STATE FAST PITCH SOFTBALL THIS WEEKEND

The seventh KHSAA State Fast Pitch Softball is scheduled for this Friday and Saturday, June 8-9, at Skyview Park in Jeffersontown.

Action begins at 9 a.m. Friday and continues through 9 p.m. Saturday's play begins at 9 a.m., with the championship game set for 7 p.m.

General admission tickets are \$5 per day for the event. Children under six will be admitted free.

The KHSAA website will be updated throughout the day Friday and Saturday with scores.

STATE FAST PITCH SOFTBALL PRESS BOX

To receive updates during the State Fast Pitch Softball Tournament, contact a member of the KHSAA staff in the Press Box at (502)266-5500, (502)266-7781 or (502)266-8569.

STATE FAST PITCH SOFTBALL FIRST ROUND DRAW

Following are first-round match-ups for this weekend's State Fast Pitch Softball Tournament in Jeffersontown. Please note Region 12 and Region 14 are scheduled to conclude their tournaments Monday.

For a complete bracket, log on b the KHSAA website at <u>www.khsaa.org/fastpitchsoftball</u>.

(Bracket Reads Top-to-Bottom, All Times EDT) Fri., June 8

Elkhorn City (33-5) vs. Owensboro Catholic (28-13) – Field 2, 9 a.m.

George Rogers Clark (26-10) vs. Leslie Co.-Whitesburg Winner – Field 3, 9 a.m.

Madisonville-North Hopkins (26-10) vs. Boone Co. (32-6) – Field 4, 9 a.m.

Shelby Co. (32-8) vs. Madison Central (31-8) - Field 2, 11 a.m.

Lone Oak (32-9) vs. Middlesboro (31-5) – Field 3, 11 a.m.

Region 12 Champion vs. Greenwood (35-3) - Field 4, 11 a.m.

Pleasure Ridge Park (24-4) vs. LaRue Co. (28-8) – Field 2, 1 p.m.

DuPont Manual (22-7) vs. Russell (23-19) - Field 3, 1 p.m.

Sat., June 9 Play begins at 9 a.m. Championship game at 7 p.m.

WEEKEND OF CHAMPIONS SOGGY, BUT COMPLETE

The KHSAA's "Weekend of Champions" dodged rain all weekend long, but the State Tennis Tournaments and Track & Field Championships went on as scheduled and concluded last Saturday.

Rain forced most action of the Girls' & Boys' State Tennis Tournaments indoors. Action was played inside at UK's Boone Indoor Center, the Lexington Tennis Club and the Kentucky Tennis Academy. Semifinals and finals matches were able to be played in the main stadium court outdoors on the UK campus Saturday.

St. Xavier repeated as boys' team champion. The Tigers picked up their sixth consecutive Boys' state title, seventh in the last eight years. St. X owns 13 of 20 state championships since the Association began awarding a team title in 1982.

On the girls' side, defending champion Lone Oak picked up its third consecutive team title, eighth in the last 10 years. The Purple Flash were led by the play of defending singles champion Sarah Suitor who successfully defended her title.

Tennis Coaches Association All-State Team Girls'

Ann Lask (Ky. Country Day), Rachel Lask (Ky. Country Day), Molly Molony (Notre Dame), Jackie Vilines (Notre Dame), Ashley Robards (Henderson Co.), Jennifer Langer (South Oldham), Liz Conyer (Lone Oak), Kathy Robey (Lexington Christian), Miriam Rahali (Covington Latin), Ashley Kroh (Sacred Heart), Sarah Foster (Lexington Catholic), Sarah Suitor (Lone Oak), Lindsey Settles (Woodford Co.), Ashley Millay (Owensboro), Suzanne Collins (Middlesboro), Jaclyn Leeper (Heath), Casie Skaggs (Lone Oak), Emily Lichtenberg (Lone Oak), Cristina Reyes (Assumption), Makenzie Meekus (Lexington Catholic).

Girls' Sportsmanship Award (Presented by Sweet Spot Raquet Sports, Louisville)

Ashley Kroh (Sacred Heart)

Boys'

David Trier (St. Xavier), Travis Triplett (St. Xavier), Sam Duvall (St. Xavier), Chase Armstrong (St. Xavier), Justin Yeager (Dixie Heights), Johnny Lu (Ky. Country Day), Matt Allinder (Henderson Co.), Cameron Marshall (St. Xavier), Chris Gonyer (Ky. Country Day), Jeremy Clark (Prestonsburg), Nick Meythaler (Owensboro), Jeff Lester (Harrodsburg), Ashley Busald (Beechwood), Billy Hopkins (Beechwood), David Hise (Harrodsburg), Jody Mitchell (Owensboro Catholic), Amul Shah (Daviess Co.), Eric Clark (Daviess Co.), Chase George (Marion Co.), Greg Randall (Somerset).

Boys' Sportsmanship Award (Presented by Sweet Spot Raquet Sports, Louisville) Cameron Marshall (St. Xavier).

In Track, all three girls' defending champions repeated. Ballard took home the Class AAA trophy, Paducah Tilghman won Class AA and Bishop Brossart captured the Class A title.

Brossart's win gave the girls' squad its fifth consecutive Class A title, while Paducah Tilghman won Class AA for the second consecutive year.

In boys' action, three new state champions were crowned. St. Xavier won Class AAA, Paducah Tilghman won Class AA and Murray won Class A.

WEEKEND OF CHAMPIONS RESULTS

To view State Tennis Results <u>www.khsaa.org/tennis</u> To view State Track & Field Results <u>www.khsaa.org/track</u>

SEMI-STATE BASEBALL TOURNAMENTS

Baseball moves on to semi-state action in preparation for next week's State Baseball Finals in Lexington. Log on to the KHSAA website to view tournament schedules or the Riherd's/KHSAA Scoreboard to view results.

KHSAA Baseball Page

www.khsaa.org/baseball Riherd's/KHSAA Scoreboard www.khsaa.org/scoreboard

Semi-State Tournament Sites (June 4-9)

- 1 Bowling Green
- 2 Ballard
- 3 Pulaski Co.
- 4 Knott Co. Central

STATE BASEBALL FINALS DRAW

Following is the state finals draw. For a complete bracket, log on to the KHSAA website at <u>www.khsaa.org/baseball</u>.

(Bracket Reads Top to Bottom, All Times EDT) Thurs., June 14 Semi-State 1 Winner vs. Semi-State 2 Winner, 3:30 p.m. Semi-State 3 Winner vs. Semi-State 4 Winner, 7:30 p.m. Fri., June 15 Championship at 7 p.m.

HOW TO GET INFO IN THE WEEKLY RELEASE

The KHSAA requests assistance from 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 email (bcope@khsaa.org) the information or fax it to the KHSAA at (859) 293-5999. Information 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.

REMAINING KHSAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

June 8-9 - Fast Pitch Softball - Skyview Park, Jeffersontown June 14-15 - Baseball - UK Cliff Hagan Stadium, Lexington

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