

Sports



Hoke's Toni Rheams tries for a field goal as teammates Jean McCormick, Sabrina Barnes (44) and Sharon McNeill watch. The action is in the game with 71st.

Hoke Boys, Girls Win

Hoke County High School's boys' and girls' varsity basketball squads started the new year and prefaced the start of their Southeastern Conference play by scoring wins last week.

They played Terry Sanford at Hoke High Tuesday night in the conference opener.

The results were not available in time for publication in this week's edition of *The News-Journal*.

Greg Hollingsworth gave the Bucks the winning margin over 71st on the Hoke court on January 7 by making a good a one-and-one free throw setup in the final seconds, tying the score, then providing the winning point in the 55-54 contest.

The following Friday, Hollingsworth scored 31 points in leading Hoke to an 81-67 victory over Union Pines at Union Pines and the Hoke girls squeezed by the Union Pines girls 46-45.

The week's results brought the Hoke boys' record for the season going into Tuesday night's game to 7-3, and the girls' mark to 7-1.

The Hoke girls took a 47-38 decision from 71st, with Sabrina Barnes leading the Hoke scoring

with 21 points and Dina Robbins topping the losers with 23.

The other Hoke scorers in the contest were Sharon McNeill 10, Tony Rheames 2, Jean McCormick 4, Greta Johnson 6, and Della Pridden 4.

In the boys' game, the Hoke scorers besides Hollingsworth were McLaurin 2, Tony McRae 10, Thomas 6, Freddie McLean 12, Pickett 2, and Easterling 2. McDuffie and Peguese also saw action.

Robert Johnson of 71st led the individual scoring with 22 points.

In the Union Pines game, the other Hoke boys' scorers were McLaurin 6, McRae 9, Thomas 10, McLean 13, Easterling 8 and Galberth 4.

Rheames led the Hoke girls with 14 points. McNeill scored 13, Barnes 5, McCormick 2, Johnson 4, and Pridden 8. The other Hoke players were Thompson, Morrison, Graham, Southerland, McKoy, Leggett, and Legrande.

McCrimmon led Union Pines with 13.

The Hoke teams play Scotland's squads Friday night at the Scotland gym.

Rheames, McKinnon Tapped As Top Hoke Athletes

The Hoke High coaching staff has named Orlando McKinnon as Male Athlete of the Week and Toni Rheames as Female Athlete of the Week for the week of January 3-7.

Orlando, a junior, wrestles for the Bucks in the 169 pound weight class. He was nominated for his performances in the Bucks' matches against 71st and Lee County.

In the 71st match, a squeaker which Hoke lost 37-26, Orlando

pinned his opponent in 3 minutes and 18 seconds. In the Lee County match on Friday night, which Hoke won by a score of 34-23, Orlando defeated his opponent by a major decision 12-1.

Orlando has been involved in sports throughout his high school career. He has played football as defensive end during his freshman and junior year. He ran the hurdles for the Bucks' track team in both his freshman and sophomore

years. Orlando is active in other extracurricular activities besides sports. He is a member of the VICA Club, the Monogram Club and the Spanish Club.

Orlando, upon completion of his high school career, plans to attend A & T University and major in some area dealing with electronics.

Orlando is active in his church, Silver Grove Baptist Church, where he serves as an usher. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie J. McKinnon of Route 3, Raeford.

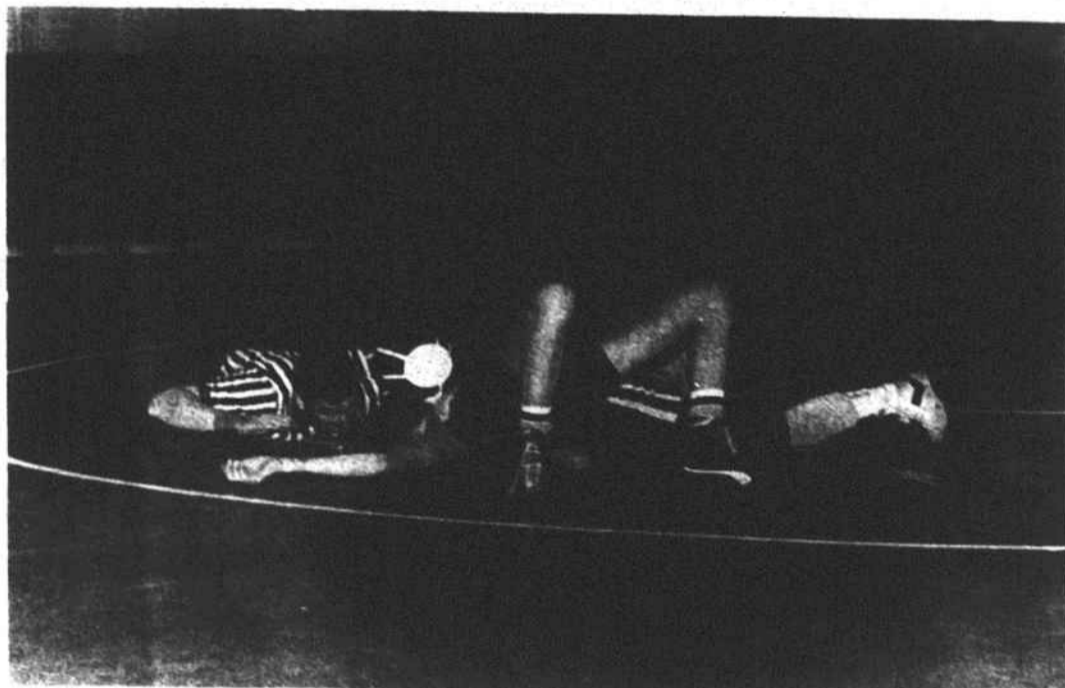
Toni Rheames, a 5'8" freshman forward on the girl's Varsity Basketball Team was nominated for her performance in the games against 71st and Union Pines.

In the 71st game, which Hoke won 47-38, Toni did not score any points but played an extremely aggressive defensive game and pulled down four rebounds. In the Union Pines game Friday Night, which Hoke won 47-45, Toni scored 15 points and recorded eight rebounds.

This is Toni's first year playing basketball, but with her skills, Coach Audrey Long chose her to round out her varsity squad. She was active in softball in both her seventh and eighth grade years as catcher and infielder on the junior high softball team.

Among her activities outside school, Toni is active in the Freedom Chapel AME Zion Church where she is a member of the choir and serves as secretary of the Missionary Youth Group. She also enjoys skating and swimming.

Toni is the daughter of Ms. Lilly A. Rheames of Rt. 3, Raeford.



A Hoke wrestler pinning his opponent in helping the Bucks to a 34-23 win Friday night over previously unbeaten Lee County. The next Hoke match will be held Friday night when the Bucks meet Scotland on the Hoke High mat.

Grapplers Lose To 71st, Pin Unbeaten Lee County

The Hoke High Wrestling team came up with a split decision as they won one match and lost one last week.

In the match on Tuesday night a stubborn Buck team refused to admit or accept defeat and came close to knocking off powerhouse Seventy-First.

Unlike earlier matches Hokes' lightweights did not score and this allowed 71st to amass a 17-0 lead

before Richard McLaughlin pinned his opponent with only 25 seconds left in the match in the 128 pound weight class.

Hoke would not score again until the 10th match when Orlando McKinnon, in the 169 pound weight class, would pin his opponent to make the score 37-12 in 71st's favor. Hoke then began an uphill battle against 71st.

Darrell Kelly, in the 187 pound division outscored his opponent to win a decision.

Robert Moody scored a pin with only 16 seconds left in the match to run his season mark to 9-1 in the 197 pound division.

Charles Matthews then closed out the match by pinning his opponent in the heavy-weight class to make the final score 37-26.

Fortune smiled on the improving Buck squad on Friday night as they knocked off previously unbeaten Lee County by a score of 34-23.

In this match the Bucks were back to form as the lightweights and heavyweights scored nearly all of Hoke's points.

The lightweights built an early lead for Hoke which they never relinquished throughout the

match. Billy Locklear, now 7-3 for the year, started the match by pinning his opponent in the 100 pound division. Don Woods then outpointed his opposite number from Lee County to win a decision.

Marvin Pequese, in the 121 pound division, pinned his opponent to give Hoke a 21-6 lead.

The Lee County team then clawed back by winning the middleweight divisions to close the score to 21-17.

Hoke's heavyweights came right back to salt away the victory by winning three of the last four matches.

In the 169 pound division, Orlando McKinnon outpointed his opponent to score a major decision.

Darrell Kelly won his second match of the week when he outpointed his opposite number to win a decision in the 187 pound weight class.

Robert Moody received a forfeit in the 197 pound division on the way to the final score of 34-23.

The Bucks will host Scotland on Friday, January 14 in the Hoke gym.

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