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2011 Season Preview

Atkins Jr. High Red Devils

Jr. Red Devils strive for perfection

By Gary Murdoch

After a 10-0 season in 2008, the Atkins Jr. Red Devils finished with a 5-4 record in 2009 and a 4-5 record in 2010. Coach Charles Rector, starting his fifth year as head coach with a 24-13 record at Atkins, is excited about the potential of this year's team.

"We have six starters returning on offense, four starters returning on defense and several others who got a lot of playing time. Our strength on offense is at the skill positions.

"QB Alex Spradlin started last year's final game and passed for over 200 yards. He is a smart kid that understands the game and he works hard to be a good field leader.

"Colby Johnston returns as the featured running back. Colby ran for over 700 yards last year and worked hard during the summer to gain weight and strength.

"Grady Duvall, the returning fullback, is a tough kid that works hard to get better.

"Jordan Duvall will anchor the line as the returning center. He worked hard in the off-season to gain strength and quickness.

"Jake Alexander plays on both the offensive and defensive line. He put in a lot of work over the summer and has shown vast improvement," stated Coach Rector.

Running back Tyler Halford and offensive lineman Jacob Nelson are also returning starters for the Jr. Red Devil offense. Atkins will be in a totally new offensive scheme this year, running out of the Wing-T, an offense that is designed to run right at the opposing defense.

The "50" defensive scheme that has been used for the last several years will remain. The defensive strength of the team is their linebackers and defensive backs. The defense is anchored by linebacker Grady Duvall, defensive back Alex Spradlin and defensive back Colby Johnston. Defensive lineman Jordan Duvall and defensive lineman Jacob Nelson also started on last year's team. The defensive and offensive weakness of the team is depth.

Coach Rector believes this year's schedule is the toughest in his five years as a head coach. Pottsville and Dover both have excellent teams and will be tough non-conference opponents that will get the team ready for the conference schedule. "The conference will be as good top to bottom as any 3A conference in the state. Charleston dominated the league last year and returns most of their starting lineup, including an excellent quarterback. Lavaca returns eight starters and Mansfield has the entire backfield back. Lamar has a bunch of returning starters. Perryville, Paris and Cedarville will all be tough. I just hope we can be in the mix at the end of the year," said Rector.

The Jr. Red Devils will open the season on Thursday, Sept. 1, facing the Pottsville Jr. Apaches at Pottsville. Game time is 7 p.m.



Jr. Red Devil Two-Deep Roster

Offense:

Quarterback- 9th Alex Spradlin (5'10", 150"); 8th Daniel Bowden (5'5", 120')

Left Wing- 9th Colby Johnston (6', 180'); 9th Braden Linden (6", 160'); 8th Devin Dollar (5'4", 110'); 8th Threhnt Fuller (5'6", 120')

Fullback- 9th Grady Duvall (5'9", 160'); 9th Danny Duvall (5'9", 160'); 8th Jordan Vaughn (5'7", 130')

Right Wing- 9th Tyler Halford (5'9", 135'); 9th Anthony Hamilton (5'9", 160'); 8th Dustein Freeman (5'7", 125'); 8th Shane Rasha (5'8", 135')

Tight End- 9th Kaleb Pyle (5'11", 160'); 9th Beau Bedgood (6'1", 160'); 8th Jeremy Chance (6'2", 150')

Left Tackle- 8th Austin Dobbs (5'10", 200'); 8th Caleb Pestel (5'7", 165'); 9th Tyler Ensey (5'10", 230'); 8th Devin Williams (5'9", 170')

Center- 9th Jordan Duvall (5'11", 220'); 8th Justin Goodman (5'6", 140');

Right Guard- 9th Jacob Nelson (5'9", 175'); 9th Tristan Rowley (5'6", 200'); 8th A.J. Britton (5'5", 150'); 8th Riley Ennis (5'4", 160')

Right Tackle- 9th Jacob Duvall (5'9", 165'); 9th James Ennis (5'7", 160'); 8th Ryan Rooke (5'7", 150'); 9th Thomas Willis (5'9", 225'); 9th Gerald Chisum (6', 165'); 9th Carlos Rodriguez (5'6", 225')

Split End- 9th Trent Patrick (5'8", 130'); 9th Sam Shaddon (6', 150'); 8th Dakota Frazier (5'6", 120'); 8th Dylan Dakin (5'6", 120')

Defense:

Tackle- Jake Alexander; Jacob Duvall

Nose Guard- Jordan Duvall; Justin Goodman

Tackle- Tristan Rowley; Weston Jones

End- Anthony Hamilton; Kaleb Pyle

End- Jacob Nelson; Braden Linden

Linebacker- Grady Duvall; Jeremy Chance

Linebacker- Danny Duvall; Jordan Vaughn

Cornerback- Trent Patrick; Devin Dollar

Cornerback- Tyler Halford; Dustein Freeman

Free Safety- Alex Spradlin; Dakota Frazier

Strong Safety- Colby Johnston; Trehnt Fuller

Manager- Jonathon Roberson

Film- Nathan Pyle

Water Girls- Brooke Mitchell, Alex Webb, Kaylen Martin, Linnea Brannon

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2011 Football Schedule

Senior Junior Varsity and 8th Grade

Sept. 12	Jamboree Home	5/6 p.m.
Sept. 19	@Jamboree Dardanelle	5/6 p.m.
Sept. 26	@Pottsville	5/6 p.m.
Oct. 3	@Jamboree Dardanelle	5/6 p.m.

Jr. High and 7th grade

Sept. 1	@Pottsville (Jr. Only)	7 p.m.
Sept. 8	Dover	5:30/7 p.m.
Sept. 15	@Perryville*	5:30/7 p.m.
Sept. 22	@Cedarville*	5:30/7 p.m.
Sept. 29	Lavaca*	5:30/7 p.m.
Oct. 6	Charleston*	5:30/7 p.m.
Oct. 13	@Mansfield*	5:30/7 p.m.
Oct. 18	Paris*	5:30/7 p.m.
Oct. 27	Lamar*	5:30/7 p.m.

* conference games

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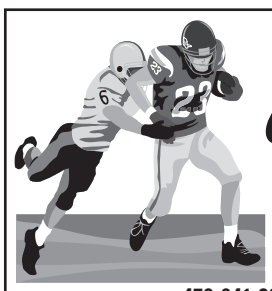

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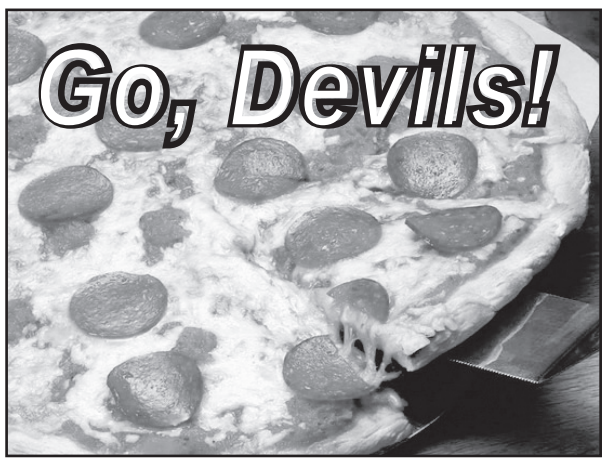

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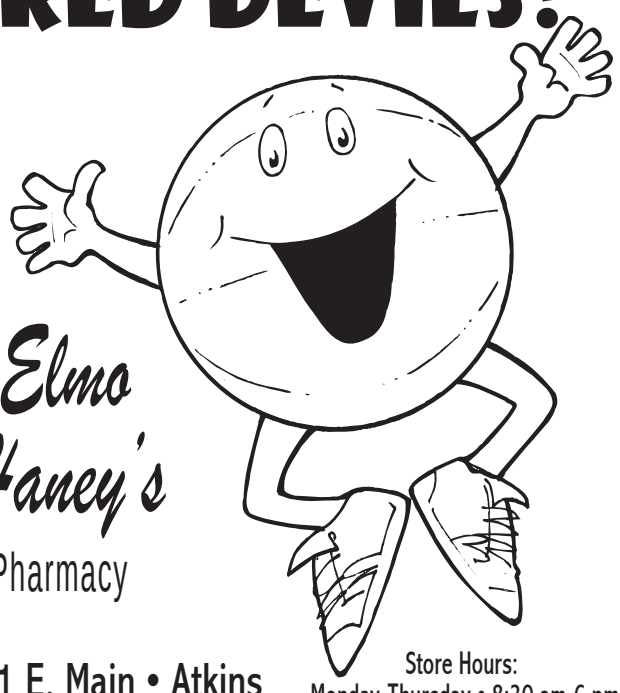

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Pottsville Apaches

Apaches one of clear favorites in conference

By Tommy Mumert

The excitement and enthusiasm from last year's banner season definitely carried over during the offseason, and now Pottsville Apaches Head Coach Bryan Rust is hoping the momentum created by his squad's run through the state playoffs continues this season.

As a result of that success — an overall 9-3 record and two playoff victories — Pottsville now finds itself in a new position, as one of the clear favorites in the 4-4A conference.

"That's definitely a new thing for us," Rust said. "When you are one of the hunted teams, it's definitely a different deal. It's something we've talked a lot about and it's going to be a challenge for us this season."

As one of those "hunted teams," Pottsville will find itself facing opponents that "are always going to give you their best, just because you're one of the favorites."

The Apaches' early-season performances last year gave little indication of the success that would soon follow.

The Apaches turned the season around after a loss to Dardanelle when, Rust recalled, "we came together as a unit. We regained our focus in practice and our desire on the field. We really went back pretty much to the basics and started getting the job done on the field."

Before the Apaches were through getting the job done, they not only made the state playoffs, but posted a 26-0 win over Pine Bluff Dollarway in the first round, before defeating Valley View 18-14. The Apaches then lost to Star City 41-12.

This year's team will be challenged by many of the usual suspects, when it comes to conference play. Booneville will be tough as always, Rust said.

"You've always got to go through Booneville if you're going anywhere," he said. "They haven't lost a conference game now in several years."

Mena has a "very, very solid team," Rust said.

"I expect Dardanelle to be much improved this season and with Clarksville, you've got a couple of teams that are really athletic."

The Apaches return a solid group of athletes, led on offense by quarterback Michael Perry.

"Perry was only a freshman last year but all the kids looked up to him and bought into his leadership," Rust said.

He will be joined in the backfield by returning starter Quwillien Porter, a junior. Junior Tyler Weaver, who saw action last year as a free safety, moves to a running-back position, while junior Hunter Daniel, who played outside linebacker last year, moves to the fullback position.

"We've got four or five other guys we'll work in at running back," Rust said.

"We've got some depth this year, better than usual," he added. "We have more players who will not have to play both ways as much this season as in the past."

For instance, senior linebacker Justin Keene will find his tight-end spot taken this year by junior Corey McKown.

"We won't lose much there at tight end and that will keep him (Keene) fresh on defense and let him run around and make plays for us."

Another change this season will be a stronger emphasis on throwing the football.

"Michael Perry now has 13 games under his belt so we're going to throw more, which we think will make us more dangerous."

In terms of team leadership, the Apaches will depend a great deal on senior offensive left tackle Jeremy Ward.

"Everybody kind of rallies around Jeremy," Rust said. "The other players really depend on him and think a lot of him."

Ward will be joined in the offensive line this year by juniors Parker Thompson and Jordan Dugger and fellow seniors Dallas Loveless and Charles McDermott.

Junior Christian Barnett will hold down the other tight-end spot.

On defense, in addition to Keene at one linebacker spot, Daniel and Loveless will share the duties at the other spot, "and will give each other a break," Rust said.

The defensive secondary will include junior Luke McAnulty, Weaver, and seniors Dalton Ragland, Laramie Shipley and Matt Sims.

Junior Sean Ellison will be joined in the defensive line by fellow junior Auston Rogers, McDermott and seniors Chris Freeman and Andy Winchell.

Pottsville opens its season with back-to-back road games at Atkins, on Sept. 2, and Lamar, on Sept. 9. The Apaches return home Sept. 16 to host Clinton.

"We're primed up and ready to go," Rust said. "We're tired of hitting each other. We're ready to hit somebody else."





Pottsville coaches — (From left) Greg Jones, Ryan Staggs, Head Coach Bryan Rust, Ben Stang, Greg Coffman.

POTTSVILLE APACHES

Sept. 2	Atkins	Atkins	7:00
Sept. 9	Lamar	Lamar	7:00
Sept. 16	Clinton	Pottsville	7:00
Sept. 23	Waldron*	Pottsville	7:00
Sept. 30	Booneville*	Booneville	7:00
Oct. 7	Dardanelle*	Pottsville	7:00
Oct. 14	Dover*	Dover	7:00
Oct. 21	Mena*	Pottsville	7:00
Oct. 28	Clarksville*	Clarksville	7:00
Nov. 4	Subiaco Academy*	Pottsville	7:00

* Denotes 4-4A conference Games



Pottsville cheerleaders — Back: Allison Carothers, Sara Brians, Baylee Linker, Shelby Flippo, Emilee Bickham*: Hannah Karnes, Mikahla Thompson, Amber Owens, Hatley McGuire*: Melissa Kingsley, Taylor Jones, Caitlin Fields, Jaclyn Giddeon, Ellen Morris. Front: Campbell Davis



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Hector Wildcats

2011 Senior High Roster

#	Player	Grade	Position
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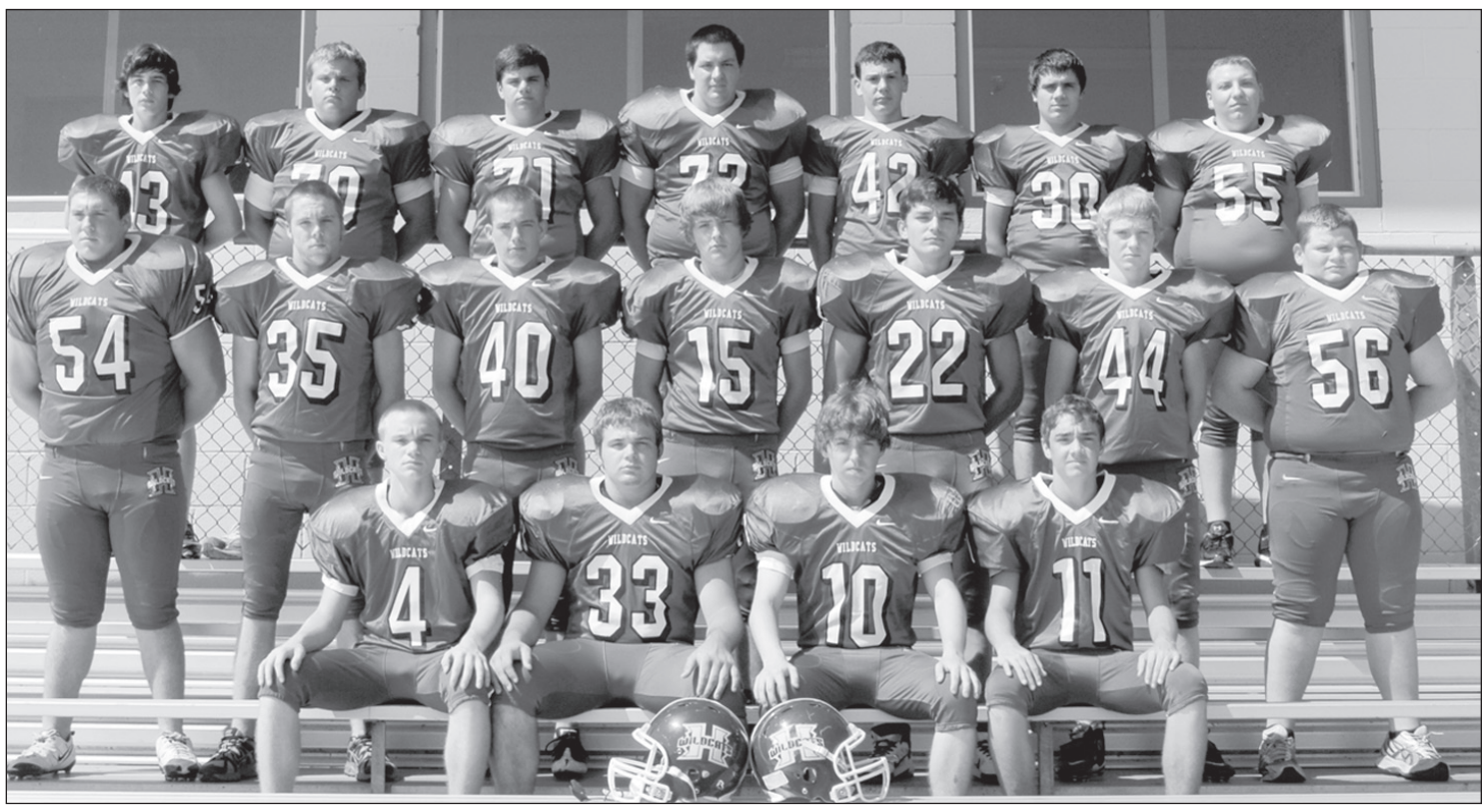
10	Mosley, Trent	Sr.	QB/DB
11	Humphrey, Jeremiah	Jr.	RB/DB
15	Riley, Logan	Jr.	QB/DB
22	Ross, Cody	Sr.	RB/LB
29	Graham, Marcus	Sr.	TE/DB
30	Summers, Jeffrey	Sr.	TE/LB
33	Humphrey, Austin	So.	RB/LB
35	Smith, Charles	Jr.	RB/DB
40	McGowan, Eric	So.	TE/LB
42	Lott, Daniel	So.	TE/LB
43	Lusk, Shawn	So.	TE/DB
44	Fillion, Kyle	So.	RB/DB
54	Chambers, Colton	Sr.	OL/LB
55	Proctor, Jeff	So.	OL/DL
56	Lee, Karson	So.	OL/DL
60	Gunderman, Michael	Jr.	OL/DL
70	Poole, Chris	So.	OL/DL
71	McKinstry, Nick	Jr.	OL/DL
72	Hamilton, Garrett	Sr.	OL/DL

Head Coach: Andy Cheney
Assistants: Jeff Haralson, Shawn Lawrence



Hector High School Wildcats

Hector to keep rebuilding

By Joseph Brown

The Hector Wildcats and Coach Andy Cheney plan to keep the rebuilding process moving and get the Wildcats into the postseason for the first time since his tenure. A lighter non-conference schedule than a year ago will give the Wildcats a better opportunity to compete and build confidence for a conference run.

The Wildcats will hit the field with nineteen players, including three returning starters on offense and four on defense. "We are few in number and will have to be on the field all the time," said Cheney. "But no matter what happens during the season we can never give up on each other. We need to continue to come together as a team and band together as a band of brothers for a common goal," Cheney added.

Junior Logan Riley will take the reins at quarterback. "Logan has a real good understanding and knowledge of the game and has accepted the responsibility that comes along with being a quarterback." Helping out Riley at quarterback will be fellow junior Jeremiah Humphrey. "Riley and Humphrey will be in their first year as a field general, but both have shown mass improvement over the summer," Cheney stated.

Senior Colton Chambers, Junior Nick McKinstry and Senior Garrett Hamilton will anchor the offensive line, being some of the only returners on the offensive side. Other linemen helping the fight in the trenches will be Senior Cody Ross, Junior Charles Smith and Sophomores Jeff Proctor and Chris Poole help anchor line. Our linemen have had a good offseason making us stronger and faster up front than last year.

Fellow sophomores Austin Humphrey and Kyle Fillion will split time in the backfield. Senior Jeffrey Summers and Sophomore Eric McGowan will work at the tight end spots.

"A place we are really young at is on defense," said Cheney. The Wildcats will be led by returning inside linebacker Chambers along with Austin Humphrey and Smith who saw time in secondary and McKinstry who played on the defensive line.

Some new additions will be Ross at linebacker, Riley at safety, and a "handful of others that will see time in a rotation. Defensively we have to do a better job this year of tackling, containing, maintain our gaps and using the proper technique," Cheney added.

The Wildcats will begin their season with a Sept. 2 battle with the Hartford Hustlers. "Hartford has gone through the tough times, similar to us after an winless season a year ago," said Cheney. Other non-conference opponents will be Johnson County Westside and upstart Melbourne who is playing a junior varsity schedule. "We tried to position ourselves in non-conference to compete and build up our confidence," Cheney added.

Hector will begin conference play on the 9th against the Poyen Indians in their home opener. "Our conference is always strong with teams like Bigelow, Magnet Cove, Quitman and Mountain Pine. Top to bottom I believe we have one of the toughest conferences in 2A which could pose a challenge."

The Wildcats will get their last tuneup game Friday when they face Western Yell County in a preseason scrimmage, followed by the season opener against Hartford.



Hector Coaches: Jeff Haralson, Head Coach Andy Cheney, Shawn Lawrence

2011 Schedule

Aug. 26	West. Yell (Scrimage)	7 p.m.
Sept. 2	@Hartford	7 p.m.
Sept. 9	Poyen*	7 p.m.
Sept. 16	@ Two Rivers*	7 p.m.
Sept. 22	Melbourne JV	7 p.m.
Sept. 30	@Magnet Cove*	7 p.m.
Oct. 7	@Quitman*(HC)	7 p.m.
Oct. 14	@Westside JC*	7 p.m.
Oct. 21	@Conway Christ.*	7 p.m.
Oct. 28	@Bigelow*	7 p.m.
Nov. 4	Mountain Pine*	7 p.m.

* denotes 5-2A conference game

Dover Pirates

Pirates plan return to postseason action

By Joseph Brown

A few tough breaks in key conference games kept the Dover Pirates out of the playoffs a year ago. This year the Pirates plan to get over the hump and get back to the playoffs.

"Senior Levi Dale will make the transition to quarterback after working as a receiver in his sophomore and junior years. We are proud of the way he stepped up during the summer and taking on the leadership role," said coach Chris Taylor. "He is not flashy but gets the job done right."

The backfield will be led by senior fullback James Watson and junior tailback Blake Kriesel. "Watson is the biggest and strongest guy on our team and is just a bruiser out of the backfield. "Kriesel has very good quickness, vision and strength, he is everything that you would want in a running back.

Splitting out at receiver will be a rotation of Juniors Jody Brown and Corey Hottinger. Senior Jordan Arivett will also work at a split from his tight-end position. Senior Victor Whicher will also get playing time all around the backfield. "Whicher is a very versatile player and can go anywhere you ask him."

Senior Preston Smith will anchor the offensive line at the center spot. "Smith does a good job blocking on the line, working very hard throughout the summer," Taylor added. Senior Corey Scheide and Junior Justin Haynes will work outside of Smith at the guard positions. "Scheide is one our most athletic lineman. He is big, strong and fast with the ability to shove people all around inside. Haynes is one of those players that has worked hard over the summer and showed tremendous improvement," Taylor added.

Senior JT Southerland and Junior Matt Robinson will work at the end of the line at the tackle spots. "Southerland is one of the most consistent players on our squad, just one of those players you can always count on. Robinson started a few games last year and has been working hard on getting bigger and stronger," said Taylor.

Defensively the Pirates will be led by their captain and returning inside linebacker Luis Mahuiztl. "Mahuitztl is a very smart player with a good nose for the ball, he makes all the calls and makes sure the defense is in good position." Helping Mahuiztl at linebacker will be Scheide. "It will be interesting to see how Scheide does playing two demanding positions," Taylor added.

According to Taylor, defensive end James Watson should be an all-conference player. "Watson is one of those guys that we have a tough time blocking." Working on the other end will be a rotation of Haynes and Robinson. Brent New and Eric Barkley will work on the inside of the defensive line. "Both New and Barkley go hard every snap and cause a lot of problems in the backfield," Taylor added.

Arivett will move from end to a outside linebacker to help depth. "Arivett is a smart player and the transition as been fairly easy." Whicher and Brown will make the start at corner, bringing "good athleticism to the secondary. Secondary veteran Dale will man the safety position. "Dale makes all the checks and calls to run the secondary." Sophomores Kendall Standridge and Jordan Segovia will work at the other safety spot.

The weakness of the Pirates throughout the season will be a lack of depth. "I am a little scared of us being worn down in the fourth quarter, a lot of guys are going to have to play a bunch of snaps. If we can stay healthy throughout the season I really like our chances," Taylor added.

Dover's schedule is a brutal one with road trips to Booneville, Mena and Waldron. "We are more prepared than a year ago to face a tough environment and come out on top.

The Pirates will have one more tuneup game Thursday as they scrimmage Clinton at 7 p.m. on the road. The regular season will open Sept. 2 when the Pirates battle the Two Rivers Gators.



DOVER SENIOR PIRATES

Aug. 25	Clinton (scrimmage)	Clinton	7:00
Sept. 2	Two Rivers	Dover	7:00
Sept. 9	Atkins (Rivals Cup)	Atkins	7:00
Sept. 16	Lamar	Lamar	7:00
Sept. 23	Mena*	Mena	7:00
Sept. 30	Subiaco Acad.* (HC)	Dover	7:00
Oct. 7	Booneville*	Booneville	7:00
Oct. 14	Pottsville*	Dover	7:00
Oct. 21	Clarksville*	Dover	7:00
Oct. 28	Waldron*	Waldron	7:00
Nov. 4	Dardanelle*(Sr.Night)	Dover	7:00

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SCHOOL SPORTS

Red Devil/Lady Red Devil golf gets new coach

By Gary Murdoch

The AHS golf teams participated in their first match of the year on Monday (8-15) at Galla Creek CC at Pottsville. Sophomore Chris Stain shot a 39 and finished second in the 9-hole meet that had featured teams from Pottsville, Clarksville and Morrilton.

The Red Devil golf team members are Stain and senior Cameron Duvall. "Chris is the only returning player and has a chance to compete at a high level and qualify for the state meet. Cameron is a first-year player and competed in his first meet of the year at Pottsville. He did a good job and will get better each meet," stated first-year coach Charlie Sorrels.

The two girls on the Lady Red Devil team also participated in their first ever meet at Pottsville. "Junior Kristen Brown and freshman Gabriel Shannon both have a chance to improve with each meet. For the first time out and having to make decisions on their own, they did a good job," stated Sorrels.

Chris Stain shot a 42 and finished second in a golf match Thursday (8-18) at the Lions Den at Dardanelle. Atkins, Dardanelle, Clarksville, Pottsville, Mena and Booneville participated in the match. Stain finished 2 strokes behind the winner. "Chris has been very consistent this year," said Coach Charlie Sorrels. Cameron Duvall was not able to participate in the match.

Gabriel Shannon shot a 57, nine strokes better than her first match. "Gabby showed a lot of improvement on a much harder course with two long par 5's. I was very proud of both kids," said Sorrels. Kristen Brown was not able to participate.

Atkins is a member of conference 3A-6 with Cutter Morning Star, Fountain Lake, Glen Rose, Benton Harmony Grove, Jessieville and Perryville.

Atkins H. S. Golf Schedule

Date	Place	Time
Aug. 15	Pottsville	4 p.m.
Aug. 18	Dardanelle	4 p.m
Aug. 25	Hot Springs	4 p.m.
Aug. 30	Maumelle	3:30 p.m.
Sept. 12	Morrilton	4 p.m.
Sept. 15	Pottsville	4 p.m.
Sept. 19	Morrilton	4 p.m.
Sept. 20-21	Hot Springs (Dist girls)	TBD
Sept. 26-28	Hot Springs (Dist. boys)	TBD
TBD	State girls	TBD
Oct. 3	Hot Springs (State boys)	TBD

PeeWee Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Tues., Sept. 6	Hector, A,B	6 p.m.
Sat., Sept, 10	Ola, A,B	6 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 17	Perryville, A,B,	6 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 20	@Lamar, A,B	6 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 24	@Bigelow, A,B	6 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 1	@WYC, A,B	6 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 4	Danville, A,B	6 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 8	Dover, A,B	6 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 15	@Pottsville, A,B	6 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 22	@Dardanelle, A,B	6 p.m.

PTO meeting

The Atkins Elementary School PTO will have a meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 30, at 3:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Baseball team looking for players

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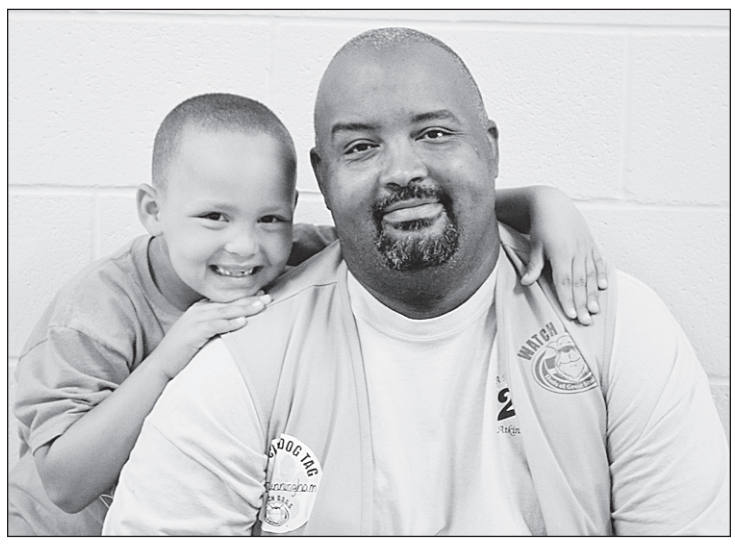

Atkins Elementary School Watchdog A.J. Cunningham with son, J.J.

Community Pep Rally

A community pep rally is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 30, at 7:30 p.m. at Lemley Field. Everyone is invited to come out and support the Atkins Red Devils. Join others citywide in "Spread the Red" as the PeeWee, Jr. High, Sr. High football teams, and Atkins Lady Volleyball teams begin their seasons, by decorating your business window or home.

Lady Red Devil Volleyball coach expects to improve

By Gary Murdoch

Atkins' Lady Red Devil volleyball team lost five seniors and 4 starters off last years team but Coach Tracy Brown expects this year's team to improve on last year's record. The Lady Red Devils have four returning junior starters, Kristen Brown, Sierra Bridgman, Emily Ennis and Jessica Henderson. Seniors Stephanie Metcalf and Tabitha Bewley will start and sophomore Makayla Harris will contribute with her height and athletic ability. Jr. Terilynn Wade is back and healthy after an injury shortened her season last year. "We have a good sophomore class that will help us get better throughout the year. Our bench is almost as good as our starters so depth will not be a problem with this group," stated Coach Brown.

"We play in a very tough conference (3A-Central). Conway St. Joseph, Harding Academy and Conway Christian are going to be tough every year and Nemo Vista was one of thee teams that made it to the AAA state tournament last year. Our goal is to be one of the top three teams and make it to the state meet," stated Coach Brown. Other teams in the conference are Mayflower, Perryville and Rose Bud.

Members of the Lady Red Devil volleyball team are seniors Tabitha Bewley and Stephanie Metcalf; Juniors Lauren Bowden, Sierra Bridgman, Kristen Brown, Emily Ennis, Jessica Henderson, Terilynn Wade: Sophomores Trista Beldin, Amber Deloach, Haily Ennis, Taylor Fields, Katelin Hall, Makayla Harris, Sadra Harris, Courtney Kelley, Chelsea Miller, Ellie Sweeden, Sidney Thomas and Jordan Wilson.

The Jr. Lady Red Devils conference (3A-6) is composed of teams from Atkins, Conway Christian, Harding Academy and Mayflower.

Team members are Freshman Alexis Bell, Shelisa Carr, Stephanie Flynn, Daysha Jones, Keeli Matchett, Alexa Meeks, Porchia Metcalf, Gabriel Shannon, Krystal White and 8th graders Chelsie Bishop, Haley Brown, Madisyn Chance, Lindsey Cochran, Payton Cogburn, Mackenzie Coutts, Hannah Deal, Dannyelle Foster, Cheyenne Gullett, Stacy Herring, Stephanie Ketchum, Alyson Kinder, Leanna Knight, Nicole Mead, McKenzie Metz, Hannah Patrick, Kallie Peak, Kendall Roberts, Samantha Stringer, Bailey Thomas and Andrea Vega.



Lady Red Devils Volleyball Team — Back: Tamara Hartwick, Kaitlin Hall, Stephanie Metcalf, Makayla Harris, Jessica Henderson, Haley Robertson, Sierra Bridgman. Middle: Hailey Ennis, Sadra Harris, Terilynn Wade, Sidney Thomas, Tabitha Bewley, Emily Ennis, Kristen Brown. Front: Amber DeLoach, Ellie Sweeden. Not pictured: Lauren Bowden, Trista Beldin, Taylor Fields, Chelsea Miller, Jordan Wilson,

Pottsville transfers students

The Pottsville School District Board of Education met in regular session Aug.11, in the junior high school library.

The board passed a resolution for early voting early due to only one candidate on the ballot.

The board also approved 19 student transfers and denied three student transfers.

The board also

• accepted Interstate Brands bid as the bread provider for the 2011/12 school year.

• accepted Hiland Dairy's bid as the dairy product provider for the 2011/12 school year.

• accepted a bid from Arkansas Correctional Industries in the amount of $17,128.82 for shelving and tables in the new elementary library.

• employed Michael McNeely as an hourly employee to help with maintenance of the districts network until a permanent network administrator can be found.

All members of the board were present.

Lady Devil Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Games	Time
Thurs., Aug. 25	@Clarksville	JrA, SrA & B	4:30 p.m.
Mon., Aug. 29	Booneville	JrA&B, SrA&B	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Aug. 30	St. Joseph	SrA&B	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 1	Nemo Vista	SrA&B	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 6	@Harding	JrA, SrA&B	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 8	Conway Christ.	JrA, SrA&B	5 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 10	Tri-Match @Booneville	SrA&JrA	TBA
Tues., Sept. 13	Perryville	SrA&B	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 15	Rosebud	SrA&B	4:30 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 19	Clarksville	JRA&B, SrA	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 20	@Mayflower	JrA&B, SrA	5 p.m.
Thurs., Sept 22	@St. Joseph	Sr.A&B	5 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 27	@Nemo Vista	SrA&B	4:30 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 29	Harding	JRA, SrA&B	4:30 p.m.
Tues., Oct. 4	@Conway Christ.	JrA, SrA&B	5 p.m.
Thurs., Oct. 6	@Perryville	SrA&B	4:30 p.m.
Sat., Oct. 8	@Paris Tourn.	SrA	TBA
Tues, Oct. 11	@Rosebud	SrA&B	4:30 p.m.
Thurs. Oct. 13	Mayflower	JrA, SrA&B	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 17-18	Dist. Tourn.@Harding	varsity	
Oct. 25-27	State Tourn.@Paris	varsity	
Oct. 29	State Finals@Cabot	varsity	



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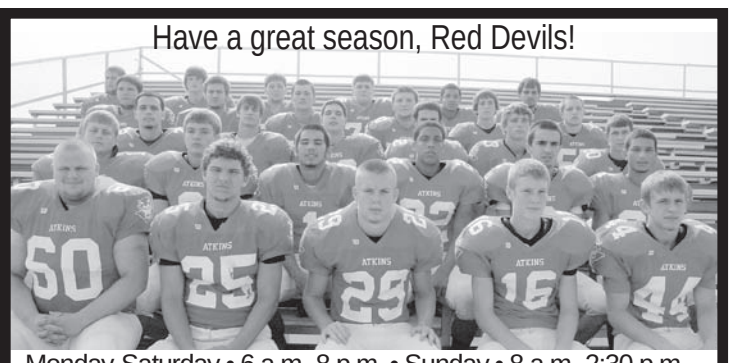

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Atkins Red Devils



Red Devils after some 'W's'

By Gary Murdoch

After going 0-10 last year, the first no-win season in Atkins football history, and losing 15 games in a row, the Red Devils are just looking for some wins to get back their confidence. First year Coach Tommy Cody knows that Atkins has great tradition and wants to play well on Friday nights. Cody brings enthusiasm and hope to a team that is looking for something to change the negative attitude that losing instigates. Three assistant coaches are back to help turn the program around. Defensive coordinator Gary Childress, who coaches the offensive and defensive lineman, will be coaching his 27th year at Atkins. Darrell Webb, wide receiver and linebacker coach, enters his 14-year at Atkins and Charles Rector, who coaches running backs and defensive backs, is coaching his 7th year at Atkins. Cody coaches the quarterbacks and defensive ends.

The Red Devil offense returns 8 starters from last year's team that averaged just 9 points per game. Right tackle Blaine Holloway, right guard Hunter Anderson, left guard Brandon Heflin, center Braden Langford and tight end Garrett Mize all return on the offensive line, the strength of the Red Devil offense. Quarterback Ty Ennis, fullback Heith Keene and split end Payton Hernandez also return. Keene is a bull and hard to bring down and Hernandez runs precise routes and has excellent hands. Experience should be a key to a successful 2011 season. Senior Trey Bennett returns after sitting out last season to concentrate on basketball. Bennett was on the Arkansas All-Sophomore team after running for over 900 yards and will bring speed (4.6) and quickness to the backfield. Center Braden Langford missed all but one game last year and will bring a lot of size and experience to an already-experienced offensive line. Quarterback Ty Ennis started the last three games of the year for the Red Devils, has good size and strength and has a good arm. He can break away from tacklers and pick up extra yards. "The key to our offense will be to not turn the ball over. The offensive line is our strength and because of a lack of depth, it's also our weakness. We have several three-year starters on the line and we have some explosive weapons in the backfield. I expect us to play hard and be fundamentally sound. We expect to have an explosive offense and we expect good special team play," said Coach Cody. Sr. Pete Lile, a transfer from Parkers Chapel, and Jr. Zack Lazenby, a transfer from Hoxie, will add stability and depth to the line. Jr. RB back Coty Hegeman (4.6) added weight and impressed the coaches with his work ethic in the off-season and could be an important part of the offense.

Atkins will continue to run the "50" defense and will return 8 starters from last year's team that gave up 30 points per game. Senior returning linebackers Heith Keene and Spencer Taylor anchor a very experienced defensive unit that has 15 current players that saw significant playing time last year. Keene had over 120 tackles last year and is a 3-year starter at the position. Cornerback Hayden Shockley, free-safety Luke Duvall, defensive end Garrett Mize, cornerback Payton Hernandez, defensive tackle Brandon Heflin and nose guard Hunter Anderson are all senior returning starters. Trey Bennett had over 90 tackles in his sophomore year and will help shore up the defensive backfield. "Our biggest concern is our depth in the defensive line and our strong point is the experience in our defensive line," stated defensive coordinator Gary Childress. "We must stop the big plays and force some three and outs. We can't give up 30 points a game again this year," said Childress.

The Red Devil non-conference has to be one of the toughest in the state for a 3A school. "Pottsville, our opening game opponent, will be one of the toughest teams we will face all year. They are favored to win their conference and are one of the top-ranked 4A teams in the state. Dover (also a 4A team) will have an excellent team and is one of our biggest rivals and Dardanelle (another 4A team) will also have a good squad. We cannot afford to have any injuries before we start the conference season," stated Coach Cody.

Atkins, a member of conference 3A-4, plays in one of the best 3A conferences in the state. "Charleston and Paris are both going to be very good," said Coach Cody. Charleston is picked by Hooten's football magazine to not only win the conference championship but also to win the 3A state championship. Paris returns almost their entire starting lineup and may be just as good as the Tigers. Atkins, Lavaca, Lamar, Mansfield, Perryville, and Cedarville will all try to prove the prognosticators wrong. The Red Devils are a talented group that won the conference championship and went undefeated as ninth graders. "We just want to win a few games and hope we make the playoffs," stated first year Coach Tommy Cody. That sounds pretty good after losing the last 15 games.

The Red Devils will open the season on Friday, Sept. 2, at 7 p.m., facing the Pottsville Apaches in a non-conference game at Lemley Field in Atkins.



Junior High Coach Charles Rector, Head Coach Tommy Cody, Defensive Coordinator Gary Childress



Darrell Webb, wide receiver and linebacker coach



Athletic Director Charlie Sorrels



Water girls — Mary Thompson, Ellie Sweeden, Jagger Hendrix. Not pictured — Jordan Wilson.

Red Devil Two-Deep Roster

Offense:

Center- Sr. Braden Langford (6'2", 295'); Jr. Dylan Isom (5'11", 225')

Left Guard- Jr. Braden Garrett (5'10", 190'); Sr. Brandon Heflin (6'1", 250')

Right Guard- Sr. Hunter Anderson (5'9", 245'); Sr. Nathan Hickman (5'10", 290')

Left Tackle- Sr. Pete Lile (6', 260'); Jr. Zack Lazenby (5:11", 270')

Right Tackle- Jr. Blaine Holloway (5'10", 185'); Soph. Wendell Johnston (6'3", 220')

Tight End- Sr. Garrett Mize (6'1", 180'); Sr. Luke Duvall (5'9", 165')

Quarterback- Jr. Ty Ennis (5'11", 200'); Soph. Kyle Chronister (5'9", 140')

Left Wing- Sr. Trey Bennett (5'9", 155'); Jr. Coty Hegeman (5'10", 170')

Right Wing- Sr. Hayden Shockley (5'8", 145'); Jr. Alex Duvall (5'9", 145')

Fullback- Sr. Spencer Taylor (5'10", 205'); Sr. Heith Keene (6'1", 205')

Split End- Sr. Payton Hernandez (5'10", 160'); Jr. Matthew Collins (5'9", 135')

Defense:

Linebacker- Spencer Taylor; Soph. Jacob Chism (5'10", 140')

Linebacker- Heith Keene; Soph. Malachi McDaniel (5'9", 175')

Strong Safety- Alex Duvall; Coty Hegeman

Free Safety- Trey Bennett; Luke Duvall

Cornerback- Payton Hernandez; Matthew Collins

Cornerback- Hayden Shockley; Jr. Konner Johnston (6', 145')

End-Garrett Mize; Jr. Judd Moore (5'11", 165'); Jr. Alex Hamilton (6:, 190')

End- Blaine Holloway; Jr. Doug Poyner (5'8", 175'); Soph. Kevin Jones (6', 155'); Soph. Cole Duvall (5'11", 180')

Nose Guard- Nathan Hickman; Hunter Anderson

Tackle- Brandon Heflin; Dylan Isom

Tackle- Braden Garrett; Pete Lile

Manager- Luke Miller

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Sept. 23	Cedarville* (HC)	Atkins	7:00
Sept. 30	Lavaca*	Lavaca	7:00
Oct. 7	Charleston*	Charleston	7:00
Oct. 14	Mansfield*	Atkins	7:00
Oct. 21	Paris*	Paris	7:00
Oct. 28	Lamar*	Lamar	7:00
Nov. 4	Perryville*	Atkins	7:00

* Denotes 4-4A conference Games