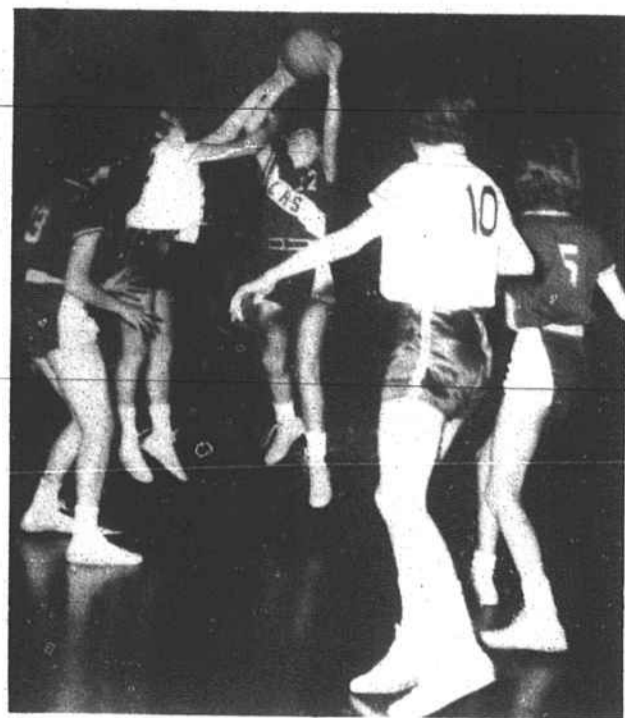


# Warrenton Girls Win Cage Crown



Sylvia Shearin of Littleton finds the going rough as Warrenton's Brenda Clark makes grab for ball. Other Littleton players shown are Gail Spragins (23) and Gail Stainback (5). Warrenton forward Knox Polk (10) is in foreground. (Staff Photo)

## Weldon Club Boys' Champ

Warrenton girls wrapped up their best season in Halifax-Warren basketball history Saturday night when they added the annual H-W tournament crown to their regular-season title.

Coach Janice Allen's lassies closed out their season with their 16th win as they rallied from an 11-6 first quarter deficit to topple Littleton, 33-28. Warrenton's sextet, which lost their only game of the year to Littleton during regular-season play, came to life in the second quarter and jumped in front of Coach Ross Lane's charges by a single point, 16-15, at intermission. In the third quarter Warrenton padded its lead as it poured in nine points while holding Littleton to seven.

Knox Polk, playing her last game for the winning John Graham aggregation, scored six points in the final minutes and finished with 12 points for the night and scoring honors for both clubs. Gail Fleming had eight points for the winners and Vivian Abbott tossed in seven. Gail Stainback, hitting from beneath the boards, led Littleton with 10 points. Dot Hilliard contributed nine and Weaver finished with six.

Both teams had 12 field goals but Warrenton managed to hit on nine charity tosses while Littleton connected on only four free throws. Brenda Clark and Helen Andrews grabbed defensive honors for Warrenton and Dot Hilliard paced Littleton's defensive efforts.

Warrenton advanced to the tourney finals by rolling past Davie after drawing a first-round bye. Littleton, which ended the season in third place, dropped second-place Enfield in the semi-finals to gain the right to play for the tournament championship.

In the nightcap Weldon exhibited a balanced scoring attack as it shelled William R. Davie, 68-52, to capture tournament laurels in the boys division.

With some strong defensive play to back up their torrid scoring punch the Tornados had very little trouble stopping Davie, while their gunners had a field day. Weldon jumped into a 14-7 lead after the first quarter of play and by the half had increased it to 29-18. In the second half of play they continued to build up their lead by outscoring Davie 17-13 in the third frame and 22-21 in the fourth.



WARRENTON SENIOR GIRLS AND COACH JANICE ALLEN ACCEPT TOURNAMENT TROPHY



COACH JIMMY WEBB AND YELLOW JACKET TRI-CAPTAINS RECEIVE REGULAR-SEASON TROPHY



Coach Ross Lane and Littleton captain Dot Hilliard accept trophy as Halifax-Warren tournament runner-up in the girls division. (Staff Photo)

## Jackets Advance In Playoffs

Warrenton Stops Bailey, 56-42

John Graham's Yellow Jackets won the right to move to the quarter-finals of the Class A District Three Tournament next week as they bowled over Bailey, 56-42, Wednesday night in Rocky Mount Senior High Gym.

The Warrenton club, which took its 19th win against two losses, will meet either Gold Sand (23-5) or South Granville (13-14) in an 8:30 p. m. contest next Wednesday in Rocky Mount. South Granville, which brought the only losing mark into the tournament, will meet Gold Sand tonight.

Warrenton, with three players scoring in double figures, jumped into an early lead against Bailey Wednesday night and pulled to an 18-8 first-quarter advantage.

The Jackets, winners of the Halifax-Warren regular season title, led by 31-18 at intermission and held an 11-point advantage, 44-33, with six minutes remaining when Coach Jimmy Webb began substituting. With 2:40 remaining, Warrenton held a commanding 51-35 lead.

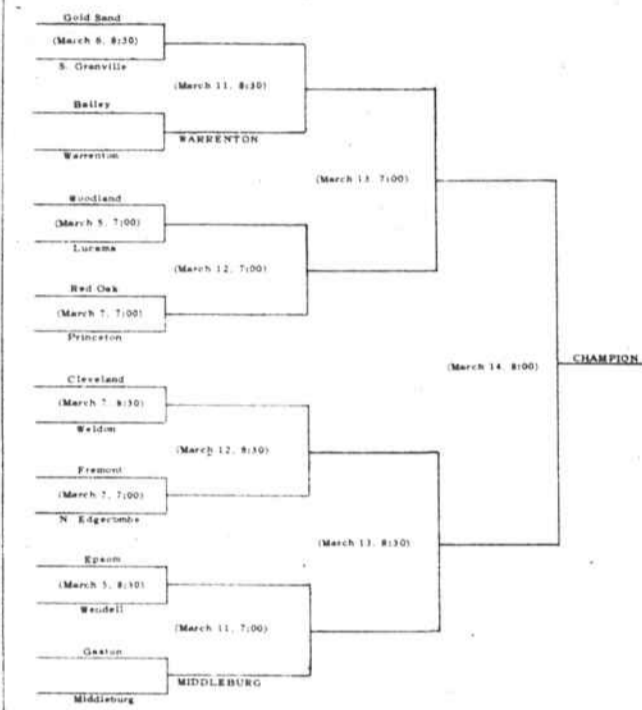
The Jackets connected on 47 per cent of their shots from the floor and posted a 64 per cent charity stripe mark. Al Blalock with 16 points, led both teams in scoring. Warrenton got a 14-point effort from Roddy Drake and Billy Benson added a dozen markers. John Coleman contributed nine, Ray Shearin three and Willie Norwood two. Bailey's Deans paced the losers with 12 points. It was Bailey's seventh setback in 25 outings. Warrenton played in the nightcap of a triple-header marking the opening round of battle for the 17 teams entered.

In other Wednesday night, action, Middleburg, one of two clubs to down Warrenton this season, brought its win-loss record to 23-1 with a 66-48 pasting of Gaston (18-6). South Granville avenged two regular season losses to Zeb Vance (19-8) by taking a 64-48 decision.

The tournament will continue with two games each night the rest of this week, and will resume next week. Quarter-finals are scheduled March 11-12, the semi-finals March 13 and the

championship game March 14. All teams entered are either county champions or runners-up, and practically all of them have compiled outstanding win-loss records this year.

Red Oak High, the Nash County champion, boasts the best record of the 17 teams. The Rebels have won 23 out of 24 games, and have swept their last 19 straight.



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## Polk, Wise Top Choices In All-Conference Poll

Knox Polk of Warrenton and Marion Wise of Weldon were the top vote getters in the annual polling for the All-Halifax - Warren Conference teams.

Wise, a senior, was a leading scorer and playmaker for the tournament champion Tornados and Miss Polk paced the regular season and tournament champion Warrenton girls team.

Warrenton's boys won their divisional title in regular season play with a perfect 14-0 record, but were upset in the tournament last week by William R. Davie.

Warrenton's Al Blalock was the second most popular player with the first five being round-off by Davie star Billy Watson. Enfield ace Sammy Ewell and Norlina spark Buck Wiggins.

Others named to the "dream 10" team are Wayne Gibson of Aurelian Springs, Wes Rothrock of Enfield, Joe Peterson of Weldon, Tyrus Woodard of Davie and Billy Benson of Warrenton. Littleton, the seventh team in the conference, did not place a player.

In the girls' division, the top six included Polk, Betty Weaver of Littleton, Byrd Viverette, Peggy Morrisette, and Teana White, all of Enfield and Dot Hilliard of Littleton.

The second team sextet included Vivian Abbott of Warrenton, Florence Wommack of Weldon, Dot Balmer of Davie, Kaye Freuler of Aurelian Springs, Rebecca Faison of Davie and Ann Butts of Aurelian Springs. Norlina was not represented by a player.

## Aggies Eliminated

North Warren High School "Aggies" eliminated Southwestern in the preliminary playoffs at Wilson on February 28, but were defeated in the second day of play by a team from E. J. Hayes High School by the score of 103 to 66.

In the preliminary game at Wilson the Aggies defeated Southwestern by the score of 65-53, with James Jenkins of North Warren High School leader of both girls and boys of North Warren. The girls won 10 games and lost 8. The boys won 9 and lost 10.

Washington said that the school extends its appreciation and thanks to the following seniors who completed their high school basketball careers with the current season: Donald Baskette, James Green, James Jenkins, Lawrence Hargrove, Raymond Drew, Flavius Vaughan, Richard Green, Myrtice Bell, and Tillie Henderick.

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