

TD Receptions

	<u>Player</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Years</u>
	Mike Nyhan - Hall	3	1993
29.	Andy Jackson	3	1955
30.	Bill Eike	3	1954
31.	Bob Mc Aniff	3	1951-53
32.	Carl Fuchs	3	1946-47
33.	Gerald Johnson	3	1942
34.	Victor Woron	3	1941
35.	Don Zabriskie	3	1941
36.	Carl Cahill	3	1918-19
	^{Gary Twombly}	2	2002
37.	Keith Coirier	2	1988
	^{Kenny Adams}	2	2002
38.	Nick Varoudakis	2	1985
39.	Seth Baker	2	1984
40.	Steve Bradbury	2	1982
41.	Bobby Greenawalt	2	1981
	^{Brad Gettings}	2	1993
42.	Ken Johnson	2	1978-79
43.	Tom Grady	2	1977
44.	Greg Twombly	2	1975-76
45.	Tom Reilly	2	1974-75
46.	Jamie Fish	2	1970
47.	Doug Mulica	2	1969-70
48.	Ken Ladd	2	1968
49.	George Cashman	2	1966-68
50.	Bob Wilkie	2	1966
51.	Oat Ladd	2	1966
52.	Tom Calumbo	2	1966
53.	Larry Russell	2	1965-66
54.	Paul Shepherd	2	1964
55.	Eddie Smith	2	1957
56.	Jack Foley	2	1955-56
	^{Tony Waiszilos}	2	1950
	^{Don Foley}	2	1948

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<u>Player</u>	<u>TD's</u>	<u>Year</u>
Happy Dagrea	2	1946
Mickey Twomey	2	1945
Charlie O'Connor	2	1944
Joseph Zabriskie	2	1943
Rosario "Zor" Garfi	2	1942
Mike Wanagel	2	1931 - 32
Johnny Bishop	2	1930
Edwin "Spud" Bollard	2	1929
Daniel Connors	2	1927
Lionel Collis	2	1926
Fred Carver	2	1922
Albert Perkins	2	1921 - 22
Michael Herlihy	2	1919
Thomas Townie	2	1913
Mike Curran	1	1989
Brent Lingermain	1	1989
Glen Dow	1	1989
Jan Story	1	1989
Jeff Gerber	1	1989
Adams Beal	1	1988
Craig Martin	1	1988
Dana Atherton	1	1987
John Messner	1	1986
Adrian Spymura	1	1986
Eric Lever	1	1986
Eric Madigan	1	1985
Bernie Eppa	1	1984
Bill Eiserman	1	1984
Sean Flanders	1	1980
Ken Stevens	1	1979
Ivan Girard	1	1977

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<u>Player</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Year</u>
Mike Kelley	1977	Doug Mac Burnie	1949
Gary Martin	1974	Fred Hawkes	1949
Kevin Barlow	1974	Johnny Doyle	1948
Mike Bresnahan	1974	Arthur Morris	1948
Kevin Sullivan	1974	Billy Foley	1947
Steve Henes	1973	Ray Quinn	1947
Johnny Fournier	1973	Evangelos Triandafilou	1945
Gary Twomey	1973	Charlie Foley	1943
Tom Doyle	1972	Paul Twomey	1943
Jim Stoklan	1971	Michael Twomey	1941
Seth Kelley	1971	Joseph Lill	1941
Glen Jackson	1970	Emery Mac Farlane	1940
Tim Landers	1969	Leonard "Buddy" Knox	1940
Mark Cashman	1969	Richard Mac Williams	1939
Dave Egonis	1968	George Twomey	1937
Ron Savage	1968	Larry Straville	1937
Bill Cashman	1965	Stanley Rosina	1937
Ron Fort	1964	George Murphy	1936
Jack Colby	1963	Fred Page	1935
Harvey Knight	1963	Jimmy Twomey	1934
John Connors	1962	Wendell Coltin	1934
Bill McLaughlin	1962	Daniel Toomey	1934
Sam Goodrich	1962	Albert Hopkins	1933
Bob Chaisson	1960	Francis "Happy" Houlahan	1931
Jack Murray	1959	Ray Rayno	1929
Bobby Mills	1958	Charlie Caddoo	1929
Gordon Marshall	1956	Charles Traister	1928
Dick Canepa	1953	Edward Kelley	1922
Dick Foley	1952	Art Moynihan	1921
Paul Reilly	1951	Ralph Hills	1921
Jim Ronan	1949	Forest Batrignin	1915
Connie Haley	1914	Charles Bond	1915
		Donald Pierre	1913

Career Passing Leaders

5.

Louis Fazio

	<u>Compl.</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>yds.</u>	<u>Passing TD's</u>	<u>Int.</u>	<u>Career Pts.</u>
1971	11	24	94	0	?	
1972	23	68	391	2	?	
1973	42	73	736	9	?	
	<u>76</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>1,221</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>?</u>	<u>46</u>

6.

Kurt Laake

1984	63	150	815	5	11	
1987	<u>30</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>352</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>	
	93	230	1,167	7	19	12

7.

Kevin Sullivan

1974 } 1975 }	67	136	1,159	14	?	92
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839 yds. 14 TD's
Rushing

8.

Chris Lamothe

1984	4	8	52	0	0	
1985	<u>68</u>	<u>164</u>	<u>836</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>23</u>	
	72	172	888	7	23	12

48 carries for 204 yds. 2 TD's
Rushing

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Career Passing Leaders

1.

Mike Rymsha

	<u>Compl.</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Passing TD's</u>	<u>Int.</u>	<u>Career Pts.</u>
1988	38	87	692	5	8	
1989	59	120	1,032	10	9	
1990	82	165	1,264	12	4	
	<u>179</u>	<u>372</u>	<u>2,988</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>52</u>

2.

Bobby Jean

1982	32	70	525	3	7	
1983	119	194	1,791	18	6	
	<u>151</u>	<u>264</u>	<u>2,316</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>

90 yds. 1 TD Rushing

3.

Kevin Stehlin

1978	8	16	71	0	?	
1979	59	120	776	8	?	
1980	34	83	587	5	?	
	<u>101</u>	<u>219</u>	<u>1,434</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>?</u>	<u>54</u>

87 carries for 273 yds. 8 TD's
Rushing

4.

Denis Stevens

1974	55	93	1,402	15	?	84
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96 carries for 627 yds. 13 TD's
Rushing

Career Passing Leaders

<u>Player</u>	<u>Comp.</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>Yds</u>	<u>Pass TD's</u>	<u>Int.</u>	<u>Career Str.</u>	<u>Y</u>
1. Mike Rymsha	179	372	2,988	(27)	21	52	1988-90
2. Bobby Jean	151	264	2,316	21	13	14	1982-83
Steve Ladd	120	252	1,529	14	17		1994-95
3. Kevin Stehlin	101	219	1,434	13	?	54	1978-80
4. Denis Stevens	55	93	1,402	15	?	84	1976
5. Louis Festo	76	165	1,221	11	?	46	1971-73
6. Kurt Lasako	93	230	1,167	7	19	12	1986-87
7. Kevin Sullivan	67	136	1,159	16	?	92	1974-75
8. Chris Lamothe	72	172	888	7	23	12	1984-85
9. Jeff Fogel	81	143	888	7	13	30	1984
10. R. J. Welch	31	82	525	5	?	42	1977
Rob Theroux	60	128	890	5 ₈	-	66	1993 1965
* Larry Russell	39	74	992	19	3	123	1966

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* (Passing stats not available for 1965)

New Records

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Career Rushing Leaders

Scott Sullivan

	<u>Carries</u>	<u>yds.</u>	<u>Rush. TD's</u>	<u>Career Pts.</u>
1991	52	222	2	
1992	47	237	3	
1993	<u>#222</u>	<u>#1,345</u>	<u>12</u>	
Totals	321	1,824	17	106

Brett Bashaw

1994	126	606	6	
1995	<u>170</u>	<u>1,227</u>	<u>9</u>	
Totals	296	1,833	15	

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Career Rushing Leaders

11.

Earl Hawkes

	<u>Carries</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Rush. TD's</u>	<u>Career Pts.</u>
1980	7	67	1	
1981	<u>-</u>	<u>772</u>	<u>10</u>	
		839	11	92

12.

Matt Langie

1982	-	124	0	
1983	<u>124</u>	<u>678</u>	<u>11</u>	
		804	11	115

13.

Steve Brennan

1977	98	502	4	
1978	<u>48</u>	<u>295</u>	<u>2</u>	
	146	797	6	44

14.

Dennis Stevens

1976	96	627	13	84
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15.

Jeff Twombly

1979	8	22	1	
1980	<u>97</u>	<u>529</u>	<u>5</u>	
	105	551	6	69

16.

I. van Lierand

1977	6	27	1	
1978	<u>109</u>	<u>508</u>	<u>5</u>	
	115	535	6	44

Larry Russell

1965	(No Stats avail.)	2		
1966	84	492	<u>9</u>	123
			11	

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4.

Eddie "Harry" O'Bara

	<u>Carries</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Rush. TD's</u>	<u>Career Pts.</u>
1965	2	43	3	
1966	71	586	7	
1967		1,034	14	
		1,663	24	193

6.

Jimmy Farrell

1988	125	786	4	
1989	118	706	7	
	243	1,492	11	70

7.

Bill Daniels

1987	100	532	7	
1988	92	565	6	
	192	1,097	13	80

8.

Lyle Lumsden

1971	48	254	2	
1972	142	773	9	
	190	1,027	11	66

9.

Shawn McAniff

1977	122	903	6	44
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10.

Kevin Sullivan

1974		839	4	
1975			9	
		839	13	92

Career Rushing Leaders

1.

Greg Twombly

	<u>Carries</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Rush. TD's</u>	<u>Career Pts.</u>
1975	82	715	7	
1974	<u>180</u>	<u>1,226</u>	<u>14</u>	
	262	1,941	23	150

2.

Todd McAniff

1978	130	504	3	
1979	51	138	0	
1980	<u>191</u>	<u>1,275</u>	<u>14</u>	
	372	1,920	17	102

3.

Mike Breonahan

1973	(Stats not avail.)		1	
1974	112	670	10	
1975	<u>139</u>	<u>1,034</u>	<u>18</u>	
	251	1,704	29	206

5.

Craig Klein

1971	64	213	1	
1972	131	672	5	
1973	<u>*116</u>	<u>699</u>	<u>10</u>	
	*311	1,584	16	104

*(No. carries missing)
in 1 game

Career Rushing Leaders
Total Yards Gained

<u>Player</u>	<u>yds.</u>	<u>Years</u>
Greg Twombly	1,941	1975-1974
Todd Mc Aniff	1,920	1978-1980
Brett Bashaw	1,833	1994-1995
Scott Sullivan	1,824	1991-1993
Mike Bresnahan	1,704	1974-1975
Eddie O' Bora	1,663	1965-1967
Craig Weir	1,584	1971-1973
Erik Bashaw	1,501	1990-1992
Jimmie Farrell	1,492	1988-1989
Mike Noyes	1,101	1990-1991
Bill Daniels	1,097	1987-1988
Lyle Lumsden	1,027	1971-1972
Shawn Mc Aniff	903	1977
Kevin Sullivan	839	1974-1975
Earl Hawkes	839	1980-1981
Matt Langis	804	1982-1983
Steve Bresnahan	797	1977-1978
Mike Ladd	783	1994-1995

Career Pass Reception

<u>Player</u>	<u>Recep.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>TD</u>	<u>Years</u>
Ben Babcock	52	870		1994-2000
Peter Arsenault	(43)	661	4	1983-84
Matt Blomberg	42	(741)	4	1990
Bruce Bridges	42	617	7	1982-83
Kyle Kravchuk	40	678	(9)	1983-84
Chris Hale	40	595	5	1994-95
Mike Nyhan-Hall	34	493	3	1991-93
Dana Atherton	27	354	1	1986-87
Mike Ladd	26	361	5	1994-95
Kevin Lattime	23	543	(9)	1975-76
Earle Hawkes	23	410	4	1979-81
Nick Varoudakis	23	319	2	1985-86
George Westmoreland	22	356	4	1979
Bill Eiserman	21	225	2	1984-85

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Total Yards Gained

<u>Player</u>	<u>Yds.</u>	<u>Years</u>
1. Greg Twombly	1,941	1975-1976
2. Todd Mc Aniff	1,920	1978-1980
Scott Sullivan	1,824	1991-1993
3. Mike Bresnahan	1,704	1974-1975
4. Eddie O'Bara	1,443	1965-1967
5. Craig Weir	1,584	1971-1973
Erik Bashaw	1,501	1990-1992
6. Jemmie Farrell	1,492	1988-1989
Mike Noyes	1,101	1990-1991
7. Bill Daniels	1,097	1987-1988
8. Lyle Lumsden	1,027	1971-1972
9. Shaun Mc Aniff	903	1977
10. Kevin Sullivan	839	1974-1975
11. Carl Hawkes	839	1980-1981
12. Matt Langis	804	1982-1983
13. Steve Bresnahan	797	1977-1978
Darren McLeod	640	1990-1991
14. Denis Stevens	627	1976
15. Jeff Twombly	551	1979-1980
16. Ivan Girard	535	1977-1978

* Larry Russell 492 1966

(Stats not available for 1965)

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Career Passing Leaders

9.

Jeff Fogel

	<u>Compl.</u>	<u>Att.</u>	<u>yds.</u>	<u>Passing</u> <u>TD's</u>	<u>Int.</u>	<u>Career</u> <u>Sts.</u>
1984	81	143	888	7	13	30

49 carries for 1444 yds. 5 TD's
Rushing

10.

R. J. Welch

1977	31	82	525	5	?	42
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82 carries for 392 yds. 6 TD's
Rushing

Larry Russell

1965	(No Stats avail.)			8	?	
1966	39	74	992	19	3	123

84 carries for 492 yds. 9 TD's
Rushing (1966 only)

Steve Ladd

1994	56	122	797	4	10	
1995	64	130	732	10	7	
Totals	120	252	1,529	14	17	

Coaching Records
Northeastern Conf. (NEC)
 1934 - 1972

	<u>Coach</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>%</u>
1.	{ Oscoe Gilman Johnny Donovan	2	1	1	.467
2.	Jim Stehlin	37	25	2	.594
3.	Johnny Donovan	5	5		.50
4.	Del Borah	3	3	3	.50
5.	Bob Eike	3	4	1	.43
6.	Lennie Knox	3	5	3	.375
7.	Tom O'Donnell	8	15	1	.348
8.	Ralph Klein	6	14	1	.300
9.	Frank Dewhurst	1	3		.25
10.	Wally Caswell	0	6	1	.000
11.	Oscoe Gilman	0	4		.000
	<u>Totals</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>.444</u>

Cape Ann League (CAL)
 1973 - 1996

1.	Jim Stehlin	74	25		.747
2.	Ed Gaudiano	56	27		.675
3.	Raul Kolman	18	18		.50
	<u>Totals</u>	<u>148</u>	<u>70</u>		<u>.678</u>

NHS left NEC and started in CAL in 1973 (Fall)
 Amesbury left NEC and started in CAL in 1970.

NHS Coaching Ratings

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tie</u>	<u>%</u>
Walter T. Sheridan	1952-1954	34	9	2	.791
R. H. Fisher	1905-1906	13	4	0	.765
Starr King	1922-1923	13	4	1	.765
Leslie Orcutt	1918-1921	19	6	7	.76
— Lee	1915	5	2	1	.714
Ned Shepard	1896-1897	14	7	4	.667
Jim Stehlin	1964-1983	126	64	3	.663
Osceola Nelson	1899-1901	9	5	1	.643
Charles Bettingell	1903	7	4	2	.636
Delmer Borah	1928-1935	43	25	13	.632
Jim Smith (Capt.)	1893	3	2		.60
Leander Mc Donald	1909-1910	8	6	2	.571
Ralph Blumer	1902	5	4		.555
Charles Colby	1898	5	4		.555
Osceola Hilman	1939	5	5	1	.50
Johnny Donovan					
— Moses	1907	4	4		.50
Harland Stone	1894	3	3		.50
Gaul Kolman	1984-1987	18	22		.45
Dana Hommes	1908	4	5	2	.444
John Reardon	1912	3	4		.428
Tom O'Donnell	1940-1942 1946-1949	28	41	4	.406
Harry G. Johnson	1892	2	3		.40
Bob Pike	1943-1944	7	11	2	.389
Harvey Rooker	1950-1951	7	12	1	.368
Johnny Donovan	1936-1937	6	11	1	.353

NHS Coaching Ratings (Continued)

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tie</u>	<u>%</u>
Ralph Klein	1941-1943	8	18	1	.308
Herbert Harrington	1926-1927	5	12	2	.294
Thomas Healey	1900 & 1904	5	15	2	.25
Herbert Little	1913-1914	3	10	1	.231
Charles Stewart	1924-1925	4	14	2	.222
Lennie Knox	1957-1959	4	15	4	.211
Tom Ready	1911	1	5		.167
Ralph Shepard	1895	1	5		.167
Wally Covell	1940	1	7	1	.125
Frank Dewhirst	1945	1	8	1	.111
Oscar Gilman	1938	1	9		.100
James Brewster	1917	0	3	1	.000
— Danahy	1916	0	7		.000
Sub - Total		425	395	62	

Individual Coaching Records

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Overall</u>		
	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tie</u>
Harry G. Johnson (Capt.) 1892	2	3	1
Jim Smith (Capt.) 1893	3	2	
Harland Stone 1894	3	3	
Ralph Shepard 1895	1	5	
Ned Shepard 1896	10	4	
1897	4	3	4
Charles Colby (Capt.) 1898	14	7	4
Oscar Nelson 1899	3	4	
1901	6	1	1
Thomas Healy 1900	9	5	1
1904	4	7	1
Ralph Blumer 1902	5	15	3
Charlie Bettingell 1903	5	4	
R. H. Fisher 1905	7	1	
1906	12	4	

Individual Coaching Records
(Continued)

<u>Coach</u>		<u>Overall</u>		
		<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Ties</u>
—	Moses			
	1907	4	4	
(1st paid Coach)	Dana Sommes			
	1908	4	5	2
	Independent			
	Leander Mc Donald			
	1909	4	1	2
	1910	4	5	
		8	6	2
	Tom Ready			
	1911	1	5	
	John Reardon			
	1912	3	4	
	Herbert Little			
	1913	3	3	1
	1914	0	7	
		3	10	1
—	Lee			
	1915	5	2	1
—	Danahy			
	1916	0	7	
	James Brewster			
	1917	0	3	1
	Leslie Orcutt			
	1918	4	1	1
	1919	6	0	3
	1920	5	2	2
	1921	4	3	1
		19	6	7

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Individual Coaching Records

(Continued)

<u>Coach</u>				<u>Overall</u>		
				<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tie</u>
Starr King						
1922				7	2	
1923				<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
				13	4	1
Charles Stewart						
1924				4	5	1
1925				<u>0</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>1</u>
				4	14	2
Herbert Harrington						
1926				2	7	1
1927				<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>
				5	12	2
Delmer Borah						
1928				8	3	0
1929				8	3	0
1930				7	1	2
1931				8	1	2
1932				4	4	2
1933				<u>NEC</u>	4	1
1934				2	3	4
1935				<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>
				43	25	13
Johnny Donovan						
1936				3	5	1
1937				<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
				6	11	1
Oscoe Gilman						
1938				0	4	0

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Individual Coaching Records (Continued.)

		<u>Coach</u>				<u>Overall</u>		
						<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tie</u>
Co. Coaches	{	Oscar Gilman						
		Johnny Donovan						
		<u>NEC</u>						
		1939	2	1	1	5	5	1
		Tom O'Donnell						
		1940	3	1		5	5	
		1941	2	2		6	4	1
		1942	1	3		3	7	
		1944	0	4		1	9	1
		1947	2	2		6	5	
		1948	0	3	1	4	5	2
		1949	—			3	6	
						28	41	4
		Bob Pike						
		1943	1	3		3	7	
		1944	2	1	1	4	4	2
						7	11	2
		Frank Dewhurst						
		1945	1	3		1	8	1
		Harvey Procter						
		1950				4	7	
		1951				3	5	1
						7	12	1
		Walter T. Sheridan						
		1952				6	4	
		1953				8	1	
		1954				6	3	
		1955				7	0	1
		1956				7	1	1
						34	9	2

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Individual Coaching Records

(Continued)

<u>Coach</u>				<u>Overall</u>		
				<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tie</u>
Lennie Knox	<u>NEC</u>					
1957	—			1	7	
1958	1	3	1	1	5	1
1959	2	2	2	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
				4	15	4
Wally Covell						
1960	0	6	1	1	7	1
Ralph Klein						
1961	2	5	0	3	6	
1962	3	4	0	3	6	
1963	1	5	1	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>
				8	18	1

* Champs

Individual Coaching Records (Continued)

<u>Coach</u>				<u>Overall</u>		
				<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tie</u>
<u>Jim Stehlin</u>						
<u>NEC</u>						
1964	1	5	1	1	7	1
1965	*6	0	0	8	1	0
1966	*7	0	0	9	0	0
1967	5	1	1	7	1	1
1968	7	1	0	7	2	0
1969	4	4	0	5	4	0
1970	3	4	0	3	5	1
1971	0	7	0	0	9	0
1972	4/37	3/25	0/2	5	4	0
1973 (Tri)	*8	1	0	8	1	0
1974	*8	1		8	2	0
Div. 3 E-Mass, Champs 1975	*9	0		11	0	0
E-Mass, Champs 1976	*9	0		11	0	0
1977	*8	1		9	2	0
1978	3	6		3	7	0
1979	4	5		4	6	0
1980 (Co)	*8	1		8	2	0
1981	6	3		7	3	0
1982	4	5		5	5	0
1983	7	2		7	3	0
	74	25		126	64	3 .643%

Individual Coaching Records (Continued)

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tie</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tie</u>
<u>Paul Kolman</u>	<u>CAL</u>			<u>Overall</u>		
1984	6	3	0	6	4	0
1985	2	7	0	2	8	0
1986	4	5	0	4	6	0
1987	6	3	0	6	4	0
Totals	18	18	0	18	22	0

Ed Gaudiano

1988	6	3	0	6	4	0
1989	7	2	0	7	3	0
1990	7	2	0	8	2	0
1991	3	6	0	3	8	0
1992	5	4	0	5	5	0
1993	8	1	0	9	2	0
	36	18	0	38	24	0
1994	7	2	0	7	3	0
	43	20	0	45	27	0
1995	9	1	0	10	1	0
1996	4	6	0	4	6	0

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Outstanding NHS Teams

1896	10	4		Ned Shepard	
1903	7	4	2	Charlie Bettingall	
1906	7	1		R. H. Fisher	
1915	5	2	1	— Lee	
1919	6	0	3	Leslie Trcutt	
1920	5	2	2	" "	
1922	7	2		Starr King	
1923	6	2	1	" "	
1928	8	3		Delmar Dorah	
1929	8	3		" "	
1930	7	1	2	" "	
1931	8	1	2	" "	
1953	8	1		Walter T. Sheridan	
1955	7	0	1	" "	E-Mass, Class C Champ
1956	7	1	1	" "	" " " "
1965	8	1	0	Jim Stehlin	NEC Champ
1966	9	0	0		NEC Champ - ^{Class E} Co Champ
1967	7	1	1		
1968	7	2	0		
1973	8	1	0		Tri Champ CAL
1974	8	2	0		Co-Champ CAL
1975	11	0	0		E-Mass Div. 3 Super B, Ch
1976	11	0	0		" " " "
1977	9	2	0		" " " Runnerup
1980	8	2	0		
1981	7	3	0		
1983	7	3	0		
1989	7	3	0	Ed Gaudiano	
1990	8	2	0	" "	
1993	9	2	0	" "	Co-Champ CAL
					E-Mass. Div. <u>IVA</u>
					<u>Super Bowl Runnerup</u>
1995	10	1	0	" "	CAL Champ
					E-Mass. Div. <u>IVA</u>
					Super Bowl Champ

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FIFTY YEARS

OF

FOOTBALL

NORTHEASTERN CONFERENCE
1934-1984

COMPILED FROM THE NOTES OF
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NEC
OVERALL STANDINGS
1934 - 1984

TEAM NAME	WINS	LOSSES	TIES	PCT	POINTS FOR	POINTS AGAINST	
ALEM	70	27	2	.707	1786	1048	
WAMPSCOTT	183	128	12	.567	5108	3832	
ARBLEHEAD	168	136	12	.532	4429	4199	
INN CLASSICAL	65	59	1	.520	2007	1633	
AUGUS	94	81	7	.516	2568	2438	
INTHROP	137	121	11	.509	3983	3708	
<i>Woburn</i>	57	51	4	.509	1730	1755	
EVERLY	48	48	3	.485	1450	1282	
DOUCESTER	69	84	1	.448	2257	2627	
EWBURYPORT *	67	84	12	.411	2322	2452	
ANVERS	125	172	17	.398	3693	4580	
MESBURY	73	110	14	.371	2176	2914	
YNN ENGLISH	29	68	2	.293	974	1736	
NDOVER	11	27	4	.262	399	694	



NEC
LEADING SCORERS
1944-1984

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YEAR	PLAYER	TEAM	TOUCHDOWNS	EXTRA POINTS	TOTAL POINTS
1944	PAPOULIAS	AMESBURY	8	1	49
1945	GOSSELIN	AMESBURY	10	2	62
1946	GOSSELIN	AMESBURY	6	10	46
1947	KAMIENSKI	NEWBURYPORT	5	0	30
1948	RICHARD	AMESBURY	4	0	24
1949	QUINLAN	SAUGUS	4	0	24
1950	CAREY	AMESBURY	5	0	30
1951	MILES	WINTHROP	9	1	55
1952	TRAINOR	WINTHROP	10	1	61
1953	GAMBLE	AMESBURY	9	12	66
1954	CASTIGLIONE	WOBURN	12	9	81
1955	CARLIN	SWAMPSCOTT	11	3	69
1956	MEZQUITA	MARBLEHEAD	7	2	44
1957	BLAIS	SWAMPSCOTT	10	0	60
1958	BLAIS	SWAMPSCOTT	12	16	88
1959	MOORE	NEWBURYPORT	9	4	58
1960	RADCLIFFE	MARBLEHEAD	11	14	80
1961	PIERCE	DANVERS	12	2	74
1962	JOHNSON	AMESBURY	7	8	50
1963	JERMYN	MARBLEHEAD	7	5	47
1964	ADAMSON	WINTHROP	9	2	56
1965	WILLIAMS	NEWBURYPORT	7	0	42
1966	L. RUSSELL	NEWBURYPORT	7	37	79
1967	JAURON	SWAMPSCOTT	14	22	106
1968	JAURON	SWAMPSCOTT	18	32	140
1969	ST. PIERRE	DANVERS	16	6	102
1970	LOSANO	SWAMPSCOTT	12	0	72
1971	DEMARCO	WINTHROP	12	2	74
1972	DEGREGORIO	WINTHROP	16	9	105
1973	SAHAGIAN	MARBLEHEAD	6	0	36
1974	CHLUDZENSKI	BEVERLY	14	11	95
1975	NICOLO	SAUGUS	15	11	101
1976	PLAKIAS	WINTHROP	12	16	88
1977	PERAKIS	SALEM	9	6	60
1978	NIGRO	SAUGUS	13	0	78
1979	DOHERTY	DANVERS	10	4	64
1980	DOOLING	BEVERLY	10	2	62
1981	SULLIVAN	WINTHROP	17	16	118
1982	SAFFIER	WINTHROP	12	0	72
1983	DEMBOWSKI	DANVERS	10	24	84
1984	AVILA	GLOUCESTER	15	30	120



East NEC Champions

1934-1972

<u>Year</u>	<u>Champion</u>	<u>Leading Scorer</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Pts.</u>
1934	Marblehead			
1935	Marblehead			
1936	Marblehead			
1937	Swampscott			
1938	Marblehead			
1939	Swampscott			
1940	Marblehead			
1941	Danvers			
1942	Marblehead			
1943	Swampscott			
1944	Amesbury	Charley Papoulis	Amesbury	49
1945	Amesbury	Noel Gosselin	Amesbury	62
1946	Swampscott	Noel Gosselin	Amesbury	46
1947	Marble & Winthrop	* John Kamieniski	Newpt.	30
1948	Marblehead	Bob Richards	Amesbury	24
1949	Laugus & Marble	Quinlan	Laugus	24
1950	Marblehead	Bob Carey	Amesbury	30
1951	Ames. & Winthrop	Steve Miles	Winthrop	55
1952	Amesbury	Trainor	Winthrop	61
1953	Amesbury	Willard Gamble	Amesbury	66
1954	Woburn	Castiglione	Woburn	81
1955	Woburn	Bob Carlin	Swampscott	69
1956	Marblehead	Mesquita	Marblehead	44
1957	Swampscott	Blais	Swampscott	60
1958	Swampscott	Blais	Swampscott	88
1959	Woburn	* Bob Moore	Newpt.	58
1960	Marblehead	Radcliffe	Marblehead	80
1961	Woburn	Gierce	Danvers	74
1962	Marblehead	Murray Johnson	Amesbury	50
1963	Swampscott	Jermyn	Marblehead	47

Past NEC Champs

1934 - 1972

<u>Year</u>	<u>Champion</u>	<u>Leading Scorer</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Pts.</u>
1964	Winthrop	"Tank" Adamson	Winthrop	54
1965	*Newburyport	*Rick Williams	Newpt.	42
1966	*Newburyport	*Larry Russell	Newpt.	29
1967	Swampscott	Dick Jauron	Swampscott	106
1968	Swampscott	Dick Jauron	Swampscott	140
1969	Swampscott	St. Pierre	Danvers	102
1970	Swampscott	Lozano	Swampscott	66
1971	Swampscott			
1972	Swampscott			

NOTE -

NHS left NEC and started in CAL Fall 1973.
Ames. left NEC and started in CAL Fall 1970.

1933

Perley Opens Schedule With Strong Club

The Perley Free school baseball team will face some of the strongest of the smaller high school teams in this section in a schedule of 12 games. Two games are pending with Dummer academy.

Perley will present a strong outfield with Spofford in left, Lee in center and Rutherford, a newcomer from East Boston, in right. The infield will be fairly strong with H. Longley at first, A. Longley at second, Aiken, another newcomer from Lynn, at third, and Captain Jones at short. Tidd will be behind the plate, with Moore in the box. As five of the players are sophomores and with one freshman, the prospect is still good for next season.

The local school has joined the Merrimac Valley High School league, composed of Georgetown, Merrimac, Groveland, West Newbury and Topsfield, and will play eight games in that league, with a pennant to be awarded the winner.

The schedule will be as follows, the star indicating league games: April 21, Hamilton at Georgetown; *May 5, Groveland at Groveland; *May 12, Merrimac at Merrimac; *May 15, West Newbury at Georgetown; May 19, Essex at Georgetown; *May 26, Topsfield at Topsfield; *May 30, Groveland at Georgetown; *June 2, Topsfield at Georgetown; June 5, West Newbury at West Newbury; *June 9, Merrimac at Georgetown; June 13, Hamilton at Hamilton.

Perley LOSES TO HAMILTON HIGH

Locals Outbat Visitors But Are Beaten, 2 to 1

The Perley Free school baseball team lost to Hamilton, 2 to 1 on the Perley grounds Friday afternoon in the first game of the schedule for 1933. The game was a tough one for Perley to lose, as they had several chances to win, but luck was against them.

The locals outbatted the visitors 7 to 5. Moore for Perley pitched a fine game, allowing but five hits and striking out nine men. Johnson was the batting star of Hamilton High, getting two safe hits in four times up, while for the Perley team, Lee was the star, getting three safe drives in four times up. Spofford drove out a two bagger in the ninth. Captain Jones of Perley contributed a fielding feature, getting a low line drive in the ninth. H. Longley at first, and Lee at third were the fielding stars for Perley.

The visitors lined up as follows: Hamilton High—Back, 2b; Captain Carter, 1b; Johnson, ss; King, lf; Gildardt, c; Lanson, rf; Miller, cf; Dunn, 3b; Criston, p; McDonald, p.

Perley Free—Captain Jones, ss; Spofford, lf; H. Longley, 1b; Lee, 3b; Rutherford, cf; A. Longley, 2b; Aiken, rf; Moore, p; Tidd, c.

The winners scored one run in the first and one in the sixth, while Perley scored their lone run in the first.

Groveland High School/ Defeated by Perley, 24-11

Groveland High school was defeated by Perley Free of Georgetown in the first league game at Ridge Hill yesterday afternoon to the tune of 24-11. The feature of the game was two home run drives by Lee and the hitting of H. Longley and Moore of Georgetown and DeLisle of the home team.

Groveland played a ragged game from start to finish. The team was handicapped by the loss of Prime and DiBlasio.

The game between Groveland Athletic association and West Newbury Tigers played last night at Ridge Hill was a tie score. The game was called off in the fifth inning.

The high school, game summary:

GEORGETOWN P. F.

	ab	r	bh	tb	po	a	e
Jones, 3b	6	3	2	2	1	2	1
Spofford, lf	6	4	2	3	1	0	0
H. Longley, 1b, p	5	6	4	5	14	1	0
Lee, ss	4	4	3	9	0	1	1
Rutherford, cf	6	1	0	0	1	0	1
A. Longley, 2b	6	3	2	3	2	1	1
Aiken, rf	6	1	1	1	0	0	0
Moore, p, 1b	6	2	4	4	0	5	0
Tidd, c	5	0	0	0	2	1	0

Totals... 50 21 18 27 21 10 4

GROVELAND H. S.

	ab	r	bh	tb	po	a	e
Shay, rf	1	1	1	2	1	0	0
Fitzgerald, 2b, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0	3
Wood, rf, 1b	5	2	2	2	0	0	0
DeLisle, p, cf	4	1	4	7	0	3	0
Knott, 2b, p	4	0	2	2	1	3	0
Sharkey, ss, lf	4	1	1	1	3	2	4
Lancn, 1b, c	4	2	0	0	8	0	2
Greenleaf, 3b	4	2	2	5	1	2	3
Parker, cf, lf	4	1	2	2	0	0	1
Stewart, c, ss	4	1	0	0	7	1	0

Totals... 39 11 14 21 21 11 13

Innings... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Georgetown H. S... 3 0 2 4 10 2 3-24

Groveland H. S... 0 0 0 1 1 2 7-11

Two-base hits—Spofford, A. Longley, Shay, DeLisle, Greenleaf. Three-

base hits—DeLisle, Greenleaf. Home

runs—Lee 2. Base on balls—Off

Knott 3. Struck out—By Moore 1,

by H. Longley 1, by DeLisle 5, by Knott

2. Hits—Off Moore, 17 in 6 2-3 in-

nings; off Longley, 1 in 1-3 inning;

off DeLisle, 8 in 4 innings; off Knott,

10 in 3 innings. Hit by pitcher—By

Lee. Passed ball—Stewart. Winning

pitcher—Moore. Losing pitcher—

DeLisle. Umpires—Webster and Moore.

Time of game—2:10.

The Perley Free school baseball team will play the Groveland High school team at Groveland tomorrow noon.

HAMILTON 2, GEORGETOWN 1 (Special Dispatch to The Herald)

GEORGETOWN, April 21—Hamilton High bunched hits in two innings, edged Georgetown High, 2 to 1, here today.

	ab	r	bh	tb	po	a	e
At Georgetown:							
Hamilton	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Georgetown	0	0	1	0	0	0	0

Batteries—Freston, McDonald and Gildert; Moore and Tidd.

EIAA
(Essex Inter-scholastic Ath. Assn.)
1897-1903

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>
Dummer Academy	3	0	
Danvers	1	0	1
Lynn Classical	1	0	
Lawrence	3	3	
Haverhill	1	4	
X Gloucester	0	1	
Halem	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
Totals	9	10	2

SCHOOL RESULTS

N. C. Birch 15	Commerce 8
Belmont 8	Concord 7
Dorchester 12	Milton 10
East Boston 10	Trade 2
Enzlish 15	Charlestown 1
Groton 7	Wentworth 5
Hamilton 2	Georgetown 1
Harvard Fr. 2ds 6	Waltham 3
Jamaica Plain 6	Brighton 3
Maryland 6	Winchester 5
Our Lady's 10	Im. Conception 1
St. Mary's (Wal.) 8	St. Mary's (Berk.) 1
Thayer Acad. 5	Huntington 1
(seven innings)	
Tufts Fresh 5	Huntington 3
(seven innings)	

1933

FORM SUBURBAN SCHOOL LEAGUE

1933

First Games Are Listed on Diamond Tomorrow

The newly organized suburban high school baseball league, consisting of West Newbury, Groveland, Merrimac, Topsfield and Perley Free of Georgetown, to be known as the Merrimack Valley High School circuit, opens tomorrow afternoon when Merrimac plays at West Newbury and Perley Free at Groveland. The last game will be played June 16.

The league was formed in what is considered an unusual manner, for all plans have been made by students.

This was due, it is said, to the hands-off policy of coaches, who did not favor a league. It is expected that the league will save considerable money in the cost of sports at the schools concerned.

The circuit is so compact that at no time will a team have to travel more than nine miles to play a game. The teams are rated in the same class.

Officers recently elected were Raymond Lavoie, West Newbury, president; Marshall Parker, Groveland, secretary, and Bertram Spofford, Georgetown, accountant.

The schedule follows:

May 5—Merrimac at West Newbury; Georgetown at Groveland; May 8—West Newbury at Topsfield; May 12—Perley Free at Merrimac; Topsfield at Groveland; May 15—West Newbury at Georgetown; May 19—Groveland at West Newbury; Merrimac at Topsfield; May 22—Topsfield at West Newbury; May 25—Merrimac at Groveland; May 26—Perley Free at Topsfield; May 30—West Newbury at Merrimac; Groveland at Georgetown; June 2—Groveland at Merrimac; Topsfield at Georgetown; June 5—Perley Free at West Newbury; June 9—Groveland at Topsfield; Merrimac at Georgetown; June 16—West Newbury at Groveland; Topsfield at Merrimac.

PERLEY WINS IN 15TH INNING GAME

West Newbury High Weakens After Great Game

The Perley Free school baseball team had a battle royal with the West Newbury High team yesterday afternoon on the Perley Free school grounds, the game going 15 innings, the Perley team winning, 12 to 11.

The game was tied at 10 all at the end of the 10th inning, the visitors adding one run in the 11th and Perley tying it up in their half of that inning. Both teams played a tight baseball from that time on until the last half of the 15th when the visiting team weakened. Jones, captain of the Perley team, the first man up, reached first on a scratch hit that three of the West Newbury team went after and in the mixup went to second, scoring a little later when one of the visiting infielders threw wild over the catcher's head. The game lasted until 7 p. m. and as a result it was impossible to play the scheduled game in the town league between the Regulators and Tigers. Two innings of this game were played but darkness halted the contest. The game for tonight will be between the All Stars and Mohawks.

Perley Free School Beats Topsfield H.

The Perley Free school baseball team won a decisive victory over the Topsfield High yesterday afternoon on the Perley grounds by the score of 14 to 7. The Topsfield team tried out three pitchers and all of them proved wild and ineffective in the pinches. Moore, who pitched the first part of the game, was relieved in the sixth by H. Longley, who held the visitors to two hits in four innings and struck out six. The game was slow and listless, the visitors making frequent changes in their lineup, and taking plenty of time while in the field. H. Longley was high man with the stick with a single, a double and a triple to his credit. Gould and Morgan led at bat for the visitors, the former getting a triple and a home run and the latter a single and a triple.

The standing in the league is as follows:

	Won	Lost	P.
Georgetown	3	0	1.0
West Newbury	4	1	.80
Merrimac	1	2	.33
Topsfield	1	3	.25
Groveland	0	3	.00

Independent Era

1892 thru 1933

(Includes EIAA Games)

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>
Amesbury Rugbys	4	1	0	Exeter High	11	0	
Alumni	3	1	1	Essex Aggies	4	0	1
Amesbury Independ.	1	0		East Providence, R.I.	2	0	
Andover-Bunchard	4	2	4	Exeter Academy '02	0	1	
All Npts.	1	1		" " '03	2	0	
Amesbury YMCA	1	1		" " '04	0	0	1
Amesbury High	3	4	4	" " '05	1	0	
Brewster Academy	2	0		Fair Haven, Vt.	2	0	
Berwick Academy	1	0		Gloucester	12	9	
Burdett - Lynn	1	0		Georgetown	1	0	
Bridgewater High	1	0		Haverhill	3	25	5
Burdett - Boston	1	1		Ipswich-Manning	2	0	
Beverly	5	3	1	Ipswich	1	0	
Bridgton Academy	0	1		Lebanon, N.H.	2	0	
BC High	0	2		Lynn High	1	0	
Bradford High	0	2		Lynn Classical	2	1	1
Boston Latin	0	3		Lowell	1	2	
Central Falls, R.I.	1	0		Lawrence	8	16	
Chelsea	1	0		Lynn English	0	1	
Cony High, Augusta	1	1		Melrose	2	0	0
Cambridge Latin	1	5		Manchester West	1	0	
Dover, N.H.	6	0		Mass. Aggies - 2 Yrs.	1	0	
Dummer Athletics	1	0		Maynard	1	0	
Danvers	9	1	2	MIT Frosh.	1	1	
Dorchester	2	1	1	Methuen	1	2	
Dummer Academy	11	6	3	Marblehead	2	7	2
Dean Acad. & mds	0	1		Manchester, N.H.	0	1	

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Independent Era

1892 thru 1933

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>
New Bedford	2	0	
Natick	1	0	
No. Andover Johnson	4	0	1
Npt. YMCA	1	1	
Npt. Athletics	0	1	
Nashua	0	2	
Puttfield, Ma.	1	0	
Simberton Academy	1	0	
Portsmouth, N. H.	14	8	1
Peabody	2	2	
Rochester, N. H.	2	0	
Roxbury Latin	1	0	
Rowledge	1	0	
Revere	3	3	1
Rindge Tech	0	1	
Reading	0	1	
St. James	3	0	2
Salem Normal	1	0	
St. John's Prep	2	1	
Sanborn Seminary	1	1	
Saugus	0	0	1
Salem	4	22	2
Somersetworth, N. H.	0	1	
Somerville	0	1	

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>
Thornton Acad., Saco	0	3	1
Wakefield	1	0	
Worcester South	1	0	
Watertown	1	0	
Worcester North	1	1	
Walker's Prep, Beverly	1	0	
West Newbury	0	1	
Grand Totals	176	154	35

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NEC Era
Non - League
1934 thru 1972

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>
Amesbury	5	7		Nashua	0	1	
Arch. Wms - Braintree	0	1	1	No. Attleboro	4	1	
Bishop ^{Manchester} Bradley,	1	0		Bostonmouth	5	5	1
Beverly	2	7	1	Deabody	3	3	
Cathedral, Boston	1	0		Reading	1	0	
Cambridge Latin	1	0		St. Mary's - Waltham	5	0	
Central Catholic	0	1	1	Spaulding - Rochester	2	0	
Concord, N. H.	0	1		St. John's Prep	1	0	
Canton	0	2		Stoneham	4	1	
Danvers	2	2		Swampscott	3	1	
Dover, N. H.	1	2		Stoughton	4	3	1
Gardner, Mass.	1	1		Salem	5	13	1
Gloucester	2	25	2	Stony - Manchester	0	0	1
Haverhill	4	8		Saugus	0	3	
Ipswich	1	0		St. James	8	4	1
Laconia, N. H.	2	0		Winthrop	3	1	
Lynn Classical	3	3		Woburn	0	0	1
Lynn English	0	1	1				
Lebanon, N. H.	0	1					
Marlboro	1	0					
Methuen	6	3	1				
Malden Catholic	1	2	1				
				Grand Totals	82	103	14

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NEC

(1934 thru 1948)

(1958 thru 1972)

	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Tied</u>	<u>%</u>
NHS vs	Gloucester	5	2		.714
	Lynn Classical	2	1		.667
	Woburn	7	5		.533
	Saugus	5	4		.555
	Danvers	15	13	2	.534
	Amesbury	13	12	2	.52
	Winthrop	7	7	1	.50
	Marblehead	7	18	2	.28
	Andover	1	3	2	.25
	Swampscott	6	20	4	.231
	Totals	68	85	13	.444

CAL Era

1973 thru 1996

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>CAL</u>		<u>Non-League</u>	
	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
Masconomet	18	6		
Ipswich	17	7	1	1
No. Reading	20	4		
Lynnfield	18	4		
Amesbury	15	9		
Nam. - Wenham	17	7		
Bentucket	17	7		
No. Andover	12	12		
Triton	13	11		
Wilmington	1	1		
Total	148	70		
Wayland			1	0
So. Boston			1	0
Danvers			1	1
Gloucester			4	4
Marblehead			1	2
Swampscott			0	2
Lincoln - Sudbury			0	4
Bedford			1	2
Arlington - Catholic			0	1
Total			10	17
East Bridgewater			1	0
Total			11	17

CAL Era

1973 thru 1996

<u>Year</u>	<u>CAL</u>		<u>NON-LEAGUE</u>		<u>OVERALL</u>	
	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>
1973	8	1			8	1
1974	8	1	0	1	8	2
1975	9	0	2	0	11	0
1976	9	0	2	0	11	0
1977	8	1	1	1	9	2
1978	3	4	0	1	3	7
1979	4	5	0	1	4	6
1980	8	1	0	1	8	2
1981	6	3	1	0	7	3
1982	4	5	1	0	5	5
1983	7	2	0	1	7	3
1984	6	3	0	1	6	4
1985	2	7	0	1	2	8
1986	4	5	0	1	4	6
1987	6	3	0	1	6	4
1988	6	3	0	1	6	4
1989	7	2	0	1	7	3
1990	7	2	1	0	8	2
1991	3	6	0	2	3	8
1992	5	4	0	1	5	5
1993	8	1	1	1	9	2
1994	7	2	0	1	7	3
1995	9	1	1	0	10	1
1996	4	6	0	0	4	6

Coaching Records

NHS vs AHS

1915 - 1989

	<u>NHS</u>	<u>AHS</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>
Coach — Lee					
1915	25	0	1	0	0
Coach — Dariahy					
1916	6	13	0	1	0
Coach James Brewster					
1917	6	6	0	0	1
Coach Leslie Orcutt					
1918	NO GAME				
1919	6	0			
1920	0	0			
1921	7	14	1	1	1
Coach Starr King					
1922	NO GAME				
1923	NO GAME				
Coach Charles Stewart					
1924	NO GAME				
1925	0	0	0	0	1
Coach Herbert Harrington					
1926	0	27	0	1	0
1927 - 1930	NO GAMES				
Coach Delmar Borah					
1931	20	6			
1932	0	0			
1933	0	6			
1934	26	0			
1935	0	0	2	1	2
Coach Johnny Donovan					
1936	18	0			
1937	0	25	1	1	
Coach Oscar Gilman					
1938	0	19	0	1	0

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Coaching Records

NHS vs AHS

1915 - 1989

	<u>NHS</u>	<u>AHS</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>
Co-Coach Oscar Gilman					
Co-Coach Johnny Donovan					
1939	7	7	0	0	1
Coach Tom O'Donnell					
1940	3	0			
1941	9	7			
1942	56	10	3	0	0
Coach Bob Pike					
1943	6	33			
1944	6	40	0	2	0
Coach Frank Dewhurst					
1945	6	25	0	1	0
Coach Tom O'Donnell					
1946	18	33			
1947	20	33			
1948	13	25			
1949	18	51	0	4	0
Coach Harvey Roaker					
1950	20	47			
1951	6	99	0	2	0
Coach Walter T. Sheridan					
1952	12	15			
1953	34	13			
1954	7	6			
1955	13	6			
1956	13	0	4	1	0
Coach Lennie Knox					
1957	0	6			
1958	20	14			
1959	28	0	2	1	0

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• Losses

NHS vs AHS

	<u>SCORE</u>		<u>TOTALS</u>		
	<u>NHS</u>	<u>AHS</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>
Coach Wally Cavell					
1940	• 14	32	0	1	0
Coach Ralph Klein					
1941	22	8			
1942	• 0	4			
1943	• 4	8	1	2	0
Coach Jim Stehlin					
1944	• 0	14			
1945	27	8			
1946	49	0			
1947	34	0			
1948	42	24			
1949	42	14			
1970	• 20	28			
1971	• 0	16			
1972	30	6			
1973	32	8			
1974	21	13			
1975	31	8			
1976	35	0			
1977	41	8			
1978	14	12			
1979	• 7	12			
1980	24	6			
1981	18	7			
1982	• 7	31			
1983	48	8	15	5	0

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NHS vs AHS

• Losses

		<u>SCORE</u>		<u>TOTALS</u>		
		<u>NHS</u>	<u>AHS</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>T</u>
Coach Paul Holman						
1984		25	14			
1985	(OT)	20	14			
1986		0	14			
1987		6	3	3	1	

Coach Ed Gaudiano

1988	•	20	39			
1989	•	6	35			
1990		42	12			
1991	•	14	26			
1992	•	6	23			
1993	•	0	14			
1994		19	7			
1995		34	0			
1996	•	8	38			

TD's - Single Game

6 TD's

<u>Year</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Game</u>
1918	Carl Cahill	Manning, Ipswich

5 TD's

1982	Tom Salvatore	Masconomet
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4 TD's

1905	William Jordan	Danvers
1920	Fred Carver	Gloucester
1922	Edward Kelley	Gloucester
1933	Howdy Reed	St. John's Prep (High School)
1952	Bob Mc Aniff	Portsmouth
1966	Eddie O'Bara	Marblehead
1967	Eddie O'Bara	Woburn
1969	Ken Ladd	Marblehead
1995	Mike Ladd	Amesbury

3 TD's

1901 - 1995 50 different players

Research suggests revisions are needed in AHS-NHS series



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Bert Spifford (left) and Bill Peabody (right) share a chuckle while looking over an old newspaper clipping they used in their research.

Newburyport High School football historians have no trouble determining when the school's former long-time rivalries against Gloucester, Salem and Haverhill began.

Likewise, it is easy to pinpoint when Amesbury High began to face Swampscott, Marblehead and Danvers - their second, third and fourth oldest rivalries, respectively.

However, it is far more difficult to determine when Newburyport and Amesbury began playing each other. During the past 50 years, four dates ranging from 1891 to 1915 have been listed in Newburyport and Amesbury papers as the start of the series.

The Amesbury Daily News, in its 1937 pre-Thanksgiving Day listing of old AHS vs. NHS scores, indicated the series started in 1915. But the Newburyport Daily News in 1937 listed a 6-0 NHS victory in 1908.

In its pre-Thanksgiving Day listing a year later on Wednesday, Nov. 16, 1938, the Amesbury Daily News added the 1908 score. This placed the two area daily newspapers in agreement as to the scores of the series.

On Nov. 27, 1940, a letter written by someone identified only as "Ex-Newburyporter" appeared simultaneously in both papers.

"Ex-Newburyporter" was convinced the series actually began as far back as 1896 and had strong grounds for establishing that as the series starting date.

The 1896 score was ignored by the two local newspapers for 16 years. But in 1957, the two papers listed eight new scores, including the 1896 game, in their Thanksgiving previews. These listings contained scores from as far back as 1891.

Beginning in 1957, an 11-10 NHS victory in 1891 is indicated. Research through both the Amesbury and Newburyport newspapers of that year produced no evidence whatever of any football teams at either high school. It would seem the 1891 score should be eliminated from the records.

In 1892 the first references were made to Newburyport High School football in the Newburyport Daily News.

A new interstate schoolboy football league was formed according to the Oct. 18, 1892, issue of the Newburyport Daily News.

The schools invited to join the league were Hampton Academy, and the high schools of Portsmouth, N.H., Newburyport and Amesbury.

"Ex-Newburyporter," in his 1940 letter stated, "...Newburyport High had a so-called high school team as early as 1892 but the players were not all members of the school."

The Newburyport Daily News in its Oct. 18, 1892 issue stated "...the members of the teams are to be strictly confined to the schools, and the rules of the Dartmouth, Amherst, and Williams inter-collegiate league will govern the games."

Two days later, the Newburyport Daily News ran an item in the Amesbury column headed, "They Are Not In It." The brief story stated, "Amesbury High School pupils are somewhat surprised to learn that they belong to a football league and find dates of games scheduled for them, when the facts are they have attended no meetings of the league, have no football team,

and don't propose to have any. They were invited to join the proposed league but declined to do so."

Two scores are listed annually in the local area newspapers for 1893 games between the schools. Newburyport is listed with 36-0 and 6-0 wins that year.

The Wednesday, Nov. 22, 1893, issue of the Newburyport Daily News indicated the Amesbury Rugby Football team would play Newburyport High School at Athletics Park, Newburyport, and that a return game would be played in Amesbury on Dec. 2.

The Monday, Nov. 27 issue of the Newburyport paper indicated the first game was played the previous Saturday and was won by Newburyport, 34-10.

The Monday, Dec. 4 issue of the Newburyport Daily News reported that on the previous Saturday the Amesbury Rugby eleven turned the tables on Newburyport High School's football team by winning at Amesbury, 6-0.

The Newburyport Daily News made no reference to Amesbury High School football in 1893. The two 1893 scores series can be forgotten since Newburyport High School played the Amesbury Rugby team twice.

A scoreless tie is listed as having been played between the rival schools in 1894. But there is no evidence in either town's newspaper that Amesbury High School had a football team in 1894.

Newburyport for the third consecutive season played a schedule of several games. The NHS series with Haverhill High School commenced that season.

According to the Monday, Oct. 22, 1894, issue of the Newburyport Daily News, Newburyport High School defeated the Amesbury Rugby football team 4-0.

The reference to the game being played at the Ferry grounds was probably an error. The game was most likely played at the Fairgrounds in Amesbury.

The return game between NHS and the Amesbury Rugby eleven on Saturday, Oct. 27, 1894, was described vividly as a rough contest in the Oct. 29, 1894, issue of the Newburyport Daily News.

The paper stated that when an Amesbury player scored a touchdown he was assisted over the goal by the Amesbury crowd as well as by the umpire - who was an Amesbury resident.

The Newburyport Daily News stated Newburyport High School refused to finish the game. A sub-heading on the front page story of the game stated, "It Ended in a Draw and Hard Feelings."

This newspaper statement was probably the source of the incorporation of an 1894 scoreless tie into the record. This score should be deleted since NHS played the Amesbury Rugby eleven and not Amesbury High School.

No score has ever been listed for any football game between Amesbury High School and Newburyport High School in 1895 - the season during which newspaper references were first made to Amesbury High School football.

A game was actually to have been played between the two high schools on Saturday, Nov. 2, 1895. There was never any item in the Newburyport Daily News that indicated the game was played. There are no microfilms of Amesbury Daily News issues from Sept. 30, 1895, through Dec. 31, 1895.

The first newspaper reference was made to a game played between two teams with the names Newburyport High School and Amesbury High School occurred on Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1896.

The Amesbury Daily News carried a brief advance story about the following day's game to be played in Newburyport between the schools.

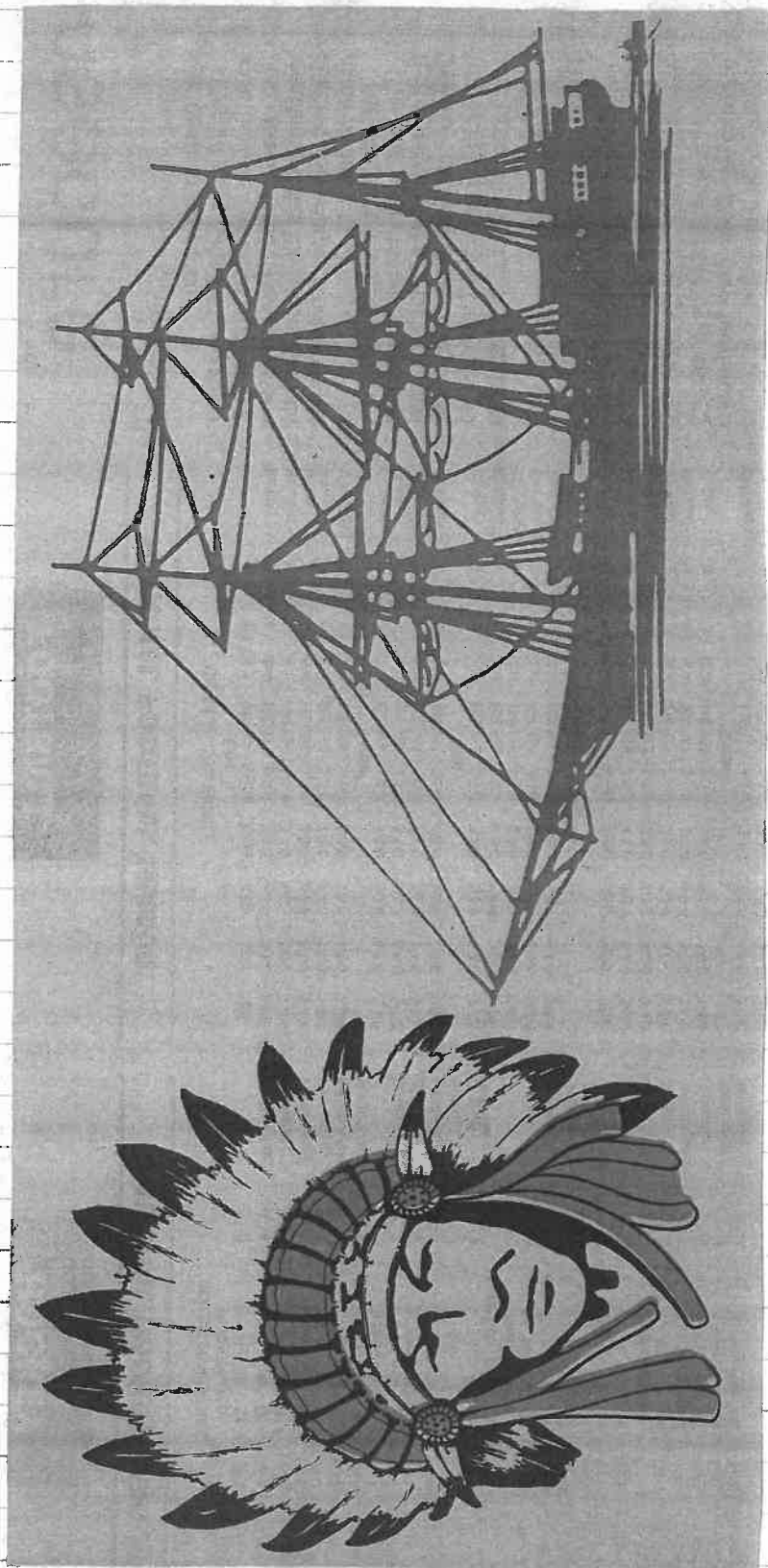
Newburyport won the game 30-0. In this era a touchdown was worth only four points and a goal that was kicked after a touchdown was worth two points. Newburyport had six touchdowns and three goals kicked after touchdowns.

The Thursday, Oct. 29, 1896, editions of both the Newburyport Daily News and the Amesbury Daily News ran stories about the Oct. 28 afternoon game. In his 1940 letter, "Ex-Newburyporter" stated the game was played "...on the Moseley Avenue grounds not far from the car barn on Merrimac Street."

In 1896, Newburyport High School became a member of the Essex County Interscholastic Athletic Association and began long rivalries with the high schools of Salem and Gloucester, and continued its rivalry with Haverhill.

Amesbury High is listed as a 6-0 victor against Newburyport in 1897. The only newspaper reference to an 1897 Amesbury High School football team was in regard to a Sept. 28, 1897, scoreless tie between Amesbury High School and a Merrimac team - which wasn't necessarily a high school eleven.

The score was probably based on a story which appeared in the Nov. 20, 1897, editions of both towns' newspapers. The Amesbury YMCA team defeated Newburyport High School in a snowstorm, 6-0. Earlier, NHS defeated the Amesbury YMCA on Saturday, Oct. 23, 18-0.



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Since the 1897 game which Amesbury won was played between NHS and the Amesbury YMCA, the score should be deleted.

A 6-6 tie is listed for 1898. A team representing Amesbury and a team representing Newburyport played to a 6-6 tie Thursday afternoon, Sept. 29, 1898, in Amesbury as part of the annual Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Fair.

Game accounts appeared in the Sept. 30, 1898, issues of the Amesbury Daily News and the Newburyport Daily News. Neither team was a high school team. In fact there is no newspaper evidence Amesbury High School had a team in 1898.

On Thanksgiving Day afternoon, 1898, there was a game in which Amesbury defeated Newburyport, 18-0. On the following day, Friday, Nov. 25, the Amesbury Daily News stated it was the Amesbury Athletics that defeated Newburyport.

The Amesbury paper stated: "Great interest was taken in the contest as the two elevens, Newburyport and the Amesbury Athletics, when they met the last time during the Amesbury and Salisbury fair, played to a tie."

This clipping indicates the 6-6 tie that was played during the fair involved the Amesbury Athletics.

A story in the Friday, Nov. 25, 1898, issue of the Newburyport Daily News stated that on Thanksgiving Day morning Newburyport High lost to the NHS Alumni, 17-10. Obviously the NHS team wouldn't have played the Alumni Thanksgiving Day morning and the Amesbury Athletics that afternoon.

The teams which played in that Thanksgiving Day, 1898, afternoon game were therefore the Amesbury Athletics and a Newburyport team that was not a high school team. These same two teams were also the ones which played each other as part of the Amesbury and Salisbury Agricultural and Horticultural Fair in late September, 1898. Therefore, the 6-6 tie of 1898 can be discarded.

Another score listed annually is an 11-0 Amesbury High victory in 1899. The source of that score probably came from an 11-0 victory by the Amesbury "1900" team over a Newburyport team Thanksgiving Day morning, 1899, as reported the following day in the Amesbury Daily News and as a one-sentence item in the Amesbury column of the Newburyport Daily News.

That same issue of the Newburyport paper carried a front page story that Newburyport High School on Thanksgiving Day afternoon was beaten, 12-5, by Lawrence High School. Clearly that holiday morning game against the Amesbury "1900" team didn't involve Newburyport High School.

An article in the Oct. 1, 1901 issue of The Newburyport Daily News stated that "Amesbury High should form a strictly school eleven and join the other schools in Essex County athletics."

A 6-0 NHS victory in 1908 has, for more than half a century, been listed in the Newburyport Daily News and for nearly that long in the Amesbury papers.

There is no newspaper reference to any Amesbury High School football teams from 1908 through 1912. Asa Shaw, age 93, who now resides at 82 Highland St., and who graduated from Amesbury High in 1912, states there was no football at the school throughout his four years as a student. This time period included the fall seasons of 1908 through 1911.

Newburyport High's 6-0 victory in 1908 was against the Amesbury Independents, not AHS, in a game played Wednesday, Nov. 11 at Newburyport. Some Amesbury players were in the previous June's AHS graduation class.

The Newburyport Daily News' writeup of this game stated: "It is true that Amesbury had some older and heavier men on their squad but the majority of them, judging from their play, had not seen a football for months if years, and Newburyport High with their several weeks of coaching by Mr. Sommes, should have just wiped the ground up with the contingency from the Powow valley."

This doesn't sound much like an organized Amesbury team that would have been of high school age. The 1908 score should be stricken.

But what about the 1896 score of the first game reported by the newspapers to have involved the two high schools?

The Oct. 13, 1904, issue of the Amesbury Daily News reported the formation of a new Amesbury High School Athletic Council that would govern athletics and which would include five members - three school committee members, the high school principal and a member of the senior class.

Fifty years later J. Harris Melia, faculty manager of athletics at Amesbury High School, stated at the AHS football banquet on Tuesday evening, Dec. 7, 1954: "The football season of 1954 marks the 50th anniversary of organized sport in Amesbury High under the supervision of an official athletic council created by the authority of the school committee."

Melia made a key statement in regard to the 1904 formation of the AHS athletic council: "This was the first year that football was played in Amesbury High with official recognition although teams had played under the name of Amesbury High for a good ten years earlier."

The 1954 AHS football banquet story appeared in the Dec. 8, 1954, issue of the Amesbury Daily News. On the Amesbury page of the Newburyport Daily News issue of the same day, the banquet was covered, but Melia's remarks did not appear.

Did Melia's statement that AHS football did not have official school committee recognition until 1904 invalidate the 1896 NHS 30-0 victory over AHS?

Any Newburyport High football historian would have a right to enter the score of the 1896 game into the school's record for that season. A game was played. Officials were on duty. Newburyport High School had an all-student team and was a member of a league. Amesbury High School could be listed as the opponent since the Amesbury team played under that name.

But on the technicality that Amesbury High School football in 1896 was not officially recognized by the Amesbury School Committee, the question arises as to whether or not this score belongs in the annual list. This score wasn't listed among old scores until 1957 - 61 years after the game was played.

Perhaps the 1937 Amesbury Daily News Edition of Nov. 23, was correct when it listed the series as beginning in 1915.

That was the year AHS began an unbroken succession of seasons of regular interscholastic football schedules and the two schools met on Thanksgiving Day in Newburyport.

History of NHS-AHS rivalry in question

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Bert Spofford and Bill Peabody have no axes to grind. They aren't, according to Spofford, "a couple of Amesbury guys trying to shoot down Newburyport." The two are simply trying to set straight the record of the long-time Thanksgiving Day football series between Amesbury High School and Newburyport High School that they contend has been inaccurately reported for the past 31 years.

"All I want is historical accuracy," said Peabody. Painstaking research of the earliest years of the series has led them to conclude that, in this instance, the records can indeed be thrown out the window. (See related story, page D4).

Long-accepted records indicate that the two schools began playing one another in football in 1891, making it the state's fifth-oldest rivalry in terms of its starting date. Those records show Newburyport with 37 wins,

GAMES IN QUESTION

1909-14	.....	No games
1908	.....	Newburyport, 6-0
1900-07	.....	No games
1899	.....	Amesbury, 11-0
1898	.....	Tie, 6-6
1897	.....	Amesbury, 6-0
1896	.....	Newburyport, 30-0
1895	.....	No game
1894	.....	Tie, 0-0
1893	.....	Newburyport, 36-0
1892	.....	Tie, 0-0
1891	.....	Newburyport, 11-10

Amesbury with 28 wins and nine ties.

Spofford and Peabody say the actual starting date should be 1915 and that nine fewer games have been played. That would leave Newburyport with 33 wins and Amesbury with 26 victories with six tie games.

Games were played in all of the disputed years - 1893, 1894 (two), 1896-99 and 1908 - except 1891, when there is no indication of either high school having a team. Spofford and Peabody say it is clear the games weren't between sanctioned teams representing both schools. "Our research shows that all games but 1896 clearly weren't between high school teams," said Peabody. "Every score we found involved an Amesbury YMCA team, or an independent team, or a town rugby team. Some of these guys obviously weren't even in high school," said Spofford.

The findings surprised both current athletic directors, Doug Wood of Amesbury and Jim Stehlin of Newburyport. The two first became deeply involved in the series as rival head coaches in the 1960s and '70s. "This would be kind of a shock if it's accurate. We've always prided ourselves on being the fifth-oldest rivalry in the state and we've always sold that to the kids. It's shocking. I don't really know what else to say," said Stehlin.

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It is clear that Newburyport formed a varsity football team in 1892 and joined a league that included several southern New Hampshire schools. Four years later, Newburyport joined the Essex County Interscholastic League.

However, articles from the newspapers in both towns state that Amesbury High first fielded a team sanctioned by the school committee in 1904, then didn't begin playing an unbroken schedule in consecutive years until 1915.

From 1938 until 1957, the newspapers in both towns listed the starting date of the series as 1908, although Spofford and Peabody agree no game was played that year.

According to both researchers, the 1891 starting date and scores of games played from 1891 to 1914 first appeared in both towns' newspapers on Thanksgiving Eve in 1957 and remained unquestioned until this year.

They both have theories as to how the scores began appearing in both papers in 1957, but declined to elaborate further.

Wood wasn't sure the distinction should be made between a sanctioned high school team and players of high school age participating on a town team.

"I wonder what other communities would find if they delved back that deeply into their history. But, what is, is. It's obviously shocking in that all of our pre-game hype has been based on it being one of the state's oldest rivalries. I just hope we can get to the bottom of it and start from there," he said.

Peabody and Spofford are not novices at this type of research.

Peabody, an Amesbury native, taught at Marblehead High School for 28 years. He wrote a history book of Marblehead football that was published prior to the school's 75th anniversary season in 1984. He is currently working on a similar history of Newburyport High football for that school's 100th anniversary.

Spofford, a Georgetown native and Cornell University graduate, is a retired Army colonel and former Amesbury High varsity baseball coach. He has put together detailed works on the history of Amesbury High baseball and basketball, both available at the Amesbury Public Library.

"Bill had researched pre-1915 games for both Newburyport and Amesbury, then I went back and did my research on Amesbury. Between us, we have three checks of this material," said Spofford.

Those early games may be disputed, but the rivalry between the towns was spirited even in its infancy.

The Newburyport Daily News headline for the 1894 game blared: "A Rough Contest; Football Game In Which Slugging Was A Feature. . . Ended In A Draw And Hard Feelings."

The Newburyport paper described Newburyport's 30-0 win in 1896 as: "A Tremendous Victory. . . Made 30 (points) by Good Playing and Gave Up Only Goose Eggs."

In 1897, the Amesbury Daily News called the 6-0 win by the town's YMCA squad a: "Great Victory. . . The Boys Paint The Town Red Saturday Night."

Nothing really changes.

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