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Wrestling: Indians look ahead to King of the Mountain Dec. 6-7

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After dropping two matches last week to Union and White counties, Indian grapplers are looking to bounce back in the upcoming annual Towns County King of the Mountain Wrestling Tournament on Friday, Dec. 6, and Saturday, Dec. 7.

Towns County traveled to Union County on Tuesday, Nov. 19, for a match against the archrival Panthers.

"We wrestled out of our minds," Indians Head Coach Jeff Stowers said. "We wrestled fantastic, even kids that lost wrestled great. We wrestled re-The Indians lost to the

Panthers 42-30 in a hard-fought match, though juniors Alisa Moss, Garrett Oakes, Austin Edrington and Matthew Ledford all defeated their opponents in Stowers has established

Towns as one of the top single-A wrestling programs in the state with several championship appearances, and the success of the program has sparked the interest of young athletes who joined the



Towns County junior Matthew Ledford had an impressive week, winning his matches vs Union and White. Photo/Lowell Nicholson

prove and get better each day.

Everyone is doing well, learning the sport for the first Stowers said.

Most of the wrestlers are time struggle with most is congrappling for the first time, and sistency, which is something the Stowers said they continue to im- student-athletes will keep working on through the season.

"It's great that we have so Stowers said, adding that one many young kids who are eager of the things young wrestlers to learn and get on the mat,"

riors traveled to Towns County for the one and only Indians home match of the year on Fri-

and Moss both pinned their opponents in the first round, while said. "Nobody wrestled great

The White County War- Ledford grappled three rounds, resulting in a victory on Friday. The AAAA Warriors defeated Towns County 41-24.

"We had a chance to beat Brother and sister Oakes White County, but we just didn't wrestle well on Friday," Stowers

didn't wrestle well.

"Right now, we are streaky, just like young kids usually are. We've got to get more consistent."

With the middle school wrestling program returning after a five-year hiatus, Stowers said it will help greatly with developing the younger kids.

Now that three regular season matches are in the books. the Indians are preparing for the annual King of the Mountain

Twenty-six schools from Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina are expected to compete in this year's tourna-

After an Eighth Place finish in last year's King of the Mountain Tournament, the Indians are looking to wrestle their way to the Top Spot to take the title from last year's champ West Oak High School out of South

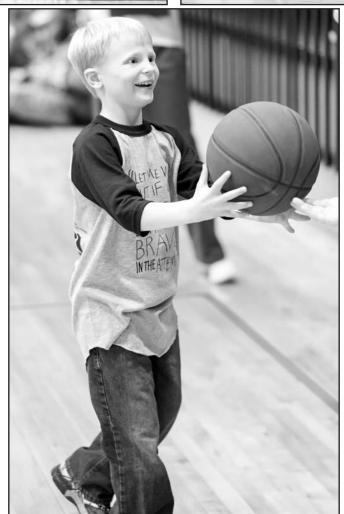
The 2019 King of the Mountain Wrestling Tournament is a two-day event starting on Friday, Dec. 6, and ending on Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Towns County Recreation and Conference Center at Foster Park in Young Harris.

UCHS plays host to Towns-Union Special Olympics Fall/Winter games













The Towns-Union Special Olympics, held earlier this month, are always a treat for competitors, volunteers and everyone in attendance. The spring event will be held later in the school year. Photos/Todd Forrest



4-H Horse Club at training arena

The Towns County, GA 4-H Horse Club visited the County Mounties training arena in Hayesville, NC on Satur-

day, November 16, 2019. One of the 4-H requirements at different levels is to visit a horse facility, help with the arrangements, interview a horse professional and watch a training demonstration.

The visit to the County Mounties facility fit their needs perfectly. County Mounties is a 501(3)c non-profit service opened up the children's hohorse organization with members throughout the southeastern United States.

Lawrence Beal, Director, of Hayesville gave the training demonstration. Gail Curry and Denna Brand, 4-H Club Co-Leaders, both of Hayesville, arranged the event and provided food for the 35

plus children and parents. Gail Curry says she was thrilled at how the visit

rizons to proper ground work and some other avenues for using and enjoying their horses. Also, the parents reaction to the information was positive.

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