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STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS DRAW - FRIDAY

The draw for the Boys' & Girls' KHSAA Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournaments will be held this Friday, Feb. 8 at the studios of WKYT-TV in Lexington. The draw will be aired live by KYT as a part of its *AfterNoon* news program beginning at 12:30 p.m. (ET).

WKYT-TV will provide a live satellite feed of the draws for outlets across the state. Those television stations wishing to pick up a feed of the broadcast should note that the broadcast time will be from 12:25 p.m. until 1 p.m. (ET) on transponder GE5, Lower 5. Contact WKYT with any satellite feed questions.

Brackets from both draws will be posted on the Association website following the program.

STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT TICKETS

Tickets sales for both the Boys' & Girls' Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournaments continue to be strong, but tickets to both events remain on sale through the KHSAA office by calling (859) 299-5472 or by ordering online at www.khsaa.org.

Tickets for the Boys' State Tournament are \$96 a set in the lower arena (one ticket to each of the 8 sessions) or \$48 a set in the upper arena. Single-session tickets, available in the upper arena only, are also available at \$6 each. There are no single-session lower arena tickets on sale at this time. There is a \$5 handling charge per order. The Boys' State Basketball Tournament is scheduled for March 13-16 at Rupp Arena in Lexington.

Tickets for the Girls' State Tournament are \$96 a set for sideline seats (one ticket to each of the 8 sessions) or \$48 a set for end zone seats. Single-session tickets, available in the end zone only, are also available at \$6 each. There are no single-session sideline tickets on sale at this time. There is a \$5 handling charge per order. The Girls' State Basketball Tournament is scheduled for March 20-23 at Western Kentucky University's Diddle Arena in Bowling Green.

This is a reminder to order your tickets now. Tickets purchased at the arena for either tournament will incur an additional walk-up charge per ticket.

REGIONAL WRESTLING THIS WEEKEND

Regional Wrestling Tournaments are slated for this Saturday, Feb. 9. Following are tentative schedule of events. Contact the host site prior to the event to make sure no schedule changes have been made.

Saturday, Feb. 9

Region 1 – Paducah Tilghman at 8 a.m. (weigh-in)

Region 2 – Fort Knox at 8 a.m. (weigh-in); 9:30 a.m. (competition)

Region 3 – DeSales at 8:30 a.m. (weigh-in)

Region 4 – Atherton at 8 a.m. (weigh-in); 10 a.m. (competition)

Region 5 – Oldham County at 8 a.m. (weigh-in); 9:30 a.m. (competition)

Region 6 – Ryle at 9 a.m. (weigh-in); 10 a.m. (competition)

Region 7 – Bates Creek at 9 a.m. (weigh-in)

Region 8 – Pike County Central at 9 a.m. (weigh-in)

The top four wrestlers in each of the 14 weight classes from each of the eight regions will advance to the State Tournament next weekend. There is not a district level of postseason this year.

Beginning this year, the State Tournament expands to three days with 32 wrestlers qualifying in each of the 14 weight classes. The State Wrestling Championships are scheduled for Feb. 14-16 at the Farnham Dudgeon Civic Center in Frankfort. State Wrestling Tournament entries, complete with weight-class brackets, will be posted on the Association website the week of the event.

REGIONAL SWIM MEETS THIS WEEKEND

Regional Swim Meets are scheduled for this Saturday, Feb. 9. Contact the host school/site for a schedule of events.

Region 1 – Bowling Green HS (Michelle Long); Region 2 – Mary T. Meagher Pool, Louisville (Marty O'Toole, St. Xavier); Region 3 – Shelby County HS (swimming) Centre College, Danville (Diving); Region 4 – Scott HS (Jerry Mohr); Region 5 – Eastern Kentucky University (Tim Cahill).

The top two finishers in each event from each regional meet, as well as the next 14 times at-large from each event (highest scores in diving) advance to the State Swimming & Diving Championships. The State Swimming & Diving Meet is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Feb. 22-23, at the University of Kentucky Lancaster Aquatic Center in Lexington. State Swimming & Diving Meet entries will be posted on the Association website the week of the event.

WRESTLING COACHES ASSOCIATION RANKINGS

Following are the top-ranked wrestlers as released by the Kentucky Wrestling Coaches Association on Jan. 27.

103 – Matt Thompson (Oldham Co.); 112 – Billy Clark (Sheldon Clark); 119 – Tyler Baldwin (Woodford Co.); 125 – Mark Shaver (South Oldham); 130 – Brad Cooper (Simon Kenton); 135 – Luke Metzger (Henry Clay); 140 – Scott Cooper (LaRue Co.); 145 – Isaac Knable (St. Xavier); 152 – Craig Cooper (Simon Kenton); 160 – Andrew Cooper (LaRue Co.); 171 – Eric Slugantz (Woodford Co.); 189 – Ben Vessels (Seneca); 215 – Chris Sullivan (Pleasure Ridge Park); 275 – Jon Scarborough (Oldham Co.).

Team – 1. Woodford Co.; 2. South Oldham; 3. St. Xavier; 4. Campbell Co.; 5. Ryle; 6. LaRue Co.; 7. Sheldon Clark; 8. Eastern; 9. Oldham Co.; 10. Simon Kenton.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL NOTES

(Taken from member school stats reports)

Tish Goldring is averaging 11 points, six rebounds, six steals and seven assists per game for the Bardstown Lady Tigers. As a squad, Bardstown averages 15 steals per game.

Marshall County's Howard Beth, the state's winningest girls' basketball coach, picked up career win No. 600 when the Lady Marshals defeated Mayfield, 75-31, last Tuesday. With a 16-3 record on the year, Beth's career mark now stands at 601-87 in 24 seasons. Beth is one of just 21 girls' coaches to eclipse 600-plus career wins in the country.

Cawood tied a state record with 16 three-point shots made in a 76-50 win over Evarts last Thursday. The Lady Trojanettes connected on 16 of 40 and tied Jenkins (vs. Fleming-Neon, 1997) and Pike Co. Central (vs. Millard, 1998) for the record. Cawood's 40 three-point attempts ranks third-highest for attempts in a game.

Cumberland coach John Bond picked up career win No. 400 when the Lady Skins defeated Corbin, 60-46, last Thursday. With a 9-7 record on the year, Bond's career total stands at 400-173 in his 23rd season. He is only the 13th coach in the state to post 400-plus career-coaching wins in girls' basketball.

Defending All "A" Classic champion Jackson County successfully defended its title last week in Richmond. The Lady Generals posted a 64-41 win in the championship game last Sunday over West Carter. "MVP" Sarah Elliott scored 18 points, pulled down eight rebounds and blocked nine shots in the win. Following is the All-Tournament Team: Nicole Chiodi (Newport Central Catholic), Jenny Noort (Lexington Christian), Angela Brown (Clinton County), Jenn Skaggs (Holy Cross (Louisville)), Tasha Phillips (Campbellsville), Jayme Thiem (Newport Central Catholic), Meghan Hillman (West Carter), Amber Guffey (Clinton County), Andy Whitehead (Jackson County), Paige Guffey (Clinton County), Leah Moore (Jackson County), Megan Gearhart (West Carter).

BOYS' BASKETBALL NOTES

(Taken from member school stats reports)

Mason County's Robert Myrick became the 13th member of the Royals' 1,000-point club during Mason County's 94-51 win over Ripley, OH, last week. The 1,000-point club is somewhat of a family affair as Robert's brothers Timmy and Shawn and cousin Larry are also among the elite group.

Sheldon Clark's Adam Brown posted his 1,000th career point back on Jan. 18 against Pike County Central. Despite suffering a 108-89 loss to South Floyd last Saturday, Jeremy Brown put up impressive numbers for the Cards. Jeremy connected on six of eight from the field, nine of 17 from three-point land and three of three from the free throw line for 42 points. He also had six rebounds, four assists and a steal.

After a 9-5 start, Pleasure Ridge Park has won six of its last seven games. Its only loss during that span was a 73-48 loss to Male in the Louisville Invitational Tournament. Terrence Farley has blocked 18 shots in his last four games for the Panthers, six against Butler. PRP is enjoying a four-game winning streak.

Evarts ended an 11-game losing skid to Cawood with an 80-74 win last Friday. Evarts shot 49 percent from the field (29 of 59) and 88 percent from the foul line (16 of 18). Evarts had not defeated Cawood since Jan. 6, 1998. The win also snapped Cawood's 14-game district winning streak.

University Heights picked up its sixth All "A" Classic title with a 58-46 win over Somerset in last Sunday's championship in Richmond. Tournament "MVP" Ravi Moss had 20 points and 12 rebounds for the Blazers. Following is the All-Tournament Team: Odell Cosby (Paris), Josh Pittman (Christian Academy (Louisville)), Brandon Brock (Whitesburg), O.J. Mayo (Rose Hill), Jeff Eisenmenger (St. Henry), Joel Catlett (University Heights), Jordan Mann (Somerset), Brandon Stockton (Glasgow), Ace Johnson (Beth Haven), Bryan Howard (Whitesburg), Melvin Brown (University Heights), Trey Sharpe (Somerset).

BASKETBALL POSTSEASON TOURNAMENT SITES

As of 2/4/02

District Tournaments (Feb. 25- March 2)

1 – Fulton City; 2 – Lone Oak; 3 – Mayfield; 4 – Marshall Co.; 5 – Crittenden Co.; 6 – Henderson Co.; 7 – Hopkins Co. Central; 8 – Hopkinsville; 9 – Apollo; 10 – Muhlenberg North; 11 – Trinity (Whitesville); 12 – McLean Co.; 13 – Logan Co.; 14 – Warren East; 15 – Edmonson Co.; 16 – Clinton Co.; 17 – North Hardin (Boys), Central Hardin (Girls); 18 – Caverna; 19 – Bethlehem; 20 – Campbellsville; 21 – Shawnee; 22 – Western; 23 – Valley; 24 – Iroquois; 25 – Male; 26 – Atherton; 27 – Jeffersontown; 28 – Eastern; 29 – Bullitt Central; 30 – Shelby Co.; 31 – Oldham Co.; 32 – Scott Co. ; 33 – Simon Kenton; 34 – Dixie Heights; 35 – Holmes; 36 – Dayton; 37 – Bourbon Co.; 38 – Pendleton Co. (Boys), Bracken Co. (Girls); 39 – Fleming Co.; 40 – Montgomery Co.; 41 – Western Hills; 42 – East Jessamine; 43 – Henry Clay; 44 – EKV McBrayer Arena; 45 – Casey Co.' 46 – Harrodsburg; 47 – Site of #1 Seed; 48 – Pulaski Co.; 49 – Clay Co.; 50 – Lynn Camp; 51 – Pineville; 52 – Cawood; 53 – Whitesburg (Boys), Letcher (Girls); 54 – Hazard; 55 – June Buchanan; 56 – Lee Co.; 57 – Johnson Central; 58 – Prestonsburg; 59 – Millard; 60 – Phelps; 61 – Morgan Co.; 62 – West Carter; 63 – Russell; 64 – Rose Hill.

Boys' Regional Tournaments (March 4-9)

1 – Murray State University; 2 – Madisonville-North Hopkins; 3 – Apollo; 4 – Western Kentucky University; 5 – Central Hardin; 6 – Louisville Gardens; 7 – Louisville Gardens; 8 – Henry Co.; 9 – Conner; 10 – Mason Co.; 11 – Farnham Dudgeon Civic Center, Frankfort; 12 – Russell Co.; 13 – Rockcastle Co.; 14 – Perry Co. Central; 15 – Pike Co. Central; 16 – Morehead State University.

Girls' Regional Tournaments (March 4-12)

1 – Murray State University; 2 – Caldwell Co.; 3 – Muhlenberg North; 4 – Western Kentucky University; 5 – Nelson Co.; 6 – Louisville Gardens; 7 – Louisville Gardens; 8 – Bullitt Central; 9 – Ryle; 10 – Mason Co.; 11 – Bryan Station; 12 – Pulaski Co.; 13 – Rockcastle Co.; 14 – Hazard; 15 – Pike Co. Central; 16 – Morehead State University.

HOW TO GET INFO IN THE WEEKLY RELEASE

The KHSAA requests assistance from its member schools and media outlets to aid in the compilation and dissemination of notes of interest, coaches association polls and upcoming events in all sports. Information should be forwarded to the KHSAA, attention Butch Cope, by 1 p.m. (ET) on Monday of each week. You may e-mail (bcope@khsaa.org) the information or fax it to the KHSAA at (859) 293-5999. Information received will be reviewed and published at the discretion of the Association. The KHSAA strives to publicize all of its sports to the fullest extent and appreciates any and all assistance.

THE NEXT REGULAR RELEASE WILL BE MONDAY, FEB. 11, 2002