

Whirlies Launch Winter Sports Campaign

By Bill Newnam

Basketball

The Whirlies launched their winter sports campaign on November 1 as the basketball team, swim team, and wrestling team all began practice. Thus far all the teams are working hard and looking good.

This year's basketball team is young, and inexperienced. Head coach Phil Weaver plans to start five men on the floor who have never started before. "It will be interesting to see how it works," he said. The only returning starter is junior Greg Burzelle, who is ill and it is questionable when he will be able to start.

Last year's team was 19-7 and lost to Chapel Hill in the state quarterfinals; however none of the starters will return in the season opener at home against Raleigh Broughton on November 30.

Weaver said this year is "expected to be not such a good one," but "it's impossible to say. I won't be disappointed if we don't win the conference," Weaver added.

The probable starting line-up will be seniors J.B. Baynes, Keith

Miller, and Chris Poole, and juniors Calvin Austin, and George Caesar, who Coach Weaver said "has made much progress from his sophomore to junior year."

Weaver noted that sophomore Andy Murrow "looks good" as do Tyrone Moss and Victor Smith with "good outside shots." Weaver added, "The junior class has some real cats."

This year's girls varsity basketball team has high hopes. Third-year head coach Ron Hartsook said, "I would hope we can finish first in the state," or at least "as well as last year's team," which finished sixth.

With returning senior, Anne Marie Treadway, last year's metroplayer of the year, Hartsook's hope could become a reality. Treadway was selected as one of the top 30 players in America by Street and Smith's basketball magazine.

Sid Lysiak, another senior, can play forward or guard, and Hartsook feels she has a "super at-

titude." Other standouts are junior Angie McEachrin who is "getting better at her forward position all the time," and Julie McCray who plays "good defense."

The Whirlie girls have a scrimmage game against Rockingham County on November 23. They then open their conference season at home on November 30.

Swimming

The Whirlie swimmers get in the pool to practice at 6:30 a.m. Monday through Friday and at 7:30 a.m. on Saturdays in an effort to keep their winning tradition.

Last year, the boys swim team finished second in the state while the girls finished ninth. Fourth year head coach Durante Griffin feels this year's team can be "conference, sectional, and state champions."

Seniors David Breece and Richard "Floyd" Wells, who placed in the state meet last year, should lead the boys team. While sophomores Elizabeth Brumback

and Stacey Long should lead the girls swimmers. Long swam in Florida the past two years and is excellent in the breast stroke.

Leigh Ann Fleshman, last year's state diving champion, has a good chance to repeat her performance this year.

The swim team opens its season against Winston-Salem Reynolds on November 24.

Wrestling

The Grimsley wrestling team will begin its season by hosting the Grimsley Invitational Tournament December 3 and 4.

Team captain Bruce Blackmon stated that the team goals this year "are to have an undefeated season and win the conference," and "show well from there on."

Outstanding seniors this year are Blackmon and Benny McKee who feels he "should be able to win the state." Juniors Mike Queen and Gerald Carter are also expected to have a good year.



Fall

By Larry Reece

With the approach of winter, campaign has come to an end. and early September, Grimsley: ticing for a season which would record of 38-16-1.

Varsity Football

The football team contributed with a 4-6 finish. They beat Win early in the season by a 42-0 sophomore Bryan Carter.

The football team then encountered which would deplete their playoff.

The Whirlies then traveled to for their last away game of the game was the starting point of a streak with the final score being Grimsley.

Next, Grimsley would stifle So score of 16-8. Moving into the took to their home field to defeat completed the three game winning unfortunately ended the season, also.

Soccer

Grimsley's soccer team opened season tournament which brought tory against the Page soccer team.

As the season began, however, experienced a few losses. Later, the with three straight wins, all the Whirlie goalkeepers.

Divers Jump Into Competition

By Allen Ford

As a sophomore last year LeighAnn Fleshman took top honors in diving at the State Meet. However, when weighed against past accomplishments, it alone appears trivial.

Fleshman has been involved in national age-group competition since she was 12 and has finished as high as eighth in her age group.

This past summer while training in Raleigh under North Carolina State coach John Candler, she met Ebby Edwards which led to Edwards rooming with Fleshman here in Greensboro.

Edwards, who used to live in Alexandria, Virginia, came to Greensboro because her high school did not have a team and the availability of a good coach was better here.

Fleshman now has more competition with the arrival of Edwards, because she is a noted diver with victories in such prestigious meets as the Old Dominion/Eastern Seaboard Invitational and the United States Diving Association Regional Championships which in-

clude states from Maine to Virginia.

During the school year they are unable to work with their coach on weekdays. However, every Friday Fleshman's parents drive them to Raleigh where they work with their coach over the weekend.

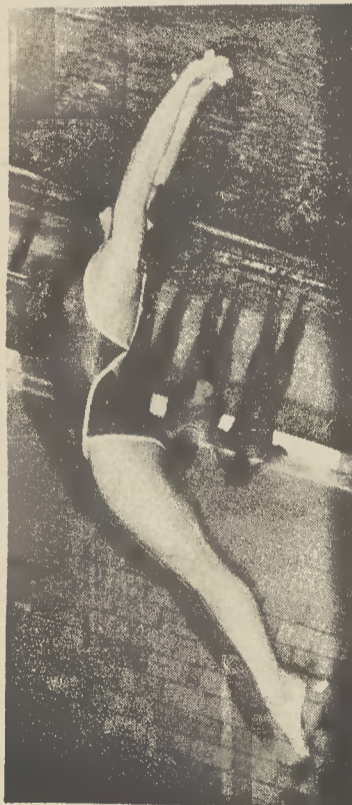
Many parents would not enjoy this routine, but luckily both sets of parents are supportive not only of their children but of the sport itself.

Both parents serve on the Board of the U.S.A. Diving Association, and Edwards' father is the Chairman of the Potomac Valley Diving Association.

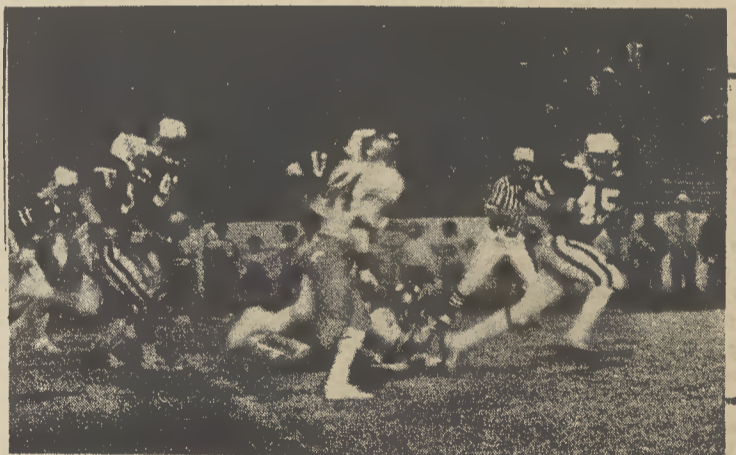
Living together and competing against each other would seem to bring out a rivalry, but Edwards' explained, "No, we do not specifically compete against each other, but try to do our best no matter what the outcome is."

These special circumstances bring out an interesting relationship between two friends. A sport such

as diving which brings upon an athlete much mental strain could possibly hurt their friendship, however, Fleshman and Edwards seem to have overcome this and strive to push each other to their maximum.



Grimsley's Leigh Ann Fleshman (Matt Sohn Photo.)



Second In State

Cross Country Ends Season

By Bill Newnam

The Grimsley cross country team concluded its excellent season this year with a second place finish in the state meet on November 5.

The Whirlies tied with T.C. Roberson High School, but their sixth man crossed the finish line first giving Grimsley sole possession of second place.

Chapel Hill beat the Whirlies by a small margin of 48-58, giving them their fourth consecutive state championship.

Head coach Richard Smith said "we got beat by a fine team which had a fine day." The Whirlie runners had beaten Chapel Hill twice earlier in the year.

Allen Ford, who led the Whirlies

with a tenth-place finish, felt that "we had the most dedicated and awesome runners in the state, but we were caught on a bad day."

Tim Fry, Joe Willis, Mike Moses, Andy Reed, Jim Leone, and Jim Schmid finished fifteenth, twentieth, twenty-sixth, twenty-eighth, thirty-sixth, and thirty-ninth respectively.

Smith said of Willis' twentieth place finish, "It was the best race he ever had in his life." There were 81 finishers in the race.

Smith looks for Reed to "lead the team next year" as a sophomore. "He can be the best two-miler I ever coached" he added. Smith continued "out of about 2,000 runners

in the state he is twenty-eighth as ninth grader."

Smith said this year's team was "the best team I ever coached in cross country." Ford, who hopes to run in college, feels "On another day we could have won it."

The girls team ran well also, finishing seventh in the state lead by Wendy McLees who finished seventeenth out of 78 runners.

Stephanie Ingram, Kim Powell, Felicia Carter, Toni Bryant, Mary Haines, and Elizabeth Taft also ran well for the Whirlies in the state meet.

Coach Smith felt the girls had an excellent season also.



By Chuck Tutterow

Seeing how it's nearly November 25, I have for you a Thanksgiving story.

Although there are no pilgrims or food-filled horns or even wooden ships in this story there are turkeys. As you may have guessed, these are not your prospective "dinner table" birds; however, these turkeys do have droopy necks, floppy arms, and go "gobble, gobble" a lot. These turkeys are none other than those which nest on our very own Grimsley basketball courts.

First a quick summary of the necessary background information needed for tracking these birds. These turkeys usually flock together and speak in typical "turkeylingo" which no person with common sense is able to understand. They also do such turkeyworthy things as actually putting GHS parking certificates and Whirlie Country bumper stickers on their cars in which they occasionally drive south for the winter.

To further our knowledge, we talked with big game hunters Earl Hampton and Chic Ferrell with hopes that they would enlighten us in our porastical ordinate

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Chuck: The XYZ? Chic: Yes, you know-you te

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