

Kentucky High School Athletic Association

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ST. X – NOTRE DAME CAPTURE SWIM TITLES

St. Xavier picked up its 14th consecutive Boys' State Swimming Championships, 38th overall and Notre Dame captured the Girls' State Swimming Championship, its ninth overall, at the State Swimming & Diving Championships held last weekend at UK's Lancaster Aquatic Center in Lexington.

Two records were set in girls' action. Emily Ewing of Madisonville-North Hopkins set a state record in the 50-Free in Friday's prelims with a time of 23.45. Ewing matched that time in Saturday's championship heat. She also picked up a state championship in the 100-Back with a time of 56.98.

Sacred Heart's Caroline Burckle posted the other state record in the meet. Burckle shattered Kara McGrath's record of 4:57.19 in the 500-Free with a 4:54.25. McGrath's mark was the oldest standing state record – 19 years – which was set in 1983. Burckle was also a member of SHA's State Champion 200-Medley Relay team that recorded a time of 1:50.50 and picked up an individual championship in the 200-Free (1:50.82).

Bill Sprigg of St. Xavier helped pace the Tigers to their 14th consecutive title, swimming to an individual championship in the 100-Fly in a time of 50.69. Sprigg was also a member of the Tiger's state champion 200-Free Relay team which recorded a time of 1:28.02.

Complete State Championship results are posted on the Association website at www.khsaa.org/swimming.

DISTRICT BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS

Basketball enters postseason this week with district tournament action. District Tournament schedules are posted on the KHSAA website at www.khsaa.org. Click the Basketball Scoreboard link and then "view a tournament". Results will be posted nightly.

REGIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT SITES

Following are sites for next week's Boys' & Girls' Regional Basketball Tournaments. Tournament schedules will be posted on the Association website (Scoreboard link) on Sunday evening, March 3, as they are received.

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.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL NOTES

(Taken from member school stats reports)

Jenn Skaggs of Holy Cross (Louisville) recorded four consecutive double-double performances last week. Skaggs had 24 points and 18 rebounds in a 61-50 win over Holy Rosary last Tuesday, 17 points and 10 rebounds in a 52-38 win over Eastern last Wednesday, 19 points and 17 rebounds in a 66-36 win over Christian Academy-Louisville last Thursday and 18 points and 20 rebounds in a 48-37 win over Washington County last Friday. For the week, Skaggs averaged 19.5 ppg. and 16.3 rpg.

Sacred Heart's Crystal Kelly scored her 1,000th career point in last Friday's 70-49 win over Presentation. Kelly, a sophomore, is the fastest player in SHA history to accomplish the feat. In the game she scored 20 points, pulled down 13 rebounds and had nine blocks. In 29 games this season, Kelly has 15 double-double performances and one triple-double.

Clinton County's Angela Brown scored 31 points, pulled down 20 rebounds and blocked seven shots in a 69-61 overtime win over Barren County last Thursday.

BOYS' BASKETBALL NOTES

(Taken from member school stats reports)

Boyd County's Max Hunter recorded his seventh double-double with 21 points and 17 rebounds in a 74-57 loss to Bath County last Tuesday. Hunter, in his first year of playing basketball, is averaging 13.4 points and eight rebounds a game this season.

Chris Gaither of defending Third Region Champion Grayson County, scored a single-game school scoring record with 49 points in a 93-59 win over Hancock County last Friday. He tied the school mark for three point shots made in a game with seven.

Warren Central finished the regular season with a 22-3 record, giving the school its first back-to-back-to-back 20-win seasons. Jeremy Hafer of Trimble County had a strong performance in a 62-55 win over Gallatin County last Friday. Hafer scored 19 points, pulled down 17 rebounds, posted four blocks and had four steals in the win. All were career marks for Hafer. His 17 rebounds marked the second time this season he had accomplished the feat.

Odell Cosby of Paris posted his 1,000th career point win a 64-63 win over Augusta last Tuesday.

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, MARCH 4, 2002