

Boys Varsity Basketball 2003-2004 - Winter 2003-2004

Team Photo



Description

Holderness School 2003-2004 Class "C" New England Champions

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Senior Jason Lowe had 6 points and 9 rebounds, Jason was 2-4 from the three point line. Junior Gerald Carter 7 assists, 9 rebounds and 5 steals.

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- [View the program](#) from the 2/11/2004 game against Tilton.
- [View the program](#) from the 2/14/2004 game against St. Andrew's!

Roster

Seth Aronson (2004)
 Gerald Carter (2005)
 Michael Conklin (2004)
 Jessie Geddes (2007)
 Frederick Hall (2004)
 Ryon Howard (2004)
 Gregory Johnson (2005)
 Jason Lowe (2004)
 Nigel Malloch (2005)
 Martynas Pocius (2005)
 Stanley Smith (2005)
 Benjamin Tomaszewski (2006)
 Evan Warner (2004)

Coaches

Jamie Gallagher
 Randy Houseman

Schedule

12/3/2003 (3:35 PM) - Brooks (Holderness)

(W) 58 - 36 - Holderness opened the season in fine fashion today defeating the Brooks School in a NEPSAC class "C" game. Senior Ryon Howard hit two three's and hauled in 12 rebounds, Ryon also had 2 blocks. Senior wingman Jason Lowe had 13 points and 9 rebounds. Juniors Gerald Carter and Martynas Pocius were high scorers with 14 and 18 points each. Gerald also had 5 steals. Junior Point Guard Greg Johnson had a great all around game with 7 assists, 5 rebounds, 4 steals, and 5 points. The Bulls will travel to New Hampton on Friday.

12/5/2003 (2:00 PM) - New Hampton (New Hampton)

(L) 87 - 85 - Holderness traveled to play Class "A" New Hampton School today. Both teams started slowly and New Hampton opened a 12 point lead going into halftime. As the second half unfolded New Hampton extended the lead to 16. This is when the Bulls made their run. Senior Jason Lowe hit a three with under a minute to play to give Holderness a three point lead. New Hampton came right down the court and answered with a three of their own to tie the game. New Hampton converted 2 free throws with 13.2 seconds to go in the game to push the score to 87-85 in New Hampton favor. Martynas Pocius's shot at the buzzer hit the front of the rim as the clock expired. Martynas had 23 points with 4 threes. Ryon Howard had 19 points and 15 rebounds, Ryon hit 3 threes. Greg Johnson had 6 assists, 17 points, 11 rebounds, and 3 steals. Senior Jason Lowe had a strong game with 15 points and 6 rebounds. Senior Freddy Hall played the entire 40 minutes and finished with 11 points and 7 rebounds. Holderness will look to rebound next Wednesday when the play Class "A" Bridgton Academy.

12/6/2003 (3:30 PM) - Lawrence (Lawrence)

Postponed

12/10/2003 (3:45 PM) - Bridgton (Bridgton)

(L) 87 - 82 - The Bulls traveled up to Bridgton, Maine to play Class "A" Bridgton Academy today. The Bulls fell 87-82. Senior Jason Lowe had 18 points and 9 rebounds. Classmate Ryon Howard had his third double double of the year with 11 and 10. Ryon also had 4 blocks and contained two of Bridgton's 6'10 centers to 8 points combined. Junior Gerald Carter had 14 points, 4 steals, and 4 assists. Martynas Pocius was 6-9 from the floor and 4-4 from the free throw line to finish with 18. Greg Johnson had 8 steals, 5 assists and 17 points. Holderness will be on the road Friday night playing MCI at the Brewster Invitational.

12/12/2003 (8:00 PM) - MCI (Brewster Tournament)

(L) 96 - 82 - The Bulls ran into a deep and talented MCI squad in the first round of the Brewster Invitational and lost a tough game 96-82. Junior Greg Johnson had a great game and managed to put together a triple double with 14 points, 12 assists, and 11 rebounds. Senior Ryon Howard hit 4 threes and finished with 18 and 15 rebounds. Senior Jason Lowe also had 4 threes and had 16 points and 9 rebounds. Junior Gerald Carter 17 points, 8 rebounds and 5 assists. Junior Martynas Pocius had 13 points and 7 rebounds. Holderness will return to Brewster Academy to play Proctor Academy Saturday at 2:00PM. The Boy's would like to thank the Holderness Girls team for coming over to cheer us on, as well as about 10 faculty members who gave up a Friday night to come watch us play.

12/13/2003 (4:00 PM) - Proctor (Brewster Tournament)

(W) 87 - 79 - The Bulls took the floor Saturday afternoon to take on Proctor Academy in the Brewster Academy Invitational Tournament. Junior Martynas Pocius had a great game and finished with 34 points and 6 rebounds. Junior point guard Greg Johnson had 10 assists, 16 points and 4 rebounds. Senior Jason Lowe had 16 points and 6 rebounds. Senior Ryon Howard was plagued by foul trouble but still managed to haul down 10 rebounds. Junior Gerald Carter had a monster game for Holderness he hounded Proctor's point guard in suffocating full court man to man defense and took care of business on the offensive end. He shot 7-10 from the floor and had 19 points, plus he dished out 6 assists and had 5 rebounds. Holderness School enters exam week and the team is off for exams and for the holidays and will return to the court January 2 playing Belmont Hill in the Saint Sebastian's Christmas Tournament.

1/2/2004 (2:45 PM) - Nobles (St. Sebastian's Tournament)

(W) 59 - 44 - Holderness held on for a Class "C" win the first round of the St Sebastian's Tournament. The Bulls had a balanced scoring attack with Martynas Pocius leading the way with 18 points. Greg Johnson had 13 points 6 assists, and 8 rebounds. Gerald Carter was 5 for 5 from the floor and had 11 points, 6 rebounds and 5 assists. Senior Ryon Howard filled the stat sheet with 8 points, 10 rebounds, 4 blocks, 5 assists, and 4 steals. Holderness took a 32- 18 lead into the locker room at half time and was able to hold off Nobles in the second half to move to 3-3 on the season and to advance to the semi finals.

1/2/2004 (7:30 PM) - Rivers (St. Sebastian's Tournament)

(W) 52 - 35 - Five hours after the Nobles victory the Bulls took the floor to play Rivers. Jason Lowe hit 4 threes and made a huge impact of the defensive glass. Jason finished the game with 12 points and 9 rebounds. Gerald Carter 7 rebounds, 4 assists and 12 points. Greg Johnson had 4 rebounds, 5 assists, and 11 points. Martynas Pocius was 7 for 7 from the floor and ended the game with 16 points. The Bulls headed back to the hotel for some much needed rest. The Masters School had advanced from the other side of the bracket and would face Holderness in the championship game.

1/3/2004 (7:30 PM) - Masters (St. Sebastian's Tournament)

(W) 63 - 51 - A very talented Masters team took the floor to face Holderness in the Championship of the St Sebastian's Tournament. This was the second time in the past three years that Holderness had advanced to the final. The game opened at a frenetic pace as both teams traded baskets early. Holderness entered the locker room at half time with a 33-25 lead. The Bulls earned this lead by hitting 10 of 13 free throws in the first half. Early in the second half Jason Lowe picked up his fourth foul and Senior Seth Aronson entered the game. With 9 minutes to go in the game Masters had closed gap to 5 points. Seth respond with 2 key baskets to end the Masters run and allow Holderness to keep control of the game. Ryon Howard had a monster game for the Bulls he had 14 rebounds and 14 points going 7-9 from the Free Throw line. Greg Johnson continued his excellent play with 17 points, 4 rebounds and 4 assists. Gerald Carter has 13 points, 9 rebounds and 6

assists.

Martynas Pocius and Ryon Howard were selected for the All Tournament Team, while teammate Greg Johnson was voted the MVP.

The boy's basketball team would like to thank all the fans from Holderness that made the St Sebastian's gym feel like we were playing in Gallop Gymnasium. Coach Borden and the rest of the staff at St Sebastian's were awesome as well as the parents from St Sebastian's. The Bulls look forward to returning next year.

1/14/2004 (3:30 PM) - Andover (Andover)

(W) 79 - 73 - Holderness returned from break in style posting a big win against Class "A" Phillips Andover today. The teams were tied 40-40 at half time. Holderness tightened the defense pressure in the second and held on for the win. The Bulls as a team went 30-40 from the Free Throw line and were led by Greg Johnson who was 10-13 from the line. Greg finished the game with 15 points, 6 assists and 5 rebounds. Martynas Pocius also had 15 points and 5 rebounds. Ryon Howard was a monster in the paint hauling down 17 rebounds and blocking 4 shots, Ryon had 4 assists and 7 points at the other end of the floor. Jason Lowe had 16 points and 6 rebounds. Junior Gerald Carter led the team in scoring with 22 points, he also dished out 3 assists. Holderness has moved to 6-3 on the season and look to continue it's winning streak Saturday at Proctor Academy.

1/17/2004 (3:30 PM) - Proctor (Proctor)

(W) 68 - 63 - Holderness traveled to Andover, NH on Saturday to take on NEPSAC Class "B" Proctor Academy. The Bulls were able to sneak out of Proctor with a 68-63 win. Junior Greg Johnson led the way for Holderness with 21 points, 7 assists, and 5 rebounds. Senior Jason Lowe had 13 points and 6 rebounds. Senior Ryon Howard filled the stat sheet once again with 12 points, 11 rebounds, 3 assists, 3 blocks, 5 steals, and Ryon took 3 charges. Junior Gerald Carter had 13 points, 3 assists and 4 steals. The Bulls are off until Friday night when they will take on the Rams from Tilton. Holderness has improved it's record to 7-3 and stayed second in New England in this weeks NEPSAC Class "C" rankings.

1/23/2004 (7:30 PM) - Tilton (Tilton)

(L) 85 - 69 - Holderness was unable to stay with a very talented team from Tilton last night. Tilton was able to expand it's 12 point half time lead and coasted to a 15 point win.

The Bulls had 4 players in double figures in the scorebook. Junior Gerald Carter had 20 points on 9-9 shooting. Senior Ryon Howard had 16 points, 11 rebounds and 4 blocks. Junior Martynas Pocius chipped in 15 points. Both Ryon and Martynas had 2 threes each. Junior Greg Johnson had 7 assists and 9 points.

Holderness must rebound after last night tough loss. The Hornets of Proctor Academy will be in Gallop Gymnasium today for a 2:00 Tip Off. Holderness is now 7-4 on the season and has continued to hold on to the number 2 ranking in New England.

The Bulls would like to thank the Girls Varsity Basketball team as well as two bus loads of students who risked the cold weather to come cheer on the Bulls last night. Ten to Fifteen Faculty members were also at the game, it often felt like a home game for the visiting team last night.

1/24/2004 (2:00 PM) - Proctor (Holderness)

(W) 101 - 84 - Holderness hosted Proctor Academy on Saturday in Gallup Gymnasium. This would be the third time Holderness and Proctor have played this season. They met back in December in the Brewster Invitational, with the Bulls coming out on top 87-79. Holderness traveled to Proctor last weekend and escaped with a 68-63 road win.

The game opened with Holderness jumping out to a 15-4 lead. A first half highlight was Senior Freddy Hall's slam dunk.

Holderness entered the locker room with a 58-33 lead.

A well balanced scoring attack for Holderness saw 5 players reach double figures. The Bulls shot a blistering 65% for the game.

Junior Greg Johnson led the Bulls with 24 points, 8 assists, and 5 rebounds. Junior Martynas Pocius had 22 points, 7 rebounds, and 4 assists. Senior Ryon Howard had a double double with 14 points and 12 rebounds. Ryon was 6-9 from the floor. Junior Gerald Carter continued his fine play with 17 points, 8 rebounds, and 6 assists. Senior Jason Lowe had 18 points and 6 rebounds.

Holderness will be on the road Wednesday to play the Wildcats of KUA.

1/28/2004 (2:00 PM) - KUA (KUA)

(W) 76 - 55 - The Bulls placed eight players in the scorebook yesterday. Ryon Howard led the way with 16 points, he had 3 dunks and 2 threes. Ryon also had 11 rebounds and 3 assists. Juniors Gerald Carter and Martynas Pocius each had 15 points, Gerald also had 7 assists. Senior Jason Lowe had 10 points, 9 rebounds, and 4 assists. Junior Point Guard Greg Johnson did a great job of getting everybody the ball, Greg had 9 points, 7 assists, and 8 steals. Holderness moves to 9-4 on the season and will travel to Byfield, MA to play GDA on Saturday. Please note that the game has been moved up an hour to a 2:30 start.

1/31/2004 (2:30 PM) - GDA (GDA)

(W) 80 - 68 - The Bulls jumped out to a 46-29 half time lead. They placed 5 players in double figures and held on for a 80-68 win on the road.

Senior Ryon Howard had 15 rebounds, 10 points, and 6 blocks. Junior Gerald Carter was 5-7 from the floor and finished with 11 points, 4 steals, 4 rebounds, and 5 assists. Senior Jason Lowe had 17 points and 9 rebounds. Junior Martynas Pocius also had 17 points while shooting 8-10 from the field. Junior Greg Johnson had 17 points, 8 assists, and was 6-6 from the free throw line.

Senior Seth Aronson came off the bench and chipped in 6 points.

The Bulls have moved to 10-4 on the season and will be on the road this Wednesday at Middlesex.

2/4/2004 (3:30 PM) - Middlesex (Middlesex)

(W) 81 - 44 - Senior Wing Forward Ryon Howard was the game high scorer with 19 points he led a balanced Holderness attack that placed eight players in the scorebook, Ryon also had 13 rebounds and was 2 assists shy of a triple double(he ended the game with 8). Junior Gerald Carter plagued by foul trouble had a fine all around game in limited minutes with 8 points, 7 rebounds, 5 assists, and 3 dunks. Classmate Martynas Pocius was 6-7 from the floor and was 3-3 from three point land ended the game with 15 points. Junior Point Guard Greg Johnson had 16 points and 9 assists. While Senior Jason Lowe had a double double with 13 points and 11 rebounds.

Holderness is off this weekend and will host the Rams of Tilton School on the 11th. Tilton defeated the Bulls earlier this year by a score of 85-69.

2/11/2004 (3:30 PM) - Tilton (Holderness)

(L) 77 - 74 - Holderness entered halftime with a slim one point lead 39-40. This proved to be not enough as the Rams from Tilton escaped with a 77-74 win. Junior Alfred Aboya from Tilton was unstoppable and had 25 second half points, he finished the game with 31.

Holderness was blessed once again with a balanced scoring attack. Junior Martynas Pocius was 7-11 from the floor, he connected on both of his three points shots and had 25 points to led the Bulls. Junior Greg Johnson was 8-9 from the Free Throw line and had 16 points and 10 assists. Senior Ryon Howard was 6-7 from the floor and 4-5 from the Free Throw line and had 14 points and 9 rebounds. Ryon was extremely versatile on the defensive end of the court. He guarded at different times in the game all five of Tilton's starters. Junior Gerald Carter brought the fans to their feet late in the game on an amazing ally-ooop dunk on a great pass from Greg Johnson. Gerald ended the game with 10 points, 7 rebounds, and 5 assists. Senior Jason Lowe spent most of the game on Aboya from Tilton, Jason held his own guarding a man that was 6 inches taller and 50-60 pounds heavier then Jason. Jason also was 3-4 from the three point line and ended the game with 9 points.

Holderness must recover from this heartbreaking loss as they host St Andrew's from Rhode Island on Saturday. Currently St Andrew's is ranked number one in New England Class "C". The Bulls are ranked second in New England in Class "C". St Andrew's is the defending New England Champions and has won two of the last three Class "C" Championships. The game will start at 3:00 PM.

2/14/2004 (3:00 PM) - St. Andrew's (Holderness)

(L) 79 - 74 - Holderness was unable to come back against a very deep and talented St Andrew's team. The Bulls were trailing by 8 at halftime and lost a heartbreaker 79-74.

Junior Martynas Pocius connected on 6 of 9 three point attempts and finished the game with 27 points for Holderness. Junior Gerald Carter had 17 points and 8 assists.

Holderness must bounce back, as they play potentially the most talented team they have faced all season in their next game. The Bulls will be traveling to Wolfboro, NH to play Class "A" Brewster Academy.

2/18/2004 (4:00 PM) - Brewster (Brewster)

(L) 110 - 73 - A deep and talented Class "A" Brewster Academy team placed 12 players in the scorebook today. Led by guards Dion James, Cedrick Middleton, and Joel Smith who combined for 57 points for Brewster. Brewster went in to the locker room at half-time up by 11. They open up the second with fresh legs and coasted to a 110-73 victory.

Holderness was led by Junior Martynas Pocius who had 17 points on 6-12 shooting, Martynas also had 8 rebounds. Senior Ryon Howard was 2-3 from the three point line and finished the game with 16 points. Ryon grabbed 9 rebounds, and also had 3 blocks. Junior Greg Johnson had 13 points and 5 assists. Junior Gerald Carter had 12 points, 5 assists and 7 rebounds. Senior Jason Lowe had 8 points and 9 rebounds.

Holderness must regroup for Saturday's game, as they host the Hyde School from Maine.

2/21/2004 (3:30 PM) - Hyde (Holderness)

(W) 87 - 67 - After a three game losing streak the Bulls welcomed Hyde-ME to Gallup Gymnasium. Hyde-ME was ranked 5th in NEPSAC Class "C" while Holderness was ranked 3rd.

Holderness started the game with a 16-4 to start the game and entered the locker room with a 20 point lead, 49-29.

Senior Ryon Howard led five Bulls in double figures with 23 points, Ryon was 8-12 from the floor and hit 2 threes. Ryon also had 15 rebounds, 3 blocks, and 4 assists. Senior Jason Lowe had 15 points and 8 rebounds. Junior Greg Johnson was 7-8 from the floor, had 6 assists, 4 steals, and ended with game with 17 points. Junior Gerald Carter did a little but of everything this game. Gerald had 13 points, 5 assists, 7 rebounds, and 3 steals. Junior Martynas Pocius had 14 points on 7-9 shooting.

A highlight for Holderness was Freshman Jesse Geddes hitting a three pointer late in the game.

2/25/2004 (4:30 PM) - BB&N (BB&N)

(W) 60 - 33 - Holderness picked up a nice NEPSAC Class "C" win in the road yesterday. The Bulls jumped out to a 34-15 halftime lead. They continued to play great team defense in the second half and won 60-34.

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Holderness will play their last regular season game this Saturday they will play the Pomfret School at Lawrence Academy.

2/28/2004 (4:30 PM) - Pomfret (Lawrence)

(W) 56 - 44 - The Bull's defense was the story in the first half, as they held Pomfret to 14 points. Holderness held on to win 56-44. This win moves Holderness to 14-7 on the season.

Junior Gerald Carter was the high scorer for Holderness with 17 points. Senior Ryon Howard had 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Junior Martynas Pocius was 3-4 from the three point line and finished the game with 12 points. Senior Jason Lowe was 3-4 from the floor and had 7 points and 9 rebounds.

Holderness now moves on the the NEPCAC Class "C" Play-Offs. The Bulls were seeded 3rd and will play the Masters School from CT.

3/3/2004 (4:30 PM) - NEPSAC Quarterfinals (Masters) (St Sebastian's)

(W) 69 - 57 - The Bulls drew a very talented team in the quarter finals of the NEPSAC Class "C" tournament. Both teams struggled in the early part of the game and the Bulls went in the locker room at half time up 27-26.

The team woke up at the start of the second half and was able to extend the lead and hold on for a win 69-57.

Ryon Howard had 15 points, 11 rebounds, 3 blocks and hit 2 threes. Gerald Carter had 10 points, 5 assists, 6 rebounds, and 4 steals. Martynas Pocius had 23 points he was 8-13 from the floor and had 3 threes. Greg Johnson took the game over in the second half he had 11 points, 10 assists, and 4 steals.

The Bulls will play St. Marks in the semi finals on Friday.

3/5/2004 (5:30 PM) - NEPSAC Semifinals (St Mark's) (Middlesex)

(W) 63 - 55 - In a very tightly officiated game the Bulls were able to prevail 63-55. Both teams combined for 50 fouls. Four of the five St Mark's starters fouled out of the game. St Mark's was leading at the break 27-23 and the Bulls charged out of the locker room and started the second half on a 18-3 run.

Senior Jason Lowe exploded in the second half. Jason had 17 of his 18 points in the second half including a huge 3 pointer with 45 seconds to go in the game too seal the game for Holderness.

Greg Johnson had 16 points, 6 steals, and 5 assists. Martynas Pocius had 19 points, he was 3 for 3 from three point line.

Ryon Howard was in foul trouble most of the game but still managed to haul down 14 rebounds and to block 4 shots. Holderness will face Lawrence Academy for NEPSAC Class "C" Championship on Sunday.

3/7/2004 (2:00PM) - NEPSAC Championship(Lawrence) (Rhode Island College)

(W) 62 - 57 - Holderness earned it's first Basketball New England Championship today. The Bulls came out of the locker room fired up and started the game on a 11-2 run. The run was keyed by 2 three's by Ryon Howard. The Bulls defense was the story in the first half as they held Lawrence to just 5 field goals in the first 16 minutes of action. At the half Holderness led 32-16.

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