

# Towns County Sports

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## TCHS Softball recognizes senior Lady Indians



Senior Hailey Gibson with family on Senior Night. Photo/Lowell Nicholson



Senior Drew Livingston with family on Senior Night. Athens Christian won 11-0. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

## Football: Defense stands firm in 14-8 victory at Anderson, SC

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Anderson, SC - Towns County escaped the Anderson Cavaliers with a 14-8 victory in an exciting last-minute finish on Friday, Oct. 4th.

With three seconds left on the clock, the Indians defense held the Cavaliers at about the 6-inch line and saved the day. Jacob Nicholson made 5 tackles, 2 of them for a loss of yards and delivered the game-saving stop.

The Cavaliers had 219 total yards compared to Towns County's 192 yards. In passing yards, Peyton McGaha completed 5 out of 11 for 51 yards and had 1 interception. Anderson completed 11 of 20 for 172 yards and 1 interception.

But rushing yards tell the rest of the story. Towns churned out 26 carries for 141 yards and 2 touchdowns, compared to Anderson's 17 carries for 42 yards and a touchdown. Dustin Barrett ran for 135 yards with 22 carries and added 3 catches for 38 yards.

And the defense stepped up admirably. Barrett had 6 tackles and one PBU. Morgan Walker made 8 tackles, 4 of them for a loss of yards. River Chauncey made 4 tackles, caught 1 interception and had a PBU.

While Anderson dominated the first half, the Indians definitely came back with strength and spirit in the second half. The team tackled better, pursuing the ball carriers with agility and accuracy.

"The boys showed some



Dustin Barrett (1) and Payton McGaha in the Towns County backfield during the win on Friday. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

great resilience last night," coach Jason Roquemore said. "I couldn't be prouder of our coaches and players. I'm really proud of how our defense has responded and has been playing. Our kids believe in structure and purpose. We are really starting to grow up as a team. We're embracing our standard and never letting the last play affect the next play and learning to control what we can control."

Season statistics leaders include McGaha who has completed 56 for 94 passes for a total of 620 yards and 9 touchdowns. Barrett has 28 catches for 244 yards and Walker has 9 catches for 114 yards. Defensively, Walker has 58 tackles with 7 of

them being for a loss of yards, Barrett has 38 tackles, 4 interceptions and 2 PBUs. Nicholson has 30 tackles, 3.5 sacks and 11 tackles for a loss.

With two games left, the team still has an opportunity to finish the season with five wins. That hasn't happened since 2017, so the team is shooting to tie that record. Being a coach is about more than wins and losses. It is truly another form of the fine art of teaching.

The next game is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 11 at 7:30 p.m. here at home vs Spartanburg (SC) Christian for Homecoming.

Tickets can be purchased at GoFans or at the gate.



The Indians take the field in their road white uniforms at Anderson, SC. Photo/Lowell Nicholson



The Indians celebrate another win in 2024. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

### Veterans Golf League Tournament

Chatauge Shores Golf Course hosted the Veterans Golf League end of season tournament.

Nine teams competed for top honors. The team led by Steve Crayton finished in first place with a score of 64, which is 8 strokes under par. Teammates contributing to the victory were Carolyn Crayton, Frank Geddings and Rick Schmid.

The annual awards banquet hosted by the Angry Chicken restaurant will be October 10th. T10c19.M1JH

### Chatauge Shores Men's Golf Association Club Championship



Pictured A & B flight winners: George Kresge, Steve Christie, Larry Salsman, Jerry Couse, Steve Hackley, and Woody Woodruff

The Chatauge Shores Men's Golf Association held our annual 2 day club championship tournament on Monday September 23rd and Wednesday September 25th. The format was individual net score for the combined 2 day event. There were two flights A & B based on USGA handicaps. There were also 2 closest to the pin contests each day.

The event was closely contested. We barely beat the rain on Wednesday, but were able to complete the event. All Participants, and Chatauge men's golf pro Bill Rinaldo,

met after play was completed, at the Lakeview Tavern Restaurant for a luncheon and hearty discussion of the two days of competition.

A flight winners were 1st place net to Larry Salsman, 2nd place to Steve Christie, and 3rd place to George Kresge.

B flight winners were 1st place to Jerry Couse, 2nd place to Steve Hackley/club president, and 3rd place to Woody Woodruff.

CSMGA plays year round on Mondays and Wednesdays at the Chatauge

Shores Golf Course @ 260 Golf Course Road, Hayesville, N.C.. 828-389-8940.

The association is a great group of guys who enjoy each others company and love playing golf.

We welcome new members. All levels of play are invited, and all rounds are based on handicap, so everyone is competitive every day.

If you are interested in joining us for fun and challenging golf experience, please contact Chris Lefontaine @ 321-303-7704 for details and any questions. T10c19.A5JH