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Lady Husky volleyball season begins on November 17

Fall sports are just a couple of weeks away after the three-month delay due to COVID-19 precautions. Ashe County's volleyball team will open its season on November 17 with a road match at Alleghany. The first of a 14-game regular-season schedule consisting of two matchups against each of the Mountain Valley Athletic Conference teams.

Ashe will play its first home match on November 19 against Elkin before hitting the road to North Wilkes on November 23. Ashe will host Wilkes Central on November 25 to wrap up play for the month.

December begins with two road matches at East Wilkes (December 1) and West Wilkes (December 3) before having three straight home matches. Ashe will

host Starmount on December 8, Allghany on December 10 ad North Wilkes on December 18.

The Lady Huskies will finish up the regular season with road matches at Elkin (December 21) and Wilkes Central (December 28), two home matches against East Wilkes (December 30) and West Wilkes (January 4) and the regular season finale at Starmount on January 6.

Former Ashe County Husky baseball standout named Coastal Plain Hitter of the Year

The legend of Hogan Windish in the Coastal Plain League continues to grow, as the UNCG baseball second baseman received the league's Hitter of the Year honor this Thursday. Playing for the High Point-Thomasville HiToms, Windish garnered multiple league Player of the Week honors over the shortened summer season, while leading his team to a 20-7 record and a Mid-Atlantic Division title.

"His bat speed and plate awareness were crucial all season to him leading the league in batting average and RBIs," said HiToms Head Coach Mickey Williard. "He put up a ridiculous 21-game hit streak that just is not often done by a guy with such large power production. He is no longer overshadowed and is a name to watch in the upcoming years, the guy can really hit."

Windish is a redshirt sophomore at UNCG and had a tremendous career at Ashe County High School playing for his father and head coach, Mike Windish. Hogan was a three-time all-conference performer in the Mountain Valley Athletic Conference

and was an all-state performer during his senior year when he hit a scorching .533 at the plate. He also led the MVAC in batting average and OPS in his junior season with the Huskies.

During play this year, Windish led the league in multiple offensive categories, including an impressive slash line of .447/.452/.563 over his 25 appearances in the Coastal Plain League. In addition to a 21-game hitting streak, the Spartan second baseman had back-to-back 7-RBI performances over a single July weekend early in the season and was the offensive leader on a roster that boasted players from Clemson, North Carolina, Wake Forest, Campbell and Virginia Tech.

Playing alongside Spartans
Greg Hardison, Alex Hoppe,
Colin Best, Zack Budzik, Phillip

Sanderson, and new teammate Dallas Callahan, Windish had a dominate summer in the Coastal Plain League, widely considered the premier summer league for most college talent in the southeast. He will return for Coach Godwin and company in spring of 2021 as a redshirt sophomore.



App State basketball will now play only divisional games due to COVID-19_____

The Sun Belt Conference has announced an updated conference schedule for the upcoming 2020-21 men's basketball season.

App State was still play 18 conference contests; however, the conference will now be broken down into divisional play. The Mountaineers will now only play Sun Belt East Division opponents in a Friday-Saturday format.

The Sun Belt slate will now tip on Jan. 1 as the Mountaineers welcome Troy to the Holmes Caenter. App State will also battle the Trojans in Boone on Jan. 2.

The Mountaineers continue play at home the following weekend, welcoming Georgia Southern to the High Country on Jan. 8 and Jan. 9.

App State hits the road for a trip to Mobile to face South Alabama on Jan. 15 and Jan. 16, before returning back to the Holmes Center to face Georgia State on Jan. 22 and Jan. 23.

The Black and Gold then play five of its next six contests on the road. First, App State will travel to take on Troy on Jan. 29 and Jan. 30, followed by a trip to play at Georgia State on Feb. 5 and Feb. 6. The Mountaineers then host Coastal Carolina on Feb. 11, with a return trip to Conway slated for Feb. 13.

App State plays its final two home games of the regular season on Feb. 19 and Feb. 20 against South Alabama. The Mountaineers then conclude the regular season on Feb. 26 and Feb. 27 at Georgia Southern.

The Sun Belt Tournament tips in Pensacola, Fla. on March 5 and runs through March 8. The top

two finishers in each division will earn a bye. First round games will feature cross division matchups (i.e. No. 3 East vs. No. 6 West). Quarterfinals are set for March 6, followed by the semifinals on March 7 and tournament championship on March 8.

Times of all contests will be announced at a later date.

Information regarding season and single game tickets will be released at a later date.

Due to COVID-19, the schedule remains fluid. All dates and times, when announced, are subject to change.

