



Towns County Herald's Sporting News



Flag bowl leaves yellow laundry in the fog

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Hogsed and Bleckley bright spots in offense

Both teams played fairly even until the fog rolled in. As a choking humidity and thick fog covered the Rabun County field the Indians couldn't tell whether they had run into a buzz saw or an angry Wildcat. Either way, the Tribe suffered a 33-14 controlled scrimmage loss at the hands of the W' Cats. After the Cats won the toss, the Indians stacked Rabun on the first play from scrimmage by a host of Indians. A tackle by Billy Meier stopped the homies and the Tribe took over at the 35yd line. John Swilley down got the first then tossed to Mat Hogsed near the goal line but Hogsed had pushed off for the first of a million flags thrown by the rookie officials. After a big push down field, the Cat drive ended when Mat Hogsed made a pick and returned it back to near the 50yd line. The fog rolled in and the Wildcats cranked off a long TD pass with 1:37 left in the first quarter, 7-0. Won't even mention the flags, let's just say a lot of them on both blue and red. The Indians returned the favor late in the quarter when they threw an interception down to the 30yd line and after a sweep right and TD, oops! back it came, still 7-0.

Mat Beni opened the second quarter with a solo "T" in the middle where he and Billy Meier patrolled all night. Top to bottom, both defensive

dynamos looked like they had forgotten to wash their game uniforms from the week before. After a tackle at the 2yd line by John Swilley and a backfield sack by Taylor Denton, the Cats blew one over at 8:57 but shanked the x-point, 13-0. At 6:25, Rabun County intercepted their second pass of the night and scampered in for the TD but Taylor Denton stopped the 2-pt try, 19-0. One of the best plays in the first half occurred when Mat Hogsed bobbled the snap, chased down the bouncing pigskin and completed the pass to John Bleckley at the 26yd line. At 3:34 the Indians stormed back with a TD toss from John Swilley to Mat Hogsed to make it a 19-7 game. The Cats made their living off trap plays in the middle and their speed little scat-back. Taylor Denton led Austin Bradley into the Cat backfield for a sack and Matt Beni made a shoe-string tackle to force the punt. A bobbled snap got a feline knee on the ground and the Indians got a gift at the 33yd line for the best takeaway position of the night. After a stalled drive, the half horn honked and it was 19-7.

A completed pass to Billy Meier got the Indians in range but the Cats plucked their third pass of the night at the Indian goal line. The Beni-Meier team dominated the center of the field but the Wildcats dominated the flats as they passed their way up the field. Meier got a workout on both side of the ball, making his fourth straight tackle. Big in the defensive line was Dylen Nelson, Josh Goodwin, Austin

Bradley and Cody Partin at linebacker. The Cats trapped their way down to the 2yd line where the ball bounced out and Matt Beni jumped on it but the fumble call went against the Tribe. At 11:56 the Cats drove the one yard for the TD, 26-7. After a Billy Meier KO return to near mid-field, at 3:05, John Bleckley hauled down a long pass for the touchdown and 26-14 score. With under sixty seconds in the game, the little Cat speedster broke through the middle, cut across the grain and raced down the right sideline for the final 33-14 score in the humidity soaked scrimmage game against the Class AA Rabun County Wildcats..

TCHS varsity football team photos and actions shots are available for \$20 pre-paid this season. Post/past season CDs are \$30. Place your order early by seeing Jim or Lisa Bryant or contact at F5sports@yahoo.com to place your order.

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by Jim Bryant

SPORTSWATCH

Collegiate Soccer

YHC Men ranked 15th in NJCAA
YHC 8 Tri-County 1
YHC Women ranked 6th in NJCAA
YHC Women 7 College Experience 0

(Scrimmage)

Young Harris Cross Country Invitational
Low Score Wins
(W) YHC 21; Brenau 49; Oglethorpe 82; Gordon 97 (M) Morehouse 22; YHC 37; Gordon 70; Oglethorpe 4th

Softball

Towns County 0	Banks County 10
Towns County 1	Athens Christian 2
Towns County 1	Gainesville 5
Towns County 1	Fannin County 9 (6)
JV Towns County 5	Fannin County 4
Towns County Middle 13	Rabun County Middle 14
JV Union County 13	White County 0
Union County 10	White County 5
Chestatee 12	Johnson 0
Chestatee 0	West Hall 8
Jefferson 1	Buford 5
Jefferson 4	Wesleyan 1
Jefferson 5	Commerce 0
Pickens County 2	Flowery Branch 5
White County 2	Creekview 7
White County 3	Lumpkin County 0
White County 16	Gilmer County 0 (3)
West Hall 6	East Hall 2
Jackson County 44	Our Lady of Mercy 0

Hawk/Bulldog Invitational Softball Tournament

Buford 2 Oconee County 0
Buford 4 South Forsyth 3

Brookwood wins Championship

Buford Invitational Softball Tournament

Buford 5 Wesleyan 2
Buford 5 North Hall 0
Buford 8 Providence Christian 0
Buford 9 Union County 2
Union County 0 North Hall 1

Cross Country (Low score wins)

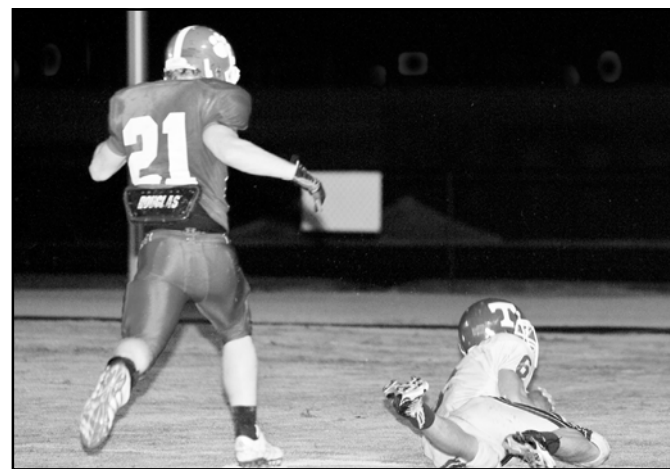
(B) Union County 21 Gilmer County 35
(G) Union County 20 Gilmer County 50

Football

Towns County 14	Rabun County 33
Union County 41	Hayesville,NC 26
White County 10	Franklin County 6
Gilmer County 18	Fannin County 24
Lumpkin County 13	Dawson County 0
Lakeview Academy 20	Fellowship Christian 21
Athens Academy 37	Southwest Atlanta 14
Athens Christian 7	Oglethorpe County 37
Banks County 21	Washington-Wilkes 34
Prince Avenue 7	North Oconee 28
Jefferson 30	Commerce 13
Hebron Academy 20	Temple 26
Dade County 21	Fyffe, AL 20
Social Circle 21	Monticello 13
Oconee County 6	Blessed Trinity 26
Riverside Academy 6	Elbert County 40
Hart County 55	GAC 21
North Hall 20	Johnson 3
West Hall 26	East Jackson 55
Georgia Military 6	Taylor County 27
East Hall 0	Murray County 10
Gainesville 34	Chesataee 0
Wesleyan 48	Clarkston 0
Clarke Central 20	Loganville 15
Habersham county 13	Cedar Shoals 16
Apalachee 31	Monroe Area 7
Forsyth Central 17	McIntosh 34
North Forsyth 37	West Forsyth 0

Men's soccer

YHC 3 Spartanburg Methodist 1



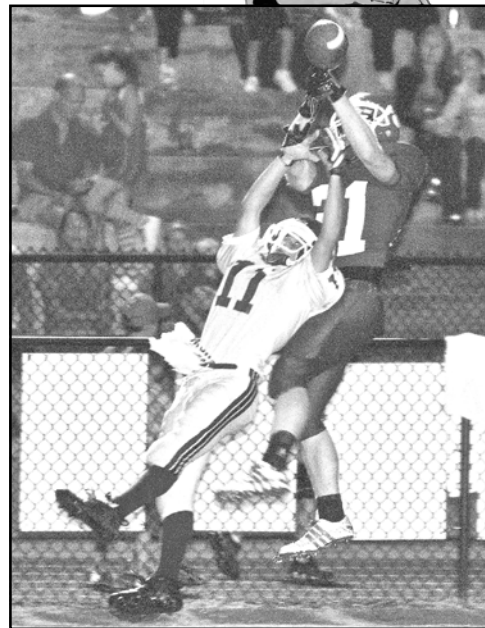
Mat Hogsed hauls in a John Swilley TD pass for the Indians.



Billy Meier put his hat in the breadbasket of a Wildcat receiver.



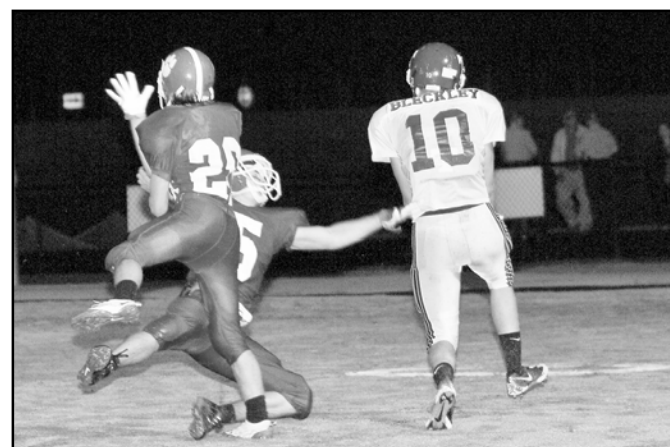
Mat Beni sticks a hand in the face of a Wildcat tackler.



Alan Turpin goes vertical for a pass on the Rabun sidelines.



Mat Beni is tackled by a Cat in 33-14 loss to Rabun County.



John Bleckley gets his arms around the ball for a late game touchdown.



Mat Hogsed stiff arms a couple of Wildcats in loss to the Class AA school.



John Swilley hands off to Taylor Denton as Cody Partin and Josh Goodwin block. Photos by Jim & Lisa Bryant

Indians drop three tournament games

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This past weekend the TC Lady Indians traveled to Commerce for their annual softball tournament. The Tribe matched up in their first game against a powerful Banks County Lady Leopards team and took it on the chin 10-0.

The Indians bounced back in their second outing against the Lady Eagle from Athens Christian but fell in a squeaker, 2-1. Their final diamond appearance was against

the Lady Red Elephants from Gainesville where they fell 5-1 to end their tournament play.

The Lady Indians will host a two day softball tournament on Friday and Saturday at E. Rivers Softball Complex on the campus of Young Harris College.

It will be a busy weekend for Indian teams, traveling Friday night (7:30) to Rabun County for a football scrimmage and back to the cross country track Saturday to assist with the Young Harris Cross Country Invitational followed by several softball games over the weekend.



Heather Hamilton and Chelsey Noblet have a moment of hilarity during softball tournament. Photo by Jim & Lisa Bryant

Chatuge Shores golf scores

On Thursday, August 27th we played our annual par 3 tournament and the winners are as follows;

First Place Low Net: Robert Lyle with 43
Second Place Low Net; Frontz Goring with 45
Third Place Low Net; J.T. Garrett with also 45
Low Gross Men; George Darden
Low Gross Lady: Glenda Geddings
Closest to pin # 16
Men : Frontz Goring 13'2.75"
Lady: Oleta Taylor 8'
Congradulations to all!

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