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2013 Warren Junior Jack Football Schedule

All games begin at 7:00 pm

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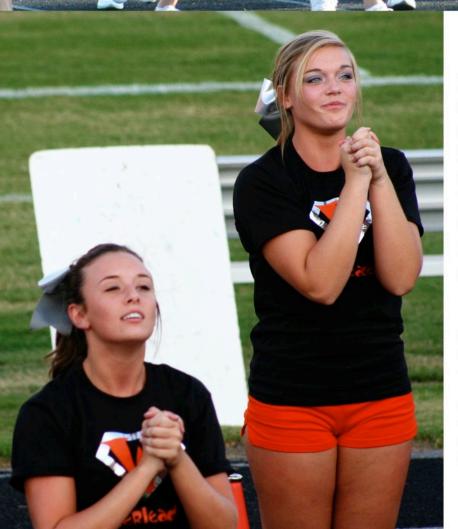


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Even though the season is just now kicking off, players, coaches, and auxilary units such as the band and cheerleaders have been hard at work in the summer heat, preparing for the fan-anticipated Fall games to begin. In next week's edition of **Lumber** meet the cheer squads, Junior and Senior High who work hard for the **Orange** and Black.

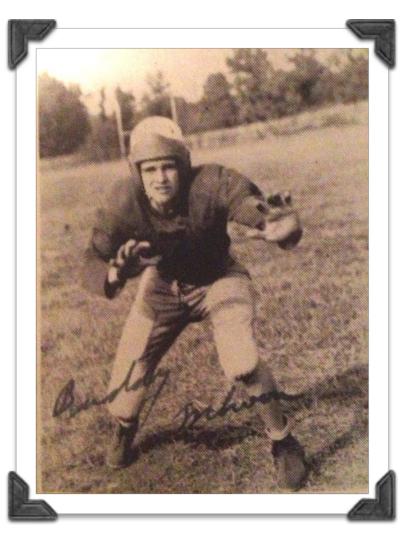
(**Top-Jr. Jack Cheerleaders** celebrate a touchdown during a scrimmage game against Stuttgart.)

(Left-Senior High Cheerleading Captain Peyton Sledge and Senior Kennedy Nelson cheer on the Lumberjacks to victory in the opening preseason scrimmage against Stuttgart.)

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CHANGES OVER THE YEARS by Gregg Reep

Every day people talk about how things have changed over the years. The country changes, technology changes, vehicles change, and the way people live continues to change. Football is no exception, especially high school football. Equipment has improved and is safer. Healthcare for injuries has improved leaps and bounds. Another major change in high school football can be found in the practice schedule. particularly as it relates to spring and fall practices. In years past there were very specific limits on the number of days a team could practice, and in the fall leading up to the start of school there was that dreaded time called two-adays. Teams would begin in early to mid August, spend a few days in shorts and then put on full pads. Surviving two-a-days was akin to getting



through boot camp. It was a badge of honor to make it through as a tenth grader.

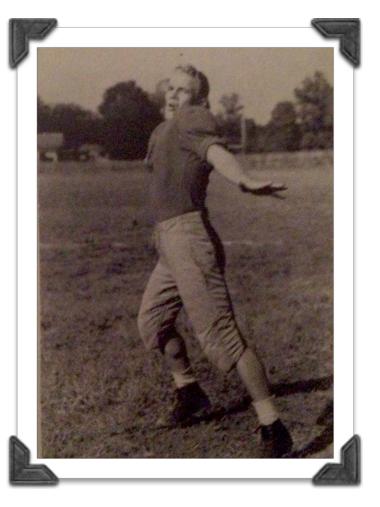
Above Photo: Buddy Mhoon, 175 lbs. tackle for the 1946 Warren Lumberjacks.

Prior to the 1970's, players got short breaks and received a small, hospital cup size of salt water. Finally, Gatorade came along, and players received a big cup. It was great! Now players are allowed basically all the water they want, whenever they need it.

The other major change is spring football practice is conducted each year prior to the ending of school. Teams get full pad work in before they take a summer break now. Practice goes on most of the summer through seven on seven tournaments, as well as team camps where full scrimmages take place. By the time fall camp comes around the players have been practicing almost full time and are about ready to start the season. The fall practices are not as lengthy nor grueling as the old two-a-days.

Football has become a year-round sport. It still requires physical and mental determination and dedication. Team unity is a must to be successful. High school athletics remains a developer of character and future citizenship.

LUMBERJACKS



Right Photo: Ralph Colby, 150 lbs. running back for the 1946 Warren Lumberjacks.

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Lumberjack Booster Club At Work

A Meet and Greet with the 2013 Warren Lumberjacks

The Warren Lumberjack Booster Club proudly supports all Lumberjack athletic teams. This year they held the second annual Meet and Greet Dessert Auction giving fans the opportunity to come out and meet the players and support the Booster Club with their hardearned dollars. The auction raised over \$1500.00.

Join the Booster Club and support all the Lumberjack teams.

Right: QB Justin Gorman exhibiting a cake that his mother made for the Meet and Greet Auction.

Bottom: Dr. Worley places her bid to the support the Lumberjacks.







What is your favorite color? Gonder: Blue

What is you favorite food? Gonder: Meat lovers pizza

What do you like to do for fun? Gonder: I like driving around town.

Where were you born? Gonder: I'm from Warren

What's your birthday? March 17, 1996

Who are your parents? Gonder: Tamika Robertson

What are your plans for the future? Gonder: I would like to play football professionally, but if not then a college recruiter.

What is your favorite type of music? Gonder: I like all kinds of music.

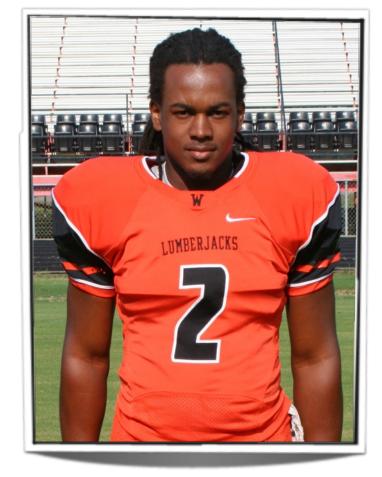
What are your favorite subjects in school? Gonder: U.S. History and Math

What is your favorite TV Show? Gonder: Fresh Prince of Bel Air

What's your favorite pro football team and player?

Gonder: The Houston Texans and my cousin Stephen Jackson of the Atlanta Falcons

Do you belong to any clubs at school? Gonder: I'm a Fire Marshall and I help out by working in the office.





Senior Wide Receiver

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SNAP SHOT QB Drake Jones launches a deep pass in last Monday's scrimmage against Stuttart. GOALIE CHRIS BOWIE

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Three Game Gauntlet

by Rob Reep

It's here again. A fresh start as green as the grass in which it will be played has arrived. The Warren Lumberjack Football Team is set to face Favetteville in it's opening game of the 2013 Fall season. The game will be played at Donald W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium in front of



what promises to be one of the largest crowds of the season. This game is just one of three non-conference games that will be played over the next three weeks. These

games make up a grueling road ahead for Warren as they will take on 7A Fayetteville on September 2, 5A Pulaski Academy on September 12, and finally 5A Camden Fairview on September 20.

Yes, you read that schedule correctly. It looks to be a tough stretch for the Lumberjacks, but for all practical purposes these games could really mean zilch. After all, non-conference records play absolutely no part in playoff seeding when the time comes. In my opinion however, Warren has developed a unique schedule that in some

Senior Quarterback Drake Jones relaxing during a preseason practice. ways actually benefits our squad. As Coach Bo Hembree said on this weeks Bo Show(sponsored by Warren Bank & Trust), it's not that we go out in search of this seemingly difficult opening stretch of opponents, it's just that almost no non-conference opponents will



agree to play Warren. It's a tough situation we find ourselves in at times, especially in recent history.

I've deemed it the "Three Game Gauntlet." I may be looking at things from a bit too simplistic viewpoint, but I see a trend happening since I've covered the Lumberjacks for salineriverchronicle.com. Could it be that by finding ourselves with a difficult three game opening schedule that in fact our guys are even better prepared as they enter into the all important conference race?

I've had these discussion with fellow fans of the orange and black for many years. If the nonconference schedule truly means nothing in the big scheme of things, what difference does it

make if we are 0-3 or 3-0 going into week four and conference play?

My opinion has evolved somewhat over the past ten years or so on that topic, but as of now I think we are set up in a good spot. Let's just break things down for a quick second and look at this season as an example. We are traveling to Fayetteville to take on the Fayetteville Bulldogs, a team that has well over 100 players in terms of depth and State Championships in the past two years to boot. We then in week two will roll the buses to Little Rock and take on Pulaski Academy, a program with a solid tradition of top notch football. Finally, we round it out week three with Camden-Fairview, a team that competes year in and year out for a State Championship. Sounds like fun, huh?

I embrace it. Let's go after it. After facing the above task, who are we to fear? I don't want to sound overconfident, because sometimes overconfidence can bring a lack of

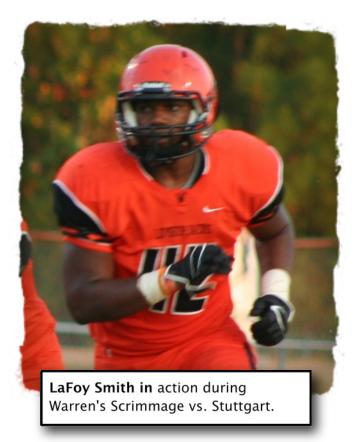
respect and a fall. But some air of confidence and self belief is here for the taking for the Lumberjacks.



I have not fooled myself. I don't believe we will make it out of this non-conference schedule 3-0. Do I think it's impossible? Absolutely not. We've got a solid running back core and from our scrimmage against Stuttgart this past Monday night I think quarterback Drake Jones and his group of talented receivers are close to putting it all We've got a guy playing in the backfield that I honestly believe having toaether. watched Lumberjack football since I was old enough to walk, could be the best running back to ever graduate from Warren High School. I promise, I don't say that just on a whim. Kilay Cox is a probably the most powerful runner I've seen play for Warren. He's not the quickest, but you have to like a tailback who goes looking for someone to hit. Cox has two seasons already under his belt and is just now a junior. A lot will depend on our offensive line play. Adam Nolan's being out has according to Coach Hembree set the Jacks back a week or two, and it was truthfully noticeable against Stuttgart, especially when blitz packages were thrown at us. Those are missed assignments, which I think the coaching staff can work out. It's a mental thing. The talent is there. The biggest question mark during these first three weeks has to be depth. That could be a big problem against Fayetteville and even Camden Fairview to some extent. I don't look for it to be that much of an issue against Pulaski Academy. It looks like we

have, as of now at least, no one player having to play on both sides of the football. That is for me an encouraging sign.

For me the question over this first stretch of three games will be the mentality of this team. How will they respond if hit with an 0-3 start. I'm thinking it's more likely we will be 1-2 or 2-1, but you never know until the final whistle has blown. If however we start 0-3 or 1-2, how will this team handle it? Will they lie down, or will they get back on their feet and walk in to conference play with a mission to destroy anyone in their path? We got a pretty good insight into this teams mindset last season as that 0-3 start did in fact happen. As I had hoped, we roared back and stormed the conference. That's the response that was needed.



As tough as this opening schedule will be we should be, if nothing else, a much better prepared football team. We will face no one any better than Fayetteville, Pulaski Academy, or Camden-Fairview all season long in conference. So, Lumberjack fans, let's get ready for a bumpy ride. Like I said earlier, it's not out of the realm of possibility that we could go 3-0 to start out. It could go either way, or somewhere in the middle, but we've got a talented group of young men who nonetheless will put on a good show. So come on out and watch this team. You are sure to see some good football.

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We sat down and discussed the upcoming season with Coach Hembree.

on how Fall preseason practice has gone ...

You know it's gone good. We've had some good great days and we've had some not so great days, like probably anybody this time of the year. First week it was really hot. Second week we had a cool front come in and then last week it got hot again so it's been kind of a tale of three different weeks, but I thought our guys really grinded through it. We've improved some in some areas and not as much as we would like to in others.

on the preseason scrimmage with Stuttgart...

I was pleased with it. We did a lot of good things. We ran the football well. I think Kilay had 9 carries for right at 70 yards. (That) really got him started. We really didn't want to give him too many carries, but at the same time we wanted to get the cobwebs out and make sure he got hit a couple of times. I thought we threw the ball well. I thought Drake and Justin both did some good things. We missed a couple that we should have hit, but

overall I was pleased with that. We got a lot of work to do up front. Right now we are missing one starter up front with Adam Nolan and that has been a big concern for us going in. You know he started for us every game last year and we won't get him back for several weeks now, but we've got to have some guys step up because right now we are trying not to play anybody both ways. Hopefully through the first three weeks we'll be able to do that. Overall defensively I thought we ran to the football really well. In a scrimmage game what you are looking for is effort. You aren't looking for technique and we didn't give them to much technique in what we were trying to do. We just tried some different things up front, trying to move them a little bit, something we didn't do last year. Just to see if we could do it or not and see if we can get it on film and see what we could do. We got to get great film on it and play somebody besides ourself, which is good this time of the year. You know Stuttgart team is real physical. Really well coached and do stuff right so it gives us a good look at where we're at as a football team and what we need to improve on. I thought it did that.

on the high expectation for 2013...

We really don't talk about it much. You know before the season we did a little bit, but I think our kids understand that preseason does not mean anything, that we have got a grind ahead of us, and we've got to improve to get there to where we want to get to at the end of the year. We've got to make a tremendous improvement and we will improve from the scrimmage game to week one and week one to week two. With our non-conference schedule that allows us to do that. That's one of the reasons we do what we do here is because it allows us to find our weaknesses early. Last year I thought we were a really good football team at the end of the year and we started out 0-3 and played three good football team. One of them one a State Championship and one of them made it to the State Semi-finals. We were able to find our weaknesses and when we got into conference time we were able to correct them. That allows us to do that. The expectations right now it doesn't mean anything to us. It's fun for the fans and the community to read about, but as far as us as a team it really doesn't start until week four. That's when we need to start worrying about that stuff as far as making sure we get a good seed for the playoffs and have a chance to win a State Championship.

on the scheduling of the first three games...

It's not that I try to do it, it's just hard to find people to play us to. We've asked people around here to play us for next cycle and right now we don't have anybody. I left all three dates open and then we are going to play Stuttgart the next date next cycle and P.A. the next cycle after that, so we've asked every school in the surrounding area to play us and they won't that's not in our conference. So it's not something we want to do every year, but it doesn't hurt to do it some years. You hate to do it every year, but it allows us to get better. Playing a team like Fayetteville, P.A., Camden, they are going to find your weaknesses. Sometimes as a Coach you don't know what your weaknesses are until you play somebody that good. A lot of times in 4A football, it's happened to us in the past, we didn't know until we got to the playoffs when we got beat, somebody took advantage of something we didn't know we were weak at. So now, we go into week four, we know exactly where we are as a football team and what we can do and

can't do. That let's us as coaches try to correct them. If not correct them, at least try some things that are different scheme wise to help our guys out.

on Fayetteville High...

They are two time defending State Champion. They have 155 players out, which is unbelievable. I think we've got 41 out, so number wise they've got a lot more than we have. They are a spread, multiple offense type team with a 3-4 defense. They are very well coached with Darrel Patton there. He has been very successful at Fayetteville since he's been there and they hired a new defensive coordinator, Keith Fimple form Southside who it's his first year there. He's been with Jeff Williams at El Dorado, then at Southside. Keith does a great job defensively. A lot of different schemes. A lot of different blitzes. That's going to give our guys a lot. Even preparing them in the last week and a half that we've done it, it's made our kids better. I'm not saying we're good enough to go up there and pick up everything they do, but at least once we see it, now once we see it we might be better at it. It's going to be tough for us. Our kids are up for the challenge. We're excited about getting to play in Donald W. Reynold's Razorback Stadium. We've got to have a break or two. We know that. Our kicking game has to be great, because their's is going to be really good. Offensively and defensively we've got to make some plays. They've got a big tight end, 6'5" 230 lbs. It's a matchup problem for us. They've got a wide out named Jordan Dennis who is heavily recruited by all the division one schools who is a great athlete. Our fans are going to see some great football. They get to go to Favetteville to play and get to see a really good team play.

on the kicking game ...

Right now Kevin Cortez is doing our extra points. Then Fernando Sedano who has been kicking field goals and kicking off the last couple of years will be doing longer field goals and kicking off. And then Justin Gorman is going to be our punter as of right now.

on who will be returning kicks...

Well, we don't know yet. We've got a bunch of guys out there working on it. It's going to be a game time decision on Monday night.

on which side of the ball is more ahead ...

I think defensively we are. We had a bunch of starters back from last year which helped. We were able to do a lot more than we did last year. I think we showed that in the scrimmage, which we didn't play much base defense because we just wanted to see our defensive line. We didn't do our whole package, we just did some things up front, moving Aaron, moving Mickel, that we normally wouldn't do against a running team just to see if they could move from gap to gap. Then we started Peyton Hargis who I thought did really good. That gives Drake a chance not to play defensive end right now and I'm not saying he's not going to play defensive end, but right now he's not playing defensive end. Then in the secondary I thought we did really well. We've got three, really four starters back there. So they are way ahead of our offense right now. I thought losing Adam really hurt us. That set us back a couple of weeks. We did team camp this summer with him being in there and then him not there is kind of making

some guys move around positions up front and it showed the other night up front giving up a couple of sacks, or three or four sacks. We'll get that corrected. Hopefully we'll have some guys step us and take that spot till Adam comes back.

on needing some big support in Fayetteville...

It's always good to play in front of big crowds. It excites the kids and I think these kids are going to play hard.



From Left to Right: Head Coach Bo Hembree, Chet Brown, Steed White, Andrew Gonzalez, Clark Watkins, Chase Ellis, Clay Bemberg, John Daniel Williams, Bryan Eagle, Zack Wichuit, Robert Cuthbertson

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