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Bearcats Lose Homecoming Game

Friday night was homecoming at Anson High School, where multiple class reunions met up for some Bearcat football, socializing and reminiscing. Fall was in the air and the crisp, cool night was characterized, "ideal football weather."

By game time the stands had finally started to fill with true football enthusiasts and the team entered the stadium as they had the week prior, directly in front of the stadium seats, each visibly showing small signs of pink, in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

At 7:30 the clash between the Bearcats and the Warriors was underway and in just minutes Weddington had a 7-point advantage. "We have to tighten up earlier in the ballgame and get on top. We had some missed opportunities" said Head Coach Luke Hyatt. The Bearcats seem to be in a "come from behind" mode of operation and, for this game, never managed to get back in front.



Brandon Smith heads toward the end zone during their homecoming game against the Weddington Warriors. Anson is now 1-1 in the conference.

Anson rushed for 373 yards as a team and threw for 133-yards. Brandon Smith ran for 186-yards, Rodrick Smith ran for 148-yards and ran for two touchdowns. Evans threw for two touchdowns. Diondre Pratt and Allen Campbell each had touchdown catches. Kevin Leak had one defensive interception.

Without the costly penalties which took two touchdowns back, coupled with two missed PAT's and a missed conversion opportunity, Anson could have perhaps given the Warriors a run for their money, given the final score stood at 35-24. It is costly mistakes, which concern Coach Hyatt at this point and at this level. "We still control our own destiny as far as the conference is concerned. We have to focus this week on beating Marvin Ridge and try not to repeat those same mistakes."

The offensive line suffered injuries on Friday night but Kenneth Boggan stepped up and played both sides of the ball in the second half. "It is a big help to our team when we have a player like Kenneth who steps into a situation like that. We called for him and he was right there to keep us going," Hyatt added.

Let's not forget the halftime festivities, which included a rousing rendition of Motown tunes provided by the Anson High School Band and the presentation of the 2011 Homecoming Court. Twenty-one young ladies represented the senior football players and were played a special tribute song, "Sweet Caroline," by their school band. The festivities represented the beauty, spirit and tradition of homecoming in Anson County.

Anson travels to Marvin Ridge this Friday for the ultimate orange crush kind of night. It's orange vs orange in a big way this Friday's put on OUR orange attire and stay behind these athletes and coaches as they go head to head with the Mavericks of Union County. Game time is 7:30 p.m. Let's go Cats! Photo and story by Mel Lyon

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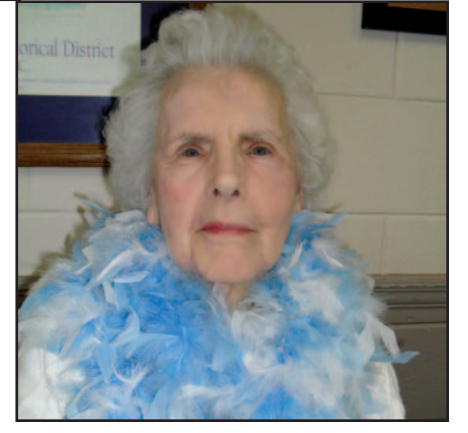
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Edna Tice White Enjoys 87th Birthday Party

The lovely Edna Tice White enjoyed celebrating her 87th birthday with family and friends. She was joined by her daughter Anne Brower and family from Charlotte and her daughter Betty Cadick from High Point, along with her nieces Martha Carpenter, Peg Heavner, and Robin Haines and her brother John Tice. Edna was born in Wadesboro on September 1, 1924.



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she is really nifty
In these tough economic times,
Terri has learned to be thrifty
I have hinted all around
without saying which one
But I can tell you this,
Terri was born in 1961.
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Tourism Development Meeting is Today

The Anson County Tourism Development Authority will meet at noon today, Wednesday, October 12, at the Lady Bug restaurant. The public is invited to attend.

This Week In Sports

WEDNESDAY, 10/12

- AMS Football @ Rohanen, 4pm
- AMS Volleyball Playoffs (TBA)

THURSDAY, 10/13

- AHS Boys Soccer @ Marvin Ridge, 6pm
- AHS Volleyball @ home vs Parkwood, 5pm
- AHS JV Football @ home vs Marvin Ridge, 7pm

FRIDAY, 10/14

- AHS Varsity Football vs Marvin Ridge, 7:30pm

TUESDAY, 10/18

- AMS Golf Conference Tournament @ Twin Valley CC

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