

Chambers at the helm of Union County golf

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Greg Chambers

Mother Nature wasn't very kind to the Union County golf program as they began their first year under new Head Coach Greg Chambers. Chambers, is in his first year at Union County after spending 18 years next door at Fannin County High School. Back on March 9th, both golf teams defeated Towns County at Butternut Creek Golf Course. The Panther men shot a 181 to Towns' 189. Jeremy Herum was low medalist with a 42, Clay Wallis and Charles Johnson each shot 44, while Brady Lawn finished with a 51. Union's Lady Panthers held off Towns by one stroke, 94-95. Maddie Horinek was low medalist after firing a 45. Ally Horinek shot a 49. On March 12th at Old Union, the Panthers and Lady Panthers knocked off Towns once again. Union's men shot a 191 to Towns' 208 and the ladies finished with an 83 to Towns' 100.

Herum was once again low medalist with a 41, Nathan South shot a 48, while Johnson and Luke Watson each shot a 51. Ally Horinek was low medalist with a 40 and Maddie Horinek shot a 43. On March 16th at Old Union, both Union County squads came out on top vs Fannin County. The men shot a 193 to Fannin's 200 but came in second to Lumpkin. The ladies ran away from Lumpkin and Fannin by 21 and 54 strokes, respectively. Low medalist went to Maddie Horinek (40), while Grace Wischmeyer fired a 45.

Herum shot a 42, Johnson a 45, and South a 48. On March 21st, the Union ladies participated in the GA-CA-Georgia Athletic Coaches Association Georgia Peach tournament in Rutledge. The tournament recognized the top three golfers and Maddy Horinek placed third overall in the Championship Flight with an 85. Ally Horinek shot a 99, Grace Wischmeyer a 102, Megan Rowe a 107 and Kacie Godwin a 108. On March 29th, both squads took home the Tri-County Cup at Chatuge Shores in Hayesville, NC. The Union men totaled 378, Towns County (385), and Hayesville, NC (396). Herum was low medalist with an 87, Lawn (90), South (96), Lake Arnick (105). The Lady Panthers ran away with the Tri-County Cup, distancing themselves from second place Towns by 33 strokes. Maddie and Ally Horinek tied for low medalist with an 84 while Wischmeyer fired an 89.

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Garrett, who has been a shot in the arm to this year's squad. "He is young and brings a lot of enthusiasm to the program and is a great asset helping me on varsity as well," Coach Bradburn said. If pitching and defense is what wins games, the future of Union County baseball is in great hands. "Defensively I would give them (the JV) a grade of A-minus," Bradburn said. "They are solid in the infield, led by Patrick Baggett, and the outfield has improved greatly from the start of the season. The future is so bright with these guys and their depth as a team is the most impressive thing." The 15-4 win over Lumpkin and the 12-2 victory over Fannin shows that these guys can put runs on the board. "Offensively Crawford Colwell, Baggett, Cole Davis, and Banton are doing a nice job of putting the ball in play," Coach Bradburn said. "Most of our power will be coming from RJ (Banton) and Crawford (Colwell).



Sophomore Joshua Nachtrieb on the mound during the Union JV's game two victory over Lumpkin County. Photo/Todd Forrest

NASCAR 2015

By Gerald Hodges/the Racing Reporter

Hamlin holds off Keselowski

MARTINSVILLE, Va. — Denny Hamlin ended a 31-race winless streak as he held off a hard-charging Brad Keselowski to win Sunday's Sprint Cup race by less than two-tenths of a second. The race was characteristic Martinsville, because of the bumping and shoving, but it was also the best Cup race of the season so far. Hamlin, who led 91 laps took the lead from Matt Kenseth on lap 473 of the 500-lap race and held on for his first Cup win of the season, which automatically assures him a Chase spot. "It was just a great car the guys gave me today," said Hamlin. "If I hadn't won, I would have been disappointed. I've missed out on a lot of wins here because of mechanical problems, but we weren't to be denied today."

during the race's last caution sent him to the tail-end of the field, but he still managed a ninth-place finish. "We struggled early in the race," said Gordon. "We finally got our car in a position to win, then-'oh my gosh'-I really messed up." Jamie McMurray was the 10th-place driver. Dale Earnhardt Jr. had a rough day on the track. First, his car developed a vibration, which broke the gear shifter, and then he was involved in several accidents, finally running into the back of Paul Menard. His team managed to patch up his damaged car and he returned to the track to finish 36th. Young Chase Elliott was finally able to realize his dream of one day racing in the Sprint Cup series. The 19-year-old driver was caught up in several racing skirmishes that made his "dream" race appear "nightmarish". He wound up 38th. There were 16 caution periods for 112 laps. Top-16 Chase contenders after 6 of 26: 1. Harvick-263, 2. Logano-239, 3. Truex-231, 4. Keselowski-206, 5. Kahne-193, 6. Newman-180, 7. Menard-173, 8. Hamlin-172, 9. Earnhardt-172, 10. Almirola-170, 11. Johnson-168, 12. Kenseth-168, 13. Ragan-163, 14. Mears-161, 15. McMurray-154, 16. Patrick-148.



Denny Hamlin celebrates his Martinsville Cup win

LOGANO TAKES TRUCK RACE With his win in Saturday's Truck race at Martinsville, Joey Logano has now won at least one race in all three of NASCAR's major series. He led 150 laps of the 258-lap race on the way to his first Truck win. Matt Crafton, who led six times for 100 laps, was second, followed by, Erik Jones, Johnny Sauter, Tyler Reddick, Daniel Suarez, James Buescher, John Wes Townley, Matt Tift, and Justin Boston. Top-10 leaders after 3 of 23: 1. Crafton-128, 2. Reddick-126, 3. Jones-122, 4. Sauter-112, 5. J. Buescher-100, 6. Townley-90, 7. Black-89, 8. Hayley-84, 9. Gallagher-84, 10. Kennedy-83.

LARSON OUT AT MARTINSVILLE

Kyle Larson, driver of the No. 42 Ganassi Racing Chevrolet didn't make Sunday's Sprint Cup race.

During an autograph session at his hauler on Saturday, Larson fainted and slipped to the pavement unconscious. He was first taken to a Martinsville hospital, where he reported that he was feeling fine. Later, he was transferred to Charlotte's Carolina Medical Center for further evaluation by a neurologist. After the initial examination, it was recommended that he stay over for additional tests on Monday. A team press release said all tests came back negative and Larson feels completely fine, but his doctors felt like he should be held for more testing, and subsequently, was unable to race at Martinsville. Regan Smith filled-in for him and finished 16th. Smith, who drives full time in the Xfinity Series for JR Motorsports, has 175 career Cup starts. He has nine career Cup starts at Martinsville, with a best of 13th in 2011. He has not raced at Martinsville since April 2013. Smith also filled in for Kurt Busch for the first three races this year when Busch was suspended. Larson became the third driver to miss a race this season with medical problems. Kyle Busch is sidelined indefinitely after breaking his right leg and left foot in the season opening Xfinity Series race at Daytona on Feb. 21. Brian Vickers, who drives the No. 55 Toyota for Michael Waltrip, is out while being treated for blood clots. He missed the first two races, returned at Las Vegas and Phoenix, and then was pulled out of the car last week prior to the California race. Meanwhile Joe Gibbs Racing announced that J.D. Gibbs, president of Joe Gibbs Racing, is starting



Union County JV Head Coach Corey Garrett with Slade Thompson (middle) and Cole Davis (right) between innings vs Lumpkin County. Photo/Todd Forrest

treatment for symptoms impacting areas of brain function. Gibbs has undergone a series of tests after experiencing a gradual onset of symptoms that includes speech and processing issues. Gibbs' doctors believe the complications he has experienced were triggered by head injuries likely suffered earlier in life. "As he goes through treatment, he will probably be doing less at the race track because he has a full week that demands quite a bit from him as he goes through treatment," said Joe Gibbs. "You will probably see less of him at the race track, but he'll be there on a day-to-day basis with the race team and be in all of our meetings and all of the key decisions that we make, J.D.'s going to have a huge impact on that."

NOTE: There is no NASCAR racing the week-end of April 3-5. Teams have the week off because of the Easter Holiday.

Racing Trivia Question: Where is Cup driver Paul Menard's hometown?

Last Week's Question: The first NASCAR race held at Martinsville Speedway was in 1949. Who was the winner? **Answer:** It was Red Byron, driving for Raymond Parks.

You may contact the Racing Reporter at: www.hodges@race500.com.

Bowling scores

Monday Night Ladies: Linda Nichols 203, 226. Monday Night Men: Jason Swanson 264, Chris Roberts 201, 243, Kevin Mohan 217, Larry Cannan 269, Gary Brown 204, 236, Mike Davis 210, 258, Tom Griffiths 212, Brett Hogsd 214, Michael Whitehead 210, Kirk Bass 204, Taz Matetzschk 225, BJ Gilbert 200, 225, Steve Brandt 202, Jeb Plott 253, 244, 278, 775 Series, Joe Teague 280, Derick Rice 222, 236. Hazel Farmer Senior League: Stanley Tyler 206, Dewey Allen 203, Bob Shannon 199, Mel White 201, Ernest Rice 203, Mo Rodgers 201, Bart Rodgers 213, Anne Sorrelle 202. Thursday Night Fun Mixed: John Moore 223, Zach Moore 278, 223, Tim Moore 214, 266, 206, Mike Davis 219, 224, Larry Cannan 210, 213, Jim McCreary 200, Bill Smith 268, Taz Matetzschk 224, 258, DJ DeJoseph 217, Daniel Brown 236, 207, Phillip Brix 210, Jerry Thomas 237, Stanley Tyler 213, Jay Burrell 228, Tim McVay 212, Kirk Bass 204, 231, Russ Southcott 207, 202, Tony Lynch 218, 224, Ray Everett 249, 214, Doug Roberts 202, Dewey Allen 225. (N(Apr.1)SH

Trout stocking sites week of March 23-27, 2015

Fannin: Big Creek, Hemptown Creek, Hothouse Creek, Little Fightingtown Creek, Noontootla Creek, Sugar Creek, Rock Creek, Rock Creek Lake, Toccoa River, Toccoa River Tailwaters of Lake Blue Ridge, and Wilsco Creek
Gilmer: Boardtown Creek and Rock Creek
Lumpkin: Cane Creek, Clay Creek, Dockery Lake, Etowah River, Niblewill Creek, and Ward Creek
Union: Canada Creek, Cooper Creek, Suches Creek, Toccoa River, Wildhog Creek, and Winfield Scott Lake
Note: Information is subject to change. Please call the hatchery at 706-838-4723 for questions. The hatchery also provides trout for the state. Please contact Georgia DNR for information on sites stocked by the state. (N(Apr.28)CA

Ray Everett bowls perfect game



On March 2, Ray Everett bowled a perfect game in the Monday Night Men's league. This 300 makes Ray's second in the past two years. A perfect game is the pinnacle for any bowler and it certainly never gets old! (N(Apr.25)CA

UNION COUNTY LADY PANTHERS SOFTBALL CAMP

APRIL 25TH 2015 10:00-1:00
Fundamentals of throwing hitting fielding and baserunning
Location: UCHS Softball/Baseball Complex
CAMP GRADES 1ST-8TH
CAMP COST: \$25.00 (Make checks payable to UC Lady Diamond Club)

SEND FORM TO:
Camp Director: Jessica Stewart
Mail to: 165 Elementary way Blairsville, Ga 30512
(706) 897-7372
jstewart@ucschools.org
or drop off form at Union County Elementary School

BRING TO CAMP:
Glove
Bat/Helmet- optional
water bottle
tennis shoes and cleats
\$ for concession optional

"Registration will also be available the day of camp starting at 9:00am"

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ ZIP _____
GRADE _____ EMAIL _____
PARENTS/GUARDIANS _____ CELL PHONE # _____
1. _____
2. _____

T-SHIRT SIZE: (CIRCLE ONE)
YOUTH: S M L ADULT: S M L XL

I certify that my dependent as listed above has had adequate physical exam and is physically able to participate in the camp activities. I authorize the coaching staff of the Union County Panthers camp to supply any treatment, which they deem necessary due to an accident, injury, illness that occurs to my dependent.

Parent _____ Date _____

Brevard College rallies for 11-7 baseball win over Young Harris despite Odom's three hits

YOUNG HARRIS – Brevard College rallied for seven runs in the sixth and seventh innings as the Tornados defeated Young Harris College 11-7 in a non-conference baseball game Tuesday (March 24) evening at Zell B. Miller Field.



Zach Odom

The Tornados improved to 14-16 while Young Harris fell to 10-18. The Mountain Lions travel to Pembroke, North Carolina, Saturday (March 28) to open a Peach Belt Conference series against the University of North Carolina at Pembroke with a 1 p.m. double-header. Young Harris jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first as Brett Westmoreland drove in a run with a fielder's choice and Troy Kizer followed with a two-run double to left. Brevard got a run back in the second on Brennan Allen's homer to left and two more in the third on RBI singles by John Slade and Ryan Smith to knot the score at 3-

The Mountain Lions retook the lead with two runs in their half of the third and added another in the fifth to open a 6-3 lead. Westmoreland had a run-scoring single through the left side in the third while Logan Bell added a RBI single just inside the left field line. Young Harris took advantage of a dropped fly ball to score its run in the fifth.

The Tornados scored four times in the sixth off YHC reliever Jesse Bates (0-1) to take the lead at 7-6. Brian Durham started the rally with a sacrifice fly before Pat Quinn added a two-run double. Brevard took the lead for good on Joseph Mesi's pinch hit RBI infield single. Brevard tallied three more runs in the seventh to widen its advantage to 10-6. The big hit for the Tornados was a two-run homer by Matthew Proffitt. YHC added its final run in the ninth on a RBI ground out by Kizer. Chip Helton (2-0) earned the win for Brevard while James Phillips allowed just one unearned run over the final four innings to earn his first save. Zach Odom led Young Harris with three hits, while Nick Sexton and Zach Wall had two apiece. Proffitt and Slade led the Tornados with three hits each.

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