2007-08

Gust, DuPree have tremendous sports seasons



Final records

FALL '07

Football 5-4 Volleyball 32-11-6 Boys & Girls CC

WINTER '08

Boys basketball 21-4 Girls basketball 6-15

SPRING '08

Baseball 22-11 Softball 17-17 Boys track 6-3 Girls track 3-7

MVPs

Football: Ross Miller
Boys CC: Jake Berry
Girls CC: Melissa Garverick &
Emilee Knakiewicz
Girls basketball: Kayla
Rafferty
Boys basketball: Dave Gust
& Josh DuPree
Volleyball: Chelsea Brighton
& Shelby Bay
Baseball: Kyle Lievens
Softball: Emily Rush
Boys track: Josh DuPree
Girls track: Liz Hauser

Tri-County Conference

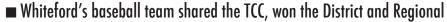
CHAMPIONS
Football: Sand Creek
Boys CC: Whitmore Lake
Girls CC: Whitmore Lake
Girls basketball: Clinton
Boys basketball: Madison
Volleyball: Clinton
Baseball: Whiteford, Clinton,
Sand Creek & Summerfield
Softball: Clinton
Boys track: Madison
Girls track: Sand Creek

All-State

Jake Ritzenthaler, baseball, 2nd team Josh DuPree, football, 1st team (AP); basketball, 1st team (AP, Detroit News), 2nd team (Free Press); track, 1st 100, 400, 2nd 200 Dave Gust, basketball, HM (AP)

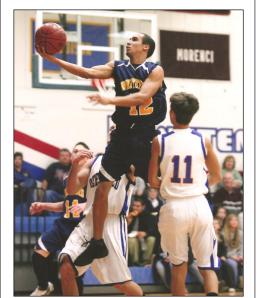
BOBCAT HEADLINES

- The high-scoring Bobcat boys basketball team won 14 games away from home
- Girls basketball was moved to winter and volleyball became a fall sport
- Dave Gust threw for record 1,287 yards passing, scored 19 points a game in basketball and won 8 games on the mound for the baseball team
- Josh DuPree was state champion in the 100 and 400, was 2nd in the 200 and a member of 5th place 1600 relay team





■ Kathy Albers' volleyball team won 32 games giving her 183 wins in just six seasons



Josh DuPree completed an amazing sports career at Whiteford. Some of his accomplishments:

- No. 2 all-time basketball scorer with 1,224 points
- First team All-State in basketball, 2008
- Holds Whiteford football record for receiving yards in a season (770) and career (1,060); receiving TDs in season (9) and career (12) and receptions season (44) and career (56).
- First team All-State in football, 2007
- He qualified and placed at state track meet all four seasons and 11 times in his career, including two 1sts and six 2nds and a 3rd. He was state champion in the 100 and 400 as a senior.
- Monroe County Region Boys Athlete of the Year

2007-08 marked the first season Bobcat athletes were able to use the new weight room the Whiteford Athletic Boosters built inside the high school.

NUMBERS & NOTES

FOOTBALL: The quarterback-wide receiver duo of Dave Gust and Josh DuPree broke all of the previous passing and receiving marks for a season, hooking up nine times for touchdowns and both scoring 72 points on the season.

Gust set a Bobcat standard with more than 1,200 passing yards – shattering the previous record for yards through the air. DuPree established new season and career marks for both receptions and receiving yards and even threw a touchdown pass. The senior did it on the defensive side of the ball with three interception returns for touchdowns as well.

Ross Miller also was outstanding on defense, recording an incredible 23 tackles for loss.

BOYS BASKETBALL: A surprising tournament run, keyed by three comeback victories, lifted the Whiteford Bobcats to 21 victories and a berth in the Class C Regional finals.

The Bobcats won 17 regular season games, but were still an underdog to 21-1 Madison, the TCC champ, in the District finals. The Bobcats, however, beat Madison in the finals on a last-second three-pointer by Josh DuPree.

The Bobcats then went to the Regional and beat 21-2 Napoleon, 51-49, in overtime, on the strength of DuPree's running layup in the closing seconds.

It was a grand exit for the senior-heavy Bobcats and coach Brad Stevens, who resigned after the season. Whiteford finished 21-4, lost to Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard in the Regional final and grabbed the frenzy of fans with the long tournament run.

DuPree (20.3 points a game) was named First Team All-State for his efforts, the first player in the history of Monroe County Region to win the honor in both football and basketball. Dave Gust finished just behind him in scoring and was honorable mention All-State himself. He led the Bobcats in rebounds, blocked shots and free throws and averaged 19.2 points a game.

BASEBALL: Steve Draper's second Bobcat baseball did one game better than the first, reaching the state quarterfinals. Dave Gust (8 wins, .302 average) and Joel Bunge (7-2) led the pitching while Jake Ritzenthaler (.448, 41 RBI) and Kyle Lievens (.423) were the batting stars.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Kayla Rafferty led the Bobcat girls basketball team in scoring including a 36-point night vs. Deerfield. Kelsey Hutchinson led the squad with 16 3-pointers.



Dave Gust