

Charlie's Chatter

Patriot Football

On September 22, the DAR Patriots played the New Hope Indians. DAR looked to push their record to 2-2 with a win. It was a slow start, but when DAR got hot they never stopped. With a 61 yard touchdown pass from Will Bailey to Brayden Lewis, DAR took a 7-0 lead. It was never even close as Brayden Lewis hauled in more than 100 receiving yards and four touchdowns. The Patriots were nearly perfect, but with a turnover inside their own 20 yard line, they set the Indians up at the DAR 11. New Hope four and out and never cracked the scoreboard, securing the win for DAR at 55 to 0.



DAR played the Geraldine Bulldogs on September 29, looking to win their second game in a row and up their record to 3-2. It was a hard fought defensive game from the start. Geraldine's offense got started early taking a 7 to 0 lead. The Patriots scored two touchdowns in the first half, but failed to make the extra point attempts, ending the half with a 12 to 7 score. The Patriots scored one more time on a 46 yard TD pass to Noah Smith in the 4th quarter to put the game away. DAR spoiled Geraldine's homecoming and improved their record to 3-2 with a 19 to 7 victory.

On October 6, the Patriots took on the Madison County Tigers. It was a good game, but Madison County eventually pulled away and won easily at 48 to 28.

This past Friday, DAR played the Sardis Lions. Sardis was on a hot streak, winning four straight since starting the season off 0-2. The Patriots got off to a great start with a 21 to 0 lead at the half. The Lions would not go down without a fight, and in the second half, they drove the ball into the DAR red zone three times. Each time, Sardis turned it over. The Lions were eventually able to break the scoreboard and make it 21 to 10, but the Patriots finished them off with a 31 to 21 upset! With the win, DAR upped their record to 4-3. On October 20, the Patriots take on the Randolph Raiders.

KDS Cross Country

DAR Cross Country is off to a great start this season. In the Arab Invitational, Haley Hughes finished third with Slone Butler right behind her at fourth. For the boys, Kyle Saylor led the way finishing third for DAR while Andrew Wrenn placed second. Tyler Foster wasn't far behind as he finished thirteenth. Both teams placed 2nd.

In the Lake Guntersville Cross Country Invitational both KDS teams performed great. The girls were led by Haley Hughes and Slone Butler who placed first and second. The next best result was by 8th grader Alex Aultman who placed twenty-first. The boys had Kyle Saylor place second, Brad Aultman place fifth, Tyler Foster place ninth, and Koltyn Harbin place tenth. It was a great meet for both teams overall as the girls finished 3rd and the boys finished 2nd.

Haley Hughes has positioned herself as the leader of the pack. She has been posting multiple



top-ten times

and a few top-five finishes. Her last few races have been her best as she has finished in the top five in just about all of them.

