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Indians Football scores victory over Johnson in Gainesville

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GAINESVILLE – In last week's away game for the Towns County Indians on Friday, Oct. 14, the boys earned themselves an excellent victory over Johnson High School with a 39-21 score.

The team worked as a cohesive unit to achieve powerful statistics, totaling 331 offensive yards that included 135 passing yards for one touchdown and one interception, and 196 rushing yards for five touchdowns. The Indians also went 2-for-4 on third-down conversions.

Offensively, junior quarterback Connor Chastain went 12-for-16 passing for 135 yards, one touchdown and one interception.

Senior tight end Seth Gillis had 27 carries for 177 yards with five touchdowns and two catches for 30 yards.

Sophomore wide receiver Julian Mosley made four catches for 46 yards.

Senior wide receiver Grant Ingram had three catches for 27 yards.

Junior running back Justin Miles-Hill had four carries for 13 yards and two catches for 22 yards with one touchdown.

And junior kicker Zion Calhoun put three extra points through the uprights.

On the defensive side of the ball, senior Chance Schmeltz netted 13 tackles and 8 tackles for loss, with five QB hurries.

Gillis had six tackles with one interception and two QB hurries.



The Towns County defense wraps up a ball carrier during a recent game. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

Junior Michael Houser had four tackles with one sack and two QB hurries.

Ingram had three tackles with one interception and two pass breakups.

And senior Jonathan Dockery made three tackles and one interception.

Next up, the Indians will be looking to continue their momentum against War-

ren County for Park & Rec Night in a home game this Friday, Oct. 21, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in Frank McClure Memorial Stadium. Go Indians!



Quarterback Connor Chastain. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

GA Mountain Pickleball Club hosts 7th Annual Fall Classic tourney



Tournament at Pickleball Courts

The Georgia Mountain Pickleball Club hosted the 7th Annual, 2022 Georgia Mountain Pickleball Fall Classic Tournament September 30th - October 2nd.

Over 350 players from as far away as Colorado converged on Towns County for the 3-day event, bringing with them revenue and support to our local businesses and rave reviews about the tournament and our world-class pickleball facility.

It was due to over 40 local volunteers each day, players and our local sponsors, who were largely responsible for making this event such a huge success. We wish to thank them all for their kind support of our tournament and for their leadership and concern for the welfare and betterment of our community.

Please support the following businesses who sponsored our tournament, and we hope

you'll continue to support all our local and area businesses:

Erlanger Western Carolina Hospital; City of Hiawassee; Mary's Southern Grill; Century 21 - Black Bear Realty; Union General Health System; Collage Boutique; Folger Gas LLC; Asiano; Barrett & Associates; Hayesville Brew; Moss Forestry Consulting Services, Inc.; Lake Chatuge Lodge; McClure Barber Shop; State Farm; Jacky Jones Automotive; Pic-A-Nick Basket Deli; Atlantis Commercial Group, Inc.; Ingles; The Ridges Resort & Marina Station; Hawg Wild BBQ; Athens Neurological Associates; Hiawassee Brew; LaCabana Mexican Restaurant Inc.; FLR Interior Design & Consulting; United Community Bank; Tilted Pizza; Pickleball Bella; Hemlock Homes & Renovations; Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds. NT(Oct19-F4)gg

Lady Indians Softball headed to postseason play this week

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The Towns County Lady Indians Softball Team certainly kept busy last week ahead of their playoff berth, taking on five tough matches between Loganville Christian Academy, Lake Oconee Academy and Lincoln County High School between Monday and Thursday.

On Monday, Oct. 10, the ladies played Loganville Christian Academy in a home game on Lowell Nicholson Field that resulted in a 15-0 loss. Welcomed to the game were residents of the Hiawassee Park Senior Living Community.

Then on Wednesday, Oct. 12, they played a home doubleheader against Lake Oconee Academy that saw losses of 14-1 and 19-0.

And finally, the Lady Indians battled Lincoln County High School on Thursday, Oct. 13, in another away game doubleheader that resulted in double wins for Lincoln, 12-8 and 13-5, to close out regular season play.

It was a particularly challenging schedule of games, especially considering the two games the ladies won against the Georgia School for Innovation and the Classics on Saturday, Oct. 8, but it also offered great experience leading into playoffs this week.

"We battled through seven games in five days and earned a playoff spot in the process," Head Coach Clay Livingston said. "We were unable to improve our seeding in the last four games, but we definitely got better and



Sophomore Drew Livingston at the plate. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

played at a higher level.

"We are excited about the upcoming playoffs starting Thursday, Oct. 20, at Bowdon High School (in Carroll County). The Georgia High School Association has changed the format to eight super regionals comprised of four teams.

"Our super includes the No. 1 seed from Region 7, Bowdon High School; the

No. 2 seed from Region 6, Marion County High School; the No. 3 seed from Region 5, Johnson County High School; and us, the No. 4 seed from Region 8.

"We will play a double-elimination tourney Thursday (Oct. 20) and Friday (Oct. 21) to determine who gets to go to the state championships in Columbus."

As always, Coach Liv-

ingston is "super proud" of his players and coaching staff "for all of their hard work and dedication through a tough year to earn an opportunity in the postseason."

"We believe we have set a new standard for the program and look forward to competing against some of the better teams in the state," he said.

Go Lady Indians!

Men's Golf at Chatuge Shores

For those of you who may not be aware, there is a men's golf league at the Chatuge Shores Golf Course. It is called the Chatuge Shores Men's Golf Association (MGA) and it has been around since at least the 1990s, maybe earlier.

They meet and play 18 holes of golf every Monday and Wednesday morning, weather permitting, all year round. The MGA is open to all residents in the area, whether full or part time.

Monday's round uses the Stableford point scoring system and, on Wednesday, they use the two best balls with handicap system to determine the winners. There are individual, team and closest to the pin awards. Handicaps are established after the first

5 rounds of golf. Each year, in early September, the MGA holds a two-day tournament with an awards and annual meeting luncheon after the last round on that Wednesday. Annual dues are \$30 which includes the annual meeting and luncheon.

The MGA has members of all ages from the 50s to the 80s and a range of golfers from low to moderate handicaps. All are welcome. You can have some fun, get a little exercise, meet new people, be competitive or just enjoy the company, the course and the scenery.

For information on how to join or just try MGA out as a guest, contact President Jerry Couse at 706-379-3647 or Secretary/Treasurer Richard Purdy at 303-909-1090.

VFW and American Legion Golf Tournament October 20th



The VFW and American Legion is having a Golf Tournament on Thursday, October 20 at 10 a.m. at Chatuge Shores Golf Course. Join fellow Veterans and supporters for a day of fun and golf. Cost is \$55 per person. Winning team will receive \$200 in cash! Call 404-295-6462 for more information. T(Oct19,A)CA