

## #20C-1 1965-1966 High School – ECHS Basketball Recap

Perhaps the biggest headaches of this season were shared by two men, Head Coach Mal Boyette and Assistant Coach Raymond Gillikin. Many problems stood directly in the path of progress for these two men. Together these men strived to solve problems and produce a winning team. Although the season was only fairly successful, many of the athletic problems created by consolidation were eliminated by the efforts of these two men. Thanks and good luck to Coach Boyette and Coach Gillikin.



Ass't. Coach: Mr. Raymond Gillikin



Head Coach: Mr. Mal Boyette

### *Season's Record*

|                           |    |                |     |
|---------------------------|----|----------------|-----|
| ECHS                      | 58 | Washington     | 64  |
| EGHS                      | 48 | Washington     | 56  |
| ECHS                      | 64 | Swansboro      | 51  |
| ECHS                      | 45 | WCHS           | 65  |
| ECHS                      | 37 | Swansboro      | 56  |
| ECHS                      | 68 | Havelock       | 80  |
| ECHS                      | 46 | Pamlico        | 39  |
| ECHS                      | 65 | Jones Central  | 99  |
| ECHS                      | 53 | Havelock       | 70  |
| ECHS                      | 50 | WCHS           | 53  |
| ECHS                      | 80 | Jones Central  | 67  |
| ECHS                      | 85 | Camp Lejeune   | 72  |
| ECHS                      | 86 | Pamlico        | 58  |
| ECHS                      | 61 | Dixon          | 69  |
| ECHS                      | 66 | Camp Lejeune   | 69  |
| ECHS                      | 68 | Dixon          | 101 |
| ECHS                      | 61 | Vanceboro      | 55  |
| Coastal Plains Tournament |    |                |     |
| ECHS                      | 60 | Camp Lejeune   | 35  |
| ECHS                      | 29 | Havelock       | 31  |
| District Tournament       |    |                |     |
| ECHS                      | 46 | Southern Wayne | 62  |

Early in November about thirty boys came out for basketball at ECHS. Boys from three schools had to learn to work together for the first time. Adverse conditions hindered practices until late in the season. The gym had not been completed, and the Mariners were forced to practice in the Beaufort gym.

Team spirit was quite high during most of the season. Teamwork seemed to be the major problem. Near the end of the regular season, the boys began to work together quite well as a unit. The effect of practicing teamwork hit its peak during the final game of the conference tournament. Although the Mariners lost by two points, the fans were well pleased with the progress the boys had made during the year.

Graduating this year are four Seniors. Only two of the Seniors were regulars. Prospects for the coming year look to be better than average with seven Juniors and one sophomore returning.

This year was a trying year for both coaches and players. Much praise should be given to these boys for laying a permanent foundation for basketball at ECHS. Finally, in looking back on the entire season, we say, "Congratulations for a job well done."

Left to Right: Jule Wheatly, Thompson Lewis, Paul Biermann, Jonathan Willis, David Wheatly, Jackie Duncan, Danny Lawrence, Tony Hancock, Jimmy Brafford, Sam Thomas, Ed Nelson, Allen Woodard.