

N.C.H.S. Girls Basketball Roster

Name	No.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class
Tacy Earlywine	3	Fwd.	5'8"	130	12
Jennifer Johnson	44	Ctr.	5'8"	180	12
Kristi Barton	55	Fwd.	5'4"	125	12
Christie Hatton	22	Gd.	5'9"	128	11
Renee Linville	11	Fwd.	5'9"	130	11
Nikki Smoot	21	Gd.	5'5"	125	11
Tina Fryman	10	Fwd.	5'5"	155	11
Kim Donkins	52	Ctr.	6'4"	160	10
Elizabeth Schanding	20	Gd.	5'4"	123	10
Jennifer Willoughby	33	Gd.	5'6"	118	10
Alicia Sibert	35	Fwd.	5'5"	130	10
Michella Hopkins	53	Ctr.	5'9"	150	10
Tawyna Livingood	41	Ctr.	5'8"	148	10
Tara George	12	Gd.	5'5"	120	9
Melanie Jones	51	Ctr.	5'10"	150	9

Coaching Staff

Head Coach.....Barbara Kenney
 Assistant.....Penny Bretz
 Assistant.....Mike Kenney

Name	No.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class
Daniel Brown	14	G	5'11"	160	12
Raymond Brown	22	G	5'11"	165	12
Mike Cain	20	F	6'1"	160	12
Jason George	33	F	5'10"	160	12
Chris Jones	40	C	6'2"	190	12
Kevin Morris	24	G/F	5'10"	160	12
Jamie Simons	44	C	6'4"	200	12
Travis Sims	35	F	6'4"	210	12
Jarrod Willis	23	G/F	6'0"	170	12
Charles Nichols	42	C	6'5"	175	11
Brian Ockerman	34	F	6'3"	175	11
Bradley Brown	32	F	6'1"	155	10
Bradley Trussell	30	F	6'0"	160	10
Israel Stacy	10	G	5'9"	140	10

Coaching Staff


Head Coach.....Ed Oakley
 Assistant.....Greg Letcher
 Freshman.....Bobby Storie

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Storie takes freshman reins

By Josh Shepherd
 Of The Carlsle Mercury Staff

In his first year coaching Freshman basketball, Freshman Head Coach Bobby Storie has one advantage in the fact that most of his former seventh and eighth grade team will once again be under his instruction.

The fact they are already strongly bonded as a team has been a plus in the early season for the Freshman Jackets. They have only been able to practice a short time to get prepared for the early season. But attitudes and personal expectations are high for this developing team as they headed into their first outing against Harrison County Monday night.

But the team shows signs of promise, especially for the future of the Nicholas County Bluejackets, Storie said. Two of the freshmen actively work with the varsity team and two others will be key support men for the junior varsity. But there is still a

load of experience the team needs to have as they prepare for Varsity play down the road.

Although the team has been together since middle school action, their experience in Nicholas County's regular district has not been frequent. They have faced Bourbon County and Paris in seventh and eighth grade, but the Bluegrass Conference, in which the seventh and eighth grade play, includes teams around and west of the Lexington area. They have not grown facing players from Mason County, Bracken, Bath, or many other teams the high school has on its regular schedule.

But the ten players who make up the Freshman Jackets have an advantage in their willingness to work and learn.

"The team lacks some fundamental ball skills when they're on the court. And their overall physical strength and team speed needs to be improved. But if they can set back, set up the offense well and take the time to choose

their shots, well then they'll be ready to move on," Storie said. Storie favors a strong defense that creates its own offense. He prefers to force turnovers and cut down the other team's possession with good inside rebounding. Taking advantage of these opportunities under the basket makes any team a potential winner, whether or not they have a star shooter waiting in the wings.

"Everyone must know that they contribute something to the team. My job, as far as the Freshman team is concerned, is the same as any coaches. I need to make them ready for varsity play, develop the kind of experience and poise on the court that will make them winners, whatever the score. Although winning would be nice," Storie said.

Later in the season, the Freshman will prepare for their own brand of district tournament and Storie feels he has a solid team that can be competitive one tournament time.

"The freshmen have shown a lot of ability and desire. There are a lot of good attitudes. It should make for a good season."



Bobby Storie

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