

Haily Jarman Garners 2013 All-SAC Softball Accolades



Lenoir-Rhyne Softball Team player Haily Jarman has earned 2013 All-South Atlantic Conference honors, league officials announced recently. Haily, a junior third baseman, earned second-team all-league laurels.

Haily, a three-time all-conference pick as well, leads the Bears in home runs (seven), triples (five), total bases (77) and slugging percentage (.575) to go along with a .306 batting average and 21 runs batted in.

Haily has been named the South Atlantic Conference Softball Player Of The Week as well.

Apprentice Hunting Program Approved by NC House

The NC House of Representatives passed House Bill 296 which allows an individual holding a Hunting Heritage Apprentice Permit to hunt if accompanied by an adult at least 18 years old who holds a hunting license in North Carolina, or if the individual is accompanied by an adult landholder or landholder's spouse who is exempt from the hunting license requirement if hunting on the landholder's land.

Hunting with an apprentice license would still require following other licensing requirements and hunting regulations.

The Hunter Heritage Apprentice Permit is a product of the Wildlife Commission's Strategic Recruitment and Retention Initiative recently organized by Commissioner Dell Murphy. The bill, successfully introduced by Rep. John Bell, is intended to increase participation in hunting by allowing individuals to hunt under the guidance of licensed hunters instead of requiring them to complete coursework.

"This Hunter Heritage Apprentice Permit will allow someone to purchase a hunting license without first having completed the hunter safety program, as long as they are within sight and hearing distance of an accompanying licensed hunter," Murphy said. "I am in complete support of any program that gets families into the outdoors and gives them a better understanding of conservation. I believe this legislation accomplishes that goal."

Rep. Bell and Rep. Tim Corfina sponsored the Hunter Education/Apprentice Permit bill, with both noting that North Carolina's changing population requires the Wildlife Commission to develop new strategies to get people outdoors.

"Many people in today's society may not initially have the time or opportunity to complete the coursework to go hunting, especially if they are safety-minded hunters already willing to serve as hunting mentors in the outdoors," Moffitt said. "This legislation allows someone to experience hunting with the guidance of trusted family or friends who are also seasoned hunters. After enjoying an introductory experience, apprentice hunters can then complete the hunter education coursework and go hunting without mentors."

Wildlife Resources Commission Executive Director Gordon Myers said the apprentice license would be a particularly appealing option for family-oriented hunting opportunities, such as dove hunts.

"If someone is invited to a family dove hunt on the day before the season opens, the Hunter Heritage Apprentice Permit will allow them to participate in the outdoors and watch the eye of experienced hunters," Myers said. "I believe that after enjoying the outdoors and fellowship associated with a dove hunt, an apprentice hunter will be very interested in attending a hunter education class, and hopefully, bring a friend."

The Wildlife Commission legislation still has to be approved by the NC Senate and signed by Gov. Pat McCrory. If adopted, the new apprentice permit will be available July 1, 2013. More information is available at www.ncwildlife.org.

State Championship Scheduled for Youth Hunter Education Skills Tournament

The Wildlife Resources Commission will host the 35th annual Youth Hunter Education Skills Tournament - the state championship for pre-collegiate shooting sports - on April 27 at the Millstone 4-H Center near Ellerbe in Richmond County. Teams and individuals will compete in rifle, shotgun and archery marksmanship, map-and-compass orienteering, and a written wildlife knowledge test.

Competition is scheduled on senior (high school) and junior (middle and elementary schools) divisional levels, with overall team and overall individual awards based on aggregate scores in all events. Teams are organized within public and private schools. Home-schooled students and teams representing 4-H or FFA also can compete, provided they meet eligibility requirements.

"Besides outstanding competition, this event is such a showcase for youth and their involvement in conservation," said Travis Casper, the state hunter education coordinator. "Between the participants and spectators, there is typically upwards of 3,000 people in attendance from every corner of the state."

The Wildlife Commission conducted nine regional competitions in March, with hundreds of middle school and high school students participating, and 54 teams advancing to the state championship. The championship represents an opportunity for competitors who advanced from district events to showcase outdoor skills learned through the Commission's Hunter Education Program. The tournament requires a demonstration of skills taught in free hunter education classes.

While competing in the tournament is for students 18 years and younger, the Wildlife Commission offers free hunter education courses and advanced hunter education on a regular schedule for all ages.

For more information on hunter education, the Home From The Hunt safety campaign, educational opportunities and events, youth programs offered by the NC Wildlife Resources Commission, go online to www.ncwildlife.org or call 919-707-0031.

West Ansonville High School Reunion Details

The West Ansonville High School Reunion is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, June 8 and 9. Saturday at Little Park, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, a fellowship at Fairview Church of God at 11 a.m. and then a banquet at the Lockhart-Taylor Center, from 4 to 8 p.m.

The cost for both days is \$50 per person. One day is \$30 per person. The deadline to register and pay is May 15. Contact Ruby at 704-826-8209 or Billy at 704-826-8580.

Anson County 4-H Plans Lunch Fundraiser May 17

Also raffle on May 18 for tv, gas card and gift card

The Anson County 4-H Program is planning a lunch fundraiser on Friday, May 17th at the Cooperative Center on McLaurin Street in Wadesboro. The lunch, which will raise money to help supplement funds to 4-H county programs, assist youth in attending 4-H summer programs and other activities throughout the year, will be held from 10:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. The menu includes a marinaded grilled sandwich with spread, slaw, chips and homemade dessert.

The cost is \$6. Take-outs and deliveries only are available. Dining in will not be available.

Businesses and organizations providing at least 6 plates may request deliveries. Deliveries will be available from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Contact Roshunda Blount, Erin Dempsey or Pam Layfield at 704-694-2915 to place orders. If you would like to fax your order in please send to 704-694-2248.

Also the Anson County 4-H Volunteer Leaders Association are having a raffle drawing for a 26 inch flat screen TV, a \$75 gas card and a \$35 gift card. Tickets are \$2 each. You can purchase tickets from any 4-H volunteer leader or from the Extension office. The drawing will be May 18th. You do not have to be present to win.

For more information contact Roshunda Blount, Extension 4-H Agent, at 704-694-2915.

Special Olympics are Tuesday, Plus Quilt Raffle

Anson County's Special Olympics are set for Tuesday, April 30 at Anson High School Football Field. Opening ceremonies will be held at 9:30 a.m. If it is raining the event will be moved to Thursday, May 2.

The Special Olympics Spring Games will feature track and field competitions and some demo sports, basketball for example. Participants are 8 years old and older. There will also be activities for young athletes, ages 4 to 7 years old. Last year there were about 75 Special Olympics, and about 25 youth participants. Each olympian is accompanied by a high school "buddy" throughout the event. Things wrap up about noon.

"We want to invite the community out to attend and enjoy the Special Olympics," said Sylvia Tillman, Special Olympics Coordinator. "The olympians love to hear the attendees cheer them on."

Would you like to volunteer to help? If so, please contact Tillman at 704-694-4417. She asks that you contact her as soon as you can so that organizers will know how many people they can count on.

A beautiful handmade quilt is being raffled off with all proceeds going to support Special Olympics in Anson County. Tickets are only \$5 each...but you can buy more than one or donate additional money. The winner will be announced at the opening ceremonies. If you would like a chance to win please call Pam Ratliff at 704-294-0408.

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The Anson County School System annually receives funds from the Federal Government through the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction sanctioned for assistance in meeting the needs of "educationally" deprived students, technology learning needs of students, children with special needs and for children in local institutions for neglected or delinquent children. The school system is in the process of reapplying for these funds and amending these programs.

These programs include Title I (Compensatory Education/ESEA Basic Education Program), Title II (Improving Teacher Quality), Title II, Part D (Enhancing Education through Technology), Title III (Language Acquisition for Limited English Proficient and Immigrant Students), Title V (Media and Technology), IDEA VI-B (Handicapped and Preschool Handicapped), which is in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA - Part B Public Law 105.17), and 21st Century Community Learning Center.

The above projects are presently being amended and/or renewed. The projects describe the special education, media and technology, compensatory education programs that Anson County Schools proposes for federal funding for the 2013-14 school year. Interested persons are encouraged to review amendments and/or revisions to these projects and make comments/requests concerning the implementation of these Federal Programs. All comments will be considered prior to submission of these projects to the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction in Raleigh, North Carolina. The projects are open to the public for review and comments during May 1 - May 15, 2013, in the offices of Howard McLean, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, and Nancy Diggs, Exceptional Children's Program Director, located at 320 Camden Road, Wadesboro, NC 28170.

Participation in programs receiving the Federal funds will require supervision by appropriate school personnel as delegated by the school system's Superintendent and/or his designee.

Private schools wishing to participate in the planning phase should notify the Anson County School System of their wishes to participate. Please call the office of Howard McLean, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, at (704)694-4417, extension 226 and Nancy Diggs, Exceptional Children's Program Director, at (704)694-4417, extension 225. Private schools please notify the school system of your existence.

There will be a planning meeting with interested parents on May 15, 2013 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. This meeting is to address the federal program plans for the 2013-14 school year. The meeting will be held in the Charles Riddle Staff Development Center at the School Board Office and is located at 320 Camden Road in Wadesboro. Please address questions to the offices of Howard McLean, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning, at (704)694-4417, extension 226 and Nancy Diggs, Exceptional Children's Program Director, at (704)694-4417, extension 225.

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