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Respect

At the beginning of the season, Coach Dale Loper asked his soccer team what they wanted out of this year's play. The almost unanimous response from returning players was "RESPECT." Since the soccer program began at W.H.S., no team had achieved a winning season and no other soccer team respected the Bulldogs. However, all of this changed. Although the team did not win a conference title or even go to the playoffs, it did gain respect. The respect might not have been from all the other teams, but the team did gain self-respect. Craig Duffie stated, "Soccer is a mental game. It involves psyching yourself and the other team. If you let them win the mental battle, then the physical play is hampered." The team learned that it could play soccer by comprising a 10-5-2 record — the best in school history.

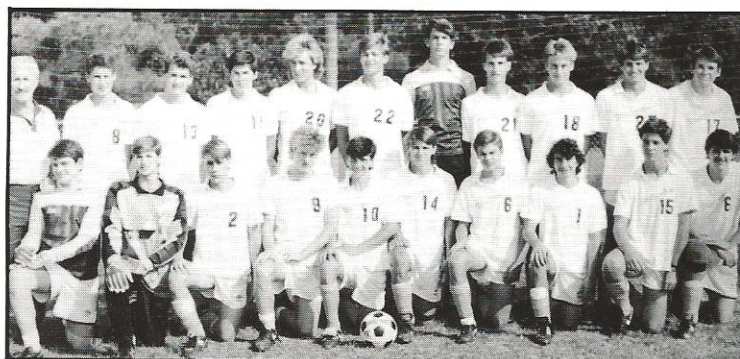
The Mad Dogs, a nickname given by Coach Loper as an incentive, were led on offense by Soren Jennsen, Seth Huckabee, Tommy Duffie, and Palle Johannesssen. Jennsen was a top scorer in the State. He was also a leading scorer

in his home country of Denmark. The defense was comprised of Jeff Hughes, Johnny Bell, Lee Miller, and goalie Scott Schlessler. Jeff Hughes said, "The defense as a whole played this year more as a team. We also played more with the offense in mind." Hughes has played on the team for four years. Often not recognized were the people in the middle — the halfbacks. Their job was the most important on the field. The halfbacks had to play both offense and defense. Comprising the middle were Seaborn Rogers, Craig Duffie, Peter Lommen, and Mads Seirsen.

This was Coach Loper's first season as coach of the Mad Dogs. With the young returning players he hopes that next season will be even more successful. Loper commented, "It's tough to have a winning season in this conference. Other programs such as Wando and Middleton have spring clubs in which they play all year round. Waltherboro is starting in the right direction with the youth programs, but we are still behind the rest."

By Scott Schlessler

STANDING: Coach Dale Loper, J. Thomas, S. Huckabee, L. Miller, M. Seirsen, S. Schlessler, P. Lommen, M. Artlip, J. Bell, and B. McLaine. **KNEELING:** C. Brownlee, J. Huckabee, J. Gamble, S. Jennsen, T. Duffie, C. Duffie, S. Rogers, A. Hughes, R. Amat, and J. Hughes.



AFTER BUILDING A WALL to stop a Summerville direct kick is part of the Mad Dog's defense. Players include Craig Duffie, Lee Miller, Mads Seirsen, Jeff Hughes, and Peter Lommen.

STRETCHING OUT after the ball is Tommy Duffie. Duffie was well respected for his outstanding speed.

