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Softball: Lady Indians trample Red Elephants 11-3

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The Lady Indians overtook Gainesville for the second time in August, the latest coming by an 11-3 score.

Scotlyn Fain batted 1 for 4 with 2 RBIs and 2 runs scored. Jaycie Cross whacked 3 out of 5 with an RBI and 2 runs scored. Alaina Murphy went 2 out of 4 with 2 RBIs and a run scored.

Drew Livingston finished 3 out of 4 with 2 RBIs and 2 runs scored. If that's not enough, she had a solo home run.

Taylor Mulkey went 1 out of 3 with a run scored. Alexa Keyes scored a run, Lilly Martin had an RBI, Hailey Spear scored a run and Gracie Jones scored a run.

"We picked up a good win Monday at Gainesville," said coach Clay Livingston. "We struggled a bit early, but the bats finally got going in the seventh. Our defense and Jacie's 10 strikeouts kept us in the game the first 6 innings."

"I was proud that all 9 players contributed offensively. We had some good at bats that ended in walks and productive outs. We made some mistakes in the field but made plays and got strikeouts when we most needed them."

"Overall, it was a tough week. We only had 9 players healthy enough and available for Monday's game and couple of those were not feeling their best. I am proud of the perseverance they displayed. We are thankful for the win and



The Towns County Lady Indians exploded for 11 runs in a win at Gainesville last week to improve to 4-3 on the year. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

that most of our girls seem to be healing up nicely this week.

"We took a day off and changed up practice a bit to hopefully help facilitate that recovery. Haily Gibson was very sick this week and wasn't available Monday. We are ecstatic that she is feeling much better and seems to be on the mend."

"We are not the same team without one of our 2

senior captains out there. We ended up moving last Wednesday's game against Pickens to October 9th at 5 p.m."

Probably not surprising since the first few months of the school year are when children are most likely to get sick. This is because children suddenly spend a lot more time indoors in close proximity to other kids. And though teenagers tend to get sick less

frequently than the youngsters since they have had time to build up more antibodies, they are not immune.

The best you can do is reinforce basic hygiene habits (which young kids can struggle with) and make sure everyone in the house is eating healthy, sleeping well, and exercising regularly. And definitely don't send your kids to school when they're sick — they'll just pass



The Lady Indians can move 2 games over .500 for the first time in 2024 with a win over Cedar Shoals on Tuesday. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

it along to some other unsuspecting family. The coaches and teachers at Towns County schools thank you in advance.

The Lady Indians take on Cedar Shoals at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 3rd at Lowell Nicholson Field. Tickets can be had at the gate or online at GoFans.

Football: Indians to use Lakeview Academy loss as learning opportunity

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Gainesville - In their first loss of the season, the Towns County Indians took on the Lakeview Lions in Gainesville, last Friday, Aug. 30, falling 42-0.

It was a very tough game in which the Indians struggled to match the athleticism of the opposing team as Towns County couldn't contain the Lakeview quarterback's running ability..

Lakeview had 319 yards compared to 101 yards for Towns County.

Lakeview completed 9 out of 13 passes for 179 yards and 2 touchdowns, compared to the Indians completing 5 out of 12 passes for 38 yards.

In terms of the rushing game, Lakeview had 12 carries for 140 yards and 3 touchdowns, compared to Towns with 25 carries for only 63 yards.

Still, the boys played with heart. Alex Baert had 12 carries for 48 yards. Dustin Barrett had 5 catches for 38 yards, and 10 carries for 12 yards.

And the defense stepped up with Barrett making 8 tackles, Eli Collins making 4 tackles and Reed Adams making 2 tackles and breaking up a pass.

It's important to remember how green this team is. There are more than 10 freshmen on the team and each touch of the ball is a learning opportunity.

"I'm proud of how hard they worked over the summer and this defeat is a great opportunity for us to grow," said Coach Jason Roquemore.

Even in the face of a defeat, the Roc is more positive than ever. "We've got some notable season statistics already."



The TCHS band made the trip to Gainesville last Friday to support the Indians at Lakeview Academy. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

Petyon McGaha has 30 out of 45 pass completions for 314 yards, and a touchdown. Barrett has 42 catches for 211 yards, as well as 4 touchdowns. He's also got 17 catches for 121 yards, 16 tackles and 2 interceptions.

Baert has 18 carries for 116 yards, 12 tackles and half a sack. Tucker Engert has 5 catches for 86 yards, 2 touchdowns, 5 tackles and 3 intercep-

tions. Morgan Walker has 18 tackles. Jacob Nicholson has 7 tackles and 3 sacks. Hensel Lobo-Martinez has 9 tackles and 1.5 sacks. Alex Henderson has 9 tackles and 1 sack. Wyatt Woody has 11 tackles.

Remember boys, it's not about how you fall down, it's all about how you get up. Hall of Famer Coach Paul Brown once said, "You can learn a line from a win and a book from a

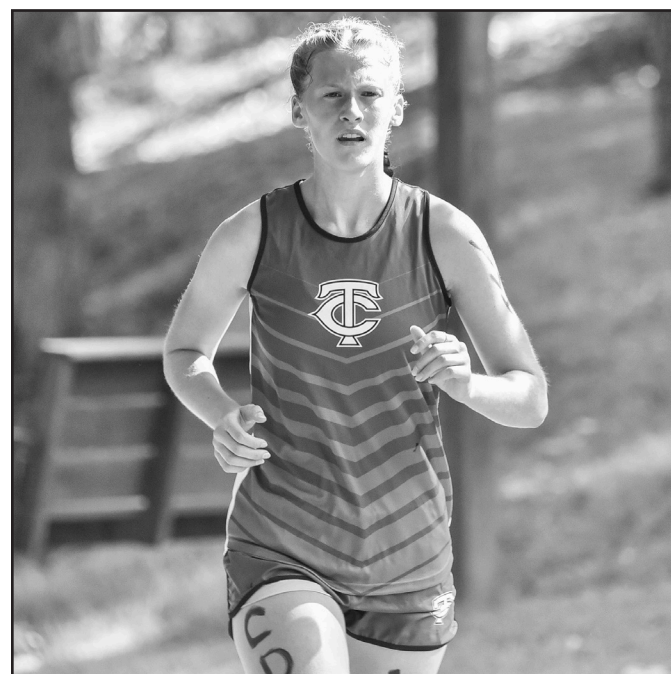
defeat." He started as a player then became a coach, first in high school, then college and eventually as the head coach for the Cleveland Browns, a team named after him. Perseverance and resilience can accomplish anything.

The Indians host the Greenville, SC Hurricanes next Friday, Sept. 6 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased online at GoFans or at the gate for \$10.



Coach Roquemore continues to motivate during the second half despite the lopsided score. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

Towns XC third at Meeks Park



Senior Kya Smith paced the Lady Indians to a third place finish last week. Both TCHS teams placed third overall at Union County's Meeks Park race on Aug. 29. Photo/Todd Forrest