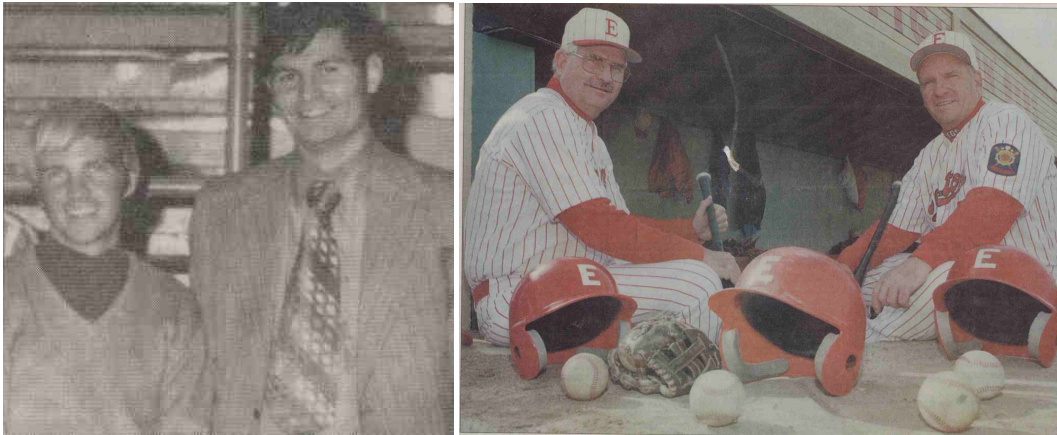


During the undefeated 2009 season, the Reds' coaching staff completed their 100th combined year of coaching varsity baseball, all 100 years of which have been spent coaching the Eaton Reds. In the dugout throughout the perfect season were Coaches Danley, Ervin, Sparkman, and Hughes. After starting the summer program at Eaton along with Coach Danley in 1969, and then taking over the spring program with Danley in 1972, Coach Ervin led the Reds to numerous titles and over 450 spring and over 400 summer wins coaching through retirement in 2000. But the urge to coach again for the Reds has led Coach Ervin to return to the Reds' dugout once more. Coach Sparkman's dedication to the program dates back to 1992, and he likely has the highest winning percentage of any 350-win coach in the nation, winning over 88% of the time, while working around his demanding schedule as a firefighter. Coach Hughes started coaching in 2001 and he runs his own hitting clinics. He has won over 89% of all games, and earned his 200th win in 2009, in his first 9 years of coaching.

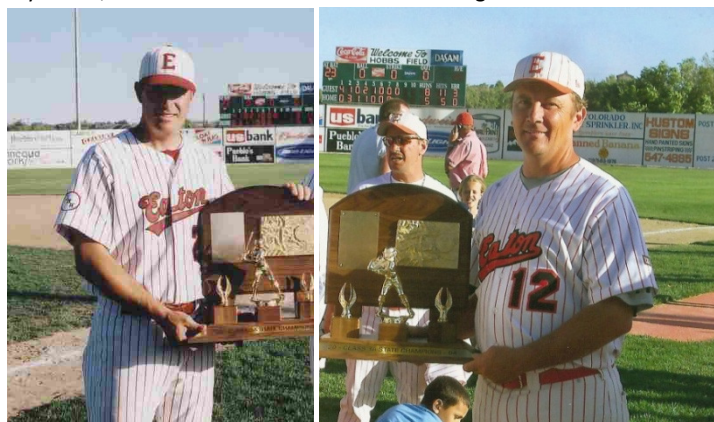
Together, the four coaches have coached at Eaton for a combined 100 years in the pinstripes, being a part of over 1,700 wins (thus far) in spring games during that time (combined between the four coaches) and even more summer victories. Having a coaching staff with an average tenure of 25 years per coach is quite rare, and certainly is a compliment to the many Reds' players that have continued to compete hard and win throughout the storied history of the Reds' Program.

Coaches Danley and Ervin started coaching at Eaton in the summer of '69, before man had landed on the moon. In 2010, these coaches will be entering their 6th decade of coaching together in the Reds' pinstripes after having done so in the '60s, '70s, '80s, '90s, '00s, and soon the '10s.

The youngest member of the Reds' coaching staff in 2009, '06 graduate and C Team Head Coach Whitman Jones, was a player in the program for a dozen years and has coached spring, summer, and fall Reds' teams of various age levels (up through varsity) ever since. Coach Galloway, who has been associated with the Reds as a player, coach and scout dating back to the 1970's, continues to head the Reds' scouting program as in years' past, which typically requires 5,000 miles of travel throughout all four corners of the state in March, April and May to scout the Reds' upcoming opponents.



Coaches Danley and Ervin in the early 1970s, and then in 1999 amidst what would go on to become the then-state-record 45-game win streak



Coach Sparkman and Coach Hughes holding 2004 State Championship trophy