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Depth will be key in 2012 for Coach Langford & Towns County Indians football



TCMS Head Coach Chris Vardo talks it over following the first Middle School Scrimmage.

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It was off to the races in the first Towns County Middle School Scrimmage.

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Quarterback Jackson Noblet leads the White against the Blue in an intrasquad scrimmage.

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It's hard to believe it was just a scrimmage game, the contact was fierce.

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The annual Blue-White football game was about giving a youthful football team some repetition.

"Our kids got a lot of reps," Towns County Head Coach Kyle Langford said. "We've got kids that haven't played with us before. It's an experience that is different for us. It's actually difficult for me when we've got so many more kids."

"When you've got 25 it's not so hard to get everybody in. When you've got 40 or more it's a little harder but it was also a great problem to have," Coach Langford said. "I was really pleased."

Coach Langford was pleased with the effort and the attitudes.

"Execution is what it is in spring," he said. "It's never going to be real good. If it is you probably need to be scared. I was real pleased with it and now the boys have a break coming up and a couple of weeks off."

"We'll get back rolling here in June and start molding a team into one unit," Coach Langford said.

Coach Langford paid tribute to the great crowd in the stands at Frank McClure Stadium.

"I would like to acknowledge the great crowd that showed up for the scrimmage and barbeque," he said. "We had a nice response to the barbeque and the weather cooperated. We took in roughly

\$700 for the night thanks to the community for all of the support," Coach Langford said.

Coach Langford and his staff are looking to build on a youth movement that will continue for the Towns County Indians football program this fall.

In 2012 the Indians will look to improve on a long 2-8 2011 campaign. The season's highlights came against the North Cobb Christian Eagles and the Hebron Christian Academy Lions.

Against North Cobb, quarterback Jackson Noblet had a nice game torching the Eagles defense through the air and on the ground en route to a 33-6 homecoming win.

Coach Langford struck gold by experimenting line-backer Wesley Bloodworth in the backfield. Bloodworth took some of the workload from a tired backfield, thus opening opportunities for Noblet to connect with senior wide out Zack Stroud.

Due to a nice defensive effort curbing an outstanding Xavier Railey-led ground game, the Indians took out a great measure of frustration and revenge in a 29-27 thriller against the Hebron Lions on their home turf to close the 2011 season. It marked the first time the Indians finished off a football season on a winning note since 1978.

As the summer months approach, Coach Langford will yet again look to rely heavily on youth and in some cases inexperience. Coach Langford and staff were encouraged by



This game was decided in the trenches.

Photo by James Reese



Defensive Coordinator Brett Keller makes sure his defense is in position.

Photo by James Reese

the response in numbers turning out for spring practice. The field was nearly doubled with players compared to last year.

Friday the annual Blue-White scrimmage game revealed strengths and weaknesses as intended.



Coach Thomas Boyd gives out instruction during the annual Blue and White Game.

Photo by James Reese



Coach Kyle Langford goes over the offensive strategy with the White team.

Photo by James Reese

The Indians projected starters scrimmaged based on 10-play drives with no special teams. The offense managed two scores for their effort leaving Langford to praise his players' unity on both sides of the football.

Dakota Barrett advances to YHC to run Cross Country



Dakota Barrett signs with Young Harris to run Cross Country.

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Dakota Barrett will keep running even after he graduates on Friday.

"I am really proud that Dakota has moved on to the next level to continue his cross country career," Indians' Cross Country Coach Jeanne Ledford said. "He's going to be a true asset to the Young Harris Mountain Lions. We're excited that he's going to be local so that we can still come and watch him run."

Barrett is ready for the next adventure to begin. "I feel great about being a Mountain Lion at Young Harris College," he said. "Ever since this past Cross Country season, I've been ready to run



at the next level. That's been a goal of mine. Now I'm going to get to do it looks like. I'm just ready to go racing."

Three Named Second Team All Region



Dillon Diehl was named Second Team All Region last week.

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The Towns County Indians' Spring Sports Program got some good news last week.

"Dillon Diehl, baseball, Stephanie Patton, golf, and Jordan Jacobs, golf, were named Second Team All Region," Towns County High School Principal Roy Perren said.

Diehl was humbled. "I had a rough year this year," he said. "I'm looking to come back next year. I think we'll have a little bit better team. We'll be older and hopefully we'll be good by then. It's a great honor to be named Second Team All Conference," Diehl said.

Basketball camps at Young Harris College

1st Camp is our "Junior Mountain Lion Camp" July 9 -12th - 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Boys & Girls Ages 5-10 years old. T-shirts will be provided. Fundamental Individual/Group Work and Fun Games. Cost: \$100.

2nd Camp is our "Young Harris Basketball Camp" July 16-19th - 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Boys & girls ages 8-15 years old. Cost: \$150. Lunch Pro-

vided w/ t-shirts. Fundamental Stations, Games and Tournament Play.

Learn with YHC Coaches & Players. Contact information for both camps: Heath Hooper hwhooper@yhc.edu

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VFW Golf League News

On 5/17/12 we had 4 foursomes. The weather was great. The winning score was a 65, with 8 birdies and 1 bogey.

Team members were Danny Barrett; Butch Patterson; J.C. Berrong and J.T. Garrett. Great playing guys. T(May23,G2)SH