KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



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LEACHMAN BUICK/GMC NAMED TITLE SPONSOR FOR STATE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

Kentucky High School Athletic Association Commissioner Brigid DeVries has announced that Leachman Buick/GMC of Bowling Green has agreed to serve as title sponsor of the 2004 KHSAA State Golf Championships. The girls' tournament will be played Oct. 5-6 at the Bowling Green Country Club and the boys' tournament will be played Oct. 7-8 at Indian Hills Golf Course in Bowling Green.

"Leachman Buick/GMC supporting our State Golf Championships again shows that the Bowling Green/Warren County community continues to be a great supporter of KHSAA events," DeVries said. "We are extremely pleased for their sponsorship of our State Golf Championships."

This is the first time in the history of the Association that a title sponsor has been secured for the State Golf Championships. It is only the seventh such title sponsorship for a KHSAA event. Currently Houchens Industries serves as title sponsor for the Girls' State Basketball Tournament also held in Bowling Green.

"This sponsorship shows our continued aggressive approach of finding ways to help the Association maintain the services it provides the student athletes of the Commonwealth. Sponsorships such as the Leachman Buick/GMC agreement are a part of the Association strategic plan directed by our Board of Control to continue to find ways to secure funds for the overall programs of the KHSAA and assist in helping offset rising costs," DeVries added. "For example, for the 2004-05 school year, we are facing an expenditure of almost \$150,000 just to continue to provide the athletes at each of our member schools catastrophic insurance."

"Our sponsorship of the KHSAA Girls' and Boys' State High School Golf Tournaments is actually an outgrowth of programs we've had for years," said Leachman Buick/GMC General Manager David Jaggers. "We've long supported school programs including Western Kentucky University's athletics, and youth leagues in most sports. This is a great way to help provide some nice facilities for the state tournaments, and to support high school athletes all across the state."

"I think you are seeing corporations continue to recognize the value of high school athletics and the grass-roots level of marketing it provides. I hope we will continue to announce beneficial sponsorships in conjunction with each of our sports programs," DeVries concluded.

The Leachman package includes title sponsorship as well as sponsoring one \$500 scholarship to be awarded to one girl and one boy golfer in each event.

The official title in all references is now the Leachman Buick/GMC KHSAA State Golf Championships.

About Leachman Buick/GMC

Since the founding of Leachman Buick/GMC in 1949, the Bowling Green family-owned business has remained a leader not only in automobile sales and service, but in the promotion of community events and athletics as well.

About the Kentucky High School Athletic Association

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association was organized in 1917 and is the agency designated by the Kentucky Board of Education to manage high school athletics in the Commonwealth. The Association is a voluntary nonprofit 501 3(c) organization made up of 283 member schools both public and private. The KHSAA sanctions state championships in 20 sports (10 for boys and 10 for girls), licenses and trains over 3,900 officials, provides catastrophic insurance for its member school student athletes as well as overseeing coaching education and medical symposium programs.

STATE VOLLEYBALL BRACKET

Assistant Commissioner Larry Boucher has announced the draw for the 2004 KHSAA State Volleyball Tournament. The event is scheduled for Oct. 29-30 and will be played at the Frankfort Convention Center. New to the tournament this year is a "one court" schedule of the event. Previous tournaments used a "two court" set-up for Friday's first round and Saturday morning's quarterfinals.

Following are the first round region vs. region match-ups: Friday, Oct. 29

Region 14 Winner vs. Region 2 Winner, 1 p.m.; Region 16 Winner vs. Region 1 Winner, 2 p.m.; Region 13 Winner vs. Region 7 Winner, 3 p.m.; Region 3 Winner vs. Region 10 Winner, 4 p.m.; Region 15 Winner vs. Region 12 Winner, 5 p.m.; Region 5 Winner vs. Region 9 Winner, 6 p.m.; Region 11 Winner vs. Region 8 Winner, 7 p.m.; Region 4 Winner vs. Region 6 Winner, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 30

Quarterfinals at 9, 10 and 11 a.m. and 12 p.m.; semifinals at 2 and 3 p.m.; championship at 8 p.m.

The complete tournament bracket has been posted on the KHSAA website. To view, log on to the following at www.khsaa.org/volleyball/2004/2004statebracket.pdf.

CROSS COUNTRY MEETS SCHEDULE

Following is a listing of high school cross country meets scheduled through Sept. 4 as published by the Kentucky Track and Cross Country Coaches Association. To view a complete season schedule listing, check out the coaches association website at www.ktccca.org.

Aug. 30 Danville All-Comers

- Sept. 2 Tomcat Invitational at Ashland Blazer; Model All-Comers; Comcast Knoxville Track Club XC
- Sept. 4 Madisonville-North Hopkins Invitational; Tiger Run at Seneca Park, Louisville; Pendleton Invitational Meet; Hancock County Invitational

2004-05 PUBLICATIONS

The 2004-05 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 KHSAA related information. Calendars are \$8 each by mail or \$6 if purchased at the KHSAA office. Orders can be made by contacting Marilyn Mitchell at the KHSAA office or purchased online through the KHSAA website.

Orders are now being taken for 2004-05 KHSAA Handbooks. Those may also be ordered online or by contacting Ms. Mitchell. Handbooks are \$15 each by mail or \$10 if purchased in person for the bound printed version. The three-ring binder insert version will again be available by mail for \$20 or \$30 for the binder and insert. In-person, the insert is \$15 or \$25 for the binder and insert.

Handbooks, as in the past, will be mailed the first full week of September.

The Athlete magazine, the quarterly publication of the Association, is available for a one-year subscription price of \$15. The subscription includes the popular "Year-End" championship results issue.

SOCCER COACHES POLL

The Boys' Soccer Coaches Association Poll as of Aug. 30 has been posted on the KHSAA website. To view see the following link:

http://www.khsaa.org/soccer/boyspoll.pdf

The Girls' Soccer Coaches Association Poll as of Aug. 30 has been posted on the KHSAA website. To view see the following link:

http://www.khsaa.org/soccer/girlspoll.pdf

VOLLEYBALL COACHES POLL

The Volleyball Coaches Association Poll as of Aug. 23 has been released and posted on the KHSAA website. To view see the following link:

http://www.khsaa.org/volleyball/cpoll.pdf

NEXT KHSAA BOARD MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Board of Control is set for Sept. 16-17 at the KHSAA Office in Lexington. For an agenda, contact the KHSAA office.

BASKETBALL DRAFT ALIGNMENT

The KHSAA Board of Control, after a two year study, has approved a draft alignment to be sent out to member schools. The proposed alignment would be adopted beginning with the 2005-06 season. The draft alignment will be sent to member schools and released on the KHSAA website by the end of this week. Schools will be invited to provide input as directed with input received to be presented to the Board at its November meeting.

During the process, the Board has sought to deal with issues such as eliminating three team districts, eliminating six team districts, consolidation and future consolidation, the number of schools in the ninth region as well as the number of schools in the sixth and seventh regions.

FOOTBALL WEEK #2 NOTES

(As submitted by member schools)

Bowling Green's Russell Parker tied the school record for touchdown completions with four in a 55-0 win over Calloway County in the Franklin-Simpson Gridiron Classic. Parker's tosses all came in the first half as the Purples led 48-0 at halftime. Russell was named MVP of the bowl for the third consecutive year and in just two games, he has completed 15 of 17 passes for six touchdowns and no interceptions.

James Custard of Harrison County ran 11 times for 90 yards and a touchdown in a 38-8 win over Garrard County. He also returned an interception 71 yards for a touchdown in the contest.

Robbie Peterman of Highlands had 191 all-purpose yards and two touchdowns in the Bluebirds' 44-0 win over Campbell County. On just two carries, Peterman ran for 61 yards and a touchdown. He posted an interception return of 53 yards and returned two punts for 77 yards. Teammate Justin Auton was five-for-five in extra point attempts and booted all five of his kickoffs into the end zone for touchbacks.

Derrick Bowling of Perry County Central had five receptions for 83 yards and two touchdowns in a 46-6 win over Berea. He also returned three punts for 77 yards and a touchdown. Quarterback Jordan Shepherd ran eight times for 98 yards and a touchdown and completed eight of 13 pass attempts for 169 yards and three touchdowns in the win.

Lee Renfro of Pulaski Southwestern ran 14 times for 205 yards and three touchdowns in a 47-6 win over Russell County. Jogh Minton recorded 21 tackles and two sacks while Travis Piercy recorded 16 tackles and a sack in the win. Piercy also had a fumble recovery.

Whitley County's Ladale Rider set the school record for yards in a game with 360 in a 34-6 win over Knox Central. Rider tied the school record for touchdowns in a game with five and through two games has rushed 71 times for 621 yards. In addition, Whitley County set a school record for total offense in a game (540 yards) and yards rushing (469 on 48 carries).

NEXT RELEASE

The next regular release will be posted on Tuesday, Sept. 7.