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Selling Cattle Causes Income Tax Considerations

Tax implications are a concern for Texas ranchers who have been forced to sell cattle at a historic rate, according to Texas AgriLife Extension Service economists.

"The historic drought has forced many more cows than normal to be sold throughout Texas," said Dr. David Anderson, Texas AgriLife Extension economist in an agency report. "Of the \$5.2 billion in agricultural losses to date, \$2.06 billion has come from our livestock industry, as ranchers have sold off cattle due to lack of forage and escalating supplemental feed expenses. This has created several financial management issues for cattle producers to consider."

Producers are advised to consult a financial professional for advice that best fits their operation and business plan, said Jose Pena, Texas AgriLife Extension economist.

"Everybody's situation is different and it may not be best practice to do what your neighbor does," Pena said.

Pena said there are things to consider when looking ahead to the 2011 tax year.

"If weather-related sales cause a producer to sell livestock, the gain on sale can be postponed," Pena said. "If livestock (other than poultry) held for any length of time for draft, breeding or dairy purposes is sold because of weather-related conditions, the gain real-

ized on the sale does not have to be recognized if the proceeds are used to purchase replacement livestock within two years of the end of the tax year

TDA Updates Hay Hotline

As Texas cattle ranchers continue to cull herds and import shipments of hay from the North and Midwest, the drought rages on.

In response, the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) recently updated the Hay Hotline, which connects ranchers in need with hay suppliers. The hotline now is being updated to include prices and sources for donated hay, along with contract information for transportation services to deliver hay and available grazing lands.

"Right now there is no pasture, no hay and no end in sight," Texas Agriculture Com-

missioner Todd Staples said in an agency news release.

For more information, visit <http://tinyurl.com/3lta8ry>.

Source: Texas Farm Bureau

missioner Todd Staples said in an agency news release. "The need for hay is dire and getting more desperate each day. Through the recent improvements made to the Hay Hotline, we hope to connect more ranchers with hay producers across the nation who have much-needed forage. It's critical to do what we can to preserve the cattle herd for which Texas is known and on which American consumers rely."

The Hay Hotline can be accessed by visiting www.TexasAgriculture.gov/hayhotline or by calling (877)429-1998.

Burn Ban

A Burn Ban remains in effect for
Borden County until further notice.



Dare to Live Without Limits

By Bryan Golden

Balance

There are many areas of life that have to be balanced. The definition of what constitutes balance is unique for each person. Personal needs, family, friends, work, recreation, and community are among the elements that have to be addressed.

One's interpretation of balance changes with age as priorities shift. There are various phases that you go through as you get older. What's important to you when you are in your 20's may not be significant in your 60's.

Allow your sense of balance to change with your priorities. When your life is out of balance, stress and frustration levels rise. Your life is out of balance when your priorities are not aligned with your conscience.

How much time and energy should be devoted to each component? Should one aspect be sacrificed for another? There is no specific answer. You have to identify what's right for you.

Personal Needs

This aspect encompasses elements essential for your mental and physical well being. Areas such as education, fitness, and personal growth and development fall into this category. Unfortunately, personal needs are often the first

to be sacrificed in favor of other areas. However, when you compromise your well being, you diminish your effectiveness in managing the other aspects.

Family and friends

Family includes parents, siblings, spouse, children, and significant others. Your status shapes your view of family. If you are single, your parents and siblings may be your definition of family. If you are married, your spouse and children are your family focus. If you are dating, your partner may attract most of your attention.

Family and friends are not easily replaced. If alienated, it's tough to restore these relationships. Family and friends can be among the most understanding and forgiving people. They have a higher tolerance for being ignored and displaced than others.

This is exactly the reason family and friends are taken for granted. Everyone has a breaking point. Without care and consideration, even family and friends will lose patience and feel alienated. Show your appreciation for them with your actions, not just words.

Work

It's not unusual to give work

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Rough Second Half Spells Trouble in Season Opener

By Coach Richey

Despite Outgaining the Rankin Red Devils by almost 100 yards, the Red Devils won several other major football categories that were a direct reflection on the outcome in the Season opener of the 2011 football season. The Red Devils had more time of possession with the ball, fewer turnovers, more successful PAT kicks which all spelled out a 38 to 26 loss for the Borden County Coyotes.

Despite two 1st half turnovers and a possession that ended inside the 5 yard line Borden County still held a 20 to 6 halftime lead, which could have been a comfortable lead if not for these correctable mistakes. The Coyotes got the first two career touchdowns for Matt "Big Cat" Roberson. The first came late in the 1st quarter on a 67 yard Pass from classmate Tanner Richey. These connected again moments later to regain the lead on a 18 yard touchdown reception. TJ Basquez, filling in for an injured Helio Rosales (who left the game mid-way thru the 1st) made the point after to regain the lead for the Coyotes at 14 to 6 with 8:01 left in the 2nd quarter. After a defensive stop, it appeared they would extend their lead, but their drive came to a halt at the Devil 5 yard line. After another defensive stop, the Coyotes used a quick 3 play drive to get on the board one more time just before half as Richey scampered 29 yards to pay dirt and a 20 to 6 lead with 20 seconds left in the first half.

The Red Devils got the ball to start the 2nd half, and just when it appeared that the defense might have a stop, a misplayed ball in the air allowed the drive to continue for the Red Devils as they methodically marched down field and eventually reached the endzone to cut the lead to 20 to 14 with 7:39 left in the 3rd. Moments later, Borden County committed the first of their three turnovers, coming on 3 of their first 4 drives of the 2nd half to give the Red Devils the ball inside the Coyote 20 yard line. With 5:46 to go in the 3rd,

the Red Devils had their first lead at 22 to 20. Just over a minute later, the Coyotes regained the lead as Richey hit Austin Fields on a 40 yard strike to claim a 26 to 22 lead with 4:36 left in the 3rd. Unfortunately, this would be the final score of the evening as the Red Devils controlled the ball and the clock as the Coyotes would commit turnovers on their next two possessions. Meanwhile, the momentum had completely moved over to the Maroon and black side and the Coyote defense could only slow them down but a no mistake football team methodically marched to the endzone after each of these turnovers to regain and then extend their leads to 30 to 26 and then 38 to 26. It looked as if the Coyotes were going to mount one last comeback effort, but on a short 3rd down play the only errant snap of the evening sailed some 20 yards back and forced the boys to attempt to convert a 4th and 25 play that was unsuccessful and as a result the Red Devils were able to kneel on the ball a couple of times to run out the clock and seal the victory for the Red Devils and the thoughts of what could have been for the 2011 Coyotes in their season opener.

The Coyotes had to make several changes on both sides of the ball because of a 1st quarter head injury to Kicker/Center/Defensive End Helio Rosales. In the kicking game, TJ Basquez and Quint Shafer tag teamed the duties. On offense, the Coyotes used Austin Tyler, Luke Burkett to fill his void. On defense, Borden County used Matt Proulx until an injury slowed him down and then Tristen Benavidez stepped in and did a good job. But, it is crazy how one injury forced so many changes. In fact, Roberson who had two catches from his end position had to move to center and then his position was actually replaced. But, this is the life and times of small school football and each of these young men filling in gave the Coyotes a chance to win the game, just a

few mistakes that are very correctable kept this from happening.

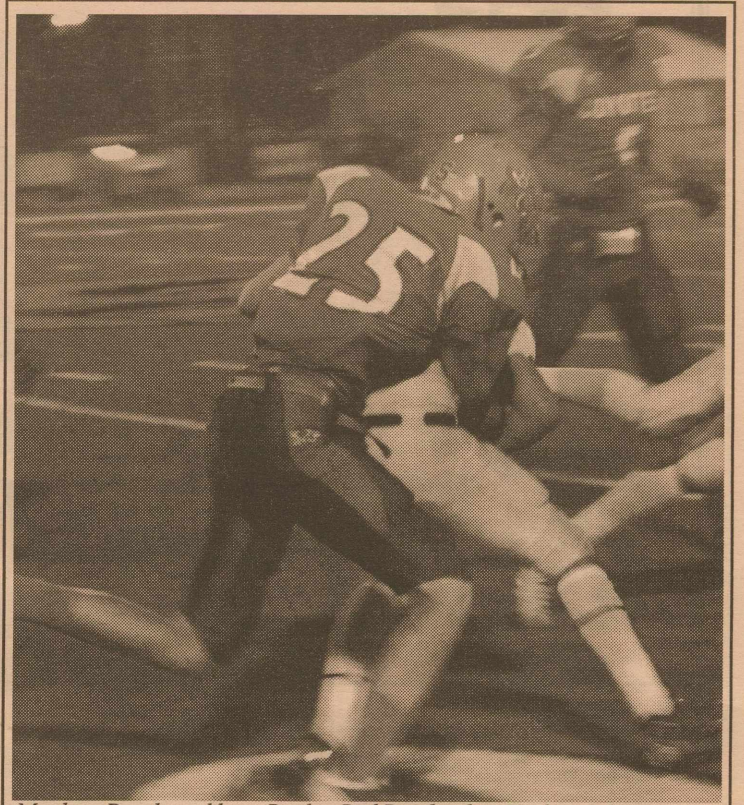
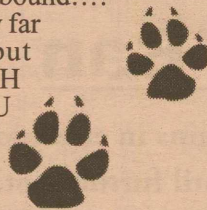
Leading the way on the defensive side was Quint Shafer as he had 16 tackles a tackle for loss and a sack. Tanner Richey had 21 tackles and a caused fumble. Austin Fields had 12 tackles and a pressure. TJ Basquez had 11 tackles, a pass break up, a fumble recovery, a sack and a caused fumble. Luke Burkett had 9 tackles. Tristen Benavidez had 5 tackles and a ½ sack. Matt Proulx had 5 tackles. Helio Rosales and Austin Tyler had 4 tackles each. Matt Roberson and Jared Smith had 3 tackles each. Matt Ham had a tackle for loss and Collin Telchik and Kurt Shafer had a tackle apiece.

On the offensive side, Austin Fields had 10 rushes for 77 yards and 5 receptions for 84 yards and a score. Quint Shafer had one carry for 8 yards, had 3 catches for 57 yards. Austin Tyler had 2 catches for 34 yards. Matt Roberson had two catches for 86 yards and two scores. Collin Telchik had a carry for negative 3 yards and Tanner Richey had 6 carries for 93 yards and a score and was 12 of 15 passing for 261 yards and 3 scores and 2 interceptions.

The Coyotes will next host the El Paso Jesus Chapel Chargers here Friday at 7:30

Borden County will look to eliminate turnovers and get the opposing offense off of the field to give what will be their high potent offense more offensive touches. We will regroup and respond. Come watch these young men as they correct their first game issues. This looks to be another good Coyote football team as a few mistakes are the difference in coming up short to the #7 team in the state. I was very proud of our Coyote football team. They will rebound!!!!

It is not how far you fall, but HOW HIGH YOU BOUNCE!!!!



Matthew Proulx tackles a Rankin Red Devil in last Friday nights' game in McKamey. Proulx had 5 tackles against the Devils.



Borden County Deputy Benny Allison recently gave the Mrs. Herridge's 6th grade science class a demonstration on fire extinguisher safety. Those pictured are (back row left to right) Benny Allison, Trace Richey, (middle row left to right) Thadd Basquez, Morgan Wilson, Nich Proulx, Thomas Nix, Brian Torres, Brooklyn Cheatham, Blaine Culver, Harley Merrill, Maddie Matlock, Kaitlyn Wilson, Preslea Hall, Ashlyn Tucker and Kable Kleck.

6th Grade Class Learns Lab Safety

Mrs. Herridge's sixth grade science class learned how to operate a fire extinguisher as part of their lab safety rules. Deputy Benny Allison demonstrated how to correctly use the device by remembering the acronym PASS: P-pull the pin, A-aim the nozzle at the base of the fire, S-squeeze the handle, and S-sweep the nozzle from side to side. After watching Deputy Allison execute the steps, each student was allowed to use the fire extinguisher to put out the "fire." The class would like to say "Thank you" to Officer Allison for taking time out from his busy schedule to help them learn about this important piece of safety equipment.

Coyote JV Take the Cougars!

By Coach Baeza

The Coyote JV took on the Klondike Cougars on Aug. 25 in their first test of the season.

The Coyotes started the game on the defensive side and quickly took advantage of the Cougars as Michael Taylor jumped on a fumble to give the Coyotes their first set of down. The Coyotes had a couple of opportunities to score on their first drive but did not take advantage as they turned the ball over on down.

The Cougars took their next offensive possession and drove it sixty yards to put them up 6-0 early in the first. After a couple of penalties Sean Tucker took the ball around the left side 60 yards to tie the game at 6 all. Two plays later the Cougars hit a 50 yard pass to take a 12-6 lead.

The Coyotes then picked up the defense and took back the ball and quickly struck offensively with a fifty yard pass from Sean Tucker to Riley Herridge. Two plays later Riley Herridge connected with Michael Taylor on a five yard for a Coyote touchdown. The PAT by Riley was good to put the Coyotes up in the middle of the second.

After another defensive stop the Coyotes again took the air with a 37 yard touchdown strike from Riley to Zach McMeans. After allowing a Cougar score the Coyotes

drove the ball 60 yards to the three and Sean Tucker took the ball up the middle for another touchdown to put the Coyotes up 26-18 at half.

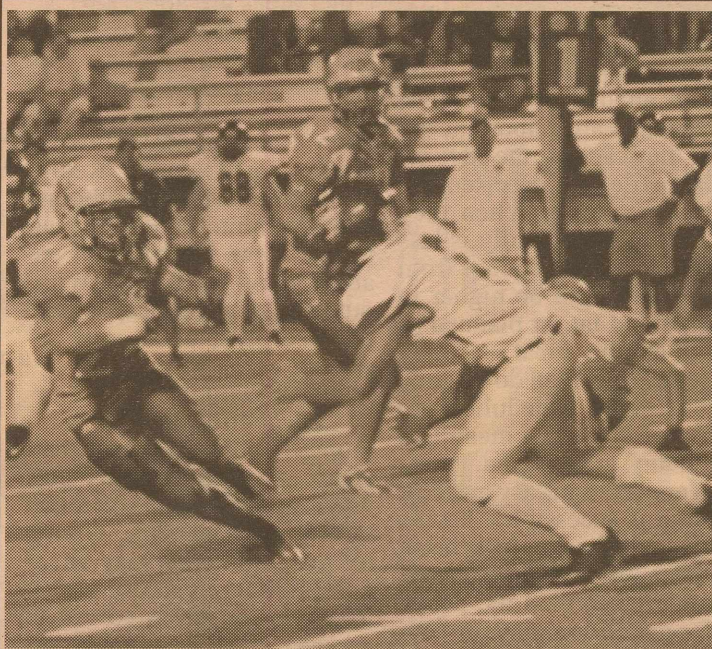
To start the second half, the Coyotes allowed the Cougars to get on the board after a great fourth down stop but a penalty by the Coyotes kept the drive alive for the Cougars. To end the third quarter the Coyotes started to put a drive together with the third quarter ending 26-24 in favor of the Coyotes. In the fourth the Coyotes continued their drive which ended with Frank Banman taking the ball in from five yards out. After a great defensive stop the Coyotes again found the end zone from 60 yards out as Cayden Vaughn made a shifty run for a touchdown.

With under two minutes in the game the Coyotes again played excellent defense took control of the game and ran out the clock to take a 38-24 victory.

Playing for the Coyotes were Frank Banman, Mason Coor, Nathan Ham, Riley Herridge, Jaden Huse, Hurricane Richter, Sean Tucker, Cayden Vaughn, Zach McMeans, and Michael Taylor. This victory was a total team effort by the Coyotes and a great way to start the season. Good Job Coyotes!



Borden County end, Zach McMeans (#3) stops a Cougar from gaining more yardage in last weeks' game against Klondike.



Austin Fields (#24) (far left) makes a break for the endzone during the Coyotes match against Rankin.

School Lunch Menu

September 5 - 9, 2011

Menu subject to change

Monday

Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Hamburger, Lettuce, Tomato & Pickle, Tater Tots, Carrot Dippers, Crispy Cereal Treat and Milk.

Tuesday

Breakfast: Poptart, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Fish Strips, Potato Salad, Black-eyed Peas, Hush Puppies, Pears and Milk.

Wednesday

Breakfast: Waffle Stix, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Beef & Bean Burrito, Spanish Rice, Seasoned Corn, Sparkly Apple and Milk.

Thursday

Breakfast: Cereal & Toast, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: Chicken Alfredo, Green Beans, Sliced Peaches, Hot Roll, Hot Apple Desert and Milk.

Friday

Breakfast: Breakfast Round w/Gogurt, Fruit Juice and Milk. Lunch: BBQ on a Bun, Salad & Pickle Spear, Chips, Pineapple Cherry Delight and Milk.

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Borden County Football 2011 Schedule

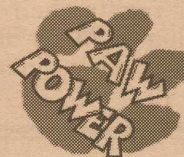
Week #	Date	Day	Opponent	Site	Time
Scrimmage	Aug. 13 th	Saturday	Ropes/Loop	Ropes	10:00
Scrimmage	Aug. 19 th	Friday	Dawson	Gail	6:00
#0	Aug. 27 th	Saturday	Rankin	McCamey	8:00
#1	Sept. 2 nd	Friday	El Paso Jesus Chapel	Here	7:30
#2	Sept. 9 th	Friday	Wellman-Union	There	6:00
#3	Sept. 16 th	Friday	Meadow	Here	7:30
#4	Sept. 23 rd	Friday	Petersburg	There	7:30
#5	Sept. 30 th	Friday	Open	TBA	7:30
*#6	Oct. 7 th	Friday	Garden City	Here	7:30
*#7	Oct. 14 th	Friday	Klondike	There	7:30
*#8	Oct. 21 st	Friday	O'Donnell	Here	7:30
*#9	Oct. 28 th	Friday	Grady	There	7:30
*#10	Nov. 4 th	Friday	Sands	Here	7:30

** District Opponents for 2010 - 2011: Klondike, O'Donnell, Grady and Sands

Head Coach: Trey Richey
 Assistant Coaches: Peter Benavidez
 Fernando Baeza
 Michael Skelton



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Coyote Football Tattoos!

The Borden County High School Cheerleaders will be selling tattoos for the football season.

Tattoos are \$1 individually or \$8 for 10 games.

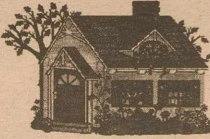
Parents: These tattoos remove easily!

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Heart and Home ...

by Julie Smith
Borden County Extension Agent-Family and Consumer Sciences



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Balance School and Family Activities

Do you already have three places to go on Thursday night? Six already lined up for Saturday? Families with children enrolled in school can easily be overwhelmed. Few people can do it all, but most can learn to balance school activities with family life and enjoy it.

Connecting as a family needs to be a priority because the family itself can serve as the support system needed to make everything else work. Make a list of everything the family would like to do. Then make a list of everything the family needs to do. Include the must-haves that cannot be overlooked, like laundry, cleaning or the need to eat before school activities. Separate wants from needs.

The reality is that everyone-children and their parents-can do all they may want to do. Students should be encouraged to choose activities that support their interest, but should not necessarily be discouraged from trying new activities. The key is learning to choose. Scheduling a different activity each afternoon and/or evening is enough to make anyone tired.

Discuss the must-haves, but be open to compromise. For example, if music lessons are a priority for two children, try to schedule lessons at the same time, same place, or immediately following each other. Adults who accompany students can utilize waiting time with portable projects, or plan to relax.

Ask for help. Encourage children to develop the habit of helping at an early age by choosing age-appropriate activities that will help them develop self-confidence. For example, a three-year-old can help fold towels; a five-year-old can set the table; and eight-year-old can help clear the

table and help with the dishes.


Make the need-bes wannados. Grocery shopping is a good example. Choose a time when the store is not crowded and ask a child to accompany you. Kids can learn about food and the family budget, but usually appreciate the one-on-one opportunity as much or more as the trip to the store.

Plan meals and snacks. Resolve to eat together, even if mealtime is brief. Limit distractions, turn off the radio or TV; take the phone off the hook and talk about the day's events. Snacks also are important because they can take the edge off the appetite and ease tension before mealtime. When they are planned, the family is less likely to pick and choose from foods that might be higher in calories and fat, or planned as part of another meal.

Be flexible. Plan down-time for everyone. Scheduling too many activities can mean that few, if any, are enjoyed. Pick a night and have an easy meal (or take-out if accessible), have a picnic in the backyard or bring out the family's favorite games. Allow time to read the paper, go for a walk or prop up your feet.

Whatever you do, take time for you and your family. Time passes so quickly, and you can never regain their years of growing up. After all, we are only here for one lifetime, let's enjoy it!

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Dare to Live...

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the highest priority. Perhaps a person is just beginning a career or may be trying for a promotion or a better job. It's commendable to be diligent, thorough, conscientious, honest, and hard working in your occupation.

If the attention to your job causes you to shortchange the other areas of your life, you may wake up one morning to find that people important to you are gone. Throughout your working life, you will hold many jobs. Jobs are impermanent and replaceable. Other areas are not.

Recreation

Having fun and enjoying life is essential for mental and physical well being. Recreation is an ideal way to involve family and friends. Recreational opportunities abound and are limited only by your imagination. Recreation enables you to recharge. Without recreation your capacity to balance other areas will decrease.

Community

Contribution to your community is part of a healthy balance. Our great country gets its strength from the collective efforts of its people. Giving to your community may be accomplished in many ways. You can become involved in service, civic, or community organizations. You can participate in your child's school.



You can become involved in your local government by attending town meetings and volunteering for various boards. There are a wide variety of organizations that would be thrilled to have your participation.

Although community is often lowest on the list of priorities, efforts expended in this area yield a high degree of satisfaction. Numerous benefits include increased self-esteem, new friends, and the knowledge that you are helping to make a difference in people's lives.

Keep your life in balance. Don't neglect that which is most important to you. Cherish those areas that are irreplaceable.

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Borden County 4-H News



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4-H Enrollment Time

The start of the new school year means it is also time to enroll in 4-H. Go to <http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/> and click on "join 4-H/event registration". Members who are re-enrolling will need to update their profiles. New members will need to create a family profile and add members. If you need assistance with passwords, contact the Extension Office - we can help!!

Please note that there is a new participation fee of \$20 per 4-H'er through the end of October (after November 1 it will be \$25). We invite parents to enroll as volunteers (4-H pays the screening fee).

Please feel free to contact the Extension Office if you need any assistance. Looking forward to a great year for Borden County 4-H!!

Fuzzy Ninny's BBQ



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Local Students Play Diamond Year Round

Ryan Wilborn (left), a Borden County sixth grader and Kale Yarbrow, a seventh grader have been some busy baseball playing boys. In January both boys tried out and made it onto the Texas Titans, a travel team out of Lubbock. For months they made countless trips to Lubbock for practices and weekend trips to Amarillo and Midland for tournaments. Their travel team did well at the tournaments with an overall record of 6 wins and 9 losses. They even brought home second place Championship rings at the Best of the West Tournament in Amarillo.

Before travel season was over with it was time for Little League in Post. Ryan played on the Yankees and Kale, the Dodgers. After a good Little League season both boys were chosen for the 11 & 12 year old All Star team. The All Star team made it all the way to sectionals in Lubbock but was beat out by a team from Midland. They got about a weeks break to allow time for vacation for Ryan and camp for Kale, it was back to practicing for a fall ball team they are on called the Heavy Hitters.

As of right now their team is 12 and 1 and still barreling through. They will have a small break after fall ball for football season but then they will be back to swinging bats in January. Ryan plays first base and catcher and Kale catcher and right field.

“Lights for Gail” Meeting to be Held

The “Lights for Gail” Committee will be holding a meeting on Tuesday, September 6, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the Commissioners Court Room at the Borden County Courthouse.

If you would be interested in becoming a Committee member, to assist in the planning and decorating for this event, please join us at this meeting.

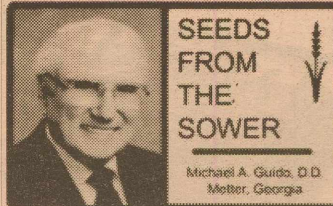
We have several members that will be taking reduced

roles in the activities this year. We would like to see this Thanksgiving tradition continue in the years to come. This will be the 18th year of the “Lights for Gail” celebration.

We need help! Without additional help we will be downsizing this event accordingly.

Please join us for this very important meeting.

The “Lights for Gail” Committee



SEEDS FROM THE SOWER

Michael A. Guido, D.D.
Minister, Georgia

A maid worked for an artist, and every night she was fascinated by the form of a person emerging from the marble.

One night she came in just as the artist was about to leave. For the first time she noticed the fully sculpted form. “That,” she exclaimed, “is Abraham Lincoln. How did you know he was in there?”

The Lord looks at you and me; and He sees not only what we are, but what we can be.

One day He said to one, “You are Simon,” a rickety character. But He added, “You will be called Peter,” a rocklike character.

The Lord’s the master Sculptor. Let Him make your life beautiful, won’t you?

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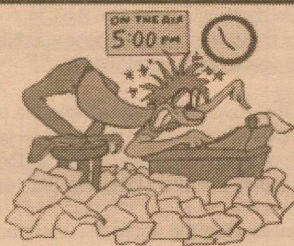


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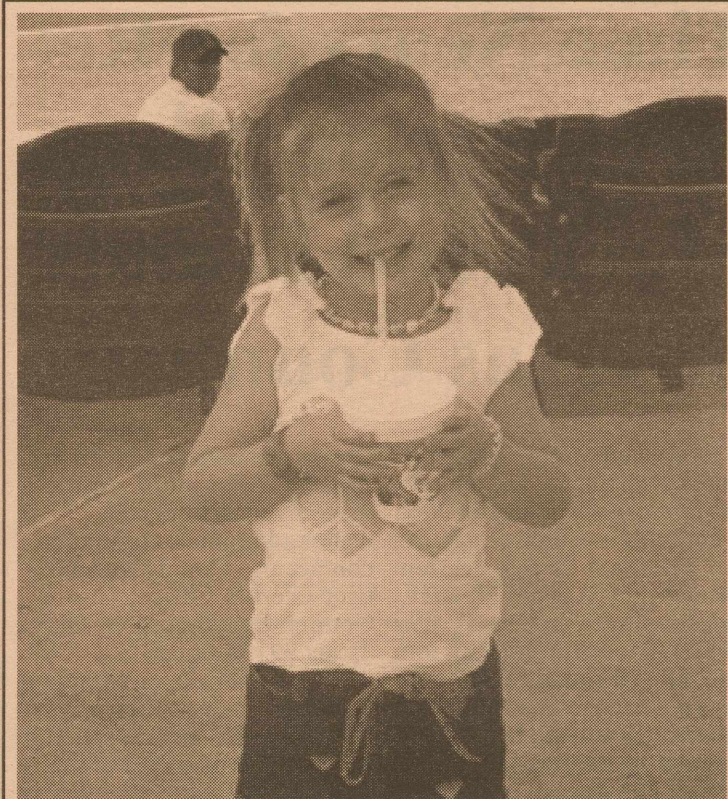
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Brooke Ballard

Medical Fund Established to Help Former Borden County Resident Five-year-old placed on heart transplant list

Brooke Ballard, daughter of Nathan Ballard and Mrs. Levi Smith (Megan Brooks), has recently been placed on the “most critical” tier of a heart transplant list in Dallas. In order to remain on the list, Brooke’s family must establish residency in the Dallas area. Brooke is currently at the Dallas Children’s Medical Center (1935 Medical District Drive, Dallas, TX 75235-7701) undergoing testing. Brooke’s congenital heart condition has been treated with medication since she was just weeks old.

Brooke and her family, which includes three-month-old brother Bentley, live in Monahans but are looking for a place to live in the metroplex. Until housing is found, the family will stay in a hotel while waiting on the transplant.

In order to help with related expenses due to this situation, a medical fund has been established in Brooke’s name. If you would like to contribute, please send donations to the First United Bank in Lamesa (602 N. 1st Street, Lamesa, 79331) in care of Brooke Ballard.

Borden County resident Cassidy Ogden Carpenter has also set up a silent auction on Facebook (www.facebook.com). Bidding will start Tuesday, September 6th.

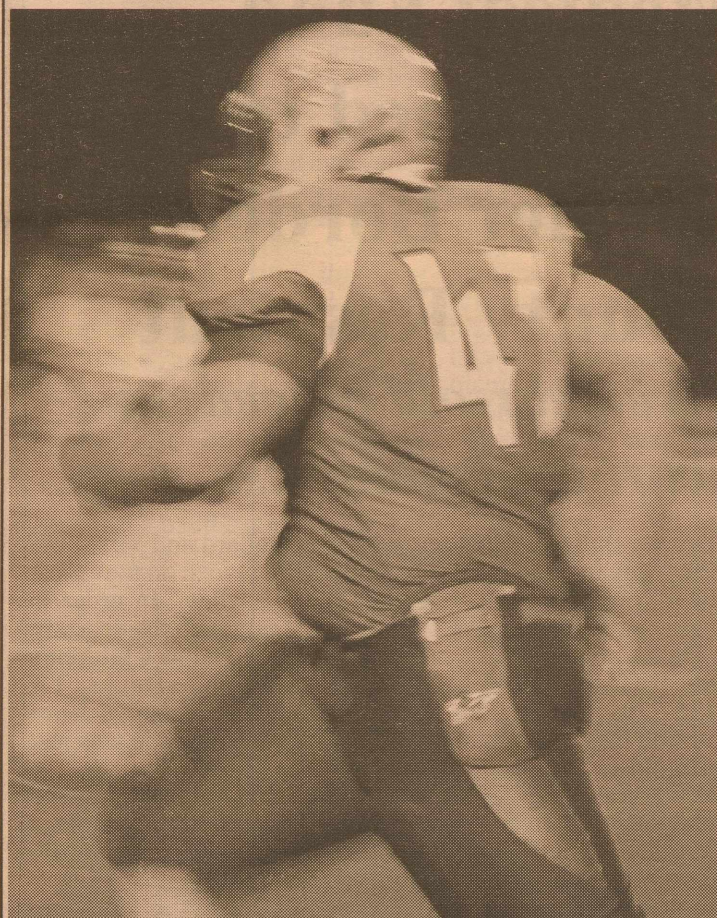
Brooke is the granddaughter of Scott and Brandi Brooks and Linda Ballard of O’Donnell and the late Cliff Ballard. Her aunts, Alexis and Heather, also graduated from Borden High School.

Time Nears for Re-Registration of Marks and Brands in Texas Counties

Every ten years, Texas requires that marks and brands be re-registered in the county or counties in which you operate. The next re-registration period begins August 31, 2011, and concludes February 29, 2012. After the conclusion date, all marks and brands that have not been re-registered are automatically available for registration by another party. The cost of registering brands in

Borden County is \$16.00 per location. Payment may be made by cash or check. For additional information, contact the County and District Clerk's Office, Borden County Courthouse in Gail, Texas 79738 or call 806/756-4312. Office is open Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. We are closed for lunch 12:00 to 1:00.

Headed for the Endzone!

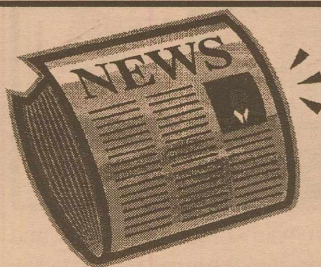


Matt "Big Cat" Roberson sails into the endzone after catching a 67 yard pass from teammate and quarterback, Tanner Richey in Fridays' battle against Rankin. The Coyotes suffered a disappointing loss to Red Devils with a final score of 26-38.



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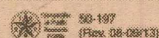
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Who exactly is a child with "special needs"? We know that all children have needs and that every child is special. However, the needs of some children are greater than or different from those of the "typical" child. The special need might be in the area of mental, social, emotional, or physical development. If you are the parent or a friend of a child that might qualify for individual services, call Becky Nix, Special Education Director of Borden County ISD, Dawson ISD and Klondike ISD at 806/756-4313 ext. 269, or contact the Child Find Coordinator at the Education Service Center at 806/792-4000.



Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The BORDEN COUNTY will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 6.01 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on SEPTEMBER 6, 2011 at BORDEN COUNTY COURTHOUSE

The second public hearing will be held on SEPTEMBER 13, 2011 at BORDEN COUNTY COURTHOUSE

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: COMMISSIONER'S SMITH, ADCOCK, REYES, BELEW AND JUDGE SHARP
AGAINST: NONE
PRESENT and not voting:
ABSENT:

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in BORDEN COUNTY last year was \$ 18,435.00 (average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the preceding tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older). Based on last year's tax rate of \$ 0.268 (preceding year's adopted tax rate) per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$ 49.40 (tax on average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the preceding tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in BORDEN COUNTY this year is \$ 19,160.00 (average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the current tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older). If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$ 0.268 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$ 51.34 (tax on average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the current tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$ 0.289 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$ 55.37 (tax on the average taxable value of a residence homestead in the taxing unit for the current tax year, disregarding residence homestead exemptions available only to disabled persons or persons 65 years of age or older).

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

Special Provisions if Applicable

Criminal Justice Mandate (use for counties, if applicable):

The _____ County Auditor certifies that _____ County has spent \$ _____ in the previous 12 months beginning _____, _____, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. _____ County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures (use if applicable):

The _____ spent \$ _____ from _____ to _____ on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is _____.

Legislation Regulating Speed Limits Takes Effect

Texas motorists may notice some changes to speed limit signs in the next several months, as new laws regulating speed limits on the roadways of the state highway system begin to take effect.

The 82nd Texas Legislature passed and the Governor signed House Bill 1353, which

takes effect on September 1. This legislation allows the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to create a 75-mile per hour speed limit on any state highway found to be reasonable and safe through a speed study. TxDOT will be reviewing existing 70-mile per hour speed limits to determine

where a 75-mile per hour speed limit may be safely posted.

HB 1353 also eliminates the 65-mile per hour nighttime speed limit and all truck speed limits. On September 1, the existing nighttime and truck speed limits are repealed and no longer enforceable.

TxDOT awarded maintenance contracts in August to remove the nighttime and truck speed limit signs and is also in the process of hiring consultants to perform the required speed studies needed to implement the higher speed limits.

"We will be removing the existing nighttime speed limit signs, truck speed limit signs, and evaluating approximately 50,000 miles of state highway with a current 70-mile per hour speed limit," said Carol Rawson, TxDOT Director of Traffic Operations. "With these contracts in place, we are moving steadily ahead to implement these new laws. However, it is important to remember that any increases to speed limits are not effective until the new speed limit signs are actually installed."

Speed limits in Texas are set by the 85th percentile method, which represents the speed

the majority of drivers are traveling at or below. This is a sound engineering principle used to set speed limits on highways nationwide for the past 60 years. For more information on speed limits see: http://www.txdot.gov/txdot_library/safety/traffic_safety_pubs.htm

The existing 65-mile per hour night and truck speed limit signs should be removed by the end of this year. The complete evaluation of the state highway system and posting of all new 75-mile per hour speed limits should be complete by early 2013.

Texas Stories

A Showcase of the Texas Spirit
Tumbleweed Smith

People Whose Names are Directions on the Compass

Jack East was born in Rotan and grew up in Spur. His grandfather was one of the first settlers there and was an early deputy sheriff under the first sheriff of Dickens County. Jack's parents had a feed and chicken business, the Spur Grain and Hatchery. Jack didn't stay in that line of work for a number of reasons, namely one that occurred while he and his father were culling hens on a farm near Spur.

"I had to crawl under the roost to get one of the hens down and it pooped in my mouth. I said O, Daddy! I was spitting and everything and he said, 'Aw, son, that's OK. Life has a little of that in everything you do.'"

Jack has had some fun with his last name.

"My father used to say 'you won't remember what direction we are, but we answer to all directions.' Mainly we stayed East."

In 1954, Jack East married a girl from Fort Worth.

"Her name is Jo Ann Farr. So consequently, as you can imagine, everybody says it's the Far East. We've had a lot of fun with that being the Farr East."

When Jack East was studying agriculture at Texas Tech, he met a fellow student named Jess West.

"He didn't know that I was Jack East and so we shook hands and he said, 'I'm Jess West.' I told him my name was Jack East and he didn't believe

me. He thought I was putting him on. So we became good buddies and we were in agriculture and of course we had to do our chores at the barn."

They were working one day when Jess asked Jack if he had ever met anyone with the name Southwest.

"I told him no, that I had known some Norths and Souths, and actually I've met every direction, but I've never met a Southwest or Northeast."

Jess said if he ever had a son, he would have the middle name of South.

Jack responded, "Well, if you'll do that I'll name mine North and maybe they'll meet just like we did."

The years rolled on and in 1961, when Jack and Jo Ann were living in Fort Worth their first son was born. While they were still in the hospital, Jo Ann asked Jack what they were going to name the newborn.

"I don't know, sweetheart, but his middle name has got to be North," says Jack. "She threw something at me. I told her about the promise I had made to Jess. She asked me what about a first name. I said, 'your daddy doesn't have anything but girls, so we could name him Farr, your last name, and he could be Farr North East. Needless to say, that's not his name.'"

Jack and Jo Ann now live in Brownwood.

Borden County Junior Livestock Association

General Livestock Association Meeting

Tuesday, September 13, 2011
At 7:00 p.m.

At the Borden County Event Center

It is a necessity that all families interested in or participating in BCJLA Junior Livestock Show to please attend this meeting.

A meal will be provided

Thought for the Day

Ye call Me master and obey Me not; Ye call Me Light and see Me not; Ye call me Way and walk not; Ye call Me Life and desire Me not; Ye call Me Wise and follow Me not; Ye call me Fair and love Me not; Ye call Me Rich and ask Me not; Ye call Me Eternal and seek Me not; Ye call me Gracious and trust Me not; Ye call Me Mighty and honor Me not; Ye call Me Just and fear Me not; If I condemn you blame Me not!

-Unknown

Booster Club Holds First Meeting

By Lea Ann Hudson

The Borden County Booster Club kicked off the 2011-2012 school year by holding their meeting the first day back to school. There were 22 members present.

Many items were discussed as well as electing officers. Officers elect for the 2011-2012 year are President - Tammy Simmons, Vice-President - Penni Cribbs, Secretary/Reporter - Lea Ann Hudson, and Treasurer - Lee Roberts.

Room Moms were assigned and will be in contact with their parents to inform them of upcoming events.

Some of the upcoming events discussed were Homecoming, Fall Festival, and Class Parties.

The next meeting will be held on September 26th 2011. Come join the fun and help support our Borden County Coyotes!

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New Faces Prepare for 2011 Season With Scrimmages

By Coach Richey

The Borden County Coyotes with several new faces on their 2011 football varsity football roster prepared for their upcoming season by participating in a couple of scrimmages. First the Coyotes traveled to Ropes to play in a 3-way scrimmage with Ropes and Loop. The Ropes Eagles are the pre-season number 8 in the state, so this proved to be a very formidable opponent to measure the early season progress.

The Coyotes got great effort from all of its players and while trying to fill some huge holes managed to gain ground on answering some of the question marks they have heading into the season opener. The Coyotes and Eagles first teams played two sets of 15 plays with Borden County outscoring the home team 4 to 2, giving up a couple of touchdown passes that are very correctable plays and put together a couple of nice runs and found what could be a season theme as Tanner Richey and Quint Shafer hooked up for some nice pass and catch plays. Austin Fields led the ground game as he had 187 yards and 2 touchdowns, one against Ropes on a 55 yard jaunt and another on his first touch against Loop on a 60 yard scamper. Tanner Richey had 2 carries for 43 yards and a 30 yard touchdown against Ropes, while Luke Burkett had 7 carries for 15 yards, Collin Telchik had one for 11 yards and TJ Basquez had one for 4 yards. Passing, Richey was 11 of 16 overall with 267 yards passing and 3 TD's and 2 interceptions. Collin was 1 of 4 for 9 yards and Jared Smith was also 1 of 4 for 15 yards. Quint Shafer lead the receivers with 7 catches for 171 yards and 2 touchdowns. TJ Basquez had 2 catches for 54 yards and a score while Fields had 1 for 23 yards. Helio Rosales also had one catch for 19 yards and Kurt Shafer had 2 catches for 34 yards.

On the defensive end, the side where the newest faces will have to fill the void left by the 2011 graduating class,

Quint Shafer and Tanner Richey the only two returning starters led the way with 9 tackles each as Shafer added a sack and 2 pressures. Jared Smith had 8 tackles, While Luke Burkett shined with 7 tackles and a huge pass break-up. Matt Ham, Kurt Shafer and Matt Proulx all had 5 tackles apiece as Proulx added 3 pressures as well. Collin Telchik, Austin Fields (playing with a stomach bug), and Tristen Benavidez all had 4 tackles each, Tristen added a tackle for loss and Collin a sack. Matt Roberson had 3 tackles and a fumble recovery while TJ Basquez had 2 tackles with a caused fumble and a sack. Helio Rosales added a sack and 3 pressures.

During the JV portion of the scrimmage, no stats were kept as both groups were going at the same time, but the JV consisting of Michael Taylor, Zach McMeans, Sean Tucker, Frank Banman, Cayden Vaughn, Mason Coor, Jaden Huse, Hurrikane Richter, Nathan Ham (out with an injury), Riley Herridge and Ricky Torres. Ricky injured his hip during the first offensive series and will be out until October. These young men lost their scrimmage to Ropes, 4 to 0.

In scrimmage number two, Borden County hosted Dawson in their final tune-up and the offense was clicking and if not for a few passes just out of the reach, their touchdown total for the varsity could have reached an even greater number, but never-the-less, the Coyotes outscored the Dragons 11 to 2.

With the Dragons 2 touchdowns coming against the 2nd team defense, which played extremely well but a couple of bad plays resulted in the touchdowns, but a much better effort from this group all the way around in this scrimmage. The Borden first unit defense gave up only one first down which was also a nice improvement from the previous week. The JV group also performed much better and won their portion of the scrimmage 4 to 1.

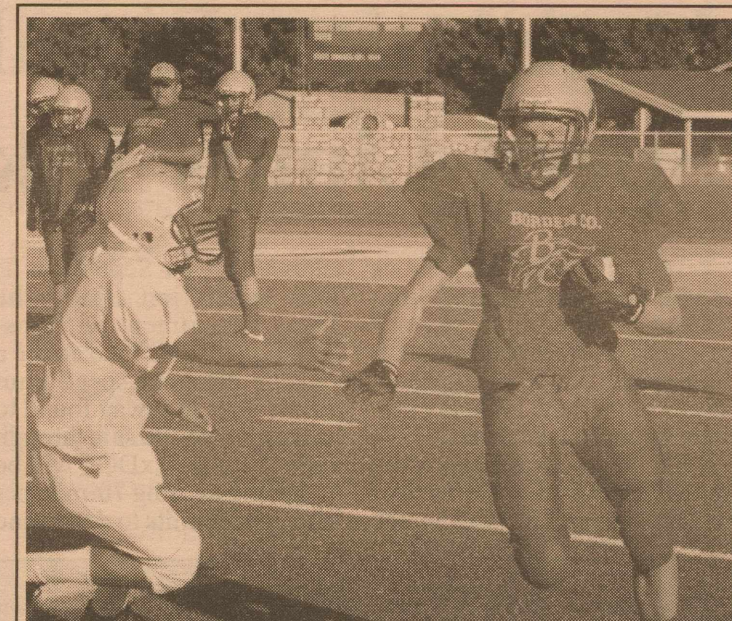
Defensive statistics for both groups are as follows. Quint Shafer had 0 tackles, a tackle

for loss, fumble recovery a caused fumble a pass break up and 2 pressures. Kurt Shafer had a tackle and a pressure. Matt Ham had a tackle, TJ Basquez had 9 tackles, 2 for loss, a pass break up and a big hit. Collin Telchik had 3 tackles, Austin Tyler had 3 tackles and a big hit. Tanner Richey had 4 tackles and a pass break up, Luke Burkett had 3 tackles. Austin Fields had 2 tackles, Matt Proulx had 7 tackles a pressure and a tackle for loss. Jared had a tackle, a fumble recovery and a pass break up. Tristen Benavidez had 3 tackles and a pressure. Helio Rosales had 5 tackles a fumble recovery and a sack. Matt Roberson had 2 tackles.

On the JV side, Frank Banman had 4 tackles and a fumble recovery. Jaden Huse was in on one, Zach McMeans had 4 tackles and a pressure. Sean Tucker had 5 and a pass break up. Cayden Vaughn had 4 tackles and a pass break up. Riley Herridge had a huge hit to stop a drive. Nathan Ham recovered a fumble. Michael Taylor had 2 tackles and Hurrikan Richter and Mason Coor also played some defense.

On offense for the JV, Cayden Vaughn led the way on the ground as he 3 carries for 80 yards and 2 scores. Sean Tucker had 3 carries for 70 yards and a score and was 1 of 6 passing for 48 yards to Frank on one of his two catches for 93 yards and a score. Riley Herridge was 2 of 3 for 51 yards passing and a touchdown.

On the Varsity end, Borden County got 5 different players. Austin Fields led the way with 218 yards on 11 carries and 3 scores. Tanner Richey had 173 yards on 4 carries and 2 touchdowns while connecting on 3 of 8 passing for 74 yards and 2 scores. Luke Burkett had 121 yards on 6 carries and 2 touchdowns. Collin Telchik had 3 carries for 75 yards and 2 scores and had a 70 yard touchdown reception from Jared Smith who was 2 of 2 passing for 105



Coyote, Riley Herridge sweeps past a Dawson Dragon in one of two scrimmages for the Coyotes.



Coyote Cornerback, Sean Tucker takes down a Cougar before he reaches the endzone in the Coyotes match against Klondike.

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yards and a score. Quint Shafer had two receptions for 56 yards and 2 scores. Helio Rosales had 1 catch for 18 yards. Matt Proulx had a 35 yard catch. All in all, this was a great start to the 2011.