

1962 Jan 16 Overview of Smyrna Basketball McComb says, "Rebuilding Team - Lack of Experience not Talent"...

1962 Smyrna Basketball Team Members

David Bailey, Johnny Bland, Doug Damren, A. C. Davis, Grady Davis, Danny Gillikin, Lorenzo Gillikin, Cranston Jones, Buddy Lewis, Terry Lewis, Tom McGee, Norris Nelson, Linwood Parker, Byron Lee Styron, Barry Willis, Jerry Willis and Joe Willis

Coach Fred Bartholomew All-Conference: Grady Davis Season Record: Conference 6-5 and Overall 8-15



Viewing Sports

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BIG YEAR

Basketball season is hardly half over and tournament time is still quite a way off but the 1961-62 season will have to go down as one of the top years in county basketball.

At this stage of the game there are still two undefeated cage teams in the county and two others that are off to better starts than they have had in several seasons. The only team that is "down" from last year's performances is the Smyrna Blue Devils who were hit hard by graduation and are in the first stages of a rebuilding program.

Even at that, the Blue Devils, winners of only two of eleven games so far, have given indications that things will get better before the end of the season. The young charges of coach Fred Bartholomew suffer not so much from lack of talent as they do from lack of experience, an important factor in high school basketball.

The pace being set by the Morehead City Eagles has

Standings

CARTERET-CRAVE CONFERENCE GIRLS

	Conf.	
	W	L
Newport	3	0
Atlantic	2	0
Vanceboro	2	1
Smyrna	2	1
Jasper	1	4
Dover	0	2

BOYS

	Conf.	
	W	L
Havelock	4	0
Newport	3	0
Atlantic	2	1
Vanceboro	2	2
Smyrna	1	2
Jasper	1	5
Dover	0	2