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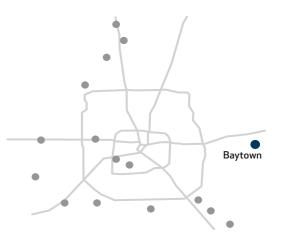












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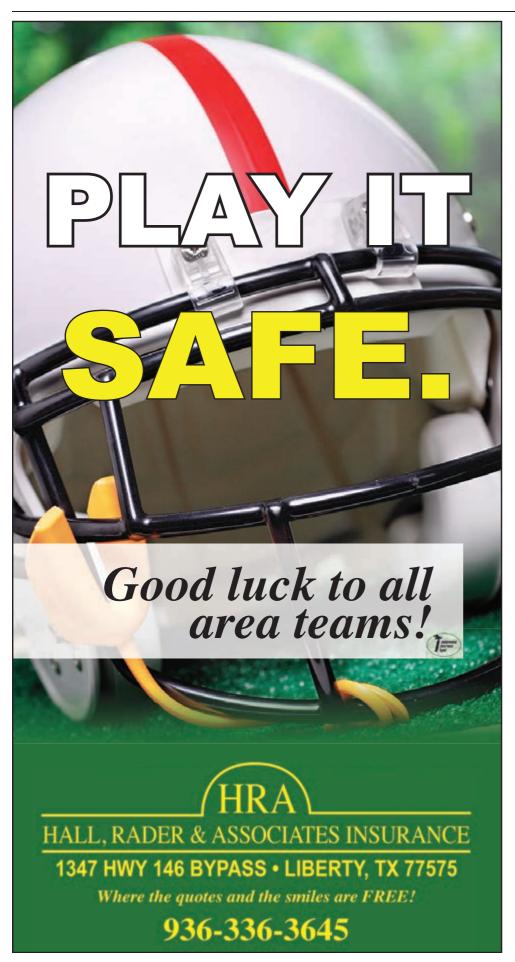
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Liberty PANTHERS



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Liberty looking for another trip into the playoffs

By Jerry Michalsky

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The Liberty Panthers football team has turned into a playoff fixture ever since Head Coach Chad Taylor arrived back to his alma mater that he once quarterbacked in high school. This year looks to be more of the same for Liberty as the Panthers once again will look for a playoff spot in District 10-4A DII.

But make no mistake, Liberty will compete in a tough district that has two teams (Silsbee and West Orange-Stark) ranked in the state of Texas.

"It is going to be a dog fight for those four spots," said Taylor, "Hamshire-Fannett is going to be tough with a talented quarterback and you can never sleep on Hardin-Jefferson." There is no secret what the Panthers will do on offense as they will continue to run their double-wing offense and grind out the clock.

"We want three-to-four yards a play and just play ball control. But we won't be scared to take a chance downfield with the passing game," added Taylor.

Playing quarterback this year will be sophomore Austin Walker. The running backs will be Johnny Harris-Hines, Jordan Leday, Matthew Porsche, Elishia Chambers and Vincent Harris. Up front will be perhaps the most experienced and strength for the Panthers this season.

"We feel good about our guys up front and look for them to open some big holes for the backs."

Leading the way are Chandler

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Johnny Harris-Hines Zac Kutack

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Kutack, Sanders, Fregia and Harris-Hines ready to wear opponents down in Liberty ground game

By Jerry Michalsky

Perhaps the biggest strength for the Liberty Panthers in 2019 will be the right side of the offensive line. That is where seniors Christian Sanders, Zac Kutack, and junior Devin Fregia come into play.

The three have been playing together for three years and are looking for

bigger things this season.

"We have really hit the weight room hard this summer and worked on our conditioning," said Kutack.

"This is going to be a big year for us and we are going to do whatever we need to in keeping up with the winning tradition here," said Sanders.

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for a winning season!

Silsbee the team to beat in 10-4A DII

By Jerry Michalsky

Two of the top teams in 4-A will battle it out for the district title in Silsbee and West Orange-Stark. The Tigers made it to the state semi-finals in 2018 while the Mustangs went out a round earlier. West Orange-Stark did grab the district title though. The finals two spots will be up for grabs with Liberty, Hardin-Jefferson, and Hamshire-Fannett.

Hamshire-Fannett Longhorns — Starters Returning: O/D 7/7. 2018: 5-6 ers Returning: O/D 10/6. 2018: 2-8, 0-4

bi-district finalist, 1-3 district. Then Longhorns were a playoff team in 2018 and with the help of 14 returning starters, things look promising again for Hamshire-Fannett. QB Marcus Morris in an offensive stud and finished with nearly 3,000 yards of total offense and 29 touchdowns. Morris will have a good offensive line in front of him with Layne Berry, OL Gabe Constance, Grady Doucet, and Jordan LaVergne. The defense is led by Anakin Hall and Evan Viator.

Hardin-Jefferson Hawks — Start-

district. It was a tough 2018 for the Hawks but with the help of 16-starters back things could be on the rise. Izaak Whitman will play at running back and also defensive back on the defensive side of the ball and will be a key contributor on both sides.

Silsbee Tigers — Starters Returning: O/D 7/4. 2018: 10-5 state semi-finalist, 3-1 district. Silsbee posted their best season in school history in 2018 and could be heading to a state championship this year. All three players in the backfield return with running backs Dralyn Taylor, Chris Martin, and Antonius Arline who rushed for a combined 3,400-yards and 36 touchdowns. Back to move over to quarterback is Raymond Foster who finished with 1,270 yards and 18 touchdowns receiving.

West Orange-Stark Mustangs — Starters Returning: O/D 4/4. 2018: 9-5 regional semi-finalist, 4-0 district. The Mustangs saw their season come to an end to Silsbee last year in the regional finals. West Orange-Stark returns eight starters including RB Elijah Gales and LB Tyrone Brown and DT Shemar Manaway.

Lady Panther volleyballers ready to get things started

By Jerry Michalsky

The Liberty Lady Panthers will have just two returning starters from a year ago for Head Coach Karen Slack.

"We are going to be a very young team in a very tough district which house volleyball powerhouses Huffman, Livingston, and Tarkington, as well as a talented Splendora team," said Slack.

Leading the way for the Lady Panthers will be seniors Robin Lemelle and Abby Phillips. Juniors Kennedy Evans, Abbie Knepper, Tori Garcia, Jaylen Prichard and Kamryn Turner.

Sophomore players looking to contribute will be Maci Beam, Kylie

Bishop and Emalee Villarreal, while freshman players on the varsity will be Morgan Vaughn, Katrina Tran and Magan

Liberty will take part in the Woodville, Orangefield and Splendora Tournaments. The Lady Panthers will have non-district games at Goose Creek-Memorial on Aug. 20 and then Baytown Lee that Friday. A trip to Crosby on Sept. 6 and then a trip to Diboll on the 17th are more highlights of the non-district part of the schedule.

District play will get started on Sept. 27 at Livingston.

"Although we are young, we will be ready to compete in our district," added Slack.

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Sanders and Zac Kutack who are both seniors. Also on the line is Lane Lindley, Wyatt Tulley, Blaine Rich and Seth Stearns, The tight ends will be Devin Fregia and John Thomas Jones. On the defensive side of the ball, Liberty will have some guys who will need to step up.

"We are young with not much experience on that side of the ball so we are going to see who wants to make some plays."

In the Panthers 3-4 set the guys up front will be Ragis Fontenot, Alex Pacheco, and Porsche. In the middle at the linebacker positions will be John David Caruso, Mario Williams, Rafael Martinez, and Nathan Flores. The secondary will be manned by Chambers, Mason Goudeau, Harris, Harris-Hines, and Alijah Terrell. Handling the kicking and punting duties for the Panthers will be Eric Espinosa.

"I like what I have seen in the first week of practice and we plan on learning a lot in non-district play," said Taylor. Liberty will play six non-district games with the first two of the season at home in Huffman and Cleveland. The Panthers then hit the road for the next two at Livingston and a tough Diboll team. Liberty then faces Splendora and Huntington in the final two non-district games before having a bye week on Oct. 11. District play will start at Memorial Stadium the following Friday against Hamshire-Fannett.



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Dayton ready for fresh start in 2019

By Jerry Michalsky

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The 2019 Dayton Broncos are ready to get back to what "Bronco" football is all about and with the return of some key pieces, Dayton will be looking to do just that. After missing out on the playoffs the last couple of years, Bronco Head Coach Jeff Nations likes what he has seen during the first week of practice.

"The intensity has been good and the excitement is here for some Friday Night Football," said Nations.

Last year, Dayton opened the season at home against Friendswood and led

the always tough Mustangs heading into the fourth quarter before Friendswood came back to get the win.

"If we hold on and get that win then things completely change for us," said Nations. "Our confidence would have been sky high."

This year Dayton will get another crack at the Mustangs to start the season on Aug. 30. Leading the way for Broncos in 2019 on offense will be quarterback Christian Olige. The junior is moving over from playing wide receiver last year.

"He is a special kind of talent and we

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Lady Broncos senior trio to lead the way

By Jerry Michalsky

The Dayton Lady Broncos return seven players from a team in 2018 that finished just a game behind from making the playoffs. This year the Lady Broncos feel is if they have some unfinished business from last year and a goal to accomplish.

"They were in the weight room all summer working on strength and in the gym as much as possible," said Dayton Head Coach Arleen Stroud. "We are beginning with some good depth, smart ladies, and work horses. They are bought in and understand the uphill battle that not playing volleyball year round causes."

Leading the way this year will be the three captains, Skyler Wagner, Belinda Torres and Skylar Craus. For Wagner and Torres it will be their



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12-5A DII looks to be up for grabs again

By Jerry Michalsky

Once again it should be a dog fight in district 12-5A DII as Port Neches-Groves, Nederland, and Barbers Hill will battle it out for the top spots. Crosby, Baytown Lee, and Dayton should have something to say about a playoff spot also. Santa Fe took a hit after graduation from a playoff team a year ago.

Barbers Hill Eagles — Starters Returning: O/D 5/6. 2018: 7-4 bi-district finalist, 5-2 district. The Eagles return 11 starters from a year ago and should be at the top of the district standings this upcoming season. OL Casey Collier is a Minnesota commit and will lead the way up front. WR Cameron Cauley is a standout baseball and football player. Last year he had over 300-yards in receptions and four touchdowns. QB Conner Dunham DB Branden Heffernan who had four interceptions and LB Cavin Branin.

Crosby Cougars — Starters Returning: O/D 4/3. 2018: 7-3, 4-3 district. Crosby was the disappointment

of the district in 2018 by not making the playoffs and a new head coach comes in to try and change the culture in Jerry Prieto. The former Corpus Christi Veterans Memorial offensive coordinator will have a young team to work with and things could be tough this season. The offensive line is strong in Keegan Schexnayder and Blaine Berry. A couple of good receivers are back in E'Monte Wilson and Hubert Mitchell. LB Hunter Bailey leads the way on defense with DB Marcus Jnoffin. All-District kicker Trevor Helburg is just a sophomore and a good one for three-points.

Lee Ganders — Starters Returning: O/D 7/7. 2018: 4-6, 2-5 district. The Ganders have perhaps the best offensive player in district with quarterback Ijenea Wooley. Last year, Wooley passes for over 2,400-yards and 24 touchdowns while adding another 912-yards rushing and eight scores. RB Ja'Kenan Davis had over 1,000-yards of offense and eight touchdowns. RB

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Demetris Whittington

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Olige, Powell-Chimene and Whittington ready for the turn-around in 2019

By Jerry Michalsky

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The Dayton Broncos are ready to make a return to the playoffs after three years of looking in from the outside, and the trio of Christian Olige, Demetris Whittington and Bryce Powell-Chimene will look to lead the way.

For Olige, who is a junior, he will move over from the wide receiver spot to play quarterback. The duel-threat signal caller for the Broncos will be counted on for big things in 2019.

"He is our leader and we will put a lot on him," said Dayton Head Coach Jeff Nations.

"I want that role to be the guy here," said Olige. "I am ready for the challenge and a chance to lead this offense."

Last year against Crosby, Olige had almost 300 yards in receiving, and that seemed to be his coming out party.

"That was just another game for me and I am ready for more big games."

Whittington will start at right tackle for the Broncos, and this will be his final

seasor

"This is my last go around in high school so I plan on ending things with a bang," said Whittington. "I have been working seven days a week on improving my personal skills this summer so anything other than a playoff spot will be disappointing to me."

Powell-Chimene is also a senior and playing in his third year on the varsity. Powell-Chimene starts at safety and will play some wide receiver also.

"The last couple of years have not played out the way we wanted them to, so this year is the one to make some memories," said Powell-Chimene. "We have some younger guys on the team so with me being a senior I am just trying to help the younger guys out. This is the year we want to get back on track so we can get back to what Bronco football is all about."

Dayton will look to start the climb back on Aug. 30 as they head to Friendswood. The Broncos then play Galena Park and then Porter before having a bye week on Sept. 20. District play will start the following Friday in Mont Belvieu as Dayton takes on the Barbers Hill Eagles.



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"The team morale is really up and everyone seems to be on the same page," added Fregia. "When someone makes a mistake, there is someone else to pick them up and tell them it's going to be good."

The trio of them will be looking to provide big holes for running back Johnny Harris-Hines. Last year as a freshman, Harris-Hines saw playing time in the Panthers backfield and this year will have a lot more on his shoulders.

"I trust these guys up front and I know they are going to do their job in blocking to give me holes, it will be up to me in finishing these runs off so we can have success in our ground game, said Harris-Hines."

"He better say that," said Sanders, Kutack, and Fregia laughing. "Johnny listens well and put his own little flare on things, we are going to open things up for him so he can have a good year." Liberty which runs the double-wing on offense loves to pound the football down their opponents throat and wear other teams down.

"That is why it is important for us to be well conditioned," said Sanders. "Come the fourth quarter we plan on having a big advantage on whoever we are playing and that should help us in winning football games," added Kutack.

Fregia plays tight end for the

Panthers so when they throw the football he will be a major part of that. "He is a big kid and has great hands and provides a huge advantage for us," said Head Coach Chad Taylor. "We plan on getting him the football some and let him do what he does in the passing game."

The wait is almost over for the four of them as Liberty kicks off their season on Aug. 30 at home against Huffman.

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third year on the varsity, while Craus moved back to Dayton last year.

"Each of these ladies bring something special to this year's squad as they work hard, are very focused not only on volleyball, but their academics, and hold every varsity teammate to a higher standard. Our Bronco team is very fortunate to have such strong leaders, added Stroud."

Also returning varsity players are Loryn Mallet, Shakyra Keener, Christy Vaughn and Laila Beck.

"They each will bring some amazing play and strength to our team."

Newcomers to the varsity this year are Brianna Carr, Tayler Loften, Isabella Benavides, Abagail Thacker and Jena Kelm.

"Carrying 12 gives us good depth and

for most positions allows for there to be three per position," said Stroud.

The Lady Broncos will compete in a very tough District 21-5A with Barbers Hill, Nederland, Port Neches-Groves, Cleveland, Vidor, and Port Arthur Memorial.

"My thoughts for this season are for our players to embrace the process, strive for excellence instead of perfection, and work on enjoying the journey. These ladies love each other and are for one another. It's exciting to see the potential of this team."

Dayton will compete in the Huffman, Spring ISD, and Santa Fe Tournaments along with a non-district match with Crosby on Aug. 30. District play gets underway on Sept. 13 at home against Barbers Hill.

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will use him as much as possible." Joining Olige in the backfield at the running back position will be Darius Zenon and Gaven

Bennett. Playing at the wide receivers will be Brent Monceaux, Ty Pafford, Ashton Garner, Jonathan Castro, Mitchell McCracken and Donavan Orebo.

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Up front leading the blocking will be Chase Crocker, Carlos Ortiz, Demetris Whittington, Landon Wood and Shohn Alexander. On the defensive side of the ball leading the charge will be lineman Lucan Tanton, Cristhian Medrano, and Tim Sjolander.

In the middle at the linebackers will be Lukas LaFargue, Cam'ron Willis, Bennett, and Zenon. In the secondary for the Broncos will be Deon Robinson, Bryce Powell-Chimene, Pafford and McCracken.

Handling the kicking duties for Dayton will be place kicker Jaime Pineda and punter Gustavo Orozco.

The Broncos will also have non-district games with Galena Park and Porter. After an open week on Sept. 20, district play will start the following Friday on the road at Barbers Hill. Crosby then visits Bronco Stadium on Oct. 4 with Nederland coming in after that. Dayton visits the Reservation on October to face PN-G. The regular season ends on Nov. 8 at home against Vidor.

DISTRICT 12-5A

Jabier Quinones is another good one in the Lee backfield. The problem for the Ganders is defense but seven returning starters should help. LB Kyle McKiernan is the leader.

Nederland Bulldogs — Starters Returning: O/D 5/5. 2018: 10-2 area finalist, 6-1 district. Nederland finish in double digs with wins last year for first year head coach Monte Barrow. The Bulldogs have 10-starters back and will look to RB Kade Scott for some big things. In 2018, Scott rushed for over 1,000 yards and 10-touchdowns. Bryce McMorris will take over at quarterback and saw some time last year. The Nederland secondary will be a strength as Logan Nguyen, Cedric Pete, and Kerrington Broussard will lead the way.

Port Neches-Groves Indians — Starters Returning: O/D 6/5. 2018: 9-4 DII regional semi-finalist, 6-1 district. The Indians lose quarter-back Roschon Johnson to the University of Texas. But QB Blake Bost looks to be a good one and will have a top receiver in Kaleb Wuenschel. RB

Gavin Deslatte rushed for over 300-yard and five scores in 2018 and will play linebacker also. OL Dalton Dickerson is a good one up front also.

Santa Fe Indians- Starters Returning: O/D 5/2. 2018: 5-6 bi-district finalist, 4-3 district. A young team is in Santa Fe this year after making the playoffs in 2018. ATH Nate Hays will get plenty of touches as he finished with over 600-yards receiving and four scores last year. Bruce Erekson and Cameron Bennett will see plenty of time on both sides of the ball for the Indians.

Vidor Pirates — Starters Returning: O/D 6/6. 2018: 4-6, 1-6 district. The Vidor slot-T offense returns plenty of skilled players in the backfield for 2019. RB Brad Nunez rushed for 1,398 yards while Zach Siegriest (687-yards), and Cree Simmons (642-yards) will lead the way and look to chew up the clock. If the Pirates running game gets going they could control some games and surprise some teams. LB Mason Brown had 120-tackles last year.

Hardin Hornets

Hornets young but well led

By Russell Payne

Last year's heavily senior class men, who led Hardin Hornets (7-4, 4-3), are coming off of their first, Class 3A Division 1 Bi-District appearance for the football program in a decade. Repeating the successful 2018 run, which included an impressive undefeated stint at Hornet Stadium, will not be as simple a task for Head Coach Larry Haynes and his inexperienced, but talented young underclassmen.

The winningest field boss in school history, now set to begin his third season this go round and his eighth overall at his high school alma mater, has been hard at work with his staff to develop his 2019 roster.

Hardin has seen a major shift in the right direction under Haynes, and he has proven capable of selling a program that yields results in Hardin.

During his first time out of the shoot, he manufactured a pair of Bi-District Championships in 2007 and 2008. Those are the only playoff wins in the schools 73-year football history, and sending Hardin Hornet football to the Area Finals each AD and Head Coach Larry Haynes.



The Vindicator file photo

After five solid years at the helm Haynes parted ways with the program. Program wise the Hornets would suffer a number of setbacks in his absence from the sidelines during the 2012-16 seasons. Including the longest losing drought in school

season.

Since his return in 2017, the program has been reenergized and after just two seasons Hayne's squad made a return to postseason action.

The hardworking young men have bought into this program and it shows. Just overcoming the dismal 10-40 record during the five seasons he spent away from the blue and gold gave purpose to the team, but after last season's success the Hornets will look for more good fortunes in 2019.

That will require some big efforts from a young Hardin team that lost quite a bit of experienced talent in a, Class 3A Division l District 12, fourth place finish and the final postseason birth in that hotly contested league a season ago.

In many ways it was a tale of two

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Wide receiver Matt Tidwell, shown here at the beginning of last season, is back for his senior year. Other Hardin Hornet seniors playing this year are Henry Duran, Will Sims, Laythe Furlow, Jordan Stewart, Hunter Creel, Justin Ibarra and Will Barrett.

East Chambers offense will put up big numbers in 2019

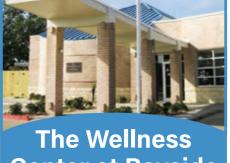
By Jerry Michalsky

In 2018, the East Chambers Buccaneers were very close to playing for a state title as they played state champion Grandview to the wire before falling in the end at the Regional Finals. Six starters return on offense for East Chambers and that could be trouble for the rest of the district. Woodville won the district championship and the Eagles return eight starters while Orangefield returns basically everyone as 16-starters come back. Hardin grabbed a playoff spot and could be knocking on the door again.

Anahuac Panthers — Starters Returning: O/D 5/5. 2018: 4-6, 3-4 in district. The Panthers get a new head coach in Greg Neece who will have

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Hull-Daisetta BOBCATS

Lady Bobcats and coaches taking new positions

This year Coach Megan Martin is taking the reins of the Lady Bobcats volleyball program, while husband Coach Jeff Martin steps back into the assistant coach position.

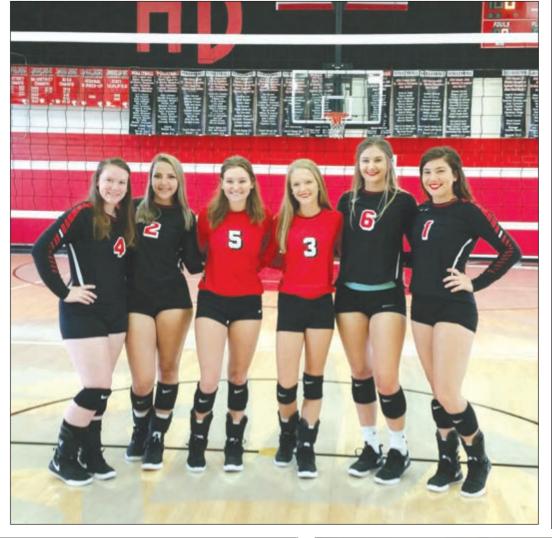
The new assistant coach tells The Vindicator, "The season thus far has been a lot of growing. We lost both of our captains from last year's team, so we have asked quite a few kids to learn new positions."

He says last year's First Team All-District outside hitter Autum Champagne is playing middle and setter this season. All-District middle Lauren Hickman is also taking on the setter job.

"A lot of other kids are having to step up and do things that they aren't used to, but they've done a great job of being ambitious about it and have been working hard," Martin says. "It should be fun to see how it all turns out once everyone gets in the swing of things."

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The 2019 Lady Bobcats.



Bobcats looking to improve

By Dennis Warren

Hull-Daisetta plays football for its 95th season beginning Aug. 30 in Daisetta against the Burkeville Broncos. The Bobcats are looking to better their 5-5 record of last season. Still playing in UIL Division I Class 2A, all Bobcat district opponents outnumber HD enrollment by 25 to 60 students at the high school level. Hull-Daisetta is one of the state's smallest Division I or "big" 2A schools.

The Bobcats hosts Burkeville to start the season. The Broncos have been through several horrid seasons of late, but start this year with new head coach Eric Williams and a new commitment to football. This should be an interesting match-up as the Bobcats also open with a new head coach, Trent Wallace. Hull-Daisetta

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Aug. 22-24	Hull-Daisetta at Warren Tournament	TBA			Hull-Daisetta Volleyball at West Hardin	4:30 p.m.			Liberty Volleyball Alumni Game	4:30 p.m.			Tarkington Football vs. Hardin-Jefferson	7:30 p.m.		Tuesday,	Dayton Volleyball BYE		
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	Hull-Daisetta Volleyball vs. Onalaska	4 p.m.			Tarkington Football at Washington	7 p.m.			West Hardin Football at Rosehill Christian	7 p.m.			Hull-Daisetta Volleyball at Spurger	5:30 p.m.			West Hardin Volleyball at Spurger	6:30 p.m.	
	Liberty Volleyball at Baytown Lee	4:30 p.m.			West Hardin Volleyball vs. Hull-Daisetta	4:30 p.m.		Tuesday,	Dayton Volleyball at Cleveland	6:30 p.m.			Liberty Volleyball vs. Tarkington	6:30 p.m.		Friday,	Dayton Volleyball at Nederland	6:30 p.m.	D
	Tarkington Volleyball at Porter	4:30 p.m.			West Hardin Football vs. Hull-Daisetta	7:30 p.m.	5	Sept. 24	Hardin Volleyball at Orangefield	6:30 p.m.			Tarkington Volleyball at Liberty	6:30 p.m.		Oct. 25	Oayton Football vs. Baytown Lee	7:30 p.m.	£6
Tuesday,	Dayton Volleyball at Spring	5:30 p.m.		Tuesday,	Dayton Volleyball at Channelview	6:30 p.m.			Hull-Daisetta Volleyball vs. Evadale	6:30 p.m.			West Hardin Volleyball vs. Evadale	6:30 p.m.			Hardin Volleyball at Anahuac	4:30 p.m.	25
Aug. 27	Hardin Volleyball vs. Hardin-Jefferson	6:30 p.m.		Sept. 10	Hardin Volleyball at Kelly	6:30 p.m.			Liberty Volleyball Intersquad Game	6:30 p.m.		Friday,	Dayton Volleyball vs. Vidor	6:30 p.m.			Hardin Football at Anahuac	7:30 p.m.	Æ
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	 Liberty Volleyball at Beaumont Westbrook 	6:30 p.m.			Liberty Volleyball Intersquad Game	6:30 p.m.			West Hardin Volleyball at High Island	6:30 p.m.			Hardin Volleyball at Kirbyville	4:30 p.m.			 Liberty Volleyball at Tarkington 	4:30 p.m.	6
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Aug. 29-31	Dayton Volleyball at Santa Fe Tournament	TBA		Friday,	Dayton Volleyball vs. Barbers Hill	4:30 p.m.			Hardin Volleyball at Warren	4:30 p.m.			Hull-Daisetta Football at San Augustine	7 p.m.			Tarkington Football at Huntington	7:30 p.m.	81
Friday,	Dayton Volleyball at Crosby	4:30 p.m.		Sept. 13	Oayton Football vs. New Caney Porter	7:30 p.m.			Mardin Football at Warren	7:30 p.m.			Liberty Volleyball at Shepherd	4:30 p.m.			West Hardin Football at Lovelady	7 p.m.	
Aug. 30	Ø Dayton Football at Friendswood	7 p.m.			Hardin Volleyball at Kountze	4:30 p.m.			Hull-Daisetta Volleyball vs. Sabine Pass	4:30 p.m.			Liberty Football BYE			Tuesday,	Dayton Volleyball at Port Arthur Memorial	6:30 p.m.	5
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	Hardin Football vs. Beaumont Legacy	7:30 p.m.			Hull-Daisetta Volleyball vs. Spurger	4:30 p.m.			Liberty Volleyball at Livingston	6:30 p.m.			Tarkington Football at Center	7:30 p.m.			Liberty Volleyball vs. Shepherd	6:30 p.m.	la la
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	Liberty Football vs. Huffman	7:30 p.m.			Tarkington Volleyball vs. Huntington	4:30 p.m.			West Hardin Volleyball vs. Spurger	4:30 p.m.		Oct. 15	Hardin Volleyball vs.Buna	6:30 p.m.			Hull-Daisetta Football at West Sabine	7 p.m.	
	Tarkington Volleyball at Madisonville	4:30 p.m.			Tarkington Football vs. Beaumont Kelly	7:30 p.m.			West Hardin Football vs. Legacy Sport	7:30 p.m.			Hull-Daisetta Volleyball at Deweyville	5:30 p.m.			Liberty Football vs. West Orange-Stark	7:30 p.m.	6
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	West Hardin Volleyball vs. Hardin	4:30 p.m.			West Hardin Football vs. Warren	7:30 p.m.		Oct. 1	Hardin Volleyball vs. Anahuac	4:30 p.m.			Tarkington Volleyball at Splendora	6:30 p.m.			West Hardin Football vs. Grapeland	7 p.m.	
	West Hardin Football vs. Acadiana Christian	7:30 p.m.		Tuesday,	Dayton Volleyball at Vidor	6:30 p.m.			Hull-Daisetta Volleyball vs. West Hardin	5:30 p.m.			West Hardin Volleyball vs. Burkeville	6:30 p.m.		Friday,	Dayton Football vs. Vidor	7:30 p.m.	i.c.
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Sept. 3	Hardin Volleyball at Beaumont United	6:30 p.m.			Liberty Volleyball at Diboll	6:30 p.m.			West Hardin Volleyball at Hull-Daisetta	5:30 p.m.			Hardin Volleyball vs. Orangefield	4:30 p.m.			Liberty Football at Hardin-Jefferson	7:30 p.m.	0
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Bobcat football coaching changes

By Dennis Warren

Trent Wallace is the 31st head coach at Hull-Daisetta High School. He begins his fourth year at HD this fall while filling in for Stan Hodges.

Yes, filling in. Hodges remains the athletic director and may return to his head coaching duties in the future. Hodges will remain an integral part of the HD football team this year; but on Friday nights he will be watching is own son, a senior at Clear Creek, play football.

"This is a very personal decision for me. I've never been able to watch him play. Our relationship needs me to do this," Hodges reported.

Wallace and his wife have three children. Trenton graduated from East Chambers and then Lamar University with a degree in history and political science. He coached and taught history at Anahuac until making the move the move to Daisetta three years ago.

He had been the defensive coordinator and now will also call the offense for HD's wing T attack. Wallace serves as the Bobcats' head basketball and track coach as well

The twist in this story is not that Wallace's assignment is interim head coach. The twist is that Hodges will remain as athletic director and will most likely return as head football in the future.



Contributed photo

At left is Stan Hodges and at right is Trent Wallace. Wallace will take over head coaching duties, at least for a while.





12-2A DI will see balance after San Augustine

By Jerry Michalsky

San Augustine returns all 11-starters from a state semifinalist in 2018 and should put up some video game numbers on offense. Look for Groveton, Shelbyville, West Sabine, and Hull-Daisetta to battle it out for the final three spots.

Deweyville Pirates — Starters Returning: O/D 6/5. 2018: 3-7, O-5 district. Deweyville looks to have the tools to make it's slot-t offense work as running backs Ty Collier,

Nate Buxton, and Dillon Fears back. The offensive line is young but could be good as Jordan Brown, Nathan Parker, and Dawson Bussell look to do work.

Groveton Indians — Starters Returning: O/D 8/9. 2018: 5-6 bi-district finalist, 2-3 district. It's all about the quarterback in Groveton as Cade Steuning returns off of a 2,000 yard passing season and 25 touchdowns. The defense is led by DL Martin Chavez and LB Trevion Bloodworth.

West Sabine Tigers — Starters Returning: O/D 7/8. 2018: 5-6 bi-

district finalist, 3-2 district. Running back Julius Mason rushed for 1,146 yards and eight touchdowns in 2018 and the Tigers will need for him to carry a bigger load this year. The defense has standout LB Colton Anderson.

San Augustine Wolves — Starters Returning: O/D 11/6. 2018: 12-3 state semifinalist, 5-0 district. It's just plain and simple, the Wolves are loaded on offense with the leader being running back Tijay Thomas-Davis who finished with 2,453-yards rushing and 30 touchdowns. Back

also is QB Delmarquise Barnes who rushed for over 1,000-yards while adding another 1,060 passing and 21 scores.

Shelbyville Dragons — Starters Returning: O/D 6/6. 2018: 5-6 bi-district finalist, 4-1 district. The Dragons finished second in district in 2018 and return 12-starters. RB Jaylon Brinson is back to lead the way after finishing with over 1,500 yards rushing and 15 scores. Speed burner Marcus Horton is a threat anytime he touches the ball.

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then travels the 13 miles to West Hardin for a rivalry game extraordinaire. The Bobcats have clearly had the upper hand in this rivalry. The Oilers had a winning season last year and a trip to the play-offs. This game is one you want to watch. Next the Bobcats take a beach trip, so to speak. The 'Cats play in Sabine Pass. The Sharks will play with added intensity as it was the Bobcats who put 50 points on them last year and to add salt to the wound, four Shark players were injured in that game. With only 11 players left to suit up, Sabine Pass officials made the decision to cancel the rest of the football season.

The Cushing Bearkats make the two and a half hour drive to Daisetta for game four. HD lost a very close match last year in Cushing, as the Bearkats enjoyed their first winning season in a decade. They lost a lot to graduation and are reported to be in a rebuilding year. The Lions of Kountze come calling for Hull-Daisetta's

homecoming on Sept. 27. The Bobcats take a week off before traveling to San Augustine to play the Wolves. The Wolves used size and speed to outdistance the Bobcats last year as they won the district title and four play-off games before falling in the semi-final to eventual state champ, Mason.

The 'Cats host the Deweyville Pirates the first week in October before traveling the Shelbyville and West Sabine in Pineland. They wrap up the regular season versus Groveton against the Indians. For the Bobcats to secure a play-off game, they'll need three district victories. Head coach Trent Wallace believes can and will happen.

"Our guys have something to prove, and they will," he said.

Hull-Daisetta, one to the state's most winning programs, have a 23-32-1 play-off record and last played in a wild and wooly game with Timpson in 2017.

Freshman Landyn Sellers will most likely be the starting Quarterback in the wing T run oriented offense the Bobcats will field.

Coach Wallace reports "We'll have a backfield by committee, our senior is Kole Frauenberger." Kole has HD 'legacy,' in that his grandfather blocked for the great Gene Walker in 1961, when HD played in the state championship game. Devante Broussard, a freshman, will see plenty of action. The two Landons, Victorian and Melanson, and sophomore Traevon Gulley round out the backfield.

When Sellers drops back or rolls out to pass, his wideouts include Blaze Drake and/or Jordan Charanza. Both saw action last year, especially on the defensive side. Tight ends, who play a very key role in the wing T success are senior Colton Cook, junior Bryce Aguirre and senior Cason Fregia. Cook played several offensive and defensive line-backer positions last year, Aguirre was mostly a

defensive player on last year's squad, while Fregia contributed on both sides of scrimmage.

The Bobcat offensive line is centered, literally, with junior Paul Goodman. Jacob and Caleb Hall, Nian Beck, and Konner Drake will all play leading blocking roles. On the defensive side, most of the same young men will start as well. Wallace's initial roster is not complete at press time, but he looks to suit up 25 or so students on the varsity.

Wallace is joined on the coaching staff by veteran Dean Womack, in his second year at HD, calling the defense. Alfredo Rodriquez, in his third year here, working the defensive line. Conner Roten, returning to HD, is working with the running backs, while Calvin Bickham, veteran coach, new to the staff is working both O/D line and new hire hire veteran Anthony DeCello is coaching the secondary.

West Hardin OILERS

A Winning Culture

By Justin Kelm

Down, set, hut! On a brisk Wednesday morning the West Hardin High Oilers began their practice. The Oilers made a playoff appearance last season and finished 5-6, 3-3 in District 12-2A Division II.

Under new Head Coach George Taylor, the expectations have been set high. Previously, Coach Taylor was the Defensive Coordinator at Goose Creek Memorial High School in Baytown, Texas. Taylor brings with him a plethora of experience, which will be beneficial for the Oilers.

While at practice, all the coaches worked together to perfect the team.



When asked about his personal expectations Coach Taylor stated: "I would like to do better than they did last year."

He also mentioned how at West Hardin his athletes are not only talent on the field, but also in the classroom. Some of his top athletes are currently in the Top 10 percent in their grade level.

The small town culture can truly be felt in Saratoga. During a water break, I spoke with returning Quarterback Jake Strahan. Strahan emphasized the importance of the team. He did not want to have the spotlight placed on himself, which demonstrated a very mature young man. He truly is a leader on, and off the field. Strahan told me that he wanted to lead the Oilers to the playoffs and beyond.

When asked about who they wanted to play the most, the top answer was rival Colmesneil. The Bulldogs are led by their former head coach. The Oilers will have a chance to play them on Friday, Oct. 18, at 7 p.m. This will also be Senior Night.

According to outlets, the district is predicted to finish the same as the 2018 season with the Oilers finishing fourth. Many athletes strongly emphasized that they refuse to finish fourth again. A winning culture has been established in Saratoga. Under Coach Taylor I see many positive things already occurring and they will continue to do so.

The Oilers battle the Acadiana Christian Defenders on Friday, Aug. 30, at 7:30 p.m. Come out and support.

Coach Taylor's debut

By Justin Kelm

On a blistering summer afternoon in Saratoga, Head Coach George Taylor and his West Hardin High School Oilers are making their final installations of the new offense.

The Oilers are preparing for a scrimmage against the Warriors of Pasadena First Baptist Academy.

Word spreads around a small community as Coach Taylor has learned since his arrival.

Coach Taylor inherited a team with a great core who didn't lose many to graduation. Expectations are higher this season. Even though the Oilers made the Playoffs last season, the expectation is to make it farther this season.

be uncommon.

From the ground up, this team has heart. I have spent a few weeks monitoring and watching the team progress in the right direction. Despite the heat, the players and coaching staff have been constantly working hard. This will all be on display soon.

The first scrimmage is set for this Friday at 6 p.m. from Oiler Stadium. The Oilers motto this season is to The JV team will play at 5 p.m.





12-2A DII will be up for grabs with Grapeland, Evadale and Lovelady leading the way

By Jerry Michalsky

There will be a lot of balance up top in District 12-2A DII as Grapeland, Lovelady, and Evadale all had good playoff runs in 2018 and each return key pieces for this season. West Hardin grabbed a playoff spot last year and return 18-starters this year.

Burkeville Mustangs — Starters Returning: O/D N/A. 2018: 2-8, 1-5 district. The Mustangs could struggle in 2019 but have some help in WR Daniel Lowe and OL Kaleb Urie. Uylsses Hall also should contribute.

Colmesneil Bulldogs — Starters

Returning: O/D 9/9. 2018: 3-7, 2-4 district. Colmesneil does return 16-starters from a 3-7 team and ATH Wesley Dobbins should lead the way after rushing for 500-yards and five touchdowns a year ago. The offensive line should be strength as Kolyer Marshall, Gerrick Vrooman, Kobe Shird return.

Evadale Rebels — Starters Returning: O/D 7/6. 2018: 8-4 regional semifinalist, 4-2 district. No one expected Evadale to make it to the third round of the playoffs in 2018 and with the help of 13-starters this year could be more of the same. Leading the way is RB Will Farr who rushed for over 2,300-yards and 25

touchdowns. Linebacker Kyler Vernon is the leader on defense.

Grapeland Sandies — Starters Returning: O/D 3/7. 2018: 11-2 regional semifinalist, 6-0 district. The Sandies finished the district champion 2018 and will return 10-starters from that team. ATH BJ Lamb finished with over 900-yards receiving and 12 scores and will look to take over as quarterback. RB Cadarian Wiley will join him in the backfield.

Lovelady Lions — Starters Returning: O/D 4/4. 2018: 9-3 area finalist, 5-1 district. Lovelady was hit hard by graduation and has a new coach also. Look for the Lion s to rely on RB Josh Martinez

and WR Tre'Von Hawkins. The defense is led by Martinez and LB Logan LeBlanc.

West Hardin Oilers — Starters Returning: O/D 9/9. 2018: 5-6 bi-district finalist, 3-3 district. West Hardin has a new man in Head Coach Gary Taylor who comes in from 5-A Goose Creek Memorial as the defensive coordinator. Taylor get's back a bevy in experience with the return of 18-starters from a playoff team. LB Isaac Murphy leads he defense while he will get help from DE Russell Payne. The offense seems to be in good shape with QB Jake Strahan and RB Randon Kelley. WR Keaton Castilaw is a good one also on the outside.







West Hardin Oilers 2019 Varsity Football

No.	NAME	POSITION	CLASS
2	Austin Collier	QB/DB	JR
3	Keaton Castilaw	RB/DB	SR
5	Trevor Creel	WR/DB	SR
7	Jake Strahan	QB/DB	SR
12	Joe Leger	WR/DB	SR
16	Waylon Stubblefield	WR/LB	SO
17	Lance Mosely	WR/DB	SR
20	Zach Bradley	WR/DB	SO
27	Randon Kelley	RB/LB	JR
30	Kaiden Jordan	OL/LB	FR
31	Russell Payne	TE/LB	SR
45	John Bell	OL/LB	SR
54	Josiah Roundtree	OL/DL	SO
55	Isaac Murphy	OL/DL	SR
56	Braxton Poland	OL/DL	FR
57	Ty Gazaway	OL/DL	JR
60	Holden Loper	OL/DL	FR
62	Billy Messer	OL/DL	SR
65	Josiah Berry	OL/DL	SO
70	Landon Seale	OL/DL	FR
75	Bradley Thompson	OL/DL	SO
77	Preston Price	OL/DL	JR
79	Cody Brown	OL/DL	SR

WEST HARDIN LADY OILERS 2019 VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

1	Brooklynn Howell	Sophomore
4	Wynter Wilson	Sophomore
5	Payton Hughes	Senior
6	Kaylee Wortham	Senior
7	Kaleigh White	Sophomore
8	Terra Tanton	Senior
10	Baelynn Fenton	Senior
13	Marissa McCauley	Junior
14	Christian Bridges	Junior

DAYTON LADY BRONCO 2019 VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

1	Belinda Torres	Senior
2	Isabella Benavides	Sophomore
3	Laila Beck	Sophomore
4	Skylar Craus	Senior
5	Abigail Thacker	Junior
6	Jena Kelm	Sophomore
7	Shakyra Keener	Junior
8	Loryn Mallet	Junior
9	Tayler Loften	Sophomore
10	Brianna Carr	Sophomore
11	Christy Vaughn	Junior
15	Skyler Wagner	Senior

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1	Brent Beamesderfer	Sr.	WR/DB	24	Gene Fontenot	Jr.	RB/LB
2	Brent Monceaux	Sr.	WR/DB	28	Patrick McDuffie	Sr.	RB/LB
4	Josiah Griffith	Sr.	RB/DB	35	Alexander Lopez	Jr.	RB/DL
5	Ashton Garner	Soph.	WR/DB	45	Gaven Bennett	Sr.	RB/LB
6	Deon Robinson	Sr.	WR/DB	48	Jonathan Castro	Sr.	TE/LB
7	Bryce Powell- Chimene	Sr.	WR/DB	50	Chase Crocker	Jr.	OL/DL
8	Christian Olige	Jr.	QB/DB	51	Cristhian Medrano	Sr.	OL/DL
9	Darius Zenon	Sr.	RB/LB	54	Josue Carbajal	Sr.	OL/DL
10	Cam'ron Willis	Soph.	RB/LB	55	Lukas LaFargue	Sr.	OL/LB
12	Kameron George	Jr.	WR/LB	60	Shohn Alexander	Sr.	OL/DL
13	Jaime Pineda	Sr.	K	64	Landon Wood	Jr.	OL/DL
14	Zachary Huntley	Jr.	WR/DB	67	Damian Overstreet	Sr.	OL/DL
15	Gustavo Orozco	Fr.	K	70	Carlos Ortiz	Sr.	OL/DL
16	Davin Lee	Jr.	WR/DB	71	Logan Strong	Jr.	OL/DL
18	Mitchell McCracken	Sr.	QB/DB	73	Demitrius Whittington	Sr.	OL/DL
20	Ty Pafford	Sr.	WR/DB	74	Timothy Sjolander	Jr.	OL/DL
21	Donavan Orebo	Soph.	WR/DB	77	Lucas Tanton	Sr.	OL/DL
22	Trey Rodgers	Soph.	TE/DL	99	Esteban Vega	Jr.	TE/LB



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BUCCANEERS

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some good skilled players returning. QB Foster Kreuzer is back to lead the offense and RB Teriyan Nyaribo is back after rushing for over 300-yards and six touchdowns. RB Landon Fanus is also back and should contribute to the offense. On the defensive side of the ball, Anahuac will look to LB Cade Dye and DE Logan Dehoyos.

Buna Cougars — Starters Returning: O/D 5/3. 2018: 8-3 bi-district finalist, 5-2 district. Buna returns only eight starters but the backfield should be in good shape with running backs Logan Odell and Kameron Richardson who combined for 900 yards rushing a year ago. LB Blaine Marks and DE Kristian

Johnson will lead the defense.

East Chambers Buccaneers — Starters Returning: O/D 6/2. 2018: 12-2 regional finalist, 6-1 district. East Chambers had a great run last year and RB Ernest Ceasar is back after rushing for 1,550 yards and 27 touchdowns a season ago. QB Kam Smith is also back after accumulating over 2.400 yards of offense and 31 scores. Also back is RB Nolton Shelvin who added 1,179 yards on the ground and 22 touchdowns. LB's Isaiah Hart and Christian Semien will lead the defense.

Kirbyville Wildcats — Starters Returning: O/D 8/8. 2018: 1-9, 1-6 district. Quarterback Dilynn Bishop is back after passing

for nearly 1,500 yards and nine scores in 2018. Although the Wildcats won just one game last year, the help of 16-starters could make things easier. LB Coy Fussell returns to lead the defense.

Orangefield Bobcats — Starters Returning: O/D 8/8. 2018: 5-5, 2-5 district. Last year was a bit of a disappointment for the Bobcats as they lost five of their last six games. With 16-starters returning, Orangefield could be back in the playoff mix. RB Heston Puckett finished with over 350-yards rushing and three scores in 2018 and will also have help in RB's Clayson Choate and Kadeon Evans to help out.

Warren Warriors — Starte

Returning: O/D 5/7. 2018: O-10, O-7 district. Things can only look up in Warren as a winless season in 2018 was not what the doctor ordered. QB Michael Mouton can be explosive as a duel threat signal caller. RBs Daniel Hayes and Kevin Kirk should also help in the backfield.

Woodville Eagles — Starters Returning: O/D 3/5. 2018: 11-1 area finalist, 7-0 district. The Eagles took a big hit from graduation in 2018, but look for RB Keon Chatman to take over a huge role as the big back comes in at 205 pounds. RB Jaylon Hyder should also carry the load while the defense is led by ball hawking DB Kaden Young.







Talkington Longhors Bass ready to lead the way in Tarkington

By Jerry Michalsky

There is a new ERA in Tarkington and that comes from Zach Bass as the new Athletic Director/Head Football Coach. Bass comes over after coaching stints in Port Arthur Memorial and Port Neches-Groves.

"It has been a bit of a learning curve for me," said Bass who came over in April. "It's not just me though it is about a family atmosphere and getting help from everyone."

Bass inherits a lot of experience and a senior oriented team. Last season a loss to Huntington kept the Longhorns out of the playoffs and this vear with all the pieces coming back there could be plans for post-season play on the prairie.

Three-sport athlete Trae Deck is

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Senior's ready for 2019 at Tarkington

By Jerry Michalsky

There is a lot of senior leadership in Tarkington this year and under Head Coach Zach Bass, seniors Cole McLawchlin, Christian Howard, Ryan Hannah, Camryn Hahn and Micah Hare believe they are on the verge of something special.

McLawchlin has been playing on Friday night's since he was a freshman and is a speedster at the wide receiver spot. He also will handle all the kicking duties along with being the return specialist.

"Huge difference from this season to last," said McLawchlin.

Coach Bass has brought in a new standard here and one that was sorely needed."

Howard also plays receiver and was an all-district pick in 2018. In

his third-year on the varsity, Howard knows this is it for him and the time is now.

"We have missed the playoffs the last three years and that is something we want in 2019. We want to set the beginning of a new ERA here and making the playoffs will help us do that."

For Hannah, he will help to lead the defense from his line backing position. In his second year on the varsity, Hannah says he keys on the guards to tell him if it going to be a run or pass.

"You have a split-second to see if the guard steps forward or back and that tells me if it is going to be a run

A nice target in the Tarkington passing game at tight end is Camryn Hanh. A second team all-district performer



Camryn Hahn



Cole McLawchlin



Christian Howard



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It's all about Jasper in 9-4A DII

By Jerry Michalsky

Jasper in the class of District 9-4A DII and look for the Bulldogs to make a potential state playoff run. Center also looks to be a lock for the playoffs with the return of 15-starters while Shepherd, Huntington, and Tarkington will battle it out for the last two spots.

Center Roughnecks — Starters Returning: O/D 8/7. 2018: 6-5 bi-district finalist, 3-1 district. Look for Center to be back right back in the state playoffs with the help of 15-starters coming back from a playoff team in 2018. The Roughnecks will not lack in skilled players as ATH Marquez Hall, WRs Zacc Smith and Jakerrion Watson, and RB Keomodre Horace all will look to put up big numbers.

Tarkington Longhorns — Starters Returning: O/D 8/7. 2018: 2-8, 0-4 district. The Longhorns will have the help of 15-starters coming back from

2018. Cole McLawchlin and Trae Deck will battle it out for the quarterback spot while WR Christian Howard finished with over 400-yards receiving and six touchdowns last season. The defensive line will be key for Tarkington this season in stopping the ground game and getting some pass rush. Look for big seasons from lineman Trevonte Bogany and Garrett Hlavaty. Zach Bass takes over as the new head man.

Huntington Red Devils — Starters Returning: O/D 8/9. 2018: 3-8 bi-district finalist, 1-3 district. The Red Devils return 17-starters from a playoff team in 2018 and look for more good things coming out of Huntington. RB Andrew Faulk was a 1,000 yard rusher and finished with 12 touchdowns. The offensive line is strong in Andrew Culpepper and Jasper Conn. DB Hunter Mayes had 165 tackles in 2018.

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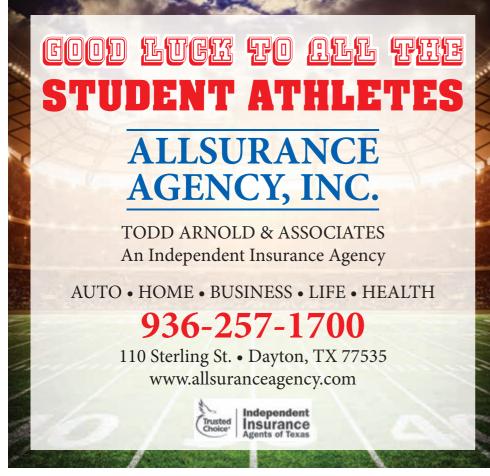
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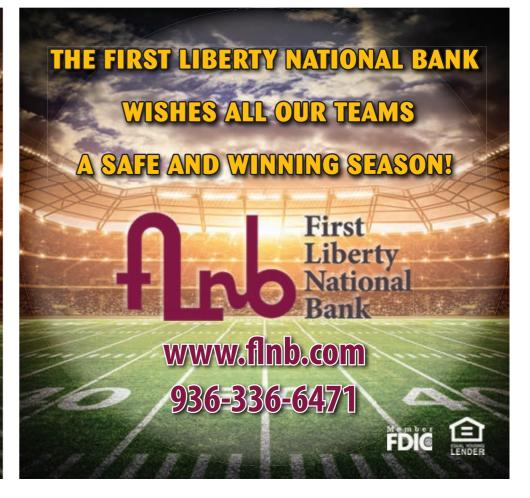












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Jasper Bulldogs — Starters Returning: O/D 8/9. 2018: 12-1 regional semifinalist, 4-0 district. It is almost unfair to see the Bulldogs return 17-starters from a regional semifinalist in 2018. Could be a very special season as RB Montavien Hunt is back after rushing for over 1,500 yards and 20-touchdowns as a junior. RB Carl Limbrick is not a bad one also and will take some of the pressure off of Hunt.

Shepherd Pirates — Starters Returning: O/D 3/4. 2018: 6-5 bi-district finalist, 2-2 district. The Pirates took a big hit from graduation on the offensive side of the ball and will need to rely on QB Dezmon Yates and RB Kolton Burton for big things. The defense is led by LBs Kenan Turner and Jerritt Whitmire.

SENIORS

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in 2018, Hanh not only provides a big target in the passing game but also is a key blocker for the Longhorns. Hanh feels the change in culture will prove to be valuable down the road.

"We are more of a family now and Coach Bass has brought that here. "If we make a mistake or need help with a play he is someone you can talk to," said Hahn. "Everyone so far has had a great attitude and that has led to guys putting in full effort."

Up front to lead the blocking is Micah Hare. Another second-team performer last year, Hare like McLawchlin has been on the varsity since he was a freshman.

"I like the way we are heading and I think down the road we are going to see the results," said Hare. Tarkington is installing a new air-raid offense and the passing game will be featured. "I think that suits our offense perfectly and I think that is going to make a big difference on the scoreboard."

The home fans will definitely get a good look at the new Longhorns as three of the first four games will be at home. The season opener will be on Aug. 30 against the Anahuac Panthers.

LONGHORNS

back to quarterback the new twoback spread offense that Bass is putting in. The running backs will be Bradley Sanders who was a second team all-district performer last year. Also in the backfield will be Brennan Pott, Ryan Hannah, and Blake Parrish. Tarkington is loaded at the wide receiver position and Deck has some good ones to get the football to in first team all-district returnee Christian Howard and the multi-purpose Cole McLawchlin.

Also in the mix will be Nate Carley, Camryn Hahn and Kevin McCarther. More experience will be up front as Micah Hare, Nathan Greak, Blake James, and Austin Coulig will lead the way.

"They have taken pretty well to the

new offense we are putting in here," said Bass. "It will just take some time to get it all in."

On the defensive side of the ball, the Longhorns will line up in a 3-4 (Odd Front). Up front on the line jamming things up will be Alex Odell, Garrett Hlavetty, Travonte Bogany, and Jace Pickett. The guys in the middle for Tarkington at the linebacker position will be Austin Denton, Hannah, Conner Clifton, and Greak. Playing in the secondary area for the Longhorns will be Joey Wells, Alex Armstrong, Andrew King, and Rakan Devito. McLawchlin will handle the kicking, punting, and return duties.

"I think that our non-district schedule will get us prepared for district play. Once we get to district play it should be a good race. Jasper of course is ranked, so they will be tough and Center and Shepherd always have athletes. We just need to make sure we are prepared and execute as a team," said Bass.

Tarkington will have three of their first four games at home and will only have four road games compared to six at home. The Bass ERA get's started on Aug. 30 at home against Anahuac. After a trip into Houston and a match-up with Washington, the Longhorns return home for games against Beaumont Kelly and Danbury. District 9-4A DII will start on Oct. 11 at Center.

HORNETS

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seasons with a perfect record at home, including four district contests, while they were not so fortunate on the road as three road losses would come at the hands of the top three finishers in District 12 action. That included road losses in the final two weeks of the regular season at the hands of Buna and Woodville.

Those two losses saw lopsided battles for the Hornets losing by a combined score of 118-21. That trend followed them to the Bi-District round of action with Franklin taking a 43-0 victory.

For the 2019 squad the Hornets return a dozen or more from last year and will look to some talented young athletes taking on big roles on the field, as well as off in major leadership positions.

Taking some of the load off the young Hornets shoulders will be a couple of solid upperclassmen that shined during the 2018 campaign. Returning lettermen and 2018 district superlative honorees Paul Thonsgaard, Trenton Dickey, Austin Potetz, Dylan Morgan and Will Barrett will take a big leadership role in the Hornets gridiron campaign this year.



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According to the Oct. 29, 1915 edition of The Vindicator, the very first football game ever played in Liberty was played the week before between Cleveland High School and the South Park team from Beaumont.

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Sept. 14	Dayton Bronco Invitational	Dayton High School
Sept. 28	Hillacious Invitational	Brenham
Oct. 5	Lake Houston Invitational	Huffman-Hargrave High School
Oct. 17	District 21-5A XC Championship	TBD
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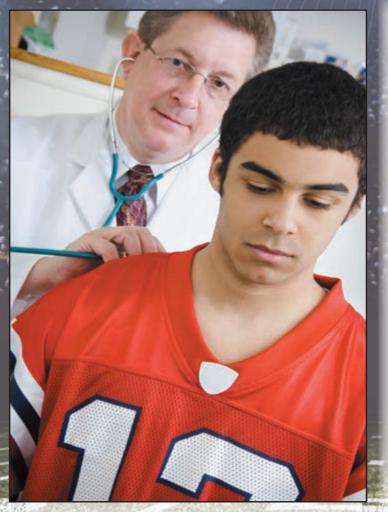




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