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Football: Indians defense picks up slack in 14-11 victory at BCA

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Bethlehem - The Towns County offense may not have brought its A-game, but that didn't mean the Indians defense couldn't make a statement of its own on Friday

Despite matching its season-low scoring output, the Towns County offense did enough in a low-scoring grind at previously unbeaten Bethlehem Christian Academy.

Entering Friday, BCA's rushing attack was churning out 262 yards a game, while the passing attack kept defenses honest at 176.3 a night for a total of 438 yards per game.

The Knights missed all

Towns County limited BCA to 204 total yards while smothering a rushing attack to the tune of 109 yards - less than half its season average.

Trailing for the entire game, Bethlehem leaned on its passing attack a little more than planned, putting the ball in the air 23 times on Friday night. Still, it wasn't enough to overtake the Indians, who held the Knight to just 95 yards -- resulting in a paltry 4.1 yards

Towns County grabbed a 6-3 first-quarter lead that held into the third frame when a touchdown and 2-point conversion opened up a 14-3 advantage.

Bethlehem added a touchdown and 2-point conversion in the waning moments, but it proved too little,

With the win, Towns County enters Friday's Region 8-A opener at Lincoln County with a 4-1 record - matching the program's best five-game start in 13 years.

Friday's contest marks the first-ever meeting between the Indians and Red Devils.

Lincoln enters with a 3-2 record following a 28-16 loss to Class AA's Elbert County. Last year's Red Devils squad finished 7-5, equaling their third-lowest win total since 2000 -- a two-decade stretch that includes a pair of state titles (2005 and 2006).

Kickoff is scheduled for



Towns County survived a grueling 48 minutes at Bethlehem Christian Academy on Friday night to improve to 4-1 for the first time since 2008. Photos/Lowell Nicholson





Golf Tournament

The VFW and American Legion in Hiawassee is having our 8th annual Golf Tournament on Thursday, October 14 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!

Contact Mel Halfon at 404-295-6462 for more information. T(Sep29-Oct13,F1)SH

Annual VFW and | Towns County to host American Legion | major annual pickleball tournament

Georgia Mountain Pickleball and Towns County are hosting a major Pickleball tournament, the Annual Georgia Mountain Pickleball Fall Classic, Oct. 1st - 3rd, 2021 at the Towns County Pickleball Complex (across the highway from the GA Mt. Fairgrounds entrance). About 350 players from all over the country are coming to compete and will feature some of the top players in the area. The Women's Doubles is taking place Friday, Oct. 1st, the Mixed Doubles will be held

Saturday, Oct. 2nd, and the Men's Doubles will be played on Sunday, Oct. 3rd. The start time for all three days will be 8 a.m.

Come and see what this game is all about and watch some great pickleball. Admission is free, just bring a comfortable chair and some sunscreen.

Food and drinks, as well as pickleball products will be available for purchase so come out and make a day of it. More information is at the website www. georgiamountainpickleball.com.

Mountain Harbour Ladies Golfers play Aces Wild schedule. Lots of laughs and

League organizers Beckie Suverkrup and Martha Zimmer were pleased, but not surprised that we had 12 players in today's game. Alison Taylor invited guest Diane Walker, from Turtletown, TN to join us today and fortunately, we did not scare her off! After four days of gray rainy days, we all had cabin fever and the need for girl time, if not golf time!

As the morning wore on, the sun warmed the players and dried out the course conditions allowing us only five holes that were cart path only making our pace of play right on

libations followed the rounds today after enjoying a beautiful, crispy, sunny day at Mountain Harbour! Special thank you to course superintendent Erik Clifton and his crew for maintaining our near perfect course and green conditions despite the wet weather.

With this format, the players played their ball through the hole, at the end of the round, they subtracted their handicap from their gross score and subtracted the number to one putts from their

Results of the top five winners: 1st place Diana Azor 85/65 (7 one putts) \$7. 2nd place Martha Zimmer 94/72 (7 one putts) \$6. 3rd place Beckie Suverkrup 98/74 (6 one putts) \$5.4th place-tie Nancy Outlaw 96/75 (4 one putts) \$4. Gloria White 106/75 (4 one putts) \$4. 5th place Alison Taylor 105/78 (6 one putts) \$3.

Birdies: Diana Azor on par 5 #9 and par 4 #3. Chip-ins. Chip in Pot = \$6, each winner receives \$1.20. Diana Azor #9, Nancy Outlaw #5, Mary Ann Strider #15, Beckie Suverkrup #17 and Martha Zimmer #17.