

## Flight Winners in Golf Tournament



The annual Partnership Best Ball Golf Tournament, hosted by the Eagle Lake Recreation Center, was held last weekend with 58 teams participating in the two day event. Terry Cussey, tournament director, announced the winners at the conclusion of the second tournament on Sunday evening. Pictured above are four of the five

## Wharton Team Is Champ Of Best Ball Tourney Held Here

Fifty-eight teams participated in the Eagle Lake Recreation Center annual Partnership Best Ball Golf Tournament last Saturday and Sunday with a duo from Wharton, D. Simpson and R. Hensinger, firing a 64-67-131 to win first place in the championship flight. The lowest tournament score was posted, however, by the first flight winners, B. Bell and M. Henderson of El Campo with a 63-67-130.

The event was hailed as a big success, with near perfect weather, by Terry Cussey, tournament chairman, who expressed thanks to all who assisted, especially the ladies golf association, and all who participated in the event.

A very special thanks was extended by the Eagle Lake Recreation Center to Cussey for the many hours spent preparing and the excellent job of running the tournament.

A golf cart fee-a-hole-in-one during the tournament play, sponsored by First National Bank, S&W Parts, Johnny's Sport Shop, J.F. Miller Ford, Inc. and Eagle Tractor, Inc. went unclaimed.

Four prizes were awarded in each of the five flights, with a total of \$5500, at the conclusion of play Sunday. First rounds were played Saturday and a social, dinner and player auction followed Saturday's play. First prize to each team member placing first was a Model 1100 Remington Shotgun; second place winners received a Chain Saw; third place, AM-FM Radio; fourth place winners received golf balls.

Other winners in the championship flight were: second to F. Luna and M. Turner, 66-66-132; third to M. Turner and B. Burtchell, 66-67-135; and fourth to T. Pilkington and E. Danzer, 73-73-146.

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Other first flight winners were: second, Kelly and Coburn, 69-67-130; third, M. Kennedy and C. Koshler, 66-73-141; and D. Davidson and W. P. McMillan, 72-76-148.

Second flight winners were: first, J. Burnhart and B. Elmore of Conroe, 74-79-143; second, E. Wilkins and R. Wilkins, 73-72-145; third, J. Hudson and R. Zappe, 72-73-146; fourth, B. Creamer and B. Koot, 73-73-146.

Third flight winners were: first, T. Tunis and J. Kalas of Hallettsville, 70-74-144; second, A. Benestante and R. Benestante, 74-72-149; third, J. Gaines and C. Nobles, 77-73-152; fourth, J. Schell and E. P. Schneider, 80-73-153.

Fourth flight winners were: C. Bowell and J. Brown of Houston, 70-79-149; second, Morgan and Morgan, 81-82-163; third, J. Burtchell and M. Wimberly, 80-81-164; winners of a coin toss; 4th, Gary Waddell and Davis, Waddell, of Eagle Lake, 82-82-164.

5500 In Prizes

## ELMS Raiders Open Season Hosting Hallettsville Thursday

7th Grade Kickoff At 5:30; 8th Grade 7 P.M.

The Eagle Lake Middle School Raiders will open their 1979 season this Thursday evening when they host Hallettsville for two games at the Middle School football field.

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coaches are expecting a lot of action from Gilbert Alvarado, Rupert Contreras, Coby Shorter III, Delbert Jarvis and Anthony Williams.

The Raiders will be running the same type offense as the high school, using the tandem I-veer with three options. Coach Norris indicated that he expects his Raiders to do a lot of passing out of that formation.

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Rice vs. Hallettsville At Raider Field Friday at 8:00 p.m.

## Sports

## Special Teal Shoot Opens This Saturday

A nine-day early teal shooting season will open at sunrise this Saturday and continue through sunset on Sunday, Sept. 23rd with good prospects for an outstanding year.

Large migrations of the small, but swift and fine-sighted, birds have moved into the area and excellent hunting is anticipated. The heavy rains of last week are expected to scatter the birds, but ponds, lakes and second-growth rice fields should all produce good hunting.

Shooting hours will be from sunrise to sunset only with a daily bag limit of four birds per day and a possession limit of eight after the first day of legal shooting.

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## Raiders Take Opener 20 to 0 Over Wildcats

Host Hallettsville Fri. For Home Opener; Kickoff At 8:00 P.M.

The Rice High School Raiders opened up their 1979 season with an easy 20-0 victory over the Weimar Wildcats last Friday night in Weimar.

This Friday night the Raiders shot for win number two as they battle Hallettsville in the home opener at Raider Field at 8:00 p.m.

The Brahmas boast a powerful lineup and are coming off a 6 to 0 victory over East Bernard last week in Hallettsville.

It was the versatile Raider offense that made the difference last Friday as it struck quickly for touchdowns in each of the first three quarters of play.

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## GRAD SCHEDULE

Games This Thursday: ELMS 7th and 8th graders host Hallettsville at 5:30 and 7:00.

Garwood-Sheridan scrimmages Weimar in Weimar at 5:00 p.m.

Rice Freshmen in Hallettsville at 5:30 p.m.

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## around the league

## Columbus Rocks Rockdale 21-14

The Columbus Cardinals opened the 1979 football season Friday night with an impressive 21-14 win over the Rockdale Raiders in Rockdale.

A 16 yard scoring run by Ricky Jones, a two yard touchdown run by quarter-back Matt Underwood and a 50 yard punt return by Stan Mitchell accounted for the Columbus scoring after Terrell Maestri booted a 34 yard field goal early in the first quarter.

Jones led Cardinal ball carriers with 196 yards on 21 rushes.

The Cardinals have an open date this Friday night.

Belville 33 La Grange 12

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