

Guide to the Montclair High School Football Collection

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Summary of Collection

This collection contains a variety of files on the Montclair High School Football team in the twentieth century. It includes an assortment of material on specific people as well as events and occurrences from the team's history. It highlights the coaches and players of the team as well as victories and defeats. Through the many types of documents in these files, we are able to gain insight into the people that made up the Montclair High School Football team and the important games from the team's history.

Creator(s):

Susan Anderson, daughter of late Clary Anderson Robin W. Hodgson

Dates:

20th century to early 21st century, with bulk in mid- to late- 20th century

Location:

Clark House, 3rd Floor (upstairs Library)

Quantity:

1 Box

Scope and Content

The types of documents in this collection include (but are not limited to) programs, newspaper articles, photographs, cassette tapes, and books. Some of the documents were created as late as 2006, but the majority was created in the 1960s. It is made up mostly of photocopies, with a few originals. The documents pertain to the Montclair High School Football team. The majority of the records refer to coaches, scores, and team members. This collection is limited primarily to people and events.

History of Montclair High School Football

The Montclair High School Football team was established sometime around the turn of the 20th century. In 1941, with the help of coaches Clary Anderson (team player 1927-1929) and Butch Fortunato (team player 1933-1935), the team went to the championships. Montclair made it to the State Championships again in 1943, a year which is also known as the team's first unbeaten season. In 1964, Montclair was ranked #1 in New Jersey and #3 in the country. After Anderson left Montclair High in 1968, the team suffered a slump. But in Fortunato's last year as coach in 1983, the team won a State Championship on the field in head-to-head playoff competition for the first time ever. Two years later, the team went undefeated and un-tied, the first since 1964. Since then, the Montclair High School Football team has won the State Championships five times and extended their winning streak to 24 games in 2013.

Arrangement Note

The files in this collection are arranged by subject. The staff and volunteers responsible for the processing of this collection felt that this was the most sensible arrangement because the materials are intended for frequent access. This collection has been entered by file folder into the PastPerfect database. Corresponding accession numbers are listed on each folder.

Container List

This is an inventory of the collection. It includes box number, the folder title, and the folder contents.

| Box Number | Folder Title | Folder Contents |
|---------------|--------------|--|
| Box 1 | 2018.059.026 | -Jefferson High (Lodi) vs. Montclair September 28, 1940 -Columbia Vs. Montclair Saturday November 2, 1940 -Souvenir Football Program Montclair High School Vs. Bloomfield High School thanksgiving Day Thursday November 21 1940 |

| | | -Newspaper Article: Mounties to Clash with |
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| | | Tigermen |
| | | -Montclair High School, Montclair NJ |
| | | November 22, 1940 |
| | | -Mounties Nip Columbia, 6-0 Batter Bengals |
| | | December 6, 1940 |
| | | -Newspaper Article: Four gridders Receive |
| | | Recognition December 20, 1940 |
| | | -Kearny Bows Before Montclair Attack, 25-0 |
| | | ND |
| | | -Lt. Angelo Landolfo Missing in Action ND |
| | | -various photos of Bill McGurk, 1940 and 2001 |
| Box 1 | 2018.059.027 | -The Times of Butch and Clary Captured in |
| | | "The Glory Years," <i>Montclair Times</i> , 2002 |
| | | -The Montclair High School Hall of Fame |
| | | Induction Ceremony May 22, 2001 |
| | | -Interview Questions and Answer of Mr. Buzz |
| | | Aldrin Rhotographs of Bugg Aldrin, one of which |
| | | -Photographs of Buzz Aldrin, one of which shows him on the Moon. |
| | | -Article About the Man on the Moon |
| | | -Book Brings Back Memories of Former Coach, |
| | | The Island Packet, 2006 |
| | | -Various articles referencing the death and life |
| | | of Aubrey Lewis 2001 |
| | | -Hurdling Barriers 2002 |
| | | -A New Jersey Great Reflects on Matters of the |
| | | Heart, The Star-Ledger, 2001 |
| | | -Heart of a Champion Still Beating 2001 |
| | | -Greatest Mountie of them All Brightened Days |
| | | for All generations 2001 |
| | | -It's those Hands that Keep Us Going as We |
| | | Look Forward to Another Year 2002 |
| | | -The Star-Ledger Archive Aubrey Lewis 2000 |
| | | -American Dynamo Aubrey Lewis Dies, <i>The</i> |
| | | Star Ledger, 2001 |
| | | -Photo copy of Russ Gustauson and Joe |
| | | Farnari, 1946 |
| | | -Looking them Over: The Finest High School Coach in America |
| | | -Copies of the players of the 1947 team |
| | | -Mounties Rate Highly in Terms of |
| | | Generation's Top MHS Editions 2001 |
| | | -Mounties Chasing the Ghosts of 1964 and 66 |
| | | -List of Hall of Fame Players: Ronald |
| | | Burton |
| | | -Photograph of the Amphitheatre |
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| | | -Red Raiders Perfect 1932 Season had A |
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| | | Montclair Flavor |
| | | -Eleven Undefeated Seasons, <i>Matzner</i> |
| | | Publications, 1964 |
| | | |
| | | -The Sporting Life, <i>Montclair Times</i> , 1976 |
| | | -Once Shiny, Now Dusty and Nearly Forgotten, |
| | | The Star-Ledger, 2006 |
| | | -Among the Greatest, <i>Montclair Times</i> , 2005 -Football Dinner 1964 |
| | | |
| | | -Photographs of Montclair High School |
| | | Football Player |
| | | -John Petronaci, vs. Clifton, 1967 |
| | | -John P., vs. Bloomfield, 1967 |
| | | -Photograph of cheerleaders/marching band |
| | | marching to Woodman Field, 1964 |
| | | -Newspaper photo, Montclair High's |
| | | cheerleaders |
| | | -Four Montclair Aces On All-Essex Combine |
| | | -Montclair High Awarded State Football |
| | | Crown, Newark Evening News, 1964 |
| | | -Mythical State Champs? Montclair Mauls |
| | | Bloomfield |
| | | -For Montclair Cheerleaders, Winning streaks |
| | | a problem |
| | | -Montclair's Power Crushes Kearny, 34-7 |
| | | -photocopy of newspaper photo, Football |
| | | twins, Robert and Richard Haines, talk to |
| | | Coach Clary Anderson |
| | | -photo of Bond's Ice Cream, ca. late 50's, early |
| | | 60's |
| | | -photo of Warren Rauhofer, 1955 |
| | | - |
| | | -photocopy of Mike Ariel and Frank Brogan, |
| | | 1954 |
| | | -photocopies of possibly M.E. McCutcheon |
| Derect | | -photocopy of 1951 varsity team |
| Box 1 | loose (2018.059.028) | -The Glory Years: The Winning tradition of |
| | | Montclair Football, by Robin Hodgson, 2002 |
| Box 1 | loose (2018.059.029) | -Montclair High School Football History, |
| | | 1900-2001 |
| Box 1 | loose (2018.059.030) | -10 cassette tapes |
| | | -Joe Samuel/Kevin Richberg |
| | | -Bill George/Jim McGurk |
| | | -Len Coleman/John Petronaci |
| | | -John J. McMullen/John Emery |
| | | -Dale Berra/John Joyce |
| | | -Ron Burton |
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| | | -Ed Lebida -Andy Coleman/Nancy Wilson/Bob Furlong -Royce Flippen/Russ Gustauson -Butch Fortunato -Aubrey Lewis |
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| Box 1 | 2018.062.001-005 | (.001) black and white photograph of a class room, possibly Junior High School. Person of note is Clary Anderson, he is in the 4th row from the left, and is the 4th student (.002) black and white photograph of an elementary school class in Montclair. Person of note is Clary Anderson, he is in top row on the far left (.003) black and white photograph of an elementary/middle? school class in Montclair. Person of note is Clary Anderson, he is in the 2nd row from the top and 2nd in from the right (.004) black and white photograph of a person possibly at a confirmation at the Swedish Lutheran Church of Montclair. 1920s. Clary Anderson can be seen as the taller boy in the back row. (.005) black and white photograph of children at "pick up baseball" in Montclair. Clary Anderson is in the front row, 3rd from the right. Ca. 1920s |
| Box 1 | 2018.062.006-009 | - (.006) black and white photograph of Clary Anderson standing on a wooden box with a microphone, holding a reward tucked under his arm. Taken in 1954 on Clary Anderson Day in Woodman Field, Montclair, NJ - (.007) black and white photograph of Clary Anderson embracing Claire Anderson. Taken in 1954 on Clary Anderson Day in Woodman Field, Montclair, NJ - (.008) black and white photograph of Clary Anderson standing on a box in front of a microphone. Taken in 1954 on Clary Anderson Day in Woodman Field, Montclair, NJ - (.009) Souvenir Program: Clary Anderson Day Montclair High School Versus Kearny High School, 1954 |
| Box 1 | 2018.062.010-027 | - (.010) black and white photograph of an older Butch Fortnato (left) and Clary Anderson (right). Taken in 1986 - (.011) black and white photograph of the |

| coaching staff of Montclair High School's |
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| Football team circa 1960-1965. Back Row: |
| Butch Fortunato, Clary Anderson, and Mike |
| Oriel. Front Row: Dick Hapward, Connie Egan, |
| Mike Arace |
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| - (.012) black and white photograph of the |
| coaching staff of Montclair High School's |
| Football team circa 1960. Photo is of Butch |
| Fortunato and Clary Anderson |
| - (.013) faded color print of Clary Anderson, |
| talking with an unidentified player Number 26. |
| Ca. 1940 |
| - (.014) black and white photograph of Clary |
| Anderson with Jack Quinn and John Clauer, |
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| 1941 (247) block and a bits about smarth of Class |
| - (.015) black and white photograph of Clary |
| Anderson and Butch Fortunato in what seems |
| to be an auditorium at Montclair High School. |
| Ca. 1960s |
| - (.016) black and white photograph of Butch |
| Fortunato and Clary Anderson. Ca. 1940s |
| - (.017) black and white photograph of a Clary |
| Anderson addressing the sidelines. Ca. 1950s |
| - (.018) black and white printout of a Clary |
| Anderson with other football players |
| celebrating behind him. Photo is described to |
| be Clary's 200th Victory, 1967 |
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| - (.019) black and white photograph of Clary |
| Anderson |
| - (.020) black and white photograph of |
| Coaching Staff of Montclair High School |
| Football. Top Row: Frank Brogan (number 1), |
| Mike Oriel (number 37). Bottom Row: Butch |
| Fortunato, Clary Anderson, Ca. 1956 |
| - (.021) black and white photograph of |
| Montclair Football Coaching staff in an office |
| with plays and documentation spread about |
| them. Coaches from left to right: Norm, Butch |
| Fortunato, Clary Anderson, Fred. Ca. 1952 |
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| - (.022) black and white photograph of |
| Montclair Football Coaching staff standing on |
| the sidelines of the football field. Coaches from |
| left to right: Connie Egan, Clary Anderson, |
| Mike Oriel, Dick Hapward, Butch Fortunato, |
| Mike Arace. Ca. 1960s |
| - (.023) black and white photograph of |
| Montclair Football Coaching Staff. Coaches are |
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| | | Clary Anderson, Mike Oriel, Butch Fortunato, |
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| | | Tomaine. Ca. 1960s |
| | | - (.024) black and white photograph of Clary |
| | | |
| | | Anderson and Royce Flippin (Sr.) riding in a |
| | | car during the Montclair 4th of July Parade. |
| | | - (.025) An Evening With Clary and Friends, |
| | | |
| | | - (.026) Seventh Annual Kiwanis Football |
| | | Banquet to M.H.S's Football Squad and |
| | | Coaches, 1932 |
| | | - (.027) copy of Records for the Montclair High |
| | | School Football scores from 1894 - 1963. |
| Box 1 | loose (2018.068.001-011) | - (.001) Montclair High School Football |
| | | Program: Bloomfield Vs. Montclair, November |
| | | 25, 1965 at Foley Field |
| | | - (.002) Montclair High School Football |
| | | Program: Montclair Vs. Kearny, October 8, |
| | | 1966 at Woodman Field |
| | | - (.003) Montclair High School Football |
| | | Program: Montclair Vs. East Orange, October |
| | | 22, 1966 at Woodman Field |
| | | - (.004) Montclair High School Football |
| | | Program: Montclair Vs. Columbia, October 29, |
| | | 1966 at Woodman Field |
| | | - (.005) Montclair High School Football |
| | | Program: Montclair Vs. Seton Hall, November |
| | | 5, 1966 at Woodman Field |
| | | - (.006) Montclair High School Football |
| | | Program: Montclair Vs. Clifton, November 13, |
| | | 1965 at Woodman Field |
| | | - (007) Montclair High School Football |
| | | Program: Montclair Vs. Bloomfield, |
| | | Thanksgiving Game 1966 at Woodman Field |
| | | - (.008) Montclair High School Football |
| | | Program: Montclair Vs. Paterson East Side, |
| | | September 25, 1965 at Woodman Field |
| | | - (.009) Montclair High School Football |
| | | Program: Montclair Vs. Irvington, October 2, |
| | | 1965 at Woodman Field |
| | | - (.010) Montclair High School Football |
| | | Program: Montclair Vs. Nutley, October 16, |
| | | 1965 at Woodman Field |
| | | - (.011) Montclair High School Football |
| | | Program: Montclair Vs. Seton Hall, November |
| | | 6, 1965 at Woodman Field |
| Box 1 | 2018.068.012 | File folder containing articles from Montclair |
| DUAT | 2010.000.012 | High School's Newspaper "The Mountaineer" |
| | | The mountaineer |

| from the year 1966 and "The Montclair Times" |
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| from the years 1966-1967 |
| -"Mounties Remain Undefeated" |
| -"Mounties Battle for State Honors" |
| -A Cartoon of Montclairs Bulldogs Vs. |
| Bengals |
| -"Mounties Capture Number 1" |
| -"Bulldogs, Bengals to Clash: Pirates Go |
| Under; 30-6 Mustangs Tie Mounties" |
| -"Mountie Movement Reborn" |
| -"Rally Evokes Mountie Mover Spirit" |
| -"Mounties Hunt Campers After Haunting |
| - |
| Ghosts" |
| -"A Tribute to Clary Anderson" additional |
| article "Campers, Kardinals Fall Beneath |
| Mountie-Power" |
| -"The Blue and White of Montclair High, All |
| New" |
| -Small Article picturing Clary Anderson |
| Holding a Trophy |
| -Cartoon depicting a math teacher going |
| over the game predictions |
| -"Dunningham, Donaldson, & Coleman |
| Lead All-Stars" |
| -Small Article picturing the cheerleaders of |
| the 1966 year season |
| -"Montclair Tops School Football" |
| -Small Picture of Craig Moore, 1966 |
| -"Montclair-Clifton time: Throw away the |
| book" |
| -Article continuing from "page 39" picture |
| depicts Len Coleman |
| -"Montclair No. 1" |
| - "Montclair Ready for Test" additional |
| article "Panthers Primed" |
| -A cut out of Sue Anderson on the left and |
| East Orange High School Football Players on |
| the right |
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| -"Montclair, East Orange Set for Big One" |
| -A photograph cut out of a play |
| -"Montclair Wins" |
| -"14-0 Triumph By Montclair" |
| -Photograph cut out of football players |
| ready for practice 1966 |
| -"Montclair to Meet Kearny in First Home |
| Contest" |
| -"Mounties Win Opener in Final Seconds" |

| | | -Some lose unidentified articles are included as well. |
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| Box 1 | 2018.068.013 | File folder containing articles from Montclair High School's Newspaper "The Mountaineer" from the year 1965 and "The Montclair Times" from the years 1965 -Cut out of a group of cheerleaders for the 1965 season -Cartoon of the mascot. Entitled "Bulldog's Back to Work" -"Bulldogs to Feast on Bengals" -"Montclair Rallies Twice to Edge Bloomfield, 14-13" -Photographs of the some of the players: Marc Witt, Steve Oden -"Montclair Bloomfield Rosters" |
| Box 1 | 2018.068.014 | File folder containing articles from "The Newark Evening News", "The Montclair Times" and "The Mountaineer" from various years as well as some photographs. Black and White Print out copy of a photograph of the MHS Coaching staff 1968: Connie Egan, Clary Anderson, Mike Oriel, Dick Hapward, Butch Fortunato, Mike Arace -A cut out black and white photograph from 1927-1929. Pictured are: Referee Harry Baldwin, Fritis, Clary Anderson -Article Cut out depicting Clary Anderson and the rest of the coaching staff, Picture entitled "Preparing Thanksgiving Menu for Bloomfield" Montclair Gets Trophy Again -Photograph of Clary Anderson and Butch Fortunato getting inducted in the MHS Hall of Fame circa 1986 <i>The Mountaineer</i>, 1929 -1955 Newark Evening News, Newspaper cut out of coaching staff of East Orange and Montclair High Schools respectively -photograph of the entire Montclair High School Football team -Black and White photograph of the 1928 Montclair High School Football team. -Black and White photograph of the 1929 Montclair High School football team |

| | | -Black and White photograph of the 1927 |
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| | | Montclair High School football team. |
| | | - "Jersey's Best" |
| | | - "Montclair Relies on Dedicated Coach" |
| | | -"Brown's 323 Win Rate as All-Time Tops |
| | | 1973" |
| | | -"Clary Back at Montclair Teaching Winning |
| | | Ways" |
| | | -"Looking them Over" |
| | | -"Gogolak, Blefary to Receive Top Awards |
| | | from N.J. Scribes" |
| | | -"Clary, Bertelli honored by Essex |
| | | Foundation" |
| | | -"Anderson Receives Award at Annual |
| | | Football Dinner" |
| | | -"Clary Anderson Honored" |
| | | |
| | | -Black and white photograph of two football |
| | | players Jack Fritts and Clary Anderson ca 1934 |
| | | -"Montclair High Awarded State Football |
| | | Crown" Entire newspaper |
| | | -1964 black and white photograph of Clary |
| | | Anderson |
| | | -"Clary's 200th" |
| | | -Cutout of Clary Anderson on Clary |
| | | Anderson Day |
| | | -1945 cutout "On Title Trail" |
| | | -"Anderson Receives Award at Annual |
| | | Football Dinner" |
| | | -1964 Article "Montclair High Awarded |
| | | State Football Crown" |
| | | -Cut outs of Clary Anderson |
| | | -Cut out of Clary Anderson with Richard |
| | | and Roberts Haines |
| | | -Clary Anderson on Clary Anderson Day |
| | | with his wife. |
| Box 1 | loose (2018.068.015-017) | - (.015) Montclair Times, 1988, Cover article is |
| | | of Clary Anderson's passing. |
| | | - (.016) <i>Montclair Times</i> , "Success is the Pits |
| | | for Montclair Athletics. |
| | | - (.017) Newspaper Articles possibly from the |
| | | Montclair Times, carefully cut out and placed |
| | | on cardstock |
| | | -"Pirate Coach Says ' We Can Beat Any |
| | | Team' with QB" additional article "Seton Hall |
| | | Topples Montclair, 21-13" |
| | | -"Catch us if You Can Mountie Them" |
| | | Additional article "Paterson Is Initial |
| | | Additional article Paterson Is Initial |

| Opponent" back of cardstock: "MHS Out to |
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| Spook Ghosts" |
| -"Bengals Resurgent After Nutley Win" |
| -"Montclair High Wins, 14-0 Over Stubborn |
| Pat. Eastside" back of cardstock: "Montclair |
| Rushes to Halftime Lead" |
| -"Montclair Wins on Craw's 2 TD's, 14-0" |
| additional article "Chatham checks Glen Ridge |
| String" |
| -"Montclair Downs Irvington for 15th |
| Straight Victory" |
| -"Coleman Leads Montclair Past Irvington, |
| 20-7" back of cardstock "Montclair Rolls to |
| 15th in a row" |
| -"Craw Leads Mounties Past Ghosts; |
| 'Improved' Irvington Next Rival" additional |
| article "Montclair Rips Kearny, 41-3, for 16th |
| in 3 Year Skein" back of cardstock "Montclair |
| Wins 16th Straight, 41-3" |
| -"One More for Coaches' Is Mountie Theme" |
| back of card stock includes photos of the |
| players |
| -"Anderson-Fortunato Duo Seek 200th |
| Career Win" back of cardstock: "Nutley |
| Deadlocks Montclair, 14-14" |
| -"Mountie Gridders At Crossroads" back of |
| card stock "East Orange Game Seen Fulcrum |
| for Future Fate" |
| -"Mounties Bounce Back" back of cardstock |
| "Montclair Shades East Orange, 13-6" |
| -"Montclair Wins, 13-6" back of card |
| includes photographs of players |
| -"Mounties Shift into High Gear; To Host |
| Nutley in Tomorrow's Tilt" additional Article |
| "Mountie Gridsters to Face Columbia" |
| -"Undefeated Mounties Pass Acid Test" |
| additional article: "Montclair Rips Columbia |
| Craw Scores 5 Touchdowns" |
| -"Montclair Rips Columbia as Craw Scores |
| five TDs" |
| -"Seton Hall Poses Threat to title Hope" |
| -"Coleman, craw pace Montclair, 16-7" |
| -"Clifton In 16-7 Defeat" |
| Chiton in 10-/ Deicat |