

Trojans To Host East Duplin In Preseason Tilt

BY JOHNNY CRAIG

West Brunswick will entertain the East Duplin Panthers tonight (Thursday) at the new Trojan football stadium in a preseason scrimmage beginning at 7 p.m.

The scrimmage will be the second outing of the preseason for the Trojans who defeated host Loris, S.C., last Wednesday.

In addition to giving local grid fans a sneak preview of the Trojans, it will also provide those attending an early look at the school's new football stadium which West Brunswick will officially open on Aug. 30, hosting North Myrtle Beach, S.C.

"East Duplin will certainly provide quite a challenge for us," said West Brunswick head football coach Marshall Seay. "They play in the rough East Central Conference and will probably give us a good test."

The Panthers finished 5-5 overall last season playing in the same league as that of state 2-A champion Clinton.

Admission will be charged with the proceeds being split between the West Brunswick and East Duplin grid programs.

Still in the planning stages earlier this week for tonight's scrimmage was a "Meet The Players Night" following the contest and a hot dog supper for the players and parents. Persons planning to attend should call the school athletic office (754-



MATT BOZEMAN



ALDWIN LANCE



BRIAN ALDERSON



AARON BUTLER

Seay was impressed with the number of quality athletes that comprised the Loris team as well as the Lion quarterbacks the Trojans faced.

"Loris probably has more good all-around athletes and more players on the roster this year than they have ever had. Both their first and second-string quarterbacks threw the ball a lot so we got a good workout defending the pass."

"They operated out of a one-back offensive set and ran some very good running backs at us."

Monday's indoor practice in the Trojan gym was a first at West Brunswick during Seay's five-year tenure.

"We have always practiced outside even if it was for only 30 minutes or if it was pouring down rain. The scattered lightning this afternoon kept us inside. There's not but so much you can get done practicing under those kind of conditions," said Seay.

"When practicing on the gym floor you really have to guard against such things as muscle pulls. We worked a lot with the offensive line on blocking assignments and timed some plays. Overall, it was a bummer of a practice session."

7700) for details.

After three weeks of preseason drills, the Trojans squared off against the Loris Lions in their first scrimmage and scored three touchdowns in the unofficial contest. Loris managed one touchdown on a broken play.

Trojan tailback and 1990 co-county player of the year Aldwin Lance scored the first touchdown on a sweep play on the first West

Brunswick possession. Earlier in the drive Matt Bozeman caught a 35-yard pass from quarterback Brian Alderson to the Loris 20-yard line.

Alderson again connected with Bozeman for the second Trojan touchdown on the second West Brunswick possession. Three plays earlier West Brunswick running back Aaron Butler rambled for 45 yards to the Loris 20 to put the Trojans in scoring position.

Sophomore running back Michael Lance, a cousin of Aldwin, scored the final Trojan touchdown on a big 61-yard sprint. Michael Lance was one of six running backs

on the Trojan junior varsity squad a year ago.

"Our first team offense and defense matched up to their first teams pretty evenly," said Seay of the scrimmage. "Both teams scored on their opening drives and it became a defensive war after that. After evaluating the films, I didn't see a real dominate team."

"We did very well later against their second, third and fourth teams because Loris had so many players they wanted to get into the game. I was optimistic about what I saw but we still have a lot of work to do," added Seay.

This Week In Brunswick Sports

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

East Duplin at West Brunswick, preseason high school football scrimmage, 7 p.m.

10th Annual Poor Boys Shark Fishing Tournament at Shallotte Point, continues through Saturday

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

South Brunswick in United Carolina Bank Prep Football Jamboree at Wilmington, 7 p.m. (Cougars vs. Hoggard)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

Dixie Youth Baseball Golf Tournament at Lockwood Golf Links at Holden Beach, 9 a.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

Youth Soccer Camp sponsored by Brunswick County Parks and Recreation Department at Smithville Park (Southport) at 5:30 p.m., continues through Friday

This week's listings include events reported to the *Beacon*. To list your sporting contest call or write the *Beacon* with schedules and details.

SPORTING SCENE

Former Cougar Beck Gets Another Chance At Majors

BY JOHNNY CRAIG

The professional baseball career of former South Brunswick Cougar Wynn Beck has been revived, thanks to the Milwaukee Brewers.

Beck, the Oakland Athletics' second-round draft selection in 1988, was released by the defending American League champions on June 1 after a lengthy bout with chronic back and shoulder injuries.

After being courted by Cincinnati, Montreal and Milwaukee since his release, Beck signed with the Brewers and has been playing with their Class A Beloit, Wisconsin, team of the Midwest League since July 18.

Through 19 games, Beck is hitting at a .304 average with nine runs batted in. The former Cougar still has two weeks left in the current minor league season.

Last year Beck hit a professional-best .264 in 102 games at Madison, Wis., being used mostly as a designated hitter.

Beck, a former all-state performer, helped lead South Brunswick to the state 2-A baseball championship in 1988.

Stephen Mintz, a former North Brunswick sports standout, continues to enjoy success as a pitcher for the Los Angeles Dodgers' Bakersfield, Calif., team in the Class A California League.

Mintz sports a 5-5 mound record with a 4.44 earned run average in 25 games. He has also recorded three saves.

Bean Plays For Merchant Marines

Beacon reader Beb Igoo, a recruiter and alumni of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, writes that former South Brunswick football star Hans Bean is playing with the King Point, N.Y., team.

Bean, a junior, is a wide receiver for the Merchant Marine grid team.

Chiefs To Provide Trojans With Early Challenge

The early word on the North Myrtle Beach, S.C., Chiefs, West Brunswick's football season-opening opponent, is that the team will be much improved over 1990.

"They have changed offenses and they are throwing the ball very well," said West Brunswick head coach Marshall Seay on scouting reports. "It appears we will have our hands full. They have already scrimmaged Myrtle Beach (S.C.) once and they will be a tough team to open up against."



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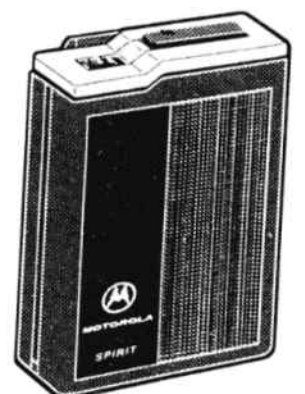
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