

# Hoke Opens Spring Sports

## Baseball

Hoke High's baseball team lost the first game of the season Friday to Laurinburg 10-1.

The Laurinburg nine made 11 hits to Raeford's 5. Bobo Mooney with 2 for 4 for the afternoon, scored the Buck's only run. Pitcher Tim Hawks struck out six for the game.

The starting line-up for Raeford was Tim Hawks, Bobo Mooney, John Hottel, Wayne Dickens, Sammy Young, Jerry Tucker, Mac McNeill, Eddie Monroe and Skip Autry.

Monday. Playing for the Bucks were Bill Lentz, Mike Wood, Don Williamson, Allan Murray and Johnny Carter.

Lumberton won the match with Sanford and Pinecrest behind them. Laurinburg and Dunn finished fifth and sixth.

Others on the Raeford golf team are David Lent, Jeff McNeill, Kathy Bounds, Jim Warner, Pete Sawyer, Kim Koonce, Joe McGougan, Barry Inman and David Upchurch. They are coached by Larry Phillips.

The next match will be March 22 at Raeford.

They are Reggie Frahm, Richard Davis, Eugene Monroe, Kim Gilmore, Gary Baxley, Anderson Hostetler, David Willis, and Larry Beasley.

The first match scheduled for Wednesday with Pinecrest was rained out. They will meet Clinton here March 25.

## Track

Hoke High lost to Laurinburg Scotland 65-62 in the first track meet of the season Tuesday. The Bucks will

meet Lumberton, Hamlet and Sanford Thursday at Sanford. Discus - Lanids (S) 119-10; Shot - Patterson (S) 47-1; Long jump - Graham (R) 18-6 1/2; High Jump - Phillips (S) 6-4; Pole vault - Gibson (S) 10-0; 120 hurdles - Bracey (S) 15.3; 100 - Jones (S) 10.2; mile - McMillian (R) 4:46.5; 880 relay - Raeford (Maxwell, Kershaw, Walker, Wood) 1:38.3; 440 - Bridges (R) 53.7; 180 hurdles - Bracey (S) 20.2; 880 - Heath (R) 2:11.3; 220 - B. Graham (R) 22.7; 2-mile - Campbell, (R), 11:43.6; Mile relay - Raeford 346.3.

## Golf

The Hoke High golf team finished fourth out of six teams in the conference in their first match of the season played at Rockingham last

## Tennis

Tennis coach Ben Johnson announced the members of the Hoke High tennis team for this season.

# Jeff McNeill Named Player Of The Year

Jeff McNeill, Hoke High's 6-1 1/2 guard, was chosen Player of the Year in the Eastern Division of Southeastern Conference.

Joseph Bridges and Russell Davis were named to the All-Southeastern Conference team (Eastern division) while Tom Howell and Eugene Monroe made honorable mention.

Coach Larry Phillips was edged out of Coach of the Year honors by Clinton's Marshall Hamilton while Joseph Bridges, Raeford's center, was right behind McNeill for Player of the Year.

The Eastern Division All-Conference squad is:

Position	Player	School	Height	Class
Guard	Jackie Robinson	Clinton	5-10	Jr.
Guard	Jeff McNeill	Raeford	6-1 1/2	Sr.
Guard	Alvin Bullock	Lumberton	5-11	Sr.
Guard	Wayne Barbour	Dunn	6-1	Sr.
Center	Joseph Bridges	Raeford	6-6	Sr.
Center	Cliff Marable	Clinton	6-3	Sr.
Forward	Willie Lorick	Lumberton	5-11	Jr.
Forward	Ronnie Beckett	Clinton	6-2	Sr.
Forward	Russell Davis	Raeford	6-4	Sr.
Forward	Joe Kaper	Sanford	6-1	Sr.

Coach of the Year - Marshall Hamilton, Clinton  
Player of the Year - Jeff McNeill, Raeford

Honorable Mention  
Raeford - Tom Howell, Eugene Monroe  
Clinton - Bobby Kirby, Norman Butler  
Dunn - Lynn Capps, Fred Galbreth, James Smith  
Lumberton - Al Price, Earl Darnell  
Sanford - Donald Hooker

## Tid-Bits From Hoke High

By Mary Nell Harward



Old Hoke High was really swinging this past week because the student body has been raising money for restrooms for the stadium. The week has been filled with many money-scheming ideas.

Monday night the Beta Club held their monthly meeting. They discussed their convention, which will be in Raleigh the weekend of April 10th. They also made further plans for their talent show which will be April 3. The last entry date is March 25, so if any of you have any talent, you may sign up with any Beta member.

The activities began Tuesday. Throughout the week, there were bake sales, Coke, candy and popcorn sales. The entire student body

enjoyed "coming as you are" for four days. Everyone "did their thing" at the three dances, with music by the "Soul T's" and the "Everyday People". We had a talent show, a teacher imitation program, and three basketball games. A few daring and spirited people allowed themselves to be subjected to water balloons. To end up the festivities, the faculty joined together to participate in a track meet.

Each class was in competition with each other to see which class could raise the most money. The Senior class ranked top with \$1,007.33. The Juniors class came in second with \$692.70; the Sophomores with \$616.93; and Freshman \$565.91; making a grand total of around \$3,600. Each class deserves a pat on the back for the work they have done. The faculty deserves honorable mention because they really enjoyed the activities and the break away from the work as much as the students. Incidentally the faculty raised \$501.50, the Deca Club, \$52.00; the FHA raised \$109.95, FBLA \$1.54 and the Creative Dance Group \$71.61.

This week the students have the problems of getting back to coming to class, homework, and studying. Another big problem is wearing decent, school-type clothes. But the one thing that might be most difficult to comprehend is the report cards that were given out Monday.

We at Hoke High do have one thing to look forward to and that is the Easter vacation coming up March 26-31st.

## Bowling News

Harold Wright, bowling a 601 set this week in the Raeford Merchant's Bowling League, edged league-leading John K. McNeill out of top spot by a fraction. Both Wright and McNeill carry a 169 average.

Four teams scored shutouts this week. Howell Drug beat Long's Grocery 4-0; Blanton's Grocery beat Bob's Body Shop 4-0; City Cleaners topped Dees' Esso 4-0 and Town and Country beat McNeill's Grocery 4-0.

House of Raeford and 401 Amoco split the match 3-1 in favor of House of Raeford.

TOP TEN BOWLERS

Harold Wright	169
John K. McNeill	169
Jesse Taylor	166
Harry Walters	166
John Lockey	163
Bill Hendrix	163
Bill Jenkins	163
John Fly	163
Norbet Schmitt	163
Mackie Carter	160

STANDINGS

Blanton's Grocery	74-30
401 Amoco	61 1/2-42 1/2
House of Raeford	58-46
Howell Drug	53 1/2-50 1/2
Long's Grocery	52-52
Town and Country	49-55
Dees' Esso	46-58
City Cleaners	45-59
McNeill's Grocery	43-61
Bob's Body Shop	38-66



WHAT'S THE USE? - Scotland No. 25 gave up efforts to block Jeff McNeill's lay-up. McNeill scored 12 points in the opening game which Raeford won 60-53.



FOR OPENERS - Garley Carpenter gets set for a shot against Scotland last Wednesday night at St. Andrews College while Jeff McNeill (right) wards off a guard and Russell Davis moves in for a rebound.



TRAP - The driver of the station wagon carrying nine other persons was pinned in the car after the impact until the Rescue Squad could free him. William Jones was taken to Moore County Hospital in critical condition after the Friday night head-on collision in which two teenagers were killed. Eight of the passengers from the station wagon and the other two persons in the Comet involved in the wreck were hospitalized. A four-month-old baby, Catherine Jones, was treated and released.

## David Hendrix Golf Co-Captain At Sandhills

David Hendrix, Raeford, and Robert Chilton, Oakton, Va., are co-captains of the Sandhills Community College golf team this spring according to Jim Reid, director of athletics at the college. Tom Cathcart, Southern Pines, and Jim Bone, Seagrave, are alternate captains for the season which begins this month.

Other team members include John Sidden and John Bell, both of Southern Pines, Stan Piestrak, Aberdeen, Mike Winstead, Sanford, and Neal Atkisson, Vienna, Va. Home games will be played on one of the country club courses in Southern Pines with the first match March 12 with the junior varsity team of UNC Chapel Hill.

Other schools on the spring schedule included Wayne County Community College, Fayetteville Technical Institute, Davidson County Community College, and St. Andrews College.

The Sandhills Spartans, champions last spring of the N. C. Community College Conference, will compete this year in the Conference tourney to be held May 1 at Goldsboro. On May 18-19 Sandhills College will be host to the annual tournament of Region 10 of the National Junior College Conference which includes community and junior colleges in North and South Carolina and Virginia. The Spartans were runners-up in the regional matches last year.

The coaching staff of the Sandhills team is comprised of Larry McNeill and Don Garner of the faculty, and Eugene Watts, college business manager who coached the Spartans last year.

## Secretary Laird Praises Reservists

Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird made the following remarks during an address to the Reserve Officers Association Feb. 27.

"Throughout our history, the citizen-soldier has held an honored and an essential place in our society. The nation has looked to him in every crisis, and he has responded with efficiency, professionalism and devotion. Last December, the 36,000 reservists of 115 units who were called to active duty because of special needs related to Vietnam and Korea were released. At that time, President Nixon, in connection with his proclamation of Reserve Recognition Day, noted that 4,000 of these reservists received citations." (ANF)



"I gave you a land on which you had not labored, and cities which you had not built... you eat the fruit of vineyards and oliveyards which you did not plant." (Joshua 24:13, 14, RSV)

In Joshua's call to Israel he recounted the word of the Lord and His gracious dealings with His people. Joshua was reminding Israel to be thankful to God. God's giving is still a challenge to man to give thanks.

We were reminded of this on Christmas Eve, 1968, when the wife of astronaut Anders said, "Giving thanks is a course from which one never graduates." Human history is one long record of inheritance of receiving from God and from others. Gratitude alone is what saves our souls from shriveling up.

Professor William James was deeply touched by a letter of appreciation he received from a Radcliffe student. He revised his lecture to include the need for expressing and receiving appreciation as a basic psychological principle.

PRAYER: Father God, You have given us all things richly to enjoy. Give us grateful spirits to accept and acknowledge and share. In Christ's name, Amen.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Be grateful - the life you save from dullness may be your own!

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