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Archbold football has decent numbers for the 2015 season. They open the season at Hicksville on Aug. 28.

High numbers give Streaks positive outlook



Archbold has 16 returning letter winners for the upcoming season.

By Max Householder
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Archbold, with the aid of 16 returning letter winners, are confident they can erase last season's woes. In 2014 the Blue Streaks were 2-8 overall and 2-6 in NWOAL action.

The Streaks did have a shakeup on its coaching staff recently, as head coach Bryan Miller resigned shortly after the team's first scrimmage with Edgerton. Assistant coach David Dominique will run the team on an interim basis this season.

The new skipper is thrilled about the opportunity given to him.

"Archbold is a place with great tradition especially when it comes to football, and to be at the helm of such a great program is a huge honor," said Dominique. "I have had the privilege of being coached by and working under some great head coaches and they have been awesome role models for me. I am going to do my best to make them as proud as the community will."

Returning leadership will be a key strength for the Streaks according to Dominique.

"Last year was a tough year (2-8) for us, but I



David Dominique will serve as the interim head football coach of the Blue Streaks this season. Former coach Bryan Miller resigned from his position on Aug. 11.

believe we have excellent senior leadership combined with a good group of sophomores and juniors that I think will work very well together," explained Dominique. "I've seen great effort from all the kids throughout our summer lifting program and two-a-days, and I'm excited to see what we can do on the field."

"This group of guys carry themselves well both in the classroom and on the field, and set the example for the underclassmen. Strength in the offensive and defensive back fields will also play a large role in our success this season."

Notable returnees for the Streaks are Derek Walker (first team All-NWOAL, second team All-District), Seth Mayer (honorable mention All-NWOAL), Isaac Petersen,

Garrett Grime, Mitchell Hogrefe and Toby Walker.

However, they will have to replace Levi Wyse (first team All-NWOAL, second team All-District), Brandon Goering (honorable mention All-NWOAL) and Ethan Warncke (second team All-NWOAL).

The thinned out depth chart at various positions could pose a problem for the Streaks.

"Although we have great senior leadership, we will also be relying on some younger players to contribute to our varsity squad this season," said Dominique. "Our offensive line is going to be especially youthful because of the loss of letter winners from last year."

The key prospects that should help improve any concerns with team depth are Will Collins, Collin King, Austin Wilson, Cash Gericke, Trevor Short,

Ben Zimmerman, Gabe Petersen, Sam Petersen and Nic Rodriguez.

Dominique views Wauseon, Delta and Swanton as the league favorites heading into the season. However, he also has high hopes for his squad.

"This season we are looking to contend for a top spot in the league," he said. "We will strive to continue to improve every day and develop as a team."

Archbold is at Hicksville to begin the season on Aug. 28.

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2015 schedule

Aug. 28 at Hicksville
Sept. 4 Wickliffe
Sept. 11 at Lake
Sept. 18 Swanton
Sept. 25 at Wauseon
Oct. 2 Patrick Henry
Oct. 9 at Bryan
Oct. 16 Liberty Center
Oct. 23 at Delta
Oct. 30 Evergreen

Archbold all-time records against

Ayersville 4-1
Bryan 28-27
Bucyrus Wynford 1-0
Cin. Mariemont 0-1
Columbia Station Columbia 0-1
Delphos Jefferson 2-1
Delphos St. John's 2-0
Delta 41-17-1
Edon 14-2-1
Evergreen 38-8
Fairview 8-5
Fremont St. Joe's 1-0
Gates Mills Hawken 0-1
Hicksville 15-4-1
Huron 1-0
Kenton 0-1
Liberty Center 27-29-1
Liberty-Benton 0-2
Lima CC 0-4
Minster 2-0
Mogadore 1-0
Monroeville 1-0
Montpelier 39-21
Napoleon 2-15-1
Northwood 2-1
Otsego 8-3
Ottawa Hills 2-2
Ottawa-Glandorf 1-0
Patrick Henry 23-21-1
Paulding 2-0
Rossford 8-1
Sandusky St. Mary's 0-1
Springfield 3-1
Swanton 41-18-2
Sylvania Southview 3-5
Tinora 11-0
Toledo Libbey 2-0
Toledo Start 1-0
Versailles 0-1
Wauseon 29-30-1
Waynesfield-Goshen 1-0
Wellington 1-0
West Jefferson 0-1
Western Reserve 2-0

Streaks Roster

No.	Name	Grade
2	Brandon Morris	11
3	Isaac Petersen	12
4	Toby Walker	11
5	Seth Mayer	12
6	A.J. Mahnke	9
7	Joe Richer	11
8	Elijah Alvarado	11
9	Ryan Trevino	10
10	Gabe Petersen	10
11	Zach Rocha	9
12	Derek Walker	12
13	Austin Wiemken	9
14	Nic Rodriguez	10
15	Isaiah Esquibel	11
16	Bryce Williams	10
17	Austin Baker	9
18	Jeron Williams	9
20	Hunter Beaverson	9
21	Collin King	12
22	Gavin Grime	10
23	Travis Ziegler	9
25	Deven Girdham	10
26	Andrew Beck	10
27	Camden Warncke	11
28	Sam Petersen	10
29	Alex Weaver	12
30	Shane Bechtel	10
31	Colton Miller	10
32	Calton Soles	10
34	Noah Blankenship	10
40	Kyle Ott	11
45	Garrett Grime	12
50	Austin Wilson	11
51	Kasyn Schaffner	9
52	Brodie Miller	10
53	Lukas Rodriguez	12
54	Logan Roth	10
56	Will Collins	12
57	Lukas Rufenacht	12
58	Jacob Rodriguez	12
59	Simon Short	9
60	Aiden Warncke	9
61	Dylan Miller	10
62	Noah Sanchez	10
63	Mitchell Hogrefe	12
64	Izrael Reyes	9
65	Elijah Esquibel	11
66	Anthony Teegardin	9
67	Clay Nafziger	9
68	Trevor Short	10
69	Anthony Rupp	10
70	Ben Zimmerman	10
71	Cash Gericke	10
72	Erik Short	9
73	Oswaldo Orduno	10
74	Holden Galvan	9
76	Luke Pickford	9
77	Caden Garrow	9
78	Anthony Gonzalez	10
79	Andrew Wyse	11
84	L.J. Tijerina	9

Archbold all-time coaching records

52-53 Jack Robinson 8-5
54-56 Ed Sutherland 9-13-2
57-66 Mike Walker 43-40-3
67-69 Ron Dilbone 11-16
70-78 Randy Riddle 43-37-3
79-08 John Downey 222-99
09-14 Bryan Miller 40-23

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Talented offensive unit returns for Delta

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The Delta Panther football team finished second in the NWOAL last season and looks to be tough once again in 2015. Fresh off their first playoff appearance since 2006, it will be up to new head coach Jeff Wolford to get the Panthers up to speed this season.

"We've got to get kids to buy in and I think they've done that," said Wolford. "These kids are real reserved because they've had four coaches in four years. That's not right. It's a shame, and hopefully I can remedy that and be able to do good enough to stay the next 10 years. That's my goal."

We should learn a lot about Delta early on as they open by playing playoff teams in the first four games.

"My first four games are very physical, meat grinder kind of games," explained Wolford. "The beauty of that is, is that toughens us up and gets us ready for the rest of the league run. So hopefully we come out of there with a decent record."

The Panthers return many key weapons on the offensive side, including a pair of 1,000 yard rushers in Jesse Beverly and Bailey Storeholder.

"I have probably the best running backs, I think in the state, in my division," said Wolford. "I have two studs, two 1,000 yard rushers returning. And we were pretty predictable last year. So this year, if we mix it up a little bit, those guys should get over 1,000 again this year each."

They also bring back senior quarterback Noah Parsons to run the offense and Chance Veller up front on the offensive line.

"I have a really good quarterback coming back. We are gonna throw the ball a little more, spread it out a little bit," said Wolford. "Chance Veller, he is a D-I prospect in wrestling and in football, he is gonna play both ways. So you put a 300 pound tackle in there, it is going to help you a lot."

"We are pretty solid up front. But it is staying healthy. We stay healthy we are ok."

The Panthers will add another running back to the mix to compliment Beverly and Storeholder. Sophomore Dylan Rogers looks to compete for playing time.

"A 180 pound rock solid kid that is hidden behind these other backs," said Wolford of Rogers. "Now this year if I feature everybody, mix it up a little bit, he will get some carries and he is going to surprise people too."

At receiver, Dustin Marteney looks to be Parsons' number one go to threat.

"He can catch the ball," said Wolford. "Dustin Marteney is going to surprise a lot of people. He runs great routes. He was a shutdown corner last year defensively and now he is back. And he is also going to be great on offense."

It is likely that Delta will employ a two-quarterback system as Evan Vasquez will also see some time. By doing this, Wolford hopes to have a more versatile offense than in years past.

"It is going to be a fun offense to watch," he said. "The quarterback is going to run a little. I can't risk hurting my quarterback, but I have the blessing of having two quality quarterbacks. Both of those guys are going to be playing."

He also stated that he hopes they can get to 70/30 in terms of run to pass percentage. Ideally he would like it to be 60/40, but with the talent he has back at running back, Wolford knows that is unlikely.

The Panther defense should be respectable, however, Wolford cautions that there will be some turnover on that side of the ball.

"My defense should be hard nosed," said the coach. "We are replacing a lot of quality seniors from last year. Our defense was awesome."

Delta was picked third in the league at the NWOAL coaches meeting on Aug. 9. Therefore, if they can stay healthy throughout a rigorous non-league schedule, look for them to be a hard out once league play begins.

The Panthers open their season at home against Toledo Christian on Aug. 28.

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The Delta Panthers hope to build off last year's playoff run. It was the school's first trip to the playoffs since 2006.



The Panthers have 18 letter winners back from a team that went 9-2 in 2014.



Delta's 10 seniors should help them stay competitive in the league this season.

2015 schedule

Aug. 28 Toledo Christian
Sept. 4 Tinora
Sept. 11 at Tiffin Calvert
Sept. 18 Wauseon
Sept. 25 at Patrick Henry
Oct. 2 at Liberty Center
Oct. 9 Evergreen
Oct. 16 at Bryan
Oct. 23 Archbold
Oct. 30 at Swanton

Delta historical coaching records

50-51 Lou Meszaros 17-1
52-56 Everett Cottle 19-21-5
57-59 Ken Rollins 9-17
60-62 Lou Kaczmarek 6-21
63 Tom Molik 1-8
64-66 Bill Romstadt 6-20-1
67-69 Paul Graham 8-17-2
70-72 Bob English 11-14-2
73-74 George Dostal 7-11
76-82 Keith Anderson 32-37-1
83-87 Randy Lintermoot 24-36
88-89 Gary Wasielewski 7-13
90-96 Chris Werbylo 16-44
96-98 Mike Daniels 7-23
99-06 Mike Vicars 62-29
07 Jaime Grime 6-4
08 Brett Smith 2-8
09-12 Nate Ruple 12-28
13 Mike Vicars 5-5
14 Jim Kubuske 9-2

Delta all-time records against

Archbold 17-41-1
Ayersville 4-7
Bowling Green 0-1
Bryan 16-42-2
Cardinal Stritch 4-3
Clear Fork 0-0-1
Coldwater 1-1
Defiance 0-1
Delphos St. John's 3-3
Eastwood 1-0
Edgerton 4-4
Erie Mason 5-0
Evergreen 28-17-1
Fairview 2-0
Fostoria St. Wendelin 0-2
Genoa 1-1
Hicksville 1-2
Huron 1-0
Lake 2-0
Liberty Center 30-54-3
Margaretta 0-1
Maumee 8-16-3
Montpelier 35-43-1
Morenci, Mi. 1-0
Napoleon 2-22-3
Northwood 4-0
Norwalk 0-2
Otsego 0-1
Ottawa Hills 12-7-1
Ottawa-Glandorf 1-4
Patrick Henry 14-30-1
Paulding 2-2
Rossford 6-1
Sandusky Perkins 0-1
St. Peter Chanel 0-1
Swanton 40-40-5
Sylvania Southview 3-1
Toledo Christian 5-1
Toledo Libbey 1-0
Toledo Rogers 2-0
Toledo Whitmer 0-4
Urbana 2-0
Versailles 0-1
Wauseon 25-63-2

Panther Roster

No.	Name	Grade		No.	Name	Grade
62	Dustin Cowden	10		85	Travis Dunning	10
71	Aaron Abbott	12		2	Bowen Green	10
50	Beau Clausen	12		74	Adam Majdoub	10
27	Dustin Marteney	12		20	Tyrone O'Neal	10
4	Noah Parsons	12		22	Dylan Rogers	10
86	Devon Richard	12		52	Seth Burrese	9
72	Austin Sayen	12		18	Noah Druschel	9
9	Bailey Storeholder	12		25	Logan Echler	9
19	Ron Vargyas	12		81	Stephen Harley	9
3	Evan Vasquez	12		78	Nathan Kohlhofer	9
66	Chance Veller	12		32	JD Osborn	9
24	Jesse Beverly	11		5	Shawn Pedersen	9
65	Zak Davis	11		63	Parker Rabara	9
12	Colin Hoffman	11		58	Dalton Richard	9
30	Archil Tediashvili	11		82	Bransen Reynolds	9
47	Dylan Swicegood	11		33	Tristen Saeger	9
64	Sam Wolpert	11		14	Dawson Swicegood	9
55	Jacob Wolford	11		51	Alex Pozzanghera	9
23	Jason Beverly	10				
17	Tyson Cameron	10				

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Vikes return 13 seniors



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Evergreen football looks to improve upon last season's 2-8 record.



The Vikings have 13 seniors to help add some experience to the squad in 2015.



2015 Evergreen coaching staff.

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The Evergreen football team improved from 0-10 to 2-8 from year one to year two under head coach Paul Amstutz. They are looking for continued success in 2015 as they return a host of talent.

“One of our biggest strengths is that we are returning a vast majority of our starters and team from last season,” said Amstutz, who is beginning his third season at the helm. “A majority of these starters are seniors, with 13 being seniors.” They have been in the system for three years now.

The Vikings also have

three all-league performers returning, most notably senior quarterback Nick Etue who has accrued three years of varsity experience. Etue was honorable mention All-NWOAL in 2014.

Also returning for the Vikes are senior Tyler Coopshaw, senior Mason Kasefang, senior Josh Laux (honorable mention All-NWOAL), senior Levi Carson, senior Dylan Komisarek, senior Peyton Pawlaczyk, senior Sam Williamson, senior Ian Seabolt (honorable mention All-NWOAL), junior Tyler Noe, junior Jon Milliken and junior Nate Krohn.

However, the Vikings also lost several key players to graduation.

Departing from last

year's squad were Kyle Brighton (first team All-NWOAL, special mention All-Ohio), Spencer Carter (honorable mention All-NWOAL), Jake Clay, Marty Nichols, Kade Sawyers (honorable mention All-NWOAL), Brett Smallman (honorable mention All-NWOAL) and Peyton Willeman.

With some of these departures, Evergreen's fairly thinned out roster does leave some questions for concern.

“Our biggest weakness will be the lack of upperclassmen we have available on the roster,” noted Amstutz. “The lack of depth could play a part if we have injuries.”

But, the Viking seniors should help lead them to

a more successful season on the field.

“We have 13 seniors on the team which will give us an edge when it comes to experience,” said Amstutz. “Out of the 13 seniors, six of them have started since their sophomore year. These seniors saw what it was like to compete last season and understand what it takes to win the close games.”

Newcomers to help the Vikings this season are Cole Johnson, Mike Pupos, Sean Higgins, Tyler Wood and Free Canales.

Much like any year, most of the coaches in the NWOAL feel the league race will be very tight. Coach Amstutz is no different.

“This year the league could go any way,” he said. “All teams have a legit chance of winning the league, with the winner losing one or two games this season. As even as it is, it is hard not giving the nod to the teams that have had a lot of success lately.”

He added that Wauseon, Delta and Swanton, in that order, are his top three teams in the league this season. However, Amstutz also said that the other teams have the ability to make a move for the top as well.

Evergreen begins the season at home against Otsego on Aug. 28.

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Vikes Roster

No.	Name	Grade
1	JR Marcum	9
2	Nick Etue	12
3	Free Canales	10
8	Dylan Komisarek	12
9	Joshua Laux	12
10	Peyton Pawlaczyk	12
11	Thomas Pollard	9
12	Sean Higgins	12
14	Levi Carson	12
15	Noah Harris	9
17	Tyler Noe	11
20	Mason Kasefang	12
21	Grant Donnal	10
23	Adam Baumgartner	9
24	Jon Milliken	11
26	Bryce Hudik	9
31	Hunter Van Wert	9
34	Trey Malosh	11
35	Brandon Reedy	10
36	Joseph Marcum	9
40	Bryce Eisel	9
43	Chandler Lumbrezer	9
44	Isaac Yunker	9
50	Hunter Kollarik	12
51	Conner Sawyers	10
52	Sam Williamson	12
53	Colten Pawlaczyk	9
54	Noah Malosh	10
55	Ian Seabolt	12
56	Tyler Coopshaw	12
57	Trevor Carter	10
58	Kaiden Spradlin	9
59	Mike Pupos	11
61	Jack Worline	9
62	Isaiah Ziegler	9
63	Cole Johnson	12
65	Jared Leininger	9
71	Hunter Svoboda	9
73	Kyle Smith	9
76	Tyler Wood	12
77	Nate Krohn	11
79	Jace Jenkins	9
88	Anthony Wolfe	11

Evergreen all-time coaching records

69	Ross Hoogdorn	0-9
70-71	Meine Busack	3-15
72-78	Bob Morr	28-36-4
79-86	Dave Thieken	31-48-1
87	Lee Hill	4-6
88-89	Dave Thieken	5-15
90-93	Bob Beemer	5-35
94-96	Paul Yunker	9-21
97-04	Bob Beemer	39-41
05-10	Todd Thieken	28-32
11	Eric Keller	3-7
12	Myles Holliday	5-5
13-14	Paul Amstutz	2-18

Evergreen all-time records against

Adrian Madison	0-1
Archbold	8-38
Blissfield, Mi.	1-1
Bryan	8-31
Cardinal Stritch	7-3
Collins Western Reserve	0-1
Columbus Grove	0-3
Deerfield, Mi.	1-0
Delphos Jefferson	0-1
Delta	17-28-1
Edon	2-0
Fairview	2-4
Fostoria St. Wendelin	0-2-1
Holgate	10-1
Ida, Mi.	0-1
Liberty Center	13-33
Lorain Catholic	0-1
Montpelier	25-21
Morenci, Mi.	6-1
Napoleon	0-2
Northwood	5-3
Ontario	2-1
Otsego	7-14
Ottawa Hills	8-0
Patrick Henry	12-30-2
Summerfield, Mi.	1-0
Swanton	17-29
Thompson Ledgemont	1-0
Toledo Christian	1-0
Van Buren	0-2
Wauseon	8-37-1

2015 schedule

Aug. 28	Otsego
Sept. 4	at Montpelier
Sept. 11	Ottawa Hills
Sept. 18	at Bryan
Sept. 25	Liberty Center
Oct. 2	at Swanton
Oct. 9	at Delta
Oct. 16	Patrick Henry
Oct. 23	Wauseon
Oct. 30	at Archbold

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Swanton looks to turn the corner



Rose Photography

Swanton football is one of the teams that is likely to compete for an NWOAL championship this season.

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There is a certain buzz around the Swanton football program these days. Coming off their first winning season in 19 years last season, the expectation is for them to carry that momentum into the 2015 campaign.

However, it is up to the players to get the results they want.

"They have worked hard, and they've done it each day with a lot of enthusiasm," said coach Mike Vicars of his team's offseason mentality. "Really, the biggest thing is an expectation of what they want to accomplish. I think they are doing a really good job of trying to work toward something that is unknown to them. I think they are putting their best foot forward in regards to that."

The Bulldogs return 23 letter winners off last year's 6-4 team, as well as 17 seniors to help from a leadership standpoint.

Returning for the Dogs are Robbie Gilsdorf, Aaron Hazlett, Nick Sienkiewicz, Austin Jones, Caleb Brown, Gunnar Oakes, Deric Mersereau, Zach Dziengelewski, Antonio Cervantes, Bryce McComb, Nick Koback, JD Reisinger, Zach Nowakowski, Owen Dodd, Jordan Nyler, Justin Timpe, TJ Baker, Ben Burke, Chase Avalos, Jonny Shanks and Dean Segó.

On offense Swanton should be very good, beginning on the offensive line where they have a multitude of starters back.

"I think our offensive line, I am hoping it will be a super strength. I



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Swanton has 17 seniors who hope to lead the school to its first football league title since 1995.

know they have worked really hard and they look good. Tim (Spiess) does a really good job with them," said Vicars. "I am counting on it being a strength, because I think they'll enable us to do what we need to do either running the ball or throwing the ball. We start with them."

In particular, the second-year coach is impressed with senior tackle Austin Jones and junior Zach Dziengelewski.

"Austin Jones, who is a senior, you can tell the work he's put in," said Vicars. "And then Zach Dziengelewski the other tackle, he looks really good too. Both of those guys were starters last year."

Vicars then noted the impact of senior QB Bryce McComb coming back to run the offense, Oakes and Gilsdorf on the outside at receiver, and Cervantes out of the backfield.

But even though the Dogs have the potential to be pretty balanced, look for a run heavy attack, as per usual with a Vicars' coached team.

"It gives us a little bit of a piece of mind knowing that you have the ability to do both," noted Vicars. "We are still a running team and it's hard to change your DNA. But, we have talented athletes at receiver, and at the quarterback position."

The Bulldog defense should be an experienced bunch as well. Their veteran defensive coordinator Tim Spiess shed a light on what to expect in an interview at the NWOAL coaches meeting on Aug. 9.

"Our defensive strength lies in the defensive line. Everybody is back," said Spiess. "Our entire secondary is back. We still have a little bit of work to do at linebacker, but so far we have been very pleased with our linebacker development."

The Dogs have the potential to go six deep in the secondary as Gilsdorf leads the way as their "shutdown corner." They also add Tim Rankin who was a starter at a school in the Youngstown area last year, and Oakes who returns as an anchor at safety.

"Gunnar Oakes, who I think of all the players we have, he is a legitimate Division I college prospect," said Spiess. "He is the complete package and he is a great kid to coach."

The Dogs should also benefit from having a coaching staff headed up by two guys that know each other very well, Spiess and Vicars. Spiess noted that the staff coach Vicars put together at Swanton is full of good teachers of the game.

"I have always said Mike is the best defensive line coach I've ever been associated with,"

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Bulldogs Roster

No.	Name	Grade
44	TJ Baker	12
88	Owen Dodd	12
45	Antonio Cervantes	12
12	Deric Mersereau	12
25	Jordan Nyler	12
57	Zach Nowakowski	12
75	Caleb Brown	12
4	Bryce McComb	12
37	Justin Timpe	12
70	Austin Jones	12
59	Anthony Westfall	12
58	Dean Segó	12
22	Robbie Gilsdorf	12
65	Hunter Schad	12
82	Nick Sienkiewicz	12
84	Chase Fetterman	12
14	JD Reisinger	12
16	Tim Rankin	11
34	Brandon Langwell	11
1	Nick Koback	11
11	Gunnar Oakes	11
53	Nick Rainey	11
72	Ben Burke	11
77	Aaron Hazlett	11
54	Connor Yaney	11
66	John Swing	11
21	Chase Avalos	11
71	Zach Dziengelewski	11
2	Dakota Straub	11
6	Jonathon Shanks	11
3	Evan Lutz	11
5	Noah Johnston	11
44	Zach Rankin	10
18	Crew Oberheim	10
9	Gage Pachlhofer	10
32	Zack Leahey	10
36	Noah Saunders	10
61	Dustin Segó	10
54	Greg Wilson	10
80	Ethan Frost	10
26	Chase Moore	10
76	Isaac Thomas	10
10	Zach Bloom	10
60	Hunter Albert	10
79	Joshua Wilson	10
62	Lukas Reiner	10
63	Brock Ueberroth	10
7	Marek Spiess	10
87	Reece Pawlowicz	10
51	Josh Kohlhoffer	10
19	Anthony Howard	10
15	Kody Reyes	10
33	Cameron Hitchen	10
56	Xavier Williams	9
73	John Townes	9
68	Carleton Barker	9
24	Brennan Spiess	9
50	Derek Floyd	9
79	Nathan Duarte	9
78	David Patch	9
83	Jacob Dicke	9
17	Dylan Gilsdorf	9
43	Zaven Waddell	9
52	Scott Dickens	9
89	Matthew Lorenzen	9
20	Ryan Marvin	9
8	Roman Epley	9
13	Thomas Chonko	9
64	Andrew LaPoint	9
19	Kodi Jones	9
35	Zachery Zawodni	9
81	Brad Parks	9
23	Michael Lawniczak	9

Swanton all-time coaching records

27-29	Coach Swindler	18-10-3
30-33	Coach Geer	13-18-1
34-39	Cliff Nelson	22-22-1
40-42	Elmer Faber	3-17-5
43-45	Coack Kandik	13-12-1
46-50	Dewey Johnson	25-17-1
51-52	Coach Dummeyer	13-5
53	Coach Paskalides	1-8
54-55	Harold Martin	10-6
56-58	Jim Stahl	10-15-2
59-60	Coach Irvin	0-17-1
61-69	Jim Mason	37-41-2
70-71	Ken Najarian	6-12
72-95	Dave Hansbarger	147-91-4
96-00	Mike Buckenmyer	15-35
01-03	Mike McKenzie	7-23
04-06	Steve Brehmer	2-28
07-09	Ben Ohlemacher	7-23
10	Shawn Kinnee	1-9
11-13	Phil Witker	4-26
14	Mike Vicars	6-4

2015 schedule

Aug. 28	Ottawa Hills
Sept. 5	at Tiffin Calvert
Sept. 11	Woodmore
Sept. 18	at Archbold
Sept. 25	Bryan
Oct. 2	Evergreen
Oct. 9	at Patrick Henry
Oct. 16	Wauseon
Oct. 23	Liberty Center
Oct. 30	Delta

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Indians hope to duplicate 2014 success



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Wauseon, the 2014 NWOAL champions and Division IV regional runners-up, boast an experienced roster again this season.



A bevy of seniors returning should help the Indians maintain their success in the NWOAL.



The Indians have 13 letter winners back for the 2015 season.

By Max Householder
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Wauseon football has had an enjoyable run recently, compiling a 21-3 record over the past two seasons. For the 2015 season they are preseason favorites to win the league as picked by the NWOAL coaches. "With the last couple of years that we've had, I think our seniors kind of feel like they've got an obligation to keep it going," said Indians coach Travis Cooper on the mindset of the team's upperclassmen. "I think they've done a really good job of emulating the last two groups that have come through senior wise. They know that there is going to be a lot of new kids that are asked to do some things, but I think that they are eager for that opportunity."

The defending NWOAL champs will once again have a new quarterback at the helm, as senior JJ Kauffman takes over for Zac Robinson who was first team All-Ohio a season ago. Kauffman, however, does have some experience as he filled in for an injured Robinson during Wauseon's season-ending loss to Kenton in the regional final.

"He has learned from (Zac Robinson), he has learned from Ty (Suntken), and I think that has really helped. He is a good leader," said Cooper of his new QB.

As far as talent is concerned, Kauffman doesn't give away much to his predecessors, Rob-

inson and Suntken. "I think that he probably has a stronger arm than what Zac had. I think that Zac was maybe a bit more elusive," explained the coach. "But in terms of skill set, a lot of the same things that Zac can do, JJ can do. That really helps us in terms of our offense in keeping some continuity."

Key losses for the Indians, outside of Robinson, are Noah Castle (first team All-Ohio), Anthony Werder (second team All-Ohio), Jacob Newlove (special mention All-Ohio), Josh Kauffman (special mention All-Ohio) and Peyton Shadbolt (special mention All-Ohio).

However, they do have some notable players returning to help fill the void.

A few key players back are Ty Leininger (first team All-NWOAL, All-District, and special mention All-Ohio), Jacob Flory (first team All-NWOAL, second team All-District), Mason Creager (first team All-NWOAL, special mention All-District) and Josh Whitcomb (second team All-NWOAL, All-District).

Also returning are letter winners Brendan Wilson, Danny Hench, Chase Reynolds, Luke Rychener, Tyler Wilson, Jacob Raabe, Gordon Winland and Collin Siller.

Kauffman will likely have a load taken off his shoulders as the Indians have a host of running backs looking to contribute.

"We've got a junior in Dakota Valdez who is very similar to Jac Flory and Nate Suntken," said Cooper. "But then we also have Axel Bueter's younger brother Everett, who is a sophomore (that) has really started to turn it on a bit too. He is a kid that could push for some time."

Nate Suntken was the team's workhorse a season ago when he made second team all-league, while Axel Bueter led the way in the backfield in 2013.

Wauseon's defensive coaching staff went through some changes in the offseason as defensive coordinator JD Schnitkey is no longer on the staff. According to Cooper, Schnitkey owns his own business and was no longer able to put in the necessary time. Terry Lind will take his place.

"We are lucky to have one of our former players come back," said Cooper of Lind. "He played four years of football at Capital University, and he's coached last year at Pandora-Gilboa. So he is on board and doing a very good job. A very intense guy, and a guy that really loves Wauseon and Wauseon football."

Lind inherits a fairly experienced group of players as the Indians return five defensive starters.

"I think our secondary is going to be pretty darn good," said Cooper on the defense. "We return both of our corners, and JJ played some safety for us too." He stated that the linebackers should also be solid. "We are going to probably have the most questions that need to be answered up front on our d-line," added Cooper. "When you lose Anthony Werder and Noah Castle, those are two pretty big parts to replace."

In regards to the NWOAL race, Swanton and Delta get back some key players and are viewed as the teams' to beat according to the Wauseon coach.

"I really think that Swanton and Delta are 1a and 1b," he said. "I think those two teams are gonna be the cream of the crop. Then after that, it is going to be which team's young guys really make that step. There was a lot of sophomores that played last year, and there is a lot of growth usually between sophomore and junior year."

Wauseon starts the season on the road for the first two weeks as they are at Fairview on Aug. 28 and at Fostoria Sept. 4. Their league schedule begins with a match-up at Delta on Friday, Sept. 18.

2015 schedule

- Aug. 28 at Fairview
- Sept. 4 at Fostoria
- Sept. 11 Tinora
- Sept. 18 at Delta
- Sept. 25 Archbold
- Oct. 2 Bryan
- Oct. 9 at Liberty Center
- Oct. 16 Swanton
- Oct. 23 at Evergreen
- Oct. 30 Patrick Henry

Wauseon historical coaching records

- 22 J.E. Bohn 0-6
- 23-24 Louis Moorehead 14-3-3
- 25-29 W.A. Rush 19-26-5
- 30-33 John Brammer 24-7-3
- 34 John Fites 6-2
- 35-39 Earl Rupe 13-30-2
- 40-44 Wayne Stewart 27-21-1
- 45 Al Hadden 2-7
- 46-51 Ralph Alloway 14-39-1
- 52-56 Bill Haffeld 19-23-3
- 57-59 Eddie Boy 16-11
- 60-83 Larry Fruth 140-69-13
- 84-85 Tom Galbrath 8-12
- 86-89 Tim Campana 22-18
- 90-10 Mark Emans 118-99
- 11-14 Travis Cooper 29-15

Indians Roster

No.	Name	Grade
1	Brendan Britsch	11
2	Hunter Yackee	10
4	Mason Creager	12
5	Spencer Clausen	12
7	Gabe Hawkins	10
8	Zac Carroll	9
9	Matt Malone	10
10	JJ Kauffman	12
12	Josh Whitcomb	12
13	Garrett Smith	9
14	Ty Leininger	12
15	Brendan Wilson	11
16	Danny Hench	12
18	Xavier Torres	9
20	Everett Bueter	10
21	Mac Warncke	10
22	Chase Reynolds	11
23	Travis Adkins	12
24	Owen Newlove	10
25	Junior Martinez	10
26	Tony Schweinhagen	10
27	Luke Rychener	12
28	Aaron Newland	9
29	Dakota Valdez	11
30	Zeb Smith	9
31	Levi Seiler	9
32	Jacob Flory	12
34	Trevor Rodriguez	9
35	Joey Shema	9
40	Blake Cole	10
41	Aaron Harris	9
43	Kyle Zirkle	10
44	Dawson Rupp	10
46	Grant Suntken	11
50	Alex Sosa	10
50	Jaiden Falke	9
51	Garrett Demaline	9
52	Christian Cantu	9
54	Sam Frank	9
55	Desmond Rapp	12
56	Chase Mattin	9
57	Angel Juarez	11
58	Matt Gonzales	9
59	Cam Sauber	10
60	Gage Banister	12
60	Antonio Crawford	9
63	Tyler Wilson	12
64	Stas Legenza	9
66	Miguel Gomez	9
67	Luke Grime	11
68	Jacob Raabe	11
70	Ethan Baker	12
71	Jadon Meeker	9
73	Gordon Winland	11
74	Derek Schuette	12
75	Clay Byers	12
76	Dalton Sluder	10
79	Collin Siller	12

WHS all-time records against

- Adrian, Mi. 1-0
- Archbold 30-29-1
- Bay Village 1-0
- Bellevue 1-0
- Blissfield, Mi. 1-1
- Bowling Green 0-2
- Bryan 49-42-1
- Cardinal Stritch 1-1
- Carey 0-1
- Col. Mifflin 1-0
- Defiance 6-21-2
- Delphos St. John's 4-0
- Delta 64-25-2
- Edon 0-1
- Evergreen 37-8-1
- Fairview 21-13
- Fremont Ross 0-1
- Fremont St. Joe's 0-1
- Genoa 1-0
- Hicksville 2-1
- Holgate 1-1
- Hudson, Mi. 3-1
- Ironton 1-0
- Kenton 0-1
- Leipsic 1-2
- Liberty Center 42-44-6
- Mansfield Sr. 1-0
- Maumee 3-9-1
- Montpelier 60-31
- Morenci, Mi. 6-1-2
- Napoleon 25-66-1
- New London 1-0
- Newbury 1-0
- Northwood 1-0
- Oak Harbor 1-4
- Orrville 0-1
- Ottawa Hills 4-2
- Ottawa-Glandorf 1-0
- Patrick Henry 21-23
- Paulding 4-4
- Point Place 2-0
- Rossford 6-5
- Sidney 0-2
- Swanton 53-27-8
- Toledo Libbey 0-0-1
- Toledo St. John's 0-0-2
- Toledo Waite 0-1
- Toledo Woodward 0-1
- Willard 1-0
- Wooster Triway 1-1
- Youngstown Ursuline 1-0

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NWOAL Football Records

Most Points By a Team (Season)

5 Games - Defiance (1953), 218 points
6 Games - Bryan (1958), 231 points
7 Games - Napoleon (1962), 274 points
8 Games - Patrick Henry (1997) 397 points

Most Points By a Team (Game)

Archbold vs Swanton (2013), 85 points

Most Points By Two Teams (Game)

Archbold 85, Swanton 33 in 2013

Fewest Points Allowed (Season)

5 Games - Defiance (1931), 0 points
6 Games - Wauseon (1969), 34 points
7 Games - Bryan (1964), 36 points
8 Games - Swanton (1981), 15 points

Individual Points (Season)

5 Games - Sumner Fairson (Napoleon), 117
8 Games - Nate Kmic (Delta), 206

Most Points (Game)

Nate Kmic vs Swanton (2004), 41

Most Touchdowns (Season)

5 Games - Sumner Fairson (Napoleon), 18
8 Games - Andy Peterson (Archbold), 28

Longest Scrimmage Run

Gary Miller (Evergreen) 99 yards, 1980.

Longest TD Pass

Jeff Gyurasics to Rob Sexton (Liberty Center), 99 yards, 1987.

Most Safeties (Game)

2 - 1974 Napoleon, 1988 Wauseon, 1996 Swanton, 2006 Delta.

Most Field Goals (Season)

Tim Nelson (Swanton), 6, 1996.

Most Field Goals (Game)

3- Tim Nelson (Swanton), 1996; Nate Kmic (Delta), 2002; Ethan Edwards (Delta), 2013.

Most Field Goals (Career)

9 - Rusty Storrer (Archbold), 1986-1988 and Ben Leatherman (LC), 1988-1990.

Longest Field Goal

Larry Luderman (Bryan), 55 yards, 1971.

Longest Interception Return

Mark Williamson (Napoleon), 100 yards, 1976.

Most Touchdown Passes (Season)

Gene Goering (Archbold), 28, 2007.

Most Touchdown Passes (Game)

Garrett Morton (Archbold), 6, twice in 2010.

Most Touchdown Passes (Career)

Gene Goering (Archbold), 55, 2004-2007.

Most Passes Completed (Game)

Matt Bowerman (Delta), 37, 1984.

Most Passing Yards (Game)

Gene Goering (Archbold), 475 yards, 2007.

Most Passing Yards (Season)

Gene Goering (Archbold), 2,367 yards, 2007.

Most Passing Yards (Career)

Gene Goering (Archbold), 5,477 yards, 2004-2007.

NWOAL Champions

The last 10 seasons

2005 - Patrick Henry
2006 - Delta, Patrick Henry
2007 - Patrick Henry, Wauseon
2008 - Patrick Henry
2009 - Patrick Henry
2010 - Archbold
2011 - Liberty Center
2012 - Bryan
2013 - Bryan
2014 - Wauseon

NWOAL Playoff History

Archbold (15-10)

State Champs 1988
State Runners-Up 1982
State Semis 1980,87,90
1980
Bucyrus Wynford 10-0
Cin. Mariemont 6-35
1982
Rossford 31-6
Wellington 17-0
West Jefferson 0-6
1987
Otsego 21-7
Huron 3-0 (OT)
Gates Mills Hawken 14-21
1988
Fremont St. Joe's 42-8
Monroeville 37-24
Minster 20-0
Mogadore 42-14
1989
Versailles 12-33
1990
Ayersville 23-13
Minster 34-7
Sandusky St. Mary's 0-14
2002
Ottawa-Glandorf 20-6
Delta 16-13
Kenton 0-52
2007
Liberty-Benton 13-45
2008
Liberty Center 26-6
Liberty-Benton 10-42
2010
Northwood 49-0
Lima CC 14-35
2012
Columbia Station Columbia 34-39

Bryan (3-3)

2009
Col. St. Francis 21-45
2012
Columbus Watterson 41-24
Napoleon 20-21
2013
Genoa 43-36
Caledonia River Valley 49-19
Kenton 43-36

Delta (5-7)

State Semis 2003
2000
Sandusky Perkins 6-50
2001
Margaretta 14-34
2002
Rossford 14-6
Archbold 13-16
2003
Huron 31-28
Urbana 28-20
Coldwater 16-14
Versailles 7-28
2004
Urbana 56-20
Coldwater 35-41 (2OT)
2006
Bedford Chanel 7-16
2014
Liberty-Benton 0-28

Evergreen (0-1)

1984
Western Reserve 13-14

Liberty Center (24-15)

State Champs 1997
State Runners-Up 1993,98
State Semis 1992,99,00
1980
Tiffin Calvert 14-40
1991
Marion Elgin 43-18
Springfield Catholic 28-30 (OT)
1992
Columbus Grove 7-6
Fremont St. Joe's 30-8
St. Henry 6-28
1993
McComb 45-23
Crestline 42-19
Sidney Lehman Catholic
34-7
Steubenville Catholic 14-17 (OT)
1997
Marion Pleasant 21-19
Patrick Henry 40-14
Applecreek Waynedale 44-8
Amanda-Clearcreek 49-8
1998
Bluffton 14-7
Applecreek Waynedale 13-7
Warren Kennedy 43-0
Versailles 7-28
1999
Fairview 43-21
Columbus Grove 35-28
Mohawk 49-28
St. Henry 28-35
2000
Patrick Henry 40-7
Delphos Jefferson 22-20
Marion Pleasant 28-21
Bedford Chanel 30-31
2001
Ashland Crestview 22-20
Fairview 13-12
Marion Pleasant 0-24
2004
Fairview 47-28
Bluffton 27-0
Patrick Henry 27-41
2005
Sandusky St. Mary's 12-29
2006
Hopewell-Loudon 22-42
2007
Patrick Henry 6-50
2008
Archbold 6-26
2011
Carey 28-0
Patrick Henry 7-21
2012
Liberty-Benton 7-16
Montpelier (2-3)
State Semis 1973
1973
Newark Catholic 19-8
Middletown Fenwick 7-27
1992
Elyria Catholic 6-7
1993
Otsego 27-14
Huron 6-13
Patrick Henry (24-14)
State Champs 2005
State Semis 2004,07,09
1977

Ashtabula St. John's 7-21
1996
Woodmore 27-45
1997
Columbus Grove 28-14
Liberty Center 14-40
2000
Liberty Center 7-40
2002
Delphos St. John's 7-40
2003
Liberty-Benton 20-13
Lorain Clearview 51-24
Delphos St. John's 7-41
2004
Tinora 42-13
Liberty-Benton 45-32
Liberty Center 41-27
St. Henry 0-13
2005
Elmwood 34-31
Wayne Trace 41-6
Bucyrus Wynford 56-35
North Lima S. Range 48-28
Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy 42-30
2006
Sherwood Fairview 49-52
2007
Liberty Center 50-6
Lima CC 34-14
Findlay Liberty-Benton 44-27
Marion Local 20-42
2008
Ashland Crestview 38-7
Bucyrus Wynford 21-0
Findlay Liberty-Benton 0-28
2009
Northwood 41-14
Jeromesville Hillsdale 42-19
Defiance Tinora 28-21
Coldwater 24-35
2010
Columbia Station Columbia 35-12
Jeromesville Hillsdale 41-48
2011
Northwood 49-28
Liberty Center 21-7
Hicksville 7-34
2012
Northwood 20-19
Columbia Station Columbia 56-16
Findlay Liberty-Benton 21-22
Swanton (0-1)
1995
Versailles 20-21
Wauseon (7-4)
State Champs 1993
1993
Bay Village 42-30
Wooster Triway 31-19
Youngstown Ursuline 13-7
Ironton 13-10
1994
New London 24-6
Orrville 14-21 (OT)
1999
Oak Harbor 13-24
2013
Wooster Triway 21-26
2014
Genoa 9-7
Bellevue 34-12
Kenton 14-38

Good Luck to all area football teams!

Swanton

From page 4

said Spiess on Vicars' impact on the defensive line. "When I lost Mike at Genoa, not only did I lose a good friend and a good coach for that one year, but I lost the guy who was the bread and butter

on the defensive line." "We think we have 12 kids that we are going to rotate in and out (on the d-line). We are that deep." The continuity amongst the defensive unit has also shown in how fast they have been able to grasp the playbook for the upcoming season.

"Everybody knows what

to do now," said Spiess. "I would say right now, we are probably where we were week six or week seven last year as far as the teaching (of the system) goes. We honestly felt that when we were in camp in July, we could play that Friday night and kids would know their assignments."

Look for the Bulldogs, along with Wauseon and Delta, to be prime contenders for the NWOAL title this season. For Swanton, it would be their first title since 1995.

The Dogs open the season at home against Ottawa Hills on Aug. 28.

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The Bulldogs have 23 letter winners back for the 2015 season, and have added a few players who saw playing time at other schools.

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