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Roquemore named 'Falcons Coach of the Week'; Indians headed to Augusta

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On Thursday, Sept. 29, the Towns County Indians hosted Greene County High School for the TCHS 2022 Homecoming Game. The game was moved from Friday due to concerns about the path of Hurricane Ian traversing up Florida earlier in the week.

Despite the 23-6 loss, it was an overall positive night, as the home crowd showed up in true "homecoming" spirit to support the Boys in Blue and witness senior Sarah Shook being crowned 2022 Homecoming Queen during the halftime.

In the first quarter, defensive back and wide receiver Julian Mosley, a sophomore, scored the Indians' lone touchdown after a beautiful one-handed catch and a 15-yard run into the end zone. A follow-up two-point conversion attempt came up inches short.

"We had some good plays that worked very well, and then some that didn't," Head Coach Jason Roquemore said. "It's all about how many plays you make, and we just did not connect well with some important ones."

"The biggest thing is that the boys always play hard and never stop trying to learn from our mistakes. We will continue to build on our strengths and tune up our weaknesses."

Although the outcome may have not been the one Indians fans hoped for, some extraordinary news was announced earlier that day that "Coach Roq" himself had been nominated for and then selected by the Atlanta Journal-Constitution as the Falcons Coach of The Week.

"Towns County football coach Jason Roquemore works top-to-bottom at his program to



Falcons Coach of the Week Jason Roquemore regroups his team during a break. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

ensure a quality product on the field and off it," the AJC article reads. "His drive to cultivate a quality team begins at the youth level and spreads into the community. Those qualities helped 'Coach Roq' win the fifth Falcons Coach of the Week Award."

"Roquemore has worked closely with the local recreation department to create a flag football program for the county's youth. He has been said to epitomize the characteristics of a great football coach and helps guide his players to developing character that will last a lifetime."

The Towns County coach said that when he received the phone call in the hours before the big Homecoming Game, "I

was in utter shock and could not believe it; it was certainly the last thing you would expect."

"It is so humbling, and I am blessed to have this honor," Coach Roquemore said. "I want to thank everyone involved that made this happen for me, and I love you all."

According to the AJC, "Each winning head coach will receive a \$1,000 grant for their football program, a commemorative Atlanta Falcons item and recognition from the Atlanta Falcons and AJC at a game this season."

Next, the Indians will face off against Aquinas High School in Augusta on Friday, Oct. 7, with a kickoff time of 7:30 p.m.



The Indians defense smothers a Greene County ball carrier last Thursday night. Photo/Lowell Nicholson



Senior Seth Gillis takes a handoff from junior quarterback Connor Chastain during last Thursday's Homecoming contest vs. Greene County. Photo/Lowell Nicholson



Senior wide receiver Grant Ingram looks for running room vs. Greene County. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

Lady Indians to face GSIC in home doubleheader Saturday

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Last Wednesday, Sept. 28, the Towns County Lady Indians Softball Team played a home game against Lincoln Co. High School, unfortunately succumbing to Lincoln 15-2 before the seventh inning.

Scorers for the game were junior Elizabeth Edwards and sophomore Drew Livingston.

"At the plate, we hit the ball pretty well, but we missed a sign here and there," Head Coach Clay Livingston said. "We had little things happen that are easy fixes, like knowing what our signs are and making sure everybody is on the same page, and we will work on them to polish them up."

"(Freshman) Scotlyn Fain and (junior) Hope Chastain did a great job in the circle, and (junior) Laura Mauldin is always 'steady Eddie' behind the plate for us. (Freshman) Alexa Keys had some good hits for us today, so there were a lot of good things to focus on and be proud of."

"We are still working on getting healthy by getting (freshman) Jaycie Cross and (junior) Zoe Phillips back from some minor health issues, but I think all our girls are doing a good job of just battling and picking each other up and doing whatever they are asked to do to help



Freshman Alexa Keys at the plate during a recent Towns County game. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

and again on Saturday, Oct. 8, in a doubleheader at home on Lowell Nicholson Field against GSIC starting at 12 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Senior Night is scheduled for Oct. 8, and the Lady Indians will be welcoming residents of the Hiwassee Park Senior Living Community to their final regularly scheduled home game of the season on Monday, Oct. 10, against Loganville Christian Academy.

Local Racing Report: Tri-County

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Brasstown, NC - On September 22, Tri-County Race-track hosted the first annual Russell Thomas Memorial Race featuring a \$5,700 Super Late winner's purse. The event was held in honor of Thomas, who raced locally from 1992-2008.

FWD: No. J32 Shannon Jones took home another win. Coming in second was No. 11 Kane Walls. No. J3 Josh Dease was third. No. F3 John Fulford placed fourth. No. 32 Jim Exum took home fifth place.

B Main: No. 3L Mark Ledford picked up the win. No. 3 Floyd Self was second. No. 117 Ronnie Wren was third. No. 28 Roy Hardman was fourth and No. 30 Josh Wooten was fifth.

Street Stock: No. 14 Charles Devine took home the victory. No. 95 Alex Vance was second. No. 21 Troy Turner was third. No. 73 CB McKinn came in fourth. No. J 69 Jim Weller finished in fifth place.

A Main: The checkered flag went to No. 44 Bobby Elkins. No. 100 Copper Twigg came in second place. No. 50 Charles Devine was third. No. 117 Dylan Beaver was fourth

and No. 03 Dante Curtis rounded out the top five.

Super Late: No. F1 Payton Freeman took home the win. No. 8 David Payne was second. No. 22 Will Roland was third. No. 00 Shawn Chastain was fourth. No. 27 Joe Denby finished fifth.

Open Wheel Mod.: Taking home another win was No. 32 Michael Barrett. No. 108 Chuck Southard was second. No. 100 Clayton Turner was third. No. 95c Stevie Clark was fourth. No. 25 Roger Mealey was fifth.

The final race of the season is on October 6.