NEW LOOK VOLLEYBALL SEASON BEGINS TODAY
The 2003 volleyball playing season begins today with a “new” look. In preparation for the NFHS rule in 2004 to use “rally scoring” in regular and postseason play, KHSAA action for the 2003 playing season during regular and post season varsity matches will be played using the following rally score format. Matches will be the best two out of three games to 25 points by two with a cap at 30. The deciding (third game) game will be played to 15 by two with no cap. For non-varsity matches, the KHSAA recommends the contest be the best two out of three played to 21 by two with a cap at 30. The third and deciding game should be played to 15 by two with no cap.

Also for this year, with the growth of volleyball throughout the state, a new alignment is in place. The state is now divided into 16 regions with only the regional winner advancing to the State Tournament. Previously, the state was divided into eight regions with the winner and runner-up advancing to the State Tournament.

This year’s State Volleyball Tournament is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Oct. 24-25 at Farnham Dudgeon Arena in Frankfort.

NEW ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATORS WORKSHOP
The KHSAA held its third annual New Athletic Administrator Workshop at the Association office in Lexington last Friday. Approximately 55 individuals participated in the one day event which is designed to introduce new administrators to KHSAA policies and procedures.

This year’s workshop featured a presentation on “No Child Left Behind” initiatives by Diane Robertson representing the Kentucky Department of Education.

Over the past three years, some 200 new administrators have attended the one day workshop.

2003-2004 KHSAA PUBLICATIONS
The 2003-2004 KHSAA Event Calendar is now available for purchase. The calendar includes sports specific important dates as well as Board of Control and Advisory Committee meetings and other related information. Calendars are $8 each and can be ordered online through the KHSAA website (www.khsaa.org) or by contacting Marilyn Mitchell at the KHSAA.

Orders are now being taken for the 2003-2004 KHSAA Handbook. Those may also be ordered online or by contacting Ms. Mitchell. Handbooks by mail are $15 each for the bound printed version or $10 each if purchased in person at the KHSAA Office. The Handbook will again be available in the three-ring binder version. By mail, the binder and the insert are $30 each for the set or $20 each just for the insert. In-person over-the-counter purchases of the binder and insert are $25 each or $15 for just the insert. Handbooks, as in the past, will be mailed on Sept. 1.

The Athlete magazine, the quarterly publication of the Association, is $15 for a one-year individual subscription. The subscription includes the “Year-End” State Championship results issue.

The 2002-2003 Year-End results issue of The Athlete will be available in late August.

SOCCER VOLLEYBALL AND FOOTBALL SCHEDULES
Schedules for boys’ and girls’ soccer as well as volleyball and football have been posted on the Riherd’s/KHSAA Scoreboard. Member schools are reminded to make sure all games have been entered through the “Member School Only” link on the KHSAA website.

SOCCER REGULAR SEASON GAMES
This is a reminder that in November of 2002, the KHSAA Board of Control approved the elimination of overtime procedures during regular season soccer contests beginning with the 2003 season. For postseason contests, the normal overtime procedures remain in effect.

CROSS COUNTRY MEETS SCHEDULE
Following is a listing of high school cross country meets scheduled for the month of August as published by the Kentucky Track and Cross Country Coaches Association.
Aug. 21 – Providence Hokum Karem at New Albany, IN
Aug. 23 – Dayton Devils Distance Relays; Paul Dunbar Hokum Karem Meet at Woodford Park; Daviess Co. Inv.
Aug. 30 – St. Xavier Tiger Run; Fort Campbell Inv.; Pendleton Co. Inv.; Bell Co. Inv.; Hancock Co. Inv.

For a complete season listing, check out the KTCCA website at www.ktccca.org.

FOOTBALL BEGINS PLAY WITH NEW ALIGNMENT
The 2003 football season begins the first year of another four-year alignment cycle which will include the 2006 season. The KHSAA Board of Control approved the alignment at its Sept. 26, 2002 meeting. To view the approved alignment, log on to the KHSAA website and choose the football link under the KHSAA sports pull down.

Also of note is the elimination of the Eight-Player State Football Championship sanctioned by the Association. The KHSAA had approved an eight-player playoff tournament from 1996-98 and then sanctioned the playoffs as an official State Championship from 1999 until 2002. Last year, five teams competed in the Eight-Player State Football Championship with Kentucky Country Day taking home the trophy with a 37-21 win over Bethlehem.

Finally, a reminder that this year’s State Football Finals were moved by the Board of Control in cooperation from Kentucky Fair & Exposition Center Board from the KFEC Cardinal Stadium in Louisville to Papa John’s Cardinal Stadium. The State Football Finals are scheduled for Dec. 5-6. Ticket information will be released at a later date.

FOOTBALL BOWL GAMES
Following is a listing of Bowl Games scheduled for the opening two weeks of the season (Aug. 22-23 and Aug. 29-30). A complete listing of bowl games throughout the year is posted on the Association website using the football link off of the KHSAA sports pull down.

**Friday, Aug. 22**
Garnis Martin State Champion Bowl at Bardstown
Elizabethtown vs. Bardstown, 7:30 p.m.

Governor’s Bowl at Woodford Co.
Anderson Co. vs. Woodford Co., 7:30 p.m.

Death Valley Bowl at Lincoln County
Casey County vs. Harrison County, 6:30 p.m.
East Jessamine vs. Lincoln County, 8:30 p.m.

Pike County Bowl at Pikeville
Phelps vs. Shelby Valley, 6:30
Pike County Central vs. East Ridge, 9 p.m.

Cumberland Valley Bowl at South Laurel
North Laurel vs. Hazard, 6 p.m.
South Laurel vs. Leslie County, 9 p.m.

Capital City Classic at Frankfort
Evarts vs. Frankfort, 8 p.m.

Hall of Fame Bowl at Henderson County
Newburg Castle, IN vs. Henderson County, 8 p.m.

Integra Bowl at Trigg County
Mayfield vs. Trigg County, 6 p.m.
Memphis Ridgeway, TN vs. Hopkinsville, 8 p.m.

Big Sandy Bowl at Paintsville
Raceland vs. Paintsville, 6 p.m.
Rock Hill, OH vs. Johnson Central, 8 p.m.

Ray Adams Charger Classic at Papa John’s Stadium, Louisville
Trimble County vs. Jeffersontown, 3 p.m.
Pleasure Ridge Park vs. Eastern, 5:30 p.m.
Boyle County vs. Lafayette, 8 p.m.

**Saturday, Aug. 23**
City/County Bowl at Middlesboro and Bell Co.
Ashland Blazer at Middlesboro, 6 p.m.
Marion Co. at Bell County, 8:30 p.m.

Appalachian Bowl at Clay County
Henry Co. vs. Clay Co., 8 p.m.

Rafferty’s Bowl at Bowling Green
Central Hardin vs. Warren Central, 5 p.m.
Pulaski Southwestern vs. Bowling Green, 8 p.m.

Bob Allen Pigskin Classic at Danville
Paul Dunbar vs. Garrard Co., 5:30 p.m.
DuPont Manual vs. Danville, 8 p.m.

St. Joseph’s Hospital Bluegrass Bowl at Lexington Catholic
St. Xavier vs. Scott Co., 5:30 p.m.
Prestonsburg vs. Lexington Catholic, 8:30 p.m.

Recreation Bowl at Mt. Sterling
Breathitt Co. vs. Mason Co., 5:30 p.m.
Estill Co. vs. Montgomery Co., 8 p.m.

Pike County Bowl at Pikeville
Boyd Co. vs. Belfry, 6 p.m.
Lawrence Co. vs. Pikeville, 8:30 p.m.
Laurel Bowl at Pineville
Campbellsville vs. Knox Central, 5 p.m.
Berea vs. Pineville, 8 p.m.

Kick-off Classic at Oldham County
South Oldham vs. North Bullitt, 12 p.m.
Christian Academy-Louisville vs. North Oldham, 4 p.m.
Oldham Co. vs. Male, 8 p.m.

Skyline Chili Crosstown Showdown at University of
Cincinnati Nippert Stadium
Cincinnati Colerain, OH vs. Boone Co., 3:30 p.m.
Cincinnati St. Xavier, OH vs. Covington Catholic, 8 p.m.

Pine Mountain Classic at Whitesburg
Fleming-Neon vs. Cumberland, 5 p.m.
Pendleton Co. vs. Whitesburg, 8 p.m.

Cumberland Falls Pigskin Classic at Corbin
LaRue Co. vs. Rockcastle Co., 5:45 p.m.
Somerset vs. Corbin, 8:45 p.m.

Pella Progress Bowl at Murray State
Marshall Co. vs. Owensboro, 2 p.m.
Dyersburg, TN vs. Graves Co., 5 p.m.
Grayson Co. vs. Calloway Co., 8 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 29
Ray Correll Classic at Somerset
Pulaski Co. vs. Russell Co., 5 p.m.
Pulaski Southwestern vs. Somerset, 8:30 p.m.

Renfro Valley Jamboree at Rockcastle County
South Laurel vs. Rockcastle County, 7:30 p.m.

KRNC Honey Bowl at Breathitt Co.
Perry Co. Central vs. Breathitt Co., 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 30
St. Luke's Hospital Champions Bowl at Beechwood
Highlands vs. Central, 2 p.m.
Columbus Bishop Ready, OH vs. Beechwood, 6 p.m.

T.J. Sampson Bowl at Glasgow
John Hardin vs. Barren Co., 6 p.m.
Green Co. vs. Glasgow, 8 p.m.

Ray Correll Classic at Somerset
Pulaski Co. vs. Russell Co., 5 p.m.
Pulaski Southwestern vs. Somerset, 8:30 p.m.

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Pride of the Mountains Gridiron Classic at Hazard
Leslie Co. vs. Lynn Camp, 6 p.m.
Hazard vs. Knott Co. Central, 8:30 p.m.

Sempli-Wireless Pigskin Classic at Franklin-Simpson
Bowling Green vs. Oldham Co., 5 p.m.
Franklin-Simpson vs. Calloway Co., 8 p.m.

Kick-Off Classic at Ryle
Princeton, OH vs. Ryle, 12:30 p.m.
Cincinnati Elder, OH vs. Indianapolis Warren, IN, 4 p.m.
Cincinnati St. Xavier, OH vs. Trinity (Louisville), 7:30 p.m.

BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING
The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association will hold a special meeting August 25 at 8 a.m. in Lexington to review appeals. For an agenda, contact the KHSAA. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for Sept. 18-19 at the KHSAA office.

HOW TO GET INFO/NOTES 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, coach’s 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 release will be Monday, Aug. 18, 2003.