Kentucky High School Athletic Association



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WOODFORD COUNTY CAPTURES SOUTH OLDHAM WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

Woodford County took top honors at the South Oldham Wrestling Tournament held over the weekend. The Yellowjackets took home six of the 14 individual weight class titles (112-Ethan Buell; 119-Tyler Baldwin; 130-Jamison Large; 140-Kyle Leugers; 171-Eric Slugantz; 189-Kyle Vanzant). St. Xavier was second (223.50), Eastern third (209.00), Oldham County fourth (208.00) and host South Oldham finished fifth (207.50).

WRESTLING COACHES ASSOCIATION RANKINGS

Following are the top-ranked wrestlers as released by the Kentucky Wrestling Coaches Association on Jan. 27.

103 – Matt Thompson (Oldham Co.); 112 – Billy Clark (Sheldon Clark); 119 – Tyler Baldwin (Woodford Co.); 125 – Mark Shaver (South Oldham); 130 – Brad Cooper (Simon Kenton); 135 – Luke Metzger (Henry Clay); 140 – Scott Cooper (LaRue Co.); 145 – Isaac Knable (St. Xavier); 152 – Craig Cooper (Simon Kenton); 160 – Andrew Cooper (LaRue Co.); 171 – Eric Slugantz (Woodford Co.); 189 – Ben Vessels (Seneca); 215 – Chris Sullivan (Pleasure Ridge Park); 275 – Jon Scarborough (Oldham Co.).

Team – 1. Woodford Co.; 2. South Oldham; 3. St. Xavier; 4. Campbell Co.; 5. Ryle; 6. LaRue Co.; 7. Sheldon Clark; 8. Eastern; 9. Oldham Co.; 10. Simon Kenton.

POSTSEASON WRESTLING SITES

Regional Wrestling Tournaments are slated for next Saturday, Feb. 9. Following are tentative schedule of events. Contact the host site prior to the event to make sure no schedule changes have been made.

Saturday, Feb. 9

Region 1 – Paducah Tilghman at 8 a.m. (weigh-in)

Region 2 – Fort Knox at 8 a.m. (weigh-in); 9:30 a.m. (competition)

Region 3 – DeSales at 8:30 a.m. (weigh-in)

Region 4 – Atherton at 8 a.m. (weigh-in); 10 a.m. (competition)

Region 5 – Oldham County at 8 a.m. (weigh-in); 9:30 a.m. (competition)

Region 6 – Ryle at 9 a.m. (weigh-in); 10 a.m. (competition)

Region 7 – Tates Creek at 9 a.m. (weigh-in)

Region 8 – Pike County Central at 9 a.m. (weigh-in)

The top four wrestlers in each of the 14 weight classes from each of the eight regions will advance to the State Tournament. There is not a district level of postseason this year.

Beginning this year, the State Tournament expands to three days with 32 wrestlers qualifying in each of the 14 weight classes. The State Wrestling Championships are scheduled for Feb. 14-16 at the Farnham Dudgeon Civic Center in Frankfort. State Wrestling Tournament entries, complete with weight-class brackets, will be posted on the Association website the week of the event.

POSTSEASON SWIMMING SITES

Following are the Regional Swimming and Diving Meet sites for 2002. Regional Swim Meets are scheduled for Feb. 9. Contact the host school/site for a schedule of events.

Region 1 – Bowling Green HS (Michelle Long); Region 2 – Mary T. Meagher Pool, Louisville (Marty O'Toole, St. Xavier); Region 3 – Shelby County HS (swimming) Centre College, Danville (Diving); Region 4 – Scott HS (Jerry Mohr); Region 5 – Eastern Kentucky University (Tim Cahill).

The top two finishers in each event from each regional meet, as well as the next 14 times at-large from each event (highest scores in diving) advance to the State Swimming & Diving Championships. The State Swimming & Diving Meet is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Feb. 22-23, at the University of Kentucky Lancaster Aquatic Center in Lexington. State Swimming & Diving Meet entries will be posted on the Association website the week of the event.

STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS DRAW

The draw for the Boys' & Girls' KHSAA Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournaments will be held Friday, Feb. 8 at the studios of WKYT-TV in Lexington. The draw will be aired live by KYT as a part of its *AfterNoon* news program beginning at 12:30 p.m. (ET). WKYT-TV

will provide a live satellite feed of the draws for outlets across the state. Satellite information will be released next week. Brackets from both draws will be posted on the Association website following the program.

Those television stations wishing to pick up a feed of the broadcast should note that the broadcast time will be from 12:25 p.m. until 1 p.m. (ET) on transponder GE5, Lower 5. Contact WKYT with any satellite feed questions.

STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT TICKETS

Tickets sales for both the Boys' & Girls' Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournaments have been strong, but tickets to both events remain on sale through the KHSAA office by calling (859) 299-5472 or by ordering online at www.khsaa.org.

Tickets for the Boys' State Tournament are \$96 a set in the lower arena (one ticket to each of the 8 sessions) or \$48 a set in the upper arena. Single-session tickets, available in the upper arena only, are also available at \$6 each. There are no single-session lower arena tickets on sale at this time. There is a \$5 handling charge per order. The Boys' State Basketball Tournament is scheduled for March 13-16 at Rupp Arena in Lexington.

Tickets for the Girls' State Tournament are \$96 a set for sideline seats (one ticket to each of the 8 sessions) or \$48 a set for end zone seats. Single-session tickets, available in the end zone only, are also available at \$6 each. There are no single-session sideline tickets on sale at this time. There is a \$5 handling charge per order. The Girls' State Basketball Tournament is scheduled for March 20-23 at Western Kentucky University's Diddle Arena in Bowling Green.

This is a reminder to order your tickets now. Tickets purchased at the arena for either tournament will incur an additional walk-up charge per ticket.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL NOTES

(Taken from member school stats reports)

Jennifer Jones of Holy Cross (Louisville) scored 18 points on five of eight shooting from the floor and eight of nine from the free throw line in a 48-40 win over Holy Rosary in the Sixth Region All "A" Classic championship game. Jenn Skaggs pulled down 22 rebounds as the Cougars dominated Holy Rosary on the boards, 42-20.

Despite suffering a 50-39 loss last Tuesday to Carroll County, Henry County's Chloe Ryan turned in a strong performance. Ryan scored 15 points, pulled down 22 rebounds, had nine deflections, three blocks and three steals in the contest.

Holy Rosary's Tiffany Reid has 145 steals through 20 games. The state record for a season is 210, set by Leslie Logsdon of Hart County in 1999.

Through 18 games, Muhlenberg North has dished out 303 assists. North's Holly Mills and Jade Perry have blocked 93 and 56 shots, respectively.

North Hardin's Alexis Brown surpassed the 1,000 career points mark in a 66-64 loss last Monday to rival Central Hardin.

Sacred Heart's Crystal Kelly posted a triple double in helping SHA to a 65-53 win over Holmes in the Championship game of the Girls' Louisville Invitational Tournament. Kelly scored 15 points, pulled down 11 rebounds and blocked 10 shots in the win over the weekend.

BOYS' BASKETBALL NOTES

(Taken from member school stats reports)

Glasgow's Brandon Stockton surpassed 500 career assists in the All "A" Classic Fourth Region Championship over the weekend. The defending Classic champions earned a return bid to the event with a 75-63 win over Todd County Central. Stockton, a Mr. Basketball candidate, has scored 451 points in 17 games this season (26.5 ppg.).

Johnny Leep of Carroll County has surpassed 100 assists for the second consecutive year. Through 17 games, Leep has 106 (6.2 apg.). Last year, he finished with 166 in 25 games (6.4 apg.).

Elliott County's Steven Kidd poured in 38 points in a 70-47 win over Lee County and 41 points in an 80-64 win over Fairview last week. Teammate Dwayne Hitch had 15 points, 19 rebounds, two blocks and two steals in the win over Fairview.

Ashland Blazer's Mark Surgalski scored his 1,000th career point back on January 18, becoming the 18th player in Tomcats' history to reach the plateau.

Belfry's Boo Hager scored his 1,000th career point last Monday in a 69-63 loss to Pike County Central. Hager became the 11th player in school history to reach the mark and now ranks ninth among all-time scorers with 1,011 career points.

Christian County's Brandon Oldham reached 1,000 career points scored last Monday in a 77-74 overtime win over Webster County.

Mercer County's Joe White was one rebound away from a triple double in last Tuesday's 98-66 win over Henry County. White finished the game with 27 points, 11 assists and nine rebounds for the Scotties.

BASKETBALL POSTSEASON TOURNAMENT SITES

As of 1/28/02

District Tournaments (Feb. 25- March 2)

1 – Fulton City; 2 – Lone Oak; 3 – Mayfield; 4 – Marshall Co.; 5 – Crittenden Co.; 6 – Henderson Co.; 7 – Hopkins Co. Central; 8 – Hopkinsville; 9 – Apollo; 10 - Muhlenberg North; 11 – Trinity (Whitesville); 12 – McLean Co.; 13 – Logan Co.; 14 – Warren East; 15 – Edmonson Co.; 16 – Clinton Co.; 17 – North Hardin (Boys), Central Hardin (Girls); 18 – Caverna; 19 – Bethlehem; 20 – Campbellsville; 21 – Shawnee; 22 – Western; 23 – Valley; 24 – Iroquois; 25 – Male; 26 – Atherton; 27 – Jeffersontown; 28 – Eastern; 29 – Bullitt Central; 30 – Shelby Co.; 31 – Oldham Co.; 32 – Scott Co.; 33 – Simon Kenton; 34 – Dixie Heights; 35 – Holmes; 36 – Dayton; 37 – Bourbon Co.; 38 – Pendleton Co. (Boys), Bracken Co. (Girls); 39 – Fleming Co.; 40 – Montgomery Co.; 41 – Western Hills; 42 – East Jessamine; 43 – Henry Clay; 44 – EKU McBrayer Arena; 45 – Casey Co.' 46 – Harrodsburg; 47 – Site of #1 Seed; 48 – Pulaski Co.; 49 – Clay Co.; 50 – Lynn Camp; 51 – Pineville; 52 – Cawood; 53 – Whitesburg (Boys), Letcher (Girls); 54 – Hazard; 55 – June Buchanan; 56 – Lee Co.; 57 – Johnson Central; 58 – Prestonsburg; 59 – Millard; 60 – Phelps; 61 – Morgan Co.; 62 – West Carter; 63 – Russell; 64 – Rose Hill.

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.

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.

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