

Track Team Opens Season March 26th

1964 TRACK SCHEDULE

MARCH
26 Shelby
APRIL
3 Shelby
9 Chase
16 Lincolnton
23 Cherryville
MAY
1 Conference Meet (Shelby)
8 Bi- Conference Meet (Shelby)
16 Association Meet (Shelby)

All meets at 3:30 P.M. All meets, away.

1964 Track Roster

Name	Grade
Larry Adams	10
Charles Ayers	10
Clarence Bridges	9
Johnny Bolin	11
Steve Baker	11
Steve Bumgardner	10
Jerry Brown	11
Butch Blackburn	11
Mike Beam	10
Mike Camp	10
Scott Cloninger	11
Lyn Cheshire	11
Gary Devenny	9
Fred Dixon	12
Dan Green	10
Mike Goforth	10
Steve Grigg	11
Ben Grimes	10
Larry Hard	10
Eddie Henson	11
Pat Hord	11
Von Holcomb	11
Jerry Ledford	9
Calvin Lockridge	12
Den Martin	11
Bob Moss	9
Jimmy Owens	10
Roger Putnam	12
Robert Phifer	10
Jose Pucci	12
Jay Powell	10
Pete Putnam	11
Deke Ray	10
Levis Stewart	11
Buz Shuford	11
Bill Stewart	9
Robby Sabar	11
Junior Taylor	11
Mike Tignor	11
Austin Williams	10
Richard White	11
Jimmy Wood	9
Jimmy Wright	11
Jimmy Cloninger	11
Phillip Whitley	11
Danny Kiser	10
Larry Burton	9
Tommy Finger	9
Carl Weissenner	9
Jerry Anderson	9

* Denotes lettermen

Cashion Reports Optimism High In Early Drills

First-year track coach, Bill Cashion reported Tuesday that the 1964 team is beginning to take form, and daily practice sessions have been underway for one week.

"We have been hampered some what by the weather, and haven't started full-swing practices yet," says Cashion. "But we expect to get into full swing next week," he said.

"This year's track schedule consists of five conference meets, two with Shelby, and one each with Chase, Lincolnton, and Cherryville.

"It's a little too early to predict just how good we will be this year," Cashion reports. "But I was well pleased with the opening day turnout of 54 candidates, and I think that the boys are very much interested in producing a good team this year," he added.

Returning lettermen Steve Baker, Butch Blackburn, Fred Dixon, Mike Goforth, Ben Grimes, Pat Hord, Calvin Lockridge, Pete Putnam, Buz Shuford, Jimmy Wright and Jimmy Cloninger, will form the nucleus around which this year's team will be formed.

Other members of the squad, who will be counted on heavily include Johnny Bolin, Lyn Cheshire, Von Holcomb, Jimmy Owens, Jay Powell, and Jimmy Wright.

There are only four seniors on this year's roster.

1964 BASEBALL SCHEDULE

MARCH	TEAM	TIME
31	Lincolnton	4:00
APRIL		
3	Cherryville	4:00
7	East Rutherford	4:00
10	Shelby	4:00
14	Rutherfordton	7:30
17	Chase	7:30
21	Belmont	7:30
24	Lincolnton	7:30
28	Cherryville	7:30
MAY		
1	E. Rutherford	4:00
5	Shelby	7:30
8	Rutherfordton	7:30
12	Chase	7:30
15	Belmont	7:30

* Denotes home games.

Leader Blanked In Women's Bowling League

Kings Mountain Drug blanked Oates-Henderson Shell, 4 to 0 Tuesday night and second place McCurdy Cleaners gained three games on the trail runners with a 3 to 1 victory over collar-maker Fulton's Department Store.

In the night's other action, Kings Mountain Moose cushioned its third place standing with a 4 to 0 shutout of Griffin Drug.

Janet Burns, Kings Mountain Drug's leading bowler, dominated the action Tuesday night as she copped high-single game scoring honors with a tremendously high score of 135, and posted a three game line set score of 370 to lead all scoring. She rolled a single game score of 135, 118, and 117 in leading her team to the shutout victory.

Helen Chapman led Gates-Henderson Shell's scoring with a single game high of 107, coupled with a three game total of 274.

Kings Mountain Moose claimed the other shutout of the evening with a 4 to 0 win over Griffin Drug. The Moose who kept the Moose four games ahead of fourth place Kings Mountain Drug.

Betty Fite led the Moose scoring with a single game score of 119 and a line set score of 306.

Dessie Loftin paced the losers with scores of 119 and 301.

McCurdy Cleaners moved to within two games of the league-leading Oates-Henderson Shell team with a 3 to 1 victory over Fulton's Department Store.

Margaret Wilson rolled a single game high of 117, and a three game line set score of 206 to lead the match scoring and pace the winners.

Pat Herndon registered a single game of 102, and a line set score of 277 for the losers.

Standings:

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Oates-Henderson	69	43	.616
McCurdy Cleaners	67	45	.599
KM Moose	57	55	.509
KM Drug	53	59	.479
Griffin Drug	47	65	.419
Fulton's Dept Store	43	69	.379

Front-Runners Win In Men's Bowling Race

Plonk Oil and Tignor & Russell, Men's Bowling League leaders, posted wins Monday night to remain 1-2, respectively, in the standings.

Plonk Oil, which led the Tignor & Russell team by a slim one game last week, blanked third place Dilling Heating, 44 to 0, and runner-up Tignor & Russell scored a 3 to 1 decision over Dye Construction.

The Bob Herndon team moved into within one game of seventh place Dye Construction with a 3 to 1 victory over McGinnis Furniture.

Clarence Plonk, who has paced the Plonk Oil attack all year, rolled a single game high of 127, and a line set score of 351 in leading his team to the night's only shutout.

Jack Rhea posted a single game high score of 1220 for the losing Dilling Heating team, and Harold Barber copped the losers high line set scoring with a 296 three game total.

The Plonk Oil win increased its lead to two games in the standings.

A whopping 142 single game Russell's Richard Culbertson, coupled with his three game line set score of 341, was good enough for a 3 to 1 victory over Dye Construction, which is currently in seventh place in the league's standings.

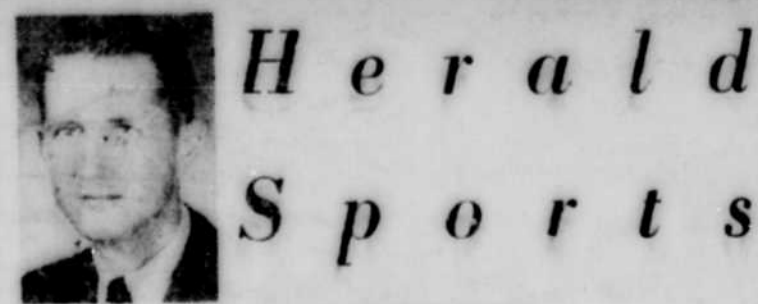
Johnny Dye rolled high scores of 113 and 293 for the losing Dye Construction team.

The Bob Herndon team put the damper on McGinnis Furniture's hopes of gaining on the three top teams with a 3 to 1 victory. Tom Gamble's 127 and 326 scores paced the winners, and Albert Brackett rolled a single game high of 131 and a line set score of 353 for the losers.

McGinnis Furniture holds down the No. 4 spot in the standings, eight games ahead of fifth place Dye Construction, and is currently two games behind third place Dilling Heating.

Standings:

Team	Won	Lost
Plonk Oil	34	18
Tignor & Russell	32	20
Dilling Heating	28	24
McGinnis Furn.	26	26
Dye Construction	18	34
Bob Herndon	17	35



Herald Sports

By DICK WOODWARD

Teams Fall As Competition Tightens

Only sixteen basketball teams throughout the United States have weathered the storm of sectional playoffs, and four of these remaining sixteen teams will be in Raleigh this weekend to decide the Eastern representative in the National Collegiate Activities Association (NCAA) tournament, which decides the national champion for 1964.

Only one area team will be in competition at Raleigh Friday night.

Virginia Military Institute (VMI), which upset nationally ranked Davidson in the semi-finals of the Southern Conference basketball tournament two weeks ago, met its Waterloo Monday night in Philadelphia's Palestra.

The Keydets toll victim to the Princeton Tigers, 86-60, in the third game of a triple-header.

Duke, which drew a Bye into the regional playoffs, will open the regional playoffs against Villanova, Friday night.

Villanova downed Providence, 77-66, Monday night and Princeton will meet Connecticut in the Friday night opening contest.

Connecticut surprised favored Temple, 53-48 in the opening contest.

Bradley & Co. Too Much For Keydets

Bill Bradley, two-time All-America Princeton forward (he's a junior this year) lived up to all of his expectations Monday night as he led the Tigers to the decisive win.

VMI led, 36-35 at halftime, but ran into a long scoring dry spell in the second half, and the Bradley-led Tigers poured on the coal as hot-handed Bradley ripped the nets for 17 points in the final half of play, and had numerous assists. He was nearly a one-man team.

Bradley finished the night with 34 points (17 in each half), and for all of the 9,200 fans that witnessed the triple-header, he put on quite a show.

Bradley, who hails from Missouri, almost came to Duke to play his college basketball.

It is reported that Bradley was strongly considering Duke, and it has been rumored that he at one time signed a grant-and-aid to the Blue Devil campus, but changed his plans at the last minute and went to Princeton.

It is easy to visualize what might have happened at Duke the past two years if Bradley had chosen to attend. With Art Heyman, Bill Bradley, and Jeff Mullins leading the way, the Blue Devils would have been next to invulnerable last year, and this year the Dukes would have been even greater.

Duke Favored To Sweep Regionals

The 1963-64 Blue Devils, which have been rated by many as a better team than the 1962-63 team which finished No. 3 in the nation, is favored to sweep the Regional playoffs, although Villanova will provide the Dukes with some stiff competition come Friday night.

Villanova has lost only four games this season, and is currently ranked No. 6 in the nation. Duke is ranked No. 4.

The season records tend to favor UCLA (undefeated in 26 games), and Wichita or Drake has been given a solid chance to give some team a run for the national title.

And then there is the defending champions, Loyola, which has been coming along strong of late, and the Wildcats of Kentucky, coached by Mr. Coach, A. Dolph Rupp, will be a team to watch.

And wouldn't that be something if Lexington-born Jeff Mullins ends up leading Duke to the throne Rupp dearly would love to clinch with his all-time record fourteenth tournament title?

To further complicate the advance picture, some predict that Texas Western, the team which makes good news with "Bad News" Barnes, is a strong contender for the coveted national title.

Good horses generally run and win good races and this is where Duke has the edge. Coaches have claimed all season that Duke and Michigan have the nation's best material and since the Blue Devils have more experience than the Wolverines, who some say are a mere year away from the greatest, my nod has to go to Bubas' Durham-based machine.

In the Western Division, Oregon State was surprised by Seattle. 61-57, and was therefore eliminated from regional play.

Seattle will be UCLA's opponent in the opening round of play Friday night, and the San Francisco Dons will round out the Western Regionals with an opening round match with Utah State, which defeated Arizona State, 92-90 to advance to the Regional playoffs.

Predictions For Playoff Games

Predictions are always something to make one turn tale and hide, but here they are:

EASTERN REGIONALS AT RALEIGH
 March 13
 Duke vs. Villanova—Duke by 6.
 Princeton vs. Connecticut—Too much Bradley, Princeton by 3.

March 14
 Duke vs. Princeton—Mullins beats Bradley.

MIDEAST REGIONALS AT MINNEAPOLIS
 March 13
 Loyola vs. Michigan—Michigan in a squeaker.
 Kentucky vs. Louisville—Kentucky by 5.

March 14
 Kentucky vs. Michigan—Michigan by a "mite."

WEST REGIONALS AT CORVALLIS, OREGON
 March 13
 UCLA vs. SEATTLE—UCLA by 8.
 San Francisco vs. Utah State—SF has dreams of Russell-day rebirth. San Francisco by 12.

March 14
 UCLA vs. San Francisco—Bruins keep on rolling. UCLA by 7.

MIDWEST REGIONALS AT WICHITA
 March 13
 Wichita vs. Creighton—A Wichita win.
 Texas Western vs. Kansas State—"Bad News" does it again. Texas Western by 8.

March 14
 Wichita vs. Texas Western—Texans topped.

FINALS AT LAS VEGAS CITY
 March 20
 Duke vs. Michigan—Duke decks Wolverines
 UCLA vs. Wichita—UCLA in a close one.

March 21
 Duke vs. UCLA—It's title time in Durham.

Mountaineer Baseballers Continue Limited Drills

Team Hampered By Weatherman

Limited practice sessions are being held by the year's baseball team candidates, and Coach Bill Bates reports that the team has been unable as yet to begin employing the finer points of the game.

The team has been holding daily workouts at the high school and Coach Bates says that practice sessions will be begun at City Stadium as soon as the weather permits.

"The team hasn't had any hitting practice as yet," said Bates. "And we have been stressing conditioning drills and loosening-up in general", he added.

The pitchers and catchers have been working out under limited conditions for the past two weeks, and the remaining candidates have been working on the fundamentals of the game.

This year's team, which will have three starters returning from last year's conference championship team, will be depending heavily upon returnees Pat Murphy, Richard Gold, and Warren Goforth. Murphy plays third base for the Mountaineers, and Gold is expected to hold down the shortstop position. Goforth is the only returning pitcher from last year's squad.

Louis Cook, last year's starting catcher, will not be ready for about three or four weeks, and Bates reports that Hubert McGinnis will probably be the starting receiver in the season opener with Lincolnton at City Stadium March 31.

"If our pitching comes around, and we can come up with a couple of good outfielders, we should field a fine team this year", Bates stated.

"500" Winners At Hillsboro

HILLSBORO, N. C. — Three "Daytona 500" winners and a host of other nationally famous automobile racing stars will match speed and daring Sunday, March 15, in the inaugural Joe Weatherly Memorial 150-mile NASCAR Grand National race at Hillsboro's Orange Speedway.

Richard Petty, winner of the Daytona race last month, will head the field in a 1964 Plymouth as he seeks his first Hillsboro victory. Junior Johnson, winner of the Daytona event in 1960 and the victor at Hillsboro a year ago, will be in a 1964 Dodge.

Marvin Panch, a 1961 winner, was the latest addition to the Hillsboro entry list. He will be in a 1964 Ford maintained by Glenn Wood of Stuart, Va. Panch is the current leader in the NASCAR national point standings.

A field of 20 to 25 cars is expected for the 167-lap, duel around the nine-tenths of a mile track-faster dirt track on the NASCAR circuit. Qualifying trials are scheduled for 1 p.m. Sunday, with the race starting at 2:30 p.m.

Both of the track speed records were set by the late Joe Weatherly, the national champ who died in a racing crash Jan. 19 at Riverside, Calif. They are 96.25 miles per hour for a one-lap qualifying trial, and an average of 86.11 miles per hour for the 150-mile distance.

Weatherly scored the last victory of his career on the same track, in a 150-mile race last Oct. 27. "We thought it would be a fitting tribute to a great driver for a race to be named for him," said track manager Enoch Staley. "Because his name was linked to this track in so many ways at the time of his death, it seemed appropriate that we name one of our annual races for him."

A moment of reverent silence, in Weatherly's memory, will be observed prior to the start of the race each year.

Waddell & Thomas Clash At Hickory

HICKORY, N. C. — Bobby Waddell of North Wilkesboro and Ralph Thomas of Newton will be seeking their second wins of the season when NASCAR late model sportsman drivers roar off Sunday in their first long-distance test of the season — a 125-lap grind around the four-tenths of a mile clay track.

Another North Wilkesboro driver, Charles Triplett, will be aiming for his third triumph of 1964 in the 20-lap feature of a three-race hobby (amateur) program scheduled on the same card.

Qualifying trials to determine starting positions in the big sportsman event are scheduled from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday. Track Manager Grafton Burgess said the Saturday trials will be open to the public, free of admission charge.

The first race on the Sunday program is scheduled to start at 2:30 p.m.

Waddell, driving a 1957 Oldsmobile owned by mechanic Ray Fox, led the qualifying and stayed in front all the way in winning the 50-lap sportsman main event before a crowd of 3,000 last Sunday.

Triplett made it "North Wilkesboro day" by coming from behind and taking his second straight win in the 20-lap hobby (amateur) feature.

1964 BASEBALL ROSTER

Name	Pos.	Grade
Gene Allen	OF	11
Mickey Bell	2B	11
Tommy Black	P	11
Chip Bridges	1B	10
Phillip Bunch	2B	10
Gerald Carrigan	OF	11
Louis Cook	C	12
Steve Goforth	P	10
Tommy Goforth	P	9
Warren Goforth	P	12
Richard Gold	SS	11
Mike Huffstickler	OF	12
Eddie Leftwich	3B	11
Seerley Lowery	P	11
Chip McGinnis	C	11
Hubert McGinnis	C	11
Larry Morgan	SS	10
Roy Medlin	C	9
Bill Mullinax	P	11
Pat Murphy	3B	11
Claude Pearson	OF	11
Daryl Putnam	P	9
Ronnie Rhea	OF	11
Eddie Robbs	1B	11
Roger Ross	OF	11
Phillip Ross	OF	10
Bill Stone	P	10

* Denotes lettermen



LETTERMEN — Pictured above are the four Mountaineer lettermen who will form the nucleus of this year's baseball squad. They are: (Top) Pat Murphy, junior third baseman. Senior Louis Cook, catcher, expected to return to action in approximately three weeks. Warren (BO) Goforth, pitcher, and junior shortstop, Richard Gold.



ARCHERY CHAMPION — S. C. "Buddy" Graham, North Carolina Archery Champion, will be among over 100 participants in the North Carolina Archery Association match which is scheduled for the Shelby Recreation Center Sunday. Graham holds the NCAA target championship, which he won previously ('58, '59, '60), and the NCAA field championship, along with the NCAA Indoor Championship.

N. C. Archery Match Is Sunday At Shelby Recreation Center

The annual North Carolina Amateur Archery Championship matches will be held at the Shelby Recreation Center Sunday, March 15 at 9:00 a.m.

The event, which pits the outstanding amateur shooters, is sponsored by the Shelby Recreation department, and will be held in this area for the first time.

Outstanding marksmen, S. C. "Sonny" Graham, who has held almost every amateur title, will be on hand for the competition, along with O. K. Smathers of Brevard, who has held the World Championship title.

Smathers won the championship in 1957, and has been called one of the greatest Archerymen in the United States today.

Graham, who lives in Salisbury, has held the following titles: North Carolina Archery Association Target Champion in 1958, '59, '60, and '63. North Carolina Archery Assoc. (Continued on Page 3)