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Indians fall short against fifth-ranked Spartans at home

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The Towns County Indians took the field at home against the fifth-ranked Athens Academy Spartans on Friday, Sept. 21.

The Spartans are the defending Region Champions and lost in the State Championship in 2017, so the Boys in Blue knew they were in for a fight.

And because the Indians were down four starters due to injuries – seniors Jared Wiggins, Danny Reagan and Hunter Frisk, alongside freshman Collin Crowder – they also knew they were going to have to play near perfect football.

The Indians elected to receive the kickoff, and sophomore Garrett Oakes received the kick and took it out past the 20-yard line. The Indians muffed the opening handoff and the Spartans recovered.

From there on, the Indians gave up 36 unanswered points to end the first quarter.

In the second quarter, the Indians held Athens Academy to only 10 points before the half, thanks to key tackles from senior Blaine Rogers and a sack by senior Wesly Calhoun.



Towns County prepares to take the field against Athens Academy last Friday night. The Indians are looking to get back on track this week at Riverside Military Academy. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

Then halftime arrived, bringing the total score to 46-0.

The Indians Defense came out ready to play after the half, not allowing a single point to be scored the rest of

the game.

Toward the end of the third quarter, with 3:10 remaining, the Indians Defense forced a three and out and got the offense going with a big 78-yard rush by sopho-

more Reace Hampton, who brought the ball down to the 3-yard line.

Next play, senior quarterback Trent Bradshaw handed the ball off to senior Nick Bradley, who punched it in for

the Indians' first touchdown of the night.

With 6 points, the Indians elected to try for the two-point conversion, again going to Bradley, who put 2 more points on the board.

After the play clock ran down, the scoreboard read 46-8, but the scoreboard doesn't always tell the whole story.

The Indians fought valiantly in their loss, keeping composure and never giving up.

"Athens Academy is a great team – they lost in the state championship last year," said Indians Head Coach John Cornett. "We have Riverside next week, a team we have beaten for the past two years. We have a great opportunity ahead of us next week."

Athens Academy Coach Josh Alexander had some words of encouragement to say about the Indians following the matchup.

"I'm impressed with the way Coach Cornett is running the program," said Coach Alexander. "From the improvement to the facilities to the discipline of his players, we can really see it when we turn on the film."

The Towns County Varsity Football Team has an away conference game against Riverside Military Academy in Gainesville on Friday, Sept. 28, at 7:30 p.m.

All community members are encouraged to come out and support the Towns County Indians.

Cross Country: Boys and Girls Cross Country teams run hard in Bulldog Dash

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The Towns County Indians Cross Country Team made the long haul to Georgia Military College in Milledgeville on Thursday, Sept. 20, to compete in the Bulldog Dash.

This happens to be the same course at which the Area meet will take place later in the season.

The course was difficult, and the low-mid 90s heat made it just a little bit tougher.

Top Five runners from each school were scored for the team overall results.

The boy's race included 158 runners from 13 different schools, with many of the schools being from larger classifications. The Indian runners fin-



ished a very respectable Eighth Place, with Liam King leading the Indians with a time of 20:37. Blythe Smith and Luis Quijada were not far behind, with times of 20:55 and 21:01 respectively.

Towns' Fourth Place finisher, Jordan Lovelace, came in at 22:22, and rounding out the Top Five was Corbin Henderson at 23:14. Ryan Tyler was sixth with a time of 25:50 and Robbie

Peacock finished with a time 30:15.

The girl's race consisted of 75 runners from 10 different schools, again, with many of the schools from larger classifications



L-R: Blythe Smith and Macy Brinson

and running mostly upperclassmen.

The Lady Indians, consisting of five freshmen, all finished in the middle of the pack.

Leading the way for the Lady Indians with a 34th Place finish was Alison Markham with a time of 29:14. Right behind her was Kayla Peacock coming in at 29:46.

In 43rd position was Bazya Smith at 31:09. Gali Quijada and

Macy Brinson rounded out the Lady Indians with times of 33:41 and 34:25 respectively.

The Indians XC Team travels to Hayesville to run in the Carney Classic on Thursday, Sept. 27.

This is always a spectacular race and a much anticipated race.

Running will begin at 4 p.m.

Towns County Softball recognizes five seniors at Senior Day



Pictured L-R: Ella Bury, Jenna Coker, Coach Brandon Rowland, Lea Neumyer, Coach Barry Churchill, Valerie Ide and Taylor Cornett. Towns County honored its five seniors at last week's home contest vs Athens Christian, who went on to win 14-6. Following the game and the recognition of seniors, Coach Rowland and Coach Churchill were presented with plaques to show their appreciation. The plaques read: A great coach is hard to find, difficult to part with, and impossible to forget. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

Local Racing Report: Blue Ridge Motorsports Park

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Blue Ridge - Blue Ridge Motorsports Park hosted a race last Saturday for \$1,500 Crate Late Models top prize. Here are the top five results from each class.

Street Stocks - Coming in first place was No. 14 Charles Devine Jr. Coming in second place was No. 9 Jim Twiggs. Coming in third place was No. 01 Jacob Lynch. Finishing in fourth place was No. j69 Jim Weller. Coming in fifth place was No. 7D Dylan Turhan.

Beginner 602 - Coming in first place was No. 25 Jacob Hamby. Coming in second place was No. M42 Roger Morrow. Coming in third place was No. 17 Steve Beavers. Coming in fourth place was No. 22 Matt Sanders. Coming in fifth place was No. 8 Colby Parris.

No. 4 Jacob Parris. Coming in second place was No. 81 John Howard. Coming in third place was No. 17 Brad Thomas. Finishing in fourth place was No. 88 Ricky Smith. Coming in fifth place was No. 28 Dannie Patterson.

Hot-Shots - Coming in first place was No. 32jr Franklin Burk Jr. Coming in second place was No. 22 Tucker Anderson. Coming in third place was No. 1 Nathan Peardon. Coming in fourth place was No. 55 Chase Norton. Coming in fifth place was No. 1 Cooper Twiggs.

FWD - Coming in first place was No. 73 Wayne Champion. Coming in second place was No. 14 Trey Champion. Coming in third place was Eddie Segon. Coming in fourth place was No. 65 Larry Whitelow. Coming in fifth place was No. K3 James Klankul.

Pony - Coming in first place was No. 32 Franklin Burk. Coming in second place was No. 43 Tain Ross

Limited - Coming in first place was No. 30 Deven Delbeck. Coming in second place was No. 4 Danny Ledford. Finishing in third place was No. 16w Wesley English. Coming in fourth place was No. 4 Trigg Parris. Coming in fifth place was No. 00 Ted Lowe.

Crate - Coming in first place was No. 24 Shawn Chastain. Coming in second place was No. 9 Brain Kinnersley. Coming in third place was No. 17 Chip Brendle. Coming in fourth place was No. 12 Drew Deaver. Coming in fifth place was No. 1 Junior Whitener.

VFW/AL Golf Tournament

The VFW and American Legion are having a Golf Tournament on Thursday, Oct. 4th at Chatuge Shores. Join fellow Veterans and supporters for a day of fun and golf. Cost is \$55 per person. Call 404-295-6462 for more info. TSep26.GJSH

Harlem Globetrotters bring their spectacular show to Young Harris on December 10th



On the heels of taking their unparalleled entertainment to capacity crowds overseas, the Harlem Globetrotters will return to North America with their one-of-a-kind show to Young Harris at the YHC Rec Center on Monday, December 10th at 7 PM.

Featuring some of the most elite dunkers on the planet, exceptional ball handlers, and Guinness World Record holders, a Globetrotters game is more than just basketball – they are the ultimate in family entertainment that will bring smiles and fan interaction to people of all ages. The Globetrotters will bring their unrivaled show to fans in over 250 North American cities during their upcoming tour.

The Globetrotters show will feature a star-studded roster, including Showmen like Big Easy Lofton, Hi-Lite Bruton, Ant Atkinson, and Hammer Harrison, as well as fan favorites Firefly Fisher, Bull Bullard, Thunder Law and Cheese Chisholm. To match the growing popularity of the Globetrotters' female stars, the team will also bring the largest female roster in team history to fans across North America – including TNT Lister, Hoops Green, Torch George, Swish Young, and Mighty Mortimer.* After virtually every game, the Harlem Globetrotters remain on the court for autographs and photographs with fans.

Tickets start at \$30 and are now available at harlemglobetrotters.com, ticketweb.com, the YHC Book Store. For more information, please visit harlemglobetrotters.com.

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out their history, the Original Harlem Globetrotters have showcased their iconic talents in 123 countries and territories on six continents, often breaking down cultural and societal barriers while providing fans with their first-ever basketball experience. Proud inductees of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, the Globetrotters have entertained hundreds of millions of fans – among them popes, kings, queens, and presidents – over nine thrilling decades. The American Red Cross is the official charity of the Harlem Globetrotters. Sponsored by Entenmann's Donuts®, Ticket Galaxy and Baden Sports, Harlem Globetrotters International, Inc. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Herschend Entertainment, the largest family-owned themed entertainment company in the U.S. For the latest news and information about the Harlem Globetrotters, visit the Globetrotters' official Web site: www.harlemglobetrotters.com and follow them on Twitter @Globies.

Chatuge Shores Ladies elect officers



The Chatuge Shores Ladies Golf Association would like to announce their new slate of officers for the 2019 golf season. Each officer stated that she is looking forward to a fantastic year of events and are excited about their new positions. They all are delighted to belong to a wonderful group of ladies and a fun group. (L-R): Vicky Healy (President), Janet Woodward (Secretary), Claudia Rinaldo (Treasurer), Glenda Geddings (Vice President), Mary Mott (Tournament Chair).