

Kentucky High School Athletic Association

Sports News

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WEEKEND OF CHAMPIONS THIS WEEK

The 2002 State Tennis Tournaments and Track & Field Meet highlight the KHSAA's "Weekend of Champions" scheduled for this weekend on the University of Kentucky campus in Lexington. The State Tennis Tournaments are scheduled for Thursday-Saturday, May 30-June 1, at the Boone/Downing Tennis Complex. The State Track & Field Meet is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, May 31-June 1, at the Shively Track

Admission to Thursday and Friday's action of the Tennis Tournaments is free. Saturday's admission to the Tennis Tournaments will be \$5 general admission and will be good for both semifinals and finals for both boys' and girls' singles and doubles events in the main stadium. Those six and under will be admitted free.

Admission to the State Track & Field Meet will be \$5 each day. Those six and under will be admitted free of charge. Gates for fans open at 7 a.m. each day.

Parking is free of charge. Fans should park in the green lot at Commonwealth Stadium, which is within walking distance to both venues.

STATE TRACK MEET ENTRIES & RESULTS

Entries for Friday's preliminaries and selected field event finals are posted on the Association website www.khsaa.org/track. Results from Friday's action and Saturday's heat sheets information will be posted Friday following competition. Saturday's results will also be posted on the website upon conclusion of the meet.

Friday and Saturday's Schedule of Events (see website for event-by-event breakdown) Times Are Eastern

Gates Open – 7 a.m.

Class AAA – 8:30 p.m.; Class AA – 12:30 p.m.; Class A – 4:30 p.m.

STATE TENNIS SEEDED PLAYERS & BRACKETS

Brackets for the State Tennis Tournaments as well as the seeded players were posted on the Association website last Friday. Log on to www.khsaa.org/tennis to view entries. Results will be posted nightly.

STATE TENNIS & TRACK CONTACT INFORMATION

The Press Box phone number at the Shively Track Complex is (859) 257-6969. The information desk at the Boone Indoor Center is (859) 257-2777. KHSAA SID Butch Cope will be in the Track Press Box. Will Engle, KHSAA Intern, can assist with information on the State Tennis Tournaments.

Media members may pick up credentials at Media Will Call at Track or at the Girls' Check-in Tent (located inside the main stadium gates next to the Boone Indoor Center) at the State Tennis Tournaments. Credentials issued are valid to both events.

BASEBALL AND FAST PITCH REGIONAL BRACKETS

Brackets for regional baseball and fast pitch softball tournaments scheduled for this week are posted on the Association website. Scores will be updated nightly as the tournament manager reports them. Click the Riherd's/KHSAA Scoreboard link on the main homepage and choose which sport to view brackets.

BASEBALL SEMI-STATE SITES

Baseball Semi-State brackets will be posted as received on Sunday. Semi-State Baseball Tournaments are scheduled for June 3-8. Following are tournament sites:

Semi-State 1 – Brooks Stadium, Paducah (Reidland HS, Host); Semi-State 2 – Elizabethtown;

Semi-State 3 – Franklin County; Semi-State 4 – Boyd County.

FAST PITCH SOFTBALL DRAW

The eighth KHSAA Fast Pitch Softball State Tournament is scheduled for June 7-8 at Tie-Breaker Park in Hopkinsville. Following are first round match-ups. The complete bracket is posted on the KHSAA website at www.khsaa.org/fastpitchsoftball.

Friday, June 7

Region 9 Winner vs. Region 7 Winner (F1), Region 12 Winner vs. Region 6 Winner (F2); Region 2 Winner vs. Region 15 Winner (F3), Region 13 Winner vs. Region 14 Winner (F4) all are at 9 a.m. (CT).

Region 3 Winner vs. Region 5 Winner (F1), Region 10 Winner vs. Region 4 Winner (F2), Region 1 Winner vs. Region 8 Winner (F3), Region 16 Winner vs. Region 11 Winner (F4) all are at 11 a.m. (CT).

Friday's play continues through 7 p.m. Saturday's action begins at 9 a.m. with the championship game set for 3 p.m. (CT). A second game, if necessary, would immediately follow.

STATE BASEBALL FINALS DRAW

Following is the schedule of games for the State Baseball Finals to be held June 13-14 at Applebee's Park in Lexington. Tickets to the event go on sale June 3 through the Lexington Legends Box Office. For tickets, call (859) 422-7867. Reserved seats are \$8 with general admission seating \$5.

Thursday, June 13 – Semifinals

Semi-State 2 Winner vs. Semi-State 4 Winner, 5:30 p.m. (ET)

Semi-State 1 Winner vs. Semi-State 3 Winner, 8 p.m. (ET)

Friday, June 14 – State Championship

2-4 Winner vs. 1-3 Winner, 7 p.m.

FAST PITCH SOFTBALL POLL

Following is the latest Kentucky High School Fast Pitch Softball Coaches Association Top 25 Poll as of May 8, 2002.

Ranking, School (1st Place Votes), Points

1. Greenwood (14) 437, 2. North Laurel (12) 428, 3. Paul Dunbar (6) 354, 4. Owensboro Catholic 348, 5. DuPont Manual 292, 6. Reidland 265, 7. Ballard 239, 8. Daviess County 222, 9. Boone County 204, 10. Christian County 158, 11. Elizabethtown 143, 12. Hopkinsville 119, 13. Henderson County 110, 14. Madison Central 107, 15. Allen Co.-Scottsville 88, 16. Franklin County 56, 17. Butler 53, 18. Bryan Station 48, 19. Pleasure Ridge Park 44, 20. Meade County 40, 21. Madisonville-North Hopkins 38, 22. Calloway County 35, 23. Middlesboro 33, 24. Western Hills 32, 25. Perry Co. Central 12

BASEBALL POLL

Following is the latest Kentucky High School Baseball Coaches Association Top 25 Poll as of May 15, 2002.

1. Pleasure Ridge Park 407, 2. Apollo 289, 3. Lexington Catholic 222, 4. Tates Creek 179, 5. Henry Clay 157, 6. Trinity (Louisville) 149, 7. Ballard 101, 8. Boyle County 77, 9. Webster County 69, 10. Male 67, 11. St. Xavier 61, 12. Butler 52, 13. Eastern 46, T14. Covington Catholic and Franklin-Simpson 45, 16. Daviess County 43, 17. Paul Dunbar 41, 18. Corbin 39, 19. Hopkinsville 33, 20. Pulaski County 31, 21. Lafayette 29, 22. Woodford County 22, 23. Boyd County 20, 24. Henderson County 18, T25. Mercer County and Marion County 16.

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, JUNE 3, 2002