



Photo by Charles Mattox

A historic cabin was disassembled from the farm of Charles Williamson on Headquarters Road last week. It will be reassembled near Barterville on Artocroft.

Headquarters cabin begins recycle process

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When we think of recyclable material we usually think of aluminum or copper, but for some people the best recyclable materials are found in log cabins.

Robert Barker, director of Artocroft, was on site at the Charles Williamson farm, near Headquarters, last week disassembling the logs from a historic cabin that sat near the road. The cabin will be reassembled on Artocroft property near Barterville and will be used as part

of an artistry residency program sponsored by Artocroft. "The logs are old and the cabin may date back to the late 1700s," said Charles Williamson from his front porch, where he witnessed the slow but steady process of removing the logs one at a time and loading them on various wagons.

The cabin was a two-story structure and the logs appeared to be as solid as the day they were joined together.

"The logs are all poplar logs," Barker said. "I can tell from some square nails we've found that the structure goes back to at least the 1850s and may be much older than that," Barker said.

New artists will be in residency at Artocroft beginning in the middle of August and Barker and others have put great effort into enhancing the artistic environment of the landscape and residency surrounding the facility.

"We try to focus on traditional things at Artocroft," Barker said.

Log cabins are becoming increasingly rare in the area and individuals who wish to recycle the historic logs seek existing structures.

Hopkins pleased with offense in last weeks pre-season's scrimmage against Harrison County

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Coach Robert Hopkins knew his team was going to have a hard time matching up with the talent of Harrison County, but he was impressed with what he saw from his Nicholas County team in Friday's home football scrimmage.

"Overall we came away seeing what we'd hoped to see," the seventh-year coach said. "It was promising. We gave a good effort and we know what we were doing on offense."

Not everything was positive, however. Hopkins had concerns about his defense before the game and they did not clear up Friday.

"The defense was a little shaky," he said. "I was not satisfied. We gave up too many long bombs for the defense. We've got to shore up our secondary and team tackling."

No score was kept on Friday, but Harrison County got into the end zone while Nicholas County did not.

"We moved the ball pretty well. On our first 10-play series, we moved down field, but had a turnover," Hopkins said. "Things like that are going to happen in a scrimmage. We didn't score, but we moved the ball. The offense ran and threw it well, we just didn't catch it. Those things will be corrected and the kids will make those plays down the road."

The game was divided into two groups of 10-play offensive sets for each team, then a 10-play series for each junior varsity squad, a quarter with the varsity playing for down and distance, and then finally a 10-play freshman series for each offense.

There were no special teams.

"We were pretty satisfied. Everyone got in from the varsity to the freshmen," Hopkins said. "All



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Bluejackets scrimmage against Harrison County.

"three levels did themselves proud. They did what we wanted them to do. As was expected Hopkins liked the play of his offensive line.

"The offensive line was our strong suit. They did a tremendous job," he said. "They protected the quarterback and gave him time to throw, and created holes for the backs to run through."

Harrison County's athleticism and speed gave the Bluejackets problems, but Hopkins thought his team played hard and rose to the challenge.

"They were faster out of the tackles, but we dominated inside of the tackles," he said. "Overall I was real pleased."

Nicholas County will face off against Lewis County in the grid-o-rama played at Rowan County, beginning at 7 p.m.



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