



Photo by Jim Harper

Scampering Steve Holmes scored two Trojan touchdowns Saturday as West Brunswick took the state 2A championship in Kenan Stadium at UNC. Holmes was chosen offensive MVP for his effort.

Wilmington 4A teams here Friday

Girls try to keep momentum, boys seek revenge against NH

By George Cox
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South Brunswick's varsity girls basketball team (3-0) and coach Gene Doane's varsity boys cagers (2-1) host 4A Wilmington New Hanover Friday night in the Cougars' den. A junior varsity boys contest will precede the varsity games.

Coach Mike Isenberg's girls beat the Wildcats a week ago at Brogden

Hall in the Port City, 42-32, and hope to keep on the winning trail, while Doane's team will attempt to gain revenge for a lopsided victory by New Hanover the first time around, 78-46, in which premier point guard Josh White canned only two points.

In that contest White, who scored 31 and 46 points -- a school record -- against Topsail and coach Gary Battle's East Columbus club, was totally ineffective, as was practically the entire team on defense as New Hanover scored layup after layup on a devastating fast break.

The Cougars were supposed to have played Wilmington Laney last Friday night, but that game was postponed until January 6 because of exams.

In South Brunswick's opening win over Topsail the team's 104 points gave indication that Doane's team has potential and promise.

Isenberg's girls easily defeated Topsail's Lady Pirates, 97-21, to open the season and then buried East Columbus, 51-16. The Lady Cougars then journeyed to New Hanover to beat the Wildcats.

Erica Bryant, last year's county player of the year, scored 26 points in the opener and 13 against East Columbus. She led South Brunswick against New Hanover with 14 points.

After the loss to New Hanover, Doane said his team was still finding its way and couldn't justify playing so poorly despite the 94-foot floor. He found it disturbing that his team got beat so badly down the floor on defense and that White had such a lackluster performance against the 4A team.

Doane is still playing a number of combinations in preparation for the Waccamaw 2A Conference season.

The Cougar boys play in a tournament at Myrtle Beach next Monday and Tuesday before taking time off for the holidays until after the first of the year.

Coug matmen top Scorpions, 2 other teams

The South Brunswick wrestling team defeated North Brunswick, Camp Lejeune and Scotland County in matches conducted Saturday at North Brunswick.

In the match against Scotland County, Dan Arnold (103) lost by decision; Josh Larson (112) won; Derek Cordle (119) was pinned; Jason Folding (125) won by decision; Justin May (130) won; Justin Rohde (135) won; Damon Jones (140) was pinned; Ty Haughn (145) won; Adam Frazier (152) won; Phillip Craven (160) lost by decision in overtime; Craig Frazier (171) won; Jerry Galloway (189) won; Terry Galloway (heavyweight) won. South Brunswick won the match 51-20.

In the match against Camp Lejeune, Dan Arnold (103) won by forfeit; Josh Larson (112) won; Derek Cordle (119) was pinned; Jason Folding (125) won by decision; Bryan Bracey (130) lost by decision; Justin Rohde (135) won; John Creech (140) was pinned; Canel Jones (145) won; Adam Frazier (152) won; Phillip Craven (160) won; Danny Holyfield (171) was pinned; Jerry Galloway (189) won by forfeit; Kyle Sellers (heavyweight) won. South Brunswick won the match 52-22.

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The next match for the Cougars will be Saturday, December 19, at South Brunswick.

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Brian Fleming. The Trojan defense stiffened and forced a Blue Devil punt after three plays, but it was partially blocked and sailed straight up in the air, landing for a minus two yards at the 27-yard line with 7:38 showing on the clock.

"I remember thinking we are going to get it in, this is our golden opportunity," Brett said in the post-game interviews.

The Trojan offense responded as Butler ran for three yards in the first play before being stopped on the second for no gain. Holmes ran right for one before William Stanley did the same for six to the 17.

On a first-and-ten at the 17, Butler rumbled up the middle again for two yards and Holmes was then stopped cold for no gain. Holmes then took a toss going left and scampered into the corner of the end zone at 4:04. Hawes' PAT gave West Brunswick a comfortable 14-0 lead that turned out to be uncomfortable before the game was over.

The Blue Devils got possession later in the quarter with 1:51 left to play at their 35. Two pass interference penalties plus a 27-yard pass play and a nine-yard run pushed the pigskin to the seven, where quarterback Matt Rummage hurled a flat pass to Brent Jenkins for a touchdown with 30 seconds left to play.

Lady Cougs host Christmas tourney

The South Brunswick Lady Cougars will host the 1992 South Brunswick Holiday Basketball Tournament on December 28-30 at South Brunswick High School.

The primary sponsors of this year's tournament are Margaret Rudd & Associates, Inc., and Riverside Motel, Inc.

In addition to the South Brunswick girls, other teams participating in the tournament will be Richlands, Bladenboro, Wallace-Rose Hill, South Columbus, East Bladen, East Columbus and Sumter, S. C. Tournament brackets and times will be announced next week.

The Lady Cougars are currently 3-0 with one game remaining before the holiday tournament, against New Hanover High School this Friday night at home.

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which spelled the difference and gave the Trojans their first state championship ever in the pigskin sport. West Brunswick gave up only 40 points during the five-game playoff schedule and yielded 97 for the season.

Eight of the last ten games, the Trojans defense completely shut the opponent down in the second half. And such would have been the case Saturday had not the secondary had a bad case of nerves near the end with two pass interference penalties which led to Maiden's only touch-

down -- a seven-yard aerial with 30 seconds left to play.

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