

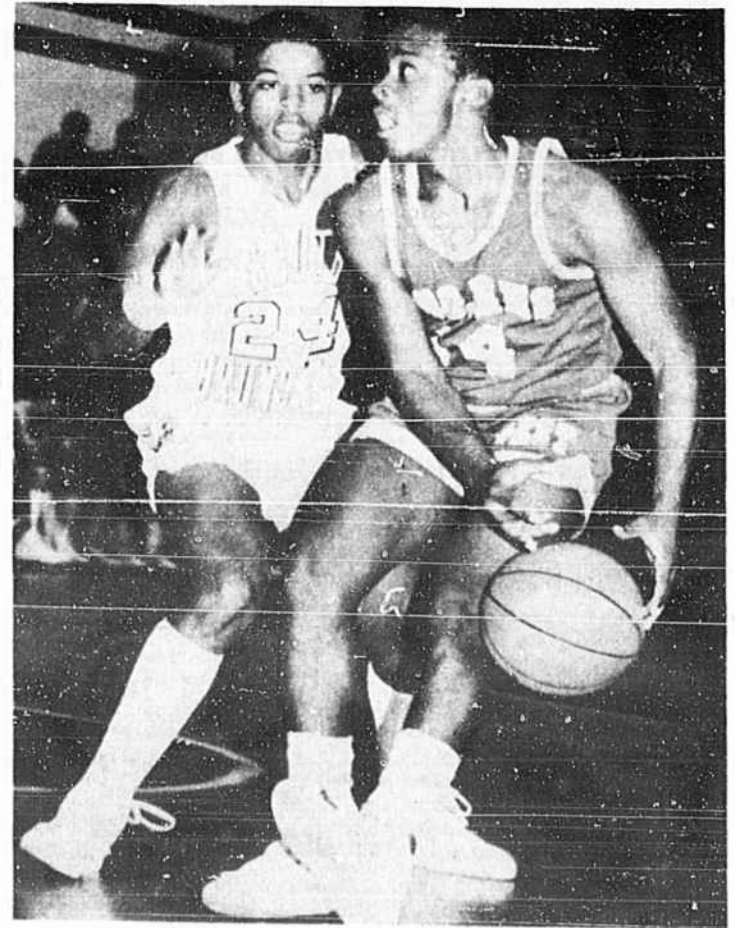
# Cougars Upset West Brunswick In Overtime

**BY JOHNNY CRAIG**  
The third time was the charm last weekend as South Brunswick shocked West Brunswick, 51-50 in overtime for only its second win ever over the Trojans.  
The Trojans had defeated South Brunswick twice earlier this season—the first a four-point decision in mid-December and most recently, just a week ago, with an 11-point win in the finals of the West Brunswick Christmas Invitational Tournament.  
But Friday the Cougars prevented a three-game sweep and pulled the surprise for their first win over West Brunswick in nearly 10 years and first ever on the Trojan home court.  
The win for the Cougars already equals the total number of games won last season (eight) in just 11 outings while the loss snapped West

Brunswick's four-game win streak.  
"We missed a number of easy shots underneath and had some terrible guard play," said a disappointed West Brunswick coach Ronnie Champion. "Most of our 19 turnovers came in the fourth quarter but we still had plenty of chances to win. It was just one of those games."  
The Trojans jumped out to a five-point, 11-6 lead at the end of the first quarter but South Brunswick managed to stay within three, 21-18 at the half. West Brunswick maintained a three-point advantage at the end of the third quarter, 37-34 before the Cougars evened the contest at 47-47 at the end of regulation.  
West Brunswick took a 50-47 lead in overtime on three free throws by Rusty Johnson. The Trojans appeared to have the game on ice with Robert Thompson at the free throw

line with two shots awarded with just 30 seconds remaining and still holding onto their three-point advantage. Thompson, however, missed both chances and the Cougars scored the final four points of the game on Mike Watkin's basket and a pair of Tony Harrison free throws.  
"They played a zone defense against us and we were able to get the ball inside but just couldn't seem to make the shots when it counted. As a whole we didn't shoot that badly—63 percent from the field. We connected on 19 of 30 attempts but that represents the fewest number of shots we have taken in a game in quite some time," continued Champion.  
"David Floyd (13 points) was the primary player who hurt us. However they scored 26 of 29 field goals inside the lane with only six

points coming from the outside the entire game."  
Mike King led the Trojans (8-3) with 17 points followed by Thompson with 12.  
Behind Floyd's 13 for South Brunswick (8-3) was Charles Moore with 10.  
West Brunswick travels to Whiteville Friday for its final non-conference tuneup while South Brunswick hosts East Bladen in next action.  
**SCORE BY QUARTERS:**  
S. Brunswick 6 12 16 13—51  
W. Brunswick 11 10 16 10—50  
South Brunswick Scoring: Floyd 13, Clemmons 8, Moore 10, Wise 8, Watkins 4, Harrison 8, G.Galloway, Sligh, L.Galloway.  
West Brunswick Scoring: Thomas 6, Thompson 12, Street 8, King 17, R.Johnson 3, Walker 4, C.Johnson, Gore, Hill, M.Johnson, Mariowe.



**COUGAR DEFENSE**—South Brunswick's Tony Harrison (24) keeps a close watch on West Brunswick guard Craig Johnson (14) during the Cougars 51-50 overtime win over the Trojans. The game left both West and South Brunswick with identical 8-3 records.



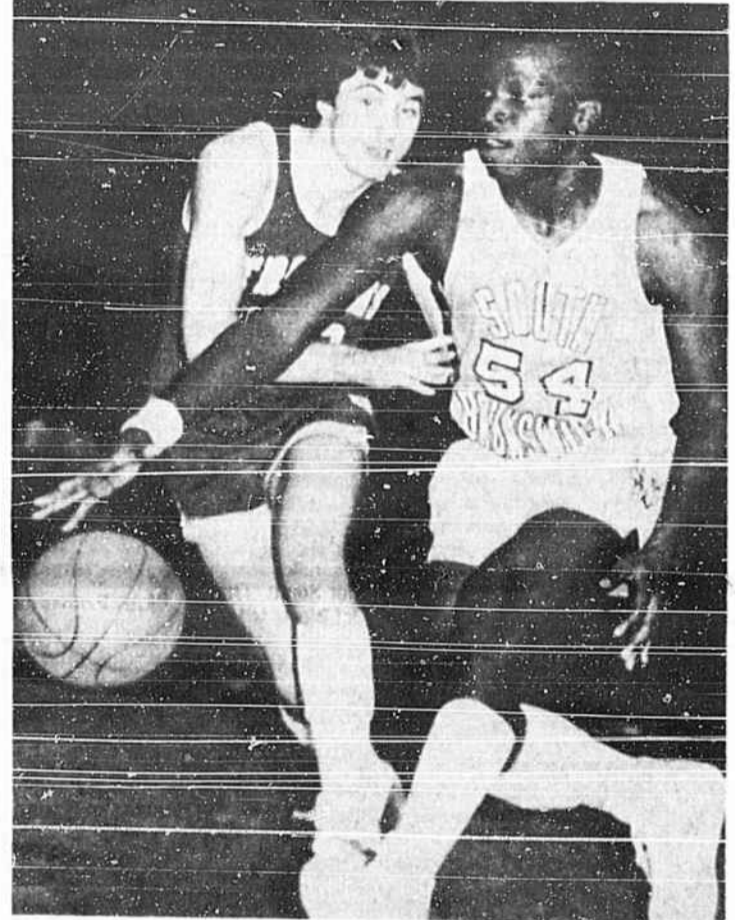
**TROJAN TRAP**—West Brunswick guards Brad Thomas (20) and Craig Johnson close in on South Brunswick's Larry Galloway in the Trojans' 51-50 loss to the Cougars. The two teams continue nonconference play Friday as West Brunswick goes to Whiteville while South Brunswick hosts East Bladen.

## N. Brunswick Routs Dixon

North Brunswick returned to action for the first time in over two weeks Friday to rout Dixon, 80-42 and keep its unblemished basketball record intact through nine games. Chuck Brown led the Scorpions with 26 points.  
Meanwhile, Dixon won the girls game, 34-30.  
North Brunswick continues non-conference play Friday at West Columbus before opening East Waccamaw 2-A Conference action Tuesday at home against South Brunswick.

## Trojan JV Rips Cougars

The West Brunswick junior varsity ran its record to 8-1 last week with a 63-34 rout of South Brunswick. Ronald Lance led three Trojans in double figures with 14 points followed by Donnie Vansteen with 12 and Freddie Johnson 10.  
West Brunswick led from the onset opening a 16-6 first-quarter lead and holding to a 13-point, 27-14 halftime advantage.  
The Trojans increased their lead to 47-26 at the end of the third quarter and went on to outscore the Cougars, 16-8 in the final quarter.  
Quinton McCracken was the leading scorer for South Brunswick with nine points.  
**SCORE BY QUARTERS:**  
S. Brunswick 6 8 12 8—34  
W. Brunswick 16 11 20 16—63  
South Brunswick Scoring: McKeithan 4, McCracken 9, Bryant 2, Bean 1, Difaggio 2, Jackson 5, Johnson 4, Miller 7, Mitchell.  
West Brunswick Scoring: F. Johnson 10, Vansteen 12, C. Johnson 8, Lance 14, Reed 2, Mintz 2, Bryant 8, Bellamy 4, Bernard 3, Turner.



**MOORE DRIVES**—Charles Moore (54) of South Brunswick drives to the basket while being guarded by the Trojans' Gary Gore. Moore scored 10 points to help lead the Cougars to their first win over West Brunswick in nearly 10 years.

### SPORTING SCENE

## Observer Marathon Class Event

**BY JOHNNY CRAIG**  
Last Saturday was a date that had been etched in nearly every avid runner's calendar for many months and one in particular I had been looking forward to for quite some time. The date marked the running of the eighth annual Charlotte Observer Marathon, one of the biggest road races in the state and, in the southeastern United States for that matter.  
Instead of being labeled as just an ordinary marathon, the event could instead be classified as a festival of sorts. With all the media attention, publicity, runners expo and special dinners and other related events, the marathon was again a real spectacle.  
With last year being my first time running in such a large race, I couldn't help being better prepared this go 'round. And it wasn't that the field was any smaller either.  
A record crowd of over 6,000 runners turned out for this year's race with probably 5,000 of those entered in the same race I did—the 10,000 meter run (6.2 miles).  
Included in the field this year was such stars as Grete Waitz (silver medalist in the womens marathon in the '84 Olympics), Roman Gabriel (former NFL quarterback and Wilmington native), George Shinn (Charlotte businessman who is attempting to land a USFL franchise in the Queen City), a number of state political figures and, oh yes, one entrant from Holden Beach.  
Where?  
I was invited to stay with our Holden Beach weekend and summer-time neighbors, (John and Brenda Wayne) who reside fulltime in Mat-

thews, while in town for the run. They reminded me Friday evening that I was the only entrant from Holden Beach and that I would be "carrying the flag" so-to-speak.  
By the time I hit the five-mile point Saturday morning I felt as though I was carrying more than any flag but rather the out-going tide maybe.  
Regardless, it was a great day for a race with temperatures in the low 30's, very little wind and lots and lots of sunshine. This was especially great since the weekend forecast was predicted to be cold and rainy.  
The beginning of the race and through the first mile or so gave me, and probably all other runners too, the same inspiration of last year's race—the patter of nothing but thousands of running shoes hitting the streets and the feeling that maybe getting out of a warm bed on Saturday morning and running through the streets of Charlotte in shorts and a tank top in near-freezing temperatures wasn't crazy after all.  
It was a great feeling that would inspire even the nonrunners and the late New York Times sportswriter Red Smith who said "unnecessary running is a crime against nature."

### Roundball Review

In other area basketball action last week, two upcoming opponents of West Brunswick—East Bladen and Whiteville—met in a top non-conference matchup. Whiteville nipped the Cougars, 81-75 behind Pat Lennon's 24 points. The win improved the Wolfpack to 8-1 while East Bladen fell to 6-3.  
Mike Lesane led the Cougars with 20 points.  
East Bladen won the girls game,

60-47 behind Michelle McCoy's 22 points. Sherry Jones led the Lady Wolfpack with 15 points.

## Hearing Set For Fishermen

Local fishermen get to have their say about marine fisheries regulations at a public hearing scheduled Thursday, Jan. 10, at the Brunswick County Government Center public assembly building.  
The 7:30 p.m. meeting is part of a series of coastal hearings sponsored by the N.C. Marine Fisheries Commission each year, according to Jerry Gaskill, chairman.  
After hearing comments about existing regulations and proposals for changes, commission members work with the N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries staff to determine what possible changes are needed.  
Then proposed regulations changes are drafted to take to public hearings to be held in April, including one set for Wilmington on April 24 at the New Hanover County Courthouse. Final decisions on 1986 regulation changes will be made at a May 30-31 commission meeting in Morehead City.  
Also, the N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries plans to hold a series of meetings in March to hear from recreation fishermen regarding the division's expanding recreational fisheries program. Dates and locations are to be announced later this month.

## Time To Buy Fishing License

Local fishermen who have 1984 commercial fishing licenses have through Jan. 31 to obtain their 1985 licenses, according to Robert K. Mahood, director of the N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries.  
The licenses are available through local license agents. Area marine fisheries enforcement officers will be on the lookout for outdated licenses beginning Feb. 1, Mahood said.  
For more information the division can be reached through the toll-free number 1-800-2632.

## Bay Scallop Season Open

Bay scallop season reopened Monday in all North Carolina coastal waters, the N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries has announced.  
The first segment of the two-part season closed Dec. 19.  
Scallops may only be taken between sunrise and one hour before sunset on Monday and Wednesday of each week by hand and with the use of hand rakes, scoops and regular scallop dredges. However, one-half bushel per person may be taken on Saturday and Sunday in open season

by hand rakes, hand tongs, dip nets and by hand for personal consumption.  
The limit on Mondays and Wednesdays is 1 3/4 U.S. standard bushels per person, not to exceed 37 1/2 bushels in any combined fishing operation regardless of the number of persons or boats involved.  
For more information contact the division by calling, toll-free, 1-800-682-2632 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

## Waters Closed To Shellfishing

Approximately 650 acres of shellfishing waters near Calabash have been closed to the harvest of shellfish by order of the N.C. Department of Natural Resources and Community Development.  
The closing follows a temporary reopening of the area, which includes all waters west of a line drawn from the south shore of the Intracoastal Waterway through Beacon No. 101 to a point on the north shore. It includes all waters north of a line drawn from the west to east shore of Jinks Creek and the waters of Calabash, Boneparte, Deep Backwater, Salt Boiler and Blane creeks, the Big Narrows, a portion of Jinks Creek and the Intracoastal Waterway to the South Carolina line.  
This order re-establishes the closure lines previously in effect in the area.

## Lady Trojans Top South Brunswick

The West Brunswick Lady Trojans broke the .500 mark for the first time this season Friday with a 42-30 win over South Brunswick.  
Sheila Johnson led the Lady Trojans with 16 points as West Brunswick took its second decision over South Brunswick this season.  
Elizabeth McCoy and Renee Harrison led South Brunswick with 12 points each.  
West Brunswick, now 6-5, continues nonconference play Friday at Whiteville, while the Lady Cougars host East Bladen.

## Dixie Youth To Organize

An organization meeting for parents of Waccamaw Dixie Youth and Boys baseball teams will be held Tuesday, Jan. 15, at 7:30 p.m. at the Waccamaw Elementary School cafeteria.  
Parents of boys age 8-14 are urged to attend. For further information, contact Danny Smith, 287-3442, or Glenda Smith, 287-3643.




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Strabismus, sometimes called "crossed eyes", describes a condition in which the two eyes are not perfectly parallel when viewing an object. This is a problem of early childhood; and if left uncorrected, one eye may be used to the exclusion of the other and this so-called "lazy" eye will fail to develop normal vision.

Although a certain amount of random divergence is common in infants, children past the age of one or one and a half should be able to hold both eyes in alignment. Although strabismus is sometimes very obvious, it isn't always the case; and only a complete eye exam will ascertain its existence.

Remember, it will not cure itself and it is more than a cosmetic problem. The sooner detected, the sooner treated—often with eyeglasses and exercises. However, if not corrected by age six, it may be too late for the child to learn to use both eyes together for normal vision.

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