

# Fall Sports GUIDE







Pictured are the 13 seniors on the South Central Calhoun football team. The front row is comprised of Cole Corey, Ayden Toms, Evan Jacobs, Brennan Holder, T’Juan Sanders and Jordan Khommanyvong. The back is made up of Andrew Trott, Jaydon Maschke, Blake Thompson, Carson Pibal, Austin Brenner, Kyler Schumacher and Keaton Daniel. The full team photo was unavailable as of press time. [Tyler Anderson/The Graphic-Advocate]



SCC senior quarterback Cole Corey begins to scramble during the second half of the Titans’ 34-7 victory over Greene County on Sept. 4 at Linduska Field in Jefferson. [Tyler Anderson/The Graphic-Advocate]



SCC senior Brennan Holder (left) gives junior teammate Jayden Soard a firm handshake following a big play during the first half of the Titans’ Class 1A-District 2 opener against Clarion-Goldfield-Dows on Sept. 11 at Titan Field in Lake City. [Tyler Anderson/The Graphic-Advocate]



SCC senior running back Evan Jacobs cuts downfield during the first half of the Titans’ 14-0 season opening victory over Kuemper Catholic on August 28 at Titan Field in Lake City. [Tyler Anderson/The Graphic-Advocate]



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# THE CALM WITHIN THE STORM

*Titan football program brings a sense of normalcy through success*

**By Tyler Anderson**  
The Graphic-Advocate Editor

If the 2020 calendar year can be likened to a movie title, it would go by “It’s a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World.” While the 1963 film was created to be a comedy, this year has been no laughing matter.

In between the release of new football districts on Feb. 3 and the 2020 schedule on March 28, the world had encountered COVID-19 — with buzzwords such as social distancing, self-quarantine and “the new normal.” As high school baseball was played the course of the summer, many wondered if there would be a possible football season.

Then, on July 24, the Iowa High School Athletic Association changed things up quite a bit. It was a brave new world for the South Central Calhoun football team.

The regular season was shortened from nine games to a range of five to seven games, depending on quarantining due to a COVID-19 outbreak. The football season would still officially kick off on August 28 and run through Oct. 16.

Two new opponents on the first draft of the Titans’ upcoming schedule, Adair-Casey/Guthrie Center and Algona, were taken off of the slate.

Instead of 16 teams entering the playoffs, all 64 teams within Class 1A will try their hand at the postseason. Could that mean more home playoff games for SCC? Perhaps, depending on how they fare within the second district of the classification.

But, let’s backtrack for a moment.

While the whirlwind of uncertainty swirled all around the Iowa high school football landscape, the Titans have held steady within the eye of the storm.

The annual SCC Titan Football Camp went off without a hitch, as well as the annual SCC Toughman Contest. Practices, while adhering to social distancing measures, were conducted as normal.

There were slight hiccups, however.

Each May, the Titans order new jerseys

from their supplier, passing down numbers left by departing seniors to a crop of incoming freshmen. The ripple effects of COVID-19 have kept SCC head football Bryan Case and his staff waiting for those new tops to come.

It has prevented SCC from coming together for a complete team picture in full uniform.

The Titans adapted, though, outfitting its younger players with different numbers for its array of junior varsity reserve, junior varsity and varsity contests. No skin off of the nose.

One of SCC’s best returning players, senior running back/linebacker Brennan Holder, was placed in a two-week quarantine period just days before the team’s regular season opener against Kuemper Catholic. The unfortunate situation prevented Holder from fully cheering on and supporting his teammates, forcing the senior to watch the Titans from afar.

While Holder waited for his chance to put the uniform back on and play alongside his brothers in arms, the Titans never skipped a beat, winning both of its non-district games. The rest of the seniors provided the leadership, and junior running back Blake McAlister racked up the stats.

As of this section’s press time, McAlister is fourth in Class 1A in total rushing yards, chalking up 445 yards and four trips to the endzone in 43 carries.

Next man up, as football coaches would preach to their players.

Then, there’s social distancing at Titan Field. To amend the potential issue of overcrowding, SCC had placed its spare bleachers at both ends of the field and along the visiting side. It was a pretty easy fix.

Overall, if there’s one thing that the Titans have mastered so far this season, it is the ability to adapt and thrive, in spite of the current circumstances. Thanks to a tradition of success brought forth from Case and his experienced coaching staff, it’s been business as usual.

When one asks coach Case on his formula to how the Titans achieved that success of making good with what they have, it comes down to the name emblazoned on the chest. So far, Case has amassed an 86-26 record in his 10 years at SCC, with an overall record of 162-47 while pacing the sidelines.

“I feel like we have established a fairly good program here at SCC,” Case said. “Our

South Central Calhoun Titans Results and Remaining Football Schedule		
Date	Opponent	Result/Location
Aug. 28	Kuemper Catholic	W, 14-0
Sept. 4	Greene County	W, 34-7
Sept. 11	Clarion-Goldfield-Dows (Senior Night)	W, 49-13
Sept. 18	Pocahontas Area	TBD
Sept. 25	Southeast Valley (Homecoming)	Lake City
Oct. 2	Eagle Grove	Eagle Grove
Oct. 9	Belmond-Klemme	Lake City
Oct. 16	Class 1A Playoffs (First Round)	TBD
Oct. 23	Class 1A Playoffs (Second Round)	TBD
Oct. 30	Class 1A Playoffs (Third Round)	TBD
Nov. 6	Class 1A State Quarterfinals	TBD
Nov. 12-14	Class 1A State Semifinals	UNI-Dome, Cedar Falls
Nov. 20-21	Class 1A State Championship	UNI-Dome, Cedar Falls

teams have proven to be consistent over the years, so that tradition has helped build confidence. Our varsity kids ‘get it,’ but what had really impressed me so far are the underclassmen and their willingness to learn and work at their craft.”

SCC has essentially reloaded, returning seven starters and 20 letterwinners. This number includes 13 seniors.

Among the 13 members of the Class of 2021 are the four captains in Holder, quarterback Cole Corey, lineman Keaton Daniel and tight end/linebacker Blake Thompson.

“Our senior leadership has been outstanding, and during these uncertain times of COVID-19, our captains have paved the way as a great example for our team to follow. We have a great nucleus here, and our team expects to compete with anyone. We seem to have a little bit of everything this year.”

This year, the Titans have size with Daniel, senior lineman Carson Pibal, junior receiver/linebacker Josh Dietrich and sophomore Waylen Gemberling. SCC also has speed with McAlister and junior Kevin King, with a slew of seniors in Corey, Jordan Khommanyong, Evan Jacobs, Ayden Toms and T’Juan Sanders.

Then, there’s a combination of size, speed and strength with Holder, Thompson, junior lineman/linebacker Jayden Soard and sophomore fullback/defensive lineman Dominik Kistler.

Holder has amassed 110 yards in just nine touches, while Soard leads SCC on defense with 14 tackles, one fumble recovery and one interception.

The Titans entered the meat of their district schedule this past week, traveling north to take on Pocahontas Area. The game story, along with scoring summary and stats, are available in the Sept. 23 edition of The Graphic-Advocate.

This week, SCC will hold its Homecoming festivities before playing host to Southeast Valley at 7 p.m. on Friday evening at Titan Field in Lake City. Results from the clash between the Titans and the Jaguars will be reported in the Sept. 30 edition of The Graphic-Advocate.

“Southeast Valley has one of the best players in the state in Aaron Graves,” Case said of the Jaguars. “They also possess a great coaching staff.”

Following Homecoming, SCC will head over to Wright County to face Eagle Grove on Sept. 2 at Gene Hinrichsen Field in Eagle Grove.


Then, the Titans will cap district play and the regular season with a visit from Belmond-Klemme. The regular season finale between SCC and the Broncos will begin at 7 p.m. on Oct. 9 at Titan Field in Lake City.

The playoffs then begin on Oct. 16 at a time, date, location and opponent to be determined.



Will the Titans have a deep playoff run within them? Coach Case provided a short answer for that.

“We’re going to take this season with a ‘one game at a time’ approach,” Case said. “With everything going on this year, to even play a football game is a blessing. We’re going to work hard each and every day, compete to our best abilities in every game, and then see how everything goes.”

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# CHOMPING AT THE BIT

*Titan cross country teams look to build up potential through youth, depth*

**By Tyler Anderson**  
The Graphic-Advocate Editor

Within the wide world of athletics, there are multiple team sports.

There's the obvious, like football, volleyball, basketball, baseball and softball. In Minnesota, parts of the Dakotas and in the northeastern portion of the country, hockey is among that pantheon.

Then, there are sports that are a hybrid of both. Those hybrids are wrestling, particularly at tournaments where team points are awarded, and track and field, where meets take place of single or double elimination brackets. Team golf is more so like the latter, rather than the former mentioned.

Cross country is a hybrid, but it has its own nuances. There's no track, field, court or mat. Instead, you're usually trekking along a golf course or a path created within a municipal, county or state park.

There's also the terrain to keep in mind, as cross country takes you up and down inclines and hills, just as much as the course yields a long straightaway. The course, which can have woods or wide open spaces, can also provide winding trails.

The first cross country races can be traced back to an English game known as "hare and hounds" or "the paper chase," with the first races being recorded as early as 1837.

To the runner, it's a mental game. It pits the runner against time and the course itself, just as much as his or her fellow competitors.

In situations where experience can trump youth through sound strategy or where youth can overtake experience through attrition, cross country favors the mentally tough.

For the South Central Calhoun cross country teams, they have the necessary tools to achieve that state of mind. At the Southeast Valley Invitational, their lone race of the 2020 season as of press time, the Titans had a good point to start from.

During their initial meet, held on August 27 at the Gowrie Municipal Golf Course, the



**SCC senior captain Ben Englin charges straight ahead during the boys' side of the Southeast Valley Invitational, held on August 27 in Gowrie. [Tyler Anderson/The Graphic-Advocate]**

SCC girls took sixth in a field of 11 teams, while Titan boys landed in seventh among 12 squads.

According to SCC head cross country Brian Knapp, there was a combination of solid performances and the need for improvement, even with temperatures nearing triple digits at Southeast Valley.

"Some of the kids had a nice start to their season," Knapp said. "However, some still have some work to do on the mental toughness end. It was hot, but it was hot for everyone."

Leading the charge this year for SCC are senior captains Alayna Murley and Ben Englin.

Murley has grown by leaps and bounds, recording a 13<sup>th</sup> place finish with a time of 24:05.64. Englin finished 36<sup>th</sup> (with a time of 21:02.35) in the land of the Jaguars.

"Ben and Alayna have done a great job of leading by example, and not mere words," Knapp said of his captains. "They both came into the season in very good condition and thus, they have had some early season success because of this."

Junior Alexia Nelson, who attends Glidden-Ralston but competes for the Titan girls' cross country team, has complemented Murley. Joining the two are seniors Ashley Hanks, Brielle Korleski, Sally Musselman and Kortney Riley. Junior Addisyn Korleski is also part of this experienced group of harriers.

Juniors Carter Soyer (also hailing from

South Central Calhoun Titans Results and Remaining Cross Country Schedule			
Date	Meet	Site	Results/Start Time
Aug. 27	Southeast Valley Invite	Gowrie	6 <sup>th</sup> (Girls), 7 <sup>th</sup> (Boys)
Sept. 12	Tim Thomas Classic	Holstein Country Club	Cancelled
Sept. 17	Chris Smith Invite	Little Sioux, Sioux Rapids	TBD
Sept. 19	Kuemper Invite	Swan Lake State Park	TBD
Sept. 24	MVAOCO Invite	Willow Vale, Mapleton	4 p.m.
Sept. 29	Denison-Schleswig Invite	Northside Rec, Denison	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 3	PAC Invite	Pocahontas Golf Club	9 a.m.
Oct. 6	SCC Invitational	Lake City Country Club	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	OABCIG Invite	Ida Grove Golf Club	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 17	Twin Lakes Conference Meet	Pocahontas Golf Club	9 a.m.
Oct. 22	Class 2A State Qualifying Meet	TBD	4 p.m.
Oct. 31	Iowa State HS Cross Country Meet	Kennedy Park, Fort Dodge	TBD

Glidden-Ralston), Zach Wilson and Russell DeWitt – along with sophomores Tyler Lightner, Eli Wheelock, Nik Whipkey, Parker Pagel and Justin Hanks – offer support for Englin.

Then, there is a plethora of freshmen. On the girls' side, there is Lilly Kalous, Evelyn Kramer, Claire Riat, Scout Rohlf and Mady Smidt.

Tristan Blair, Nathan Burley, Austin Daniel and Matt Nath are ninth graders representing the boys' squad.

"I've been impressed by our incoming freshmen boys and girls," Knapp said of his teams. "Many of them have or will begin to contribute to the overall success of the team. Some of our returning upperclassmen are solid runners."

Results from the Chris Smith Invitational and the Kuemper Invitational, which took place last Thursday and this past Saturday respectively, will be reported in the Sept. 23 edition of The Graphic-Advocate.

Following the trip to Swan Lake, the Titans will travel to Mapleton, Denison and Pocahontas.

The lone home meet of the season will be the South Central Calhoun Invitational, scheduled to start at 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 6 at the Lake City Country Club. Pictures from the meet will be posted on The Graphic-Advocate's SmugMug page and via Facebook, with results from the meet slated to be within the pages of an upcoming edition of The Graphic-Advocate.

The Titans will then participate at the OABCIG Invite on Oct. 12 in Ida Grove, before facing off against its conference op-



**SCC runners Justin Hanks and Carter Soyer (who joins the Titans from Glidden-Ralston) pace along the bend during the Southeast Valley Invitational, held on August 27 in Gowrie. [Tyler Anderson/The Graphic-Advocate]**

ponents at the Twin Lakes Conference Meet, set for 9 a.m. on Oct. 17 at the Pocahontas Golf Club.

The TLC meet is the final regular season competition before SCC takes part in the Class 2A State Qualifying State, slated for 4 p.m. on Oct. 22 at a location to be determined.

What would it take for the Titans to slip a runner, or two runners or a team to the State Cross Country Meet in Fort Dodge? It's too early to tell, Knapp stated.

"We try to talk about it every day," Knapp said. "However, as the old cliché goes, we also try to focus on the concept of one meet at a time."

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The South Central Calhoun cross country teams are pictured above. The front row (from left to right) features Sally Musselman, Brielle Korleski, Ashley Hanks, Ben Englin, Allie Kirkhart, Kortney Riley and Alayna Murley. The second row is comprised of Addisyn Korleski, Chloe Judisch, Lilly Kalous, Mady Smidt, Claire Riat, Evelyn Kramer, Scout Rohlf, Alexia Nelson, Catie Collison and Jade Ridgely. The third row is made up of assistant coach Carol Newland, manager Emma Englin, Tristan Blair, Cody Thompson, Russell DeWitt, Marcus Wiley, Eli Wheelock, Carter Soyer, Nathan Burley, Austin Daniel and head coach Brian Knapp. On the top row are statistician Wesley Maulsby, Nick Whipkey, Parker Pagel, Matt Nath, Zach Wilson, Justin Hanks, Caleb Blair and Tyler Lightner. [Tyler Anderson/The Graphic-Advocate]



SCC senior Brielle Korleski flashes a quick smile while competing in the Southeast Valley Invitational, held on August 27 at the Gowrie Municipal Golf Course. [Tyler Anderson/The Graphic-Advocate]



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Shown above is the South Central Calhoun volleyball team. The front row (from left to right) is made up of Sally Musselman, Laci Riedesel, Kortney Riley, Allie Kirkhart and Emma Geno. The second row is comprised of manager Ava Finley, Kylie Carstens, Grace Ross, Olivia Toms, Claire Kalous, Ellie McChesney, Elysia Smith, Kylee Schleisman, Sophie McKinney and manager Lilly Robb. The third row features Amya Meyer, Lauren Korkow, Elexis Kistler, Caydance Edwards, Sam Stuart, Mia Babcock, Kierstin Morrow, Sayer Steig, Addy Geno, Josie Thompson and assistant coach Julie Batta. In the top row are head coach Shelley Blankenship, Madison Schultz, Makelsie Gorden, Keira Hammen, Riley Batta, Alexa Gemberling, Gracie Hungate, Mollie Monahan, SaraJo Talbott, Mikayla Monahan and assistant coach Courtland Ellis. Madison Collison is not pictured. [Tyler Anderson/The Graphic-Advocate]



Sophomore Sophie McKinney receives a serve during the annual SCC “Master Blaster Tournament,” held on Sept. 12 at the SCC Middle School Gymnasium in Rockwell City. McKinney is one of many sophomores who have been called up to the varsity squad this year. [Tyler Anderson/The Graphic-Advocate]

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SCC sophomore Keira Hammen denies a kill attempt from Harlan during the SCC “Master Blaster” Tournament, held on Sept. 12 in Rockwell City. Hammen is among the Twin Lakes Conference’s leaders in the blocking category. [Tyler Anderson/The Graphic-Advocate]

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# FINDING STABLE GROUND

*SCC volleyball team seeks to grow, compete as season progresses*

**By Tyler Anderson**  
The Graphic-Advocate Editor

It has been an interesting several years for the South Central Calhoun volleyball team. With the usual incoming freshmen and departures due to graduation, the Titans have been through several changes. Several of those transitions have been coaching changes.

The current senior class, which features five members, has played for three different coaches in four years. Much like an amusement park ride, there have been twists and turns, as well as ups and downs. There has been success and there have been some tough outings.

Now in her second year at the helm, SCC head volleyball coach Shelley Blankenship has sought to ease the ride into a program that is steady, stable and consistent.

Despite the carousel, Blankenship believes that the essence of the Titan volleyball program has remained the same: The expectation to compete with anyone at any time and any place, with an aim for success in the playoffs.

“I feel the program has the same values it has had in the past,” Blankenship said. “I was fortunate enough to work with some great coaches, and work to carry on the tradition of success here at SCC.”

While Blankenship has kept an aura of familiarity, she and her coaching staff – comprising of assistant coaches Julie Batta and Courtland Ellis – are not above adding new wrinkles to enhance the program.

This year, SCC has implemented a strength and conditioning regimen to the practice schedule. To do this, Blankenship recruited highly accredited trainer Ashley Duncan to help bolster the Titans.

“Ashley has volunteered her time to work with the girls on their strength and agilities,” Blankenship said. “It’s been a big step for our volleyball program and our girls’ sports programs overall. I tried implementing it last year, and we finally have been able to utilize her expertise since our open gym time this past summer.”

Compared to previous years, the Titans have been streaky. SCC began the season with five-match skid before rebounding with a six-match winning streak. The Titans capped the six-match run by winning the annual SCC “Early Bird” Tournament, held on Sept. 5 at the SCC Middle School Gymnasium in Rockwell City.

“I was very proud of the girls for winning the Early Bird Tournament,” Blankenship said. “They worked really hard to win all of

their matches. They even rallied from behind on a few occasions.”

However, SCC ran into troubles once more, going on another five-match skid. This included going 0-4 at the SCC “Master Blaster” Tournament, which featured a field of strong opposition.

Blankenship believes that the trials and tribulations will pay off for the Titans come playoff time.

“We have had some ups and downs,” said Blankenship. “However, the early portion in our season is a chance for us to play harder teams and make us better. That is how our schedule is set up.”

“This can only make us play harder and with great competition this early on, it shows us what we need to work on,” Blankenship added. “This is how we will get better. The more you can get your hands on the ball early on, gives you the strength as the season marches along.”

The Titans have also been banged up quite a bit in the early portion of the 2020 campaign, according to Blankenship.

“We have had a lot of injuries to deal with early on and the girls have had to adjust in certain situations,” Blankenship said. “Those factors have kept us playing to our full potential, but the girls have also done a great job in being moved into positions at the last minute, due to injuries. I can’t speak enough praise about their efforts in that area.”

Leading the way for SCC is a core of five seniors, which include captains Laci Riedesel, Sally Musselman and Kortney Riley. Senior Emma Geno returns to the libero position for a second straight season, while senior Allie Kirkhart has picked up valuable minutes on the varsity level.

“Laci, Kortney and Emma all had roles last year on the team, but really stepped up this year from day one of open gym this summer,” Blankenship said of her senior leadership. “Laci has always been willing and able to move to different positions. She has become very vocal this year, which is something we needed.”

So far this season, Riedesel has tallied 45 kills, 30 digs, a stellar 25 blocks and 14 service aces. Riley leads the team on offense with 83 kills and 29 aces, to go along with her 113 digs and 33 assists.

“Kortney now plays all the way around, and does great talking all through our matches,” Blankenship said of Riley.

Geno has brought out her shovel, just as a libero should, leading SCC with 173 digs.

“As much as I would love to see Emma hit, I just love having her in the back row,” Blankenship said of Geno. “Her abilities really show in her defense, and we need that against the teams we play.”

Overall, Blankenship has been pleased with her five seniors.

“Their leadership has been amazing,” said Blankenship. “Sally and Allie have added to

South Central Calhoun Titans Results and Remaining Volleyball Schedule		
Date	Opponent	Result/Location
Aug. 25	Ridge View	L, 3-2
Aug. 29	Spirit Lake (H. Tourney)	L, 2-1
Aug. 29	Humboldt (H. Tourney)	L, 2-0
Aug. 29	Grand View Christian (H. Tourney)	L, 2-1
Aug. 29	Kuemper Catholic (H. Tourney)	L, 2-0
Aug. 29	Fort Dodge (H. Tourney)	W, 2-0
Aug. 29	South Hardin (H. Tourney)	L, 2-0
Sept. 3	GTRA	W, 3-0
Sept. 3	St. Mary's	W, 3-0
Sept. 5	Manson-NW Webster (Early Bird)	W, 2-0
Sept. 5	South Hamilton (Early Bird)	W, 2-0
Sept. 5	Pocahontas Area (Early Bird)	W, 2-1
Sept. 5	Spencer (Early Bird)	W, 2-1
Sept. 10	Alta-Aurelia	L, 3-0
Sept. 12	Ridge View (Master Blaster)	L, 2-0
Sept. 12	East Sac County (Master Blaster)	L, 2-0
Sept. 12	Harlan (Master Blaster)	L, 2-0
Sept. 12	Kuemper Catholic (Master Blaster)	L, 2-0
Sept. 17	Emmetsburg/West Bend-Mallard	TBD
Sept. 19	Carroll Tournament	TBD
Sept. 22	Panorama/Greene County	Rockwell City
Sept. 24	Pocahontas Area/Southeast Valley	Burnside
Oct. 1	Manson-Northwest Webster	Manson
Oct. 8	East Sac County	Rockwell City
Oct. 15	Newell-Fonda/Sioux Central	Sioux Rapids
Oct. 17	Winterset Tournament	Winterset
Oct. 19	Regional Tournament	TBD
Oct. 21	Regional Tournament	TBD
Oct. 26	Regional Tournament	TBD
Oct. 28	Regional Finals	TBD
Nov. 2-5	IGHSAU State Volleyball Tournament	U.S. Cellular Center, Cedar Rapids

that, and both are seeing a lot of playing time this year.”

Musselman has accumulated 108 assists and 84 digs as a setter, while Kirkhart has been spending more time out on the volleyball court. Blankenship also spoke highly of her lone junior, Sayer Steig, and her wide variety of sophomores, consisting of Keira Hammen, Riley Batta, Sophie McKinney and Kylee Schleisman.

“Keira has doing a great job in the middle for us, and Riley sets and hits on the left side,” Blankenship said. “She’s all around player for us. Sophie plays well on the right side, and Sayer contributed on both sides of the court. Kylee has done well in the back row and has been doing some hitting recently. These girls will all be all be great leaders in the future, and some have already shown that this year.”

Of the five, Batta – who was an all-Twin Lakes Conference second teamer last season – has spearheaded the Titans with 113 assists, 111 digs and 65 kills. Hammen has been a force at the net, generating 32 blocks at the net. Blankenship also noted that players such as Madison Collison, Addy Geno and Josie Thompson will be soon coming up the pipe from the subvarsity realm.

“I believe that you’ll will see great things from these girls in the future,” Blankenship said. “There are many girls that push our varsity, as well as each other, to be better. They are all a huge part of our volleyball family.”

This past week, SCC faced West Bend-Mallard and Emmetsburg in Lake City and took a trip south to participate in the Carroll Tournament, held this past Saturday at the Tiger Gym. Results from the recent matches will be reported in the Sept. 23 edition of The Graphic-Advocate.

Before venturing into the postseason, the Titans will have two more regular season home dates, hosting Greene County and Panorama on Sept. 22 at the SCC Middle School Gymnasium in Rockwell City. SCC will then clash with archrival East Sac County on Oct. 8, which also takes place in Rockwell City.

The question remains: Can the Titans bounce back, just in time for their regional tournament? Blankenship knows that it will take some work, but believe that the Titans will make some strides going forward.

“I believe that if we can get all of all girls healthy again and playing at the level of play I know we are able to play at, we will be the team we started out to be,” Blankenship said. “Every day, we are building on something. Every day, we aim to be better. We won’t settle for less, and we will keep working hard.”





# BRINGING THE NOISE


Picture above are the South Central Calhoun Football Cheerleaders. On the bottom row (from left to right) are Summer Rajotte, Allison Stokes, Catie Collison, Macy Macke and Madison Monahan. In the middle row are Tyjah Sease, Morgan Neal, Tatum Rohlf, Caitlin Stokes, Erin Shinn, Kena King and Malin Henry. The top row consists of Elizabeth Scholtens, Adrianna McCusker, Kenzie Braun, Rachel Best and Ashley Schleisman. [Photo courtesy of Kelli Stokes]



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