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Football: Indians roll to 41-7 scrimmage victory over Copper Basin, TN **By Todd Forrest** Sports Editor sports@nganews.com

A 34-point first-half outburst was the story on Friday night at Frank McClure Stadium, however, the Indians' defense provided the exclamation point via sophomore Dustin Barrett's 105-yard pick six during the third frame.

Senior quarterback Connor Chastain finished 7-of-8 through the air with 87 yards and a pair of touchdowns. Senior Justin Miles-Hill churned out 114 yards and one TD on the ground; Barrett rushed eight times for 73 yards and

But at the end of the day, Towns County head coach Jason Roquemore said the impressive numbers were a by-product of stellar line play on both sides of the ball.

"The key is, upfront, we played really well," Roquemore said. "I know that kind of gets lost in the sauce when you look at the numbers, but really, it all started up front. Our kids played really tough and really physical. We had very few missed assignments up front, and when you do that, you're going to be successful."

Going into Friday, consistency and confidence were the Indians' two harbingers of success, and according to Roquemore, his squad checked both boxes.

"I think we did that, and hopefully it leads to bigger and better things down the road," he said. "But we're still a young football team in spots, so we still have some work to do. Our whole sophomore



Senior Justin Miles-Hill lunges for extra yards during the first half vs Basin. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

class, I've been high on them, go with 2 TFLs and 1.5 sacks. fundamentally, we've got to but they are still sophomores, so there's some work to do. But collectively, our kids expected to play well and their execution was good.'

Junior wide receiver Julian Mosley hauled in one touchdown grab while going for 58 yards on five catches. Sophomore Cruz Kitchens corded 4 tackles and two QB added two receptions for 29 yards and a score.

Offensively, Towns County piled up 274 total yards with 187 coming on the ground. Meanwhile, the defense forced three turnovers while limiting the Cougars to 152 yards (85 pass, 68 rush).

Senior Colton Garrett led the way with 9 tackles, 2 QB hurries and a half-sack.

Walker recorded 8 stops to

Senior Ian Arrowood was responsible for 5 tackles plus a scoop-and-score.

Senior Micheal Houser had 3 tackles, a sack, 2 QB hurries and a forced fumble. Mosley added 4 tackles, a sack and one pass breakup.

Junior Seth Hurley rehurries. Barrett made two stops to go with his 105-yard interception return.

Sophomores Daylen Sosebee and Jacob Nicholson chipped in 2 tackles and one sack apiece.

The Indians will take the next two weeks to prep Speaking of the defense, for the Aug. 18 border war vs. Hayesville, North Carolina. Towns County is searching for its first win over the Yellow Sophomore Morgan Jackets since 2018.

"The biggest thing is,

Cruz Kitchens (22) and Julian Mosley (5). Photo/Lowell Nicholson

to the opportunity to play [Hayesville]. It's a big game for both communities, but I don't think it's a make-oryou have two communities that Stadium.

"We're looking forward are very passionate and very supportive, and we hope we're able to gain some momentum as we get things kicked off."

Kickoff vs. Hayesville is break game for our season. It's slated for 7:30 p.m. on Friday, a great opportunity because Aug. 18 at Frank McClure



Towns' offensive line earned praise from Roquemore for its play in the trenches. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

Final Safe Boating Class for 2023

The Coast Guard Auxiliary will be teaching the Georgia Department of Nat-ural Resources (GA DNR) Boating safety course at the Towns County Senior Center in Hiawassee. Several experienced Coast Guard Auxiliarists from our local Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla are volunteering their time to serve as instructors for the Georgia DNR classes.
Is boating education re-

quired in Georgia?
Answer: As of July 1, 2014, all persons born on or after January 1, 1998 that operate any motorized vessel on

he or she is:

A person operating on a private lake or pond;

A non-resident who has in his or her possession proof that he or she has completed a NASBLA approved boater education course or equiva-lency examination from another state.

This Georgia Boating Safety class will meet mandatory education irement. To register requirement. erate any motorized vessel on the waters of the state must have completed a boat education course approved by the discussion requirement. To register for this class, visit the Georgia DNR website: https://license.gooutdoorsgeor-

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of Natural Resources will visit license.gooutdoorsgeorbe hosting a Hunter's Safety Certification Class on September 20-21 from 6-10 p.m. nity Center. This is a two-night class. Students must attend 770-535-5499. NT(Aug9,Z12)CA

Georgia Department both nights. To sign up, please gia.com/Event/EventsHome.

Contact the DNR Law at the Union County Commu- Enforcement office in Gainesville with any questions at

department prior to such operation. A person is exempt if aspx?id=41346&cid=0.

Class details: August 19 A person licensed by the U.S. Coast Guard as a master of a vessel;

A person licensed by term of the U.S. Coast Guard as a wassee, GA 30546.

Set up and late registration 8 - 8:30 AM. Class begins at 8:30 AM. Class ends at 3:30 PM with a 45 minute lunch break. T(Aug9,M2)JH



Eenie, Meenie, Miney, Moe, where should our next ride go? Pavement, forest, rocks, and creeks, we can get there with our Jeeps. Come

Blue Ridge Mountain Jeepers meet the 2nd Friday of every month at Daniel's Steak House in Hiawassee. Eat and greet is at 11 AM and the meeting starts at 12 noon.
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Towns County 2023 Softball schedule

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get better," Roquemore said.

"We're going to address that

over the next two weeks. But

at this point of the season,

fundamentals are something

we're always trying to address

day in, day out.

8/10 @ N Murray 5:00

8/12 @ Fannin 10 am

8/16 Cedar Shoals 5:00

8/17 @ Athens Christian 5:00

8/21 @ Rabun 5:30

8/23 Chestatee 5:00

8/24 @ Gainesville 5:00

8/28 N Murray 5:00

8/30 @ Cedar Shoals 5:00

9/6 @ Chestatee 5:30

9/9 WW DH 12 and 2

9/11 Gainesville 5:00

9/18 LOA 5:00

9/21 @ LOA 5:00

9/26 Lincoln 5:00

9/28 @ Lincoln 5:00

10/3 @ GSIC 5:00

10/7 GSIC 2:00

10/10 Commerce 5:00

TCHS 2023 Football schedule

08/18	Н	Hayesville (NC)
08/25	A	Lake Oconee Academy
09/01	A	Union County (Region 8-AA)
09/15	Н	Coosa (Region 7-A Division I)
09/29	A	Greene County
10/06	Н	Aquinas
10/13	Н	Johnson (Gainesville) (Region 8-AAAA)
10/20	A	Warren County
10/27	A	 Washington-Wilkes
11/03	Н	Lincoln County