

## Civilians And Terminators Win Firsts

They may have come as but a small part of the overall picture Saturday, but they were at the center of attention as far as Mooreville's primary focus was concerned.

That was the case as two of the four local teams taking part in the Southern Football League action this season collected victories on the West Lincoln High School field Saturday to account for Mooreville's first wins in three weeks of regular season play.

The Pee Wee level Tranter Terminators and the Midget division Civilians each curtailed two-game losing streaks with wins Saturday.

The Terminators, who played just before the Civilians and therefore are credited with pocketing Mooreville's first win ever as a Southern League member, stopped the Sherrills Forge Redskins, 12-0.

In the game immediately following, the Civilians also topped the Redskins, doing so by a 14-0 tally.

"We're getting there," assured Bob Ramsey, commissioner of the league upon reporting the victories. "It's taken a while to adjust, what with playing in a new league and all, but the good news is that we are improving."

As for the other two games, the

Midget level Black Knights suffered an 8-0 loss to the Bager City Steelers, while the Pee Wee Mavericks dropped a 20-6 decision to Bager City in a game that saw the Mavs score their first points of the season.

This season marks Mooreville's first as a member of the Southern League, an established youth football circuit.

Throughout the first two weekends of play, with the second of those taking place here on the Mooreville Stadium facility, all four local teams were prevented from winning, but that streak was stopped with last weekend's split.

The Terminators, who were

featured in a 2 p.m. game, were paced in their first victory on offense by quarterback Joshua Hopkinson, and on defense by Monty Knox, while head coach Tru Fanning also acknowledged the key all-around performances of Roderick Campbell, Patrick McLaughlin, Sauran Howell, and Bo Adkins.

All four teams are slated to return to league duty this weekend, with all games scheduled to take place on the Lincoln High School field.

The Terminators will be featured in the day's opening game, as they take on the High Shoals Raiders at 9 a.m.

The Civilians, who played in last weekend's 3:15 outing, will then put their one-game winning streak on the line against the Raiders at 10:15 in the morning.

Mooreville's Mavericks will be

looking for win number one when they tee off against the West Lincoln Rebels at 11:30 a.m.

The same will be true for the Black Knights, who wrap up Mooreville's representation in the day's outings by squaring off against the Rebels at 12:45 p.m.

Mooreville, the only member of the league that sponsors two teams at each of the different age group levels, will serve as the host for league games one more time during regular season play.

All of the teams will visit the stadium a second time Oct. 24, at which time the two local teams in each age division will square off against each other.

A total of eight games, four at each age level, are played each Saturday, the regular game day for the league.

## CC Teams Both 2nd In Meet

Mooreville Senior High's boys and girls cross country teams turned up for their only scheduled home meet this week by turning in a pair of second-place finishes in a four-school outing last week.

Both the Blue Devils and Devilettes each fashioned runner-up efforts in the meet, which was staged last Tuesday afternoon at host Northwest Cabarrus.

The host Trojans and Lady Trojans captured first place in both races.

Other teams in the field included West Rowan and Central Cabarrus.

In the boys race, Terry Gwyn led the local charge with an overall third-place finish. He was followed by teammates Chad Moore in eighth, Chris Male in 17th, Mark Ingram in 18th, Chad Phillips in 19th, David Neill in 20th, Joe Greene in 22nd, Mike Hadden in 23rd, and freshman Chris Morgan in 25th.

In the girls race, senior Monica Teeter again captained the Devilettes' effort by turning in a third-place finish.

Followed by Karen Humphrey in sixth, freshman Yoko Blackwelder in eighth, Kathryn Teeter in 11th, and Ana Victoria in 12th.

The Devil and Devilettes entered the week ready to host Salisbury, Bunker Hill and possibly West

Lincoln in a four-team outing. Of that field, the Salisbury boys finished first in the state last year, and Bunker Hill's boys, which like Mooreville tote Southern District VII Conference affiliation, placed second.

Even though Mooreville, Bunker Hill and West Lincoln, if the latter shows, all are members of the SD-7, the sport is not an official one within the league because fewer than the required number of league members field a cross country running program.

After this week's home meet, Mooreville isn't scheduled to return to action until Oct. 8, when the teams will once again travel to Northwest Cabarrus to compete in a four-team affair.

Despite playing out the season as independents, both cross country teams will be allowed to take part in statewide postseason running tabbed to begin in early November.

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## Devils Keep Streak Alive

Having lived its share of life among the have-nots, Mooreville Senior High's soccer team is now enjoying the luxuries of the have-haves.

The Blue Devils, held winless during the non-conference portion of their campaign, put on a strong second-half show to card a 6-3 Foothills Athletic Soccer Conference victory Monday night over host Wilkes Central to run their league winning streak to now two straight games.

"We've got things going our way a little better now," confided Steve Stith, Mooreville's first-year head coach.

Monday's win, assured by the registering of four unanswered goals in the second half, came on the heels of last Wednesday's 2-1 edging of visiting North Iredell, a triumph that accounted for the team's long-awaited first win column notch of the campaign.

"We're 2-1 in the conference now," noted Stith, "and that's what counts."

Mooreville's only league loss came against South Iredell, whose Vikings remain undefeated both overall and in the league following a 4-1 downing of host Statesville Monday.

"South is definitely the team to beat," acknowledged Stith. "We've got more of a crack at them later in the season, but we can't worry about them now. We've got other matches to play."

At Wilkes Central Monday night in what constituted Mooreville's first league road trip, the Devils held a 2-1 lead at intermission only to fall

behind, 3-2, early in the second half. From there, though, the guests staved control and scored four consecutive goals to card their second straight conference win.

Matt Touchton and Brad Chappell booted home two goals apiece, while Frank Matthews and Mark Lewis each kicked home a net-finding winner.

Last week against North Iredell, the host Blue Devils emerged as the one-goal winners in a tight defensive battle with the guesting Raiders.

Touchton and co-captain Matthews, with one each, accounted for Mooreville's goal scoring.

"It was nice to finally get that first win," agreed Stith, who played collegiately at nearby Davidson College and served as the Wildcats' team captain last year. "That was what we needed to get us going."

Mooreville gets back to the going this (Wednesday) evening, when West Iredell's Warriors pay a conference call.

The match is slated to get underway at 7 p.m. on the old Senior High football field.

After hosting West Iredell, Mooreville will embark on the first of its two, two-match road trips.

The Blue Devils are scheduled to visit Statesville next Monday night and then travel to league newcomer Salisbury the following Wednesday afternoon in a match that will wrap up the first half of league play.

Senior High will then observe its second open date of the season prior to embarking on the stretch run of FASC play Oct. 14 at South Iredell.

## Viking JVs Win FAC Opener

South Iredell's junior varsity football team was in complete control of matters on both sides of the scrimmage line Thursday night.

And it showed, as the host Vikings dominated visiting North Surry with a 27-7 triumph that christened Foothills Athletic Conference play for both teams.

The victory, assured by a yard-chewing offense and a yard-streizing defense, hiked South Iredell's overall record to 3-1, including the 1-0 start in league play.

The hosts, who commanded a 22-0 lead until the final seconds of the game, swallowed up over 300 total yards with the ball and kept the visiting Greyhounds from eating more than 100 to flash wire-to-wire control both on the scoreboard and on the field.

The homecoming Jayvees set the tone for the contest early when, on their third play from scrimmage, tailback Toussaint Clark rambled 75 yards for a touchdown.

The conversion attempt failed, leaving the Blue Devils with a 7-0 lead.

The Vikings then traveled 6-0, with eight minutes left to play in the first period.

South Iredell scored its second touchdown of the game with just over a minute remaining in the half, when Mike White scooted into the endzone from 10 yards out.

Quarterback Trey Cutrell connected with Clark for the conversion, upping the spread to 14-0 at intermission.

The Vikes tallied their third TD of the contest early in the fourth period on a one-yard plunge by White. Cutrell this time rambled on a keeper to score the conversion.

The hosts protected their shutout until the 18-second mark of the game, when North spotted them bid with a 20-yard pass play.

For the game, South collected 323 total yards, with Clark rushing for 111 on only a dozen carries, and White adding 71 yards, and the two six-pointers, on 17 tries. Cutrell, who pitched in with 59 rushing yards, was good on all but one of his six passes for 72 yards through the air.

In addition to holding North Surry scoreless until the dying seconds, the South defense also limited the guests to only 85 total yards.

Steve Shoemate, at noseguard, keyed the defense with 11 tackles, while linebacker Andy Sigmon pitched in with eight primary hits.

The win was the first of two straight pocketed by South Iredell over North Surry on the football field within as many days, as the Viking varsity also used a potent offensive showing to down the Greyhound varsity, 34-13, Friday night at North.

South Iredell's Jayvees are scheduled to make their first conference road trip of the season tomorrow (Thursday) night to take on the Falcons of Forbush in another FAC battle.

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## Lady Braves Bounce Back

Brawley Middle School's girls volleyball team accomplished what no other has been able to do before Monday afternoon.

The Lady Braves beat West Middle School.

In an Iredell County Middle School Conference double-match at West Monday, the visiting Bravettes bounced back from a two-game sweep in the first match to card a three-game victory in the second, thereby earning a split with the Lady Mustangs and handing the hostesses their first loss of the season.

As a result of the split, Brawley now carries a 4-2 overall record into its next league outing, while West continues to lead the league with a 4-1 mark.

In the first match, West breezed to a pair of wins, by scores of 15-9 and 15-4, to live up to its billing as the team to beat.

In the second one, though, the Lady Braves accepted the challenge and sandwiched a pair of game victories around a loss to take the best-of-three game series.

Brawley won its first game, 15-5,

and a third game was then forced when the Lady Mustangs triumphed, 15-11, in game two.

The third game, fittingly, was pushed into overtime before Brawley escaped with a thrilling, 16-14 victory.

O.C. Stonestreet, veteran coach of the Lady Braves, acknowledged the efforts of several of his 15 players, 13 of which are seventh graders playing their first year of volleyball at Brawley.

Among the spotlighted players were team captain Dana Hager and her eighth-grade classmate Tammy Wiles and Rhonda Chislaghi, as well as seventh-graders Caryn Speaks, Erin Brooms, and Kristy Adams.

The Lady Braves are slated to return to league action this (Wednesday) afternoon in the Mayhewtown Coliseum, also known as the Brawley Middle School gym, when they entertain the Lady Hawks of Cool Springs.

Action in the best-of-three game double-match, which is the schedule for the league by the league this season, is slated to begin at 4 p.m.

## Efforts At Main Street Park Rewarded

Bob Brawley, second from left, accepts a plaque from the Mooreville Beautification Committee in honor of his work to enhance the appearance of the downtown park area between Main Street and Broad Street at Center Avenue. Brawley, who owns and operates The Brawley Company on North Main Street in Mooreville, planted flowers and did some minor landscaping to transform the park into a green and colorful oasis in the heart of town. Officials of the town's Beautification Committee met Brawley at the park to present the award. Members of the committee are, from left, Ellis Kelly, Martha Barber and Cordelia Phifer.

## News Briefs Of Shepherd

By MRS. HELEN R. KETCHIE

—Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Billy Benfield on the birth of their second child, a son Colby Neal, born Thursday, Sept. 17, at the Davis Community Hospital in Statesville.

Colby joins a brother Clark who is five years old. Mrs. Benfield is the former Pam Whitley. Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. W.A. Benfield and Mr. & Mrs. Charles Hinton of Raleigh. Great grandfather is Mr. Connie Holder of Raleigh.

—Sincere sympathy is extended to the family and loved ones of Ulmer Stutts who died recently. May God comfort and sustain each of you in your time of bereavement.

—Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Harwell on their wedding anniversary on October 1.

—Happy birthday to Mrs. Shirley to Andy Coleman on September 30; Jack Overcash on October 1; Miss Mary P. Honeycutt on Oct. 2; Ashley Neel on Oct. 3; Eddie Neel and Mrs. Margaret Williams on Oct. 5; and Mark Brawley on Oct. 6.

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## Benefit Fish Fry To Be Held Sat.

A benefit fish fry will be held this weekend in Mooreville.

The fish fry will be held Oct. 3 at the home of Mabel Cornelius, 322 West McLeiland Avenue. The event will begin at 11 a.m. and continue until the supply of fish is sold out.

Fish, chicken and hot dogs and good, homemade ice cream will be a part of the offerings at the fish fry.

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## Coddle Creek Community News Briefs

By MRS. L. M. KARRIKER

—Mrs. Avery Hunt of Anderson, S.C., and Mrs. Sarah Presley of Due West, S.C., were Saturday overnight guests of Mrs. Margaret Diamond.</