. However, only one match with each conference opponent will count in league standings.

"Our schedule is a little unusual but was designed that way in order to fill some holes. Playing everyone at least twice will be more of a challenge to the girls," said Small.

West Brunswick won three of the last four Three Rivers 3-A Conference championships and hopes to continue that kind of dominance in the new Waccamaw 2-A Conference.

Small looks for South Brunswick, with the addition of a transfer player, to be strong at the top of its lineup and a strong team in the conference.

"West Columbus is always tough

but they lost four girls to graduation from last year. East Bladen has not been strong in the past and Fairmont and South Robeson are a big question as to how competitive they will be."

Whiteville Results

Singles: Howard (WB) def. Dipple (W), 9-7; Hewett (WB) def. Bright (W), 8-6; White (W) def. Causey (WB), 8-2; Scarborough (WB) def. Howard (W), 8-4; Bolick (WB) def. A. Strickland (W), 8-2; Gore (WB) def. D. Strickland (W), 8-0.

Doubles: Hewett-Causey (WB) def. Dipple-Bright (W), 8-1; Howard-Scarborough (WB) def. White-A. Strickland (W), 8-2; Bolick-Gore (WB) def. Howard-D. Strickland (W), 8-1.

Exhibition: Ward (WB) def. Whitson (W), 8-2; Lominac (WB) def. Garrett (W), 8-6.

1985 West Brunswick Girls Tennis Schedule

Date	Opponent
Sept. 11	West Columbus
Sept. 16	at Whiteville
Sept. 18	South Brunswick
Sept. 25	at South Brunswick*
Sept. 30	Fairmont*
Oct. 2	at Whiteville*
Oct. 7	at South Robeson*
Oct. 9	East Bladen*
Oct. 14	at West Columbus*
Oct. 23	South Brunswick
Oct. 28	at South Brunswick
Nov. 6-7	Sectionals—Wilmington

*Denotes Waccamaw 2-A Conference match. All home matches will be played at Brierwood Golf Course beginning at 4 p.m.

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