

1979-80

Excitement brought back to gridiron in 6-3 year

FACTS & FIGURES

Final records

FALL '79

Football	6-3
Golf	3-8
Girls basketball	15-5

WINTER '80

Boys basketball	17-5
Wrestling	8-5
Volleyball	18-5

SPRING '80

Baseball	4-11
Softball	15-3
Boys Track	0-7
Girls track	2-6

MVPs

Football: Chris Donnelly & Tim Whalen
 Golf: Bob White
 Girls basketball: Karen Hubbard
 Boys basketball: Tim Whalen
 Wrestling: Scott Stone
 Volleyball: Karen Hubbard
 Baseball: Kevin Perry
 Softball: Holly Schmidt
 Boys track: Todd Hardin
 Girls track: Karen Marckel

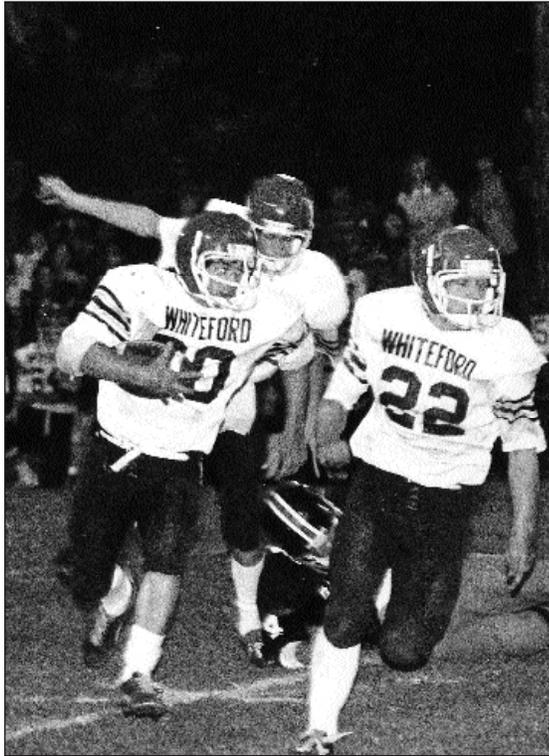
Tri-County Conference

CHAMPIONS

Football: Britton & Deerfield
 Girls basketball: Whiteford & Whitmore Lake
 Boys basketball: Whiteford & Britton
 Volleyball: Summerfield
 Baseball: Summerfield
 Softball: Whiteford
 Boys track: Summerfield

All-State

Karen Hubbard, girls basketball, First Team (AP)
 Tim Whalen, boys basketball, HM (Free Press)
 Todd Hardin, track, 4th in 440 at state meet



Top rusher and scorer **Scott Stone** (No. 20) and co-MVP **Chris Donnelly** (22) helped the Bobcat football team to its first winning season in seven years.

BOBCAT HEADLINES

- John Hoover took over Bobcat football program, led team to exciting 6-3 season and he earned Coach of the Year honors
- Boys basketball team won first 10 game, cracked AP weekly poll, shared TCC title
- Karen Hubbard's sensational sports career came to an end with Player of Year in volleyball, All-State in basketball honors
- Scott Stone is second Bobcat to run for 1,000 yards in football and is wrestling MVP
- Whiteford's girls win TCC titles in basketball, volleyball and softball
- Kris Knisel's final season as volleyball coach is 18-5 campaign

WHITEFORD TRIVIA

Q - What play did Bobcat football coach John Hoover use in Whiteford big 7-0 upset win at Summerfield?

NUMBERS & NOTES

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Karen Hubbard went out with another stellar season, setting Region records for points in a game (44), season (571) and career (1,663) while making the All-State team. The Bobcats shared the TCC championship.

FOOTBALL: Playing under their fourth coach in four years, Whiteford started the season with six consecutive wins behind a potent offense and powerful defense. The defense, led by mainstays Verl Luse, Lawson Stone, Wilbur Kerstetter, Chris Donnelly, Greg Martin and Tim Whalen, recorded four shutouts in the first six games, including a streak of not allowing a touchdown for 19 quarters.

Workhorse back Scott Stone carried the ball 245 times for 1,051 yards and coach John Hoover was named Region Coach of the Year.

The winning streak included a thrilling, 15-14 overtime win at home vs. Lincoln Alcona. The first overtime game in school history was capped by a Scott Stone touchdown and Warren DuPree extra point. A Todd Hardin tackle on the two-point conversion attempt by the visitors helped seal the win.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Through 10 games, the Bobcats already had won more contests than 14 of the 22 teams in school history to date. In fact, the Bobcats made just their second ever appearance in an Associated Press weekly basketball poll when WHS was 10-0 and ranked No. 21 in Class C.

Senior sharpshooters Todd Hardin and Tim Whalen led the

Bobcats to a 17-5 season by both scoring more than 300 points. Although coming up short in the districts to a good Blissfield team, the Bobcats did win their first Tri-County Conference championship.

The Bobcats that took to the floor were one of the tallest in school history. Kevin Stevens (6-6), Bryan Domschot (6-4) and Hardin (6-2) made up the front court with point guard Kevin Nieman (6-0) and Whalen (6-1) in the backcourt. All were seniors.

TRACK: Todd Hardin caught fire in the Regional, winning the long jump and low hurdles and taking third in the 440. At the state meet, he placed fourth in the 440. Karen Marckel won her second straight girls track MVP trophy.

WRESTLING: The best wrestling win-loss record in school history (8-5) was recorded by the 1979-80 unit. Scott Stone was second at the District. Jerry Bunge was the only Bobcat champ at the Whiteford Invitational. In four years he placed 3rd, 3rd, 2nd and 1st in the Whiteford tournament.

BASEBALL: John Rice took over the baseball program and the Bobcats won four times. Kevin Nieman led the team in batting at .409 and the Region in runs and stolen bases.

SOFTBALL: Nancy Johnson and Traci Knaggs led the hitters while Holly Schmidt was the pitching star as Whiteford won another TCC title.