

Lady Engineers' Season Ends In First Round of Regionals

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The Estill County Lady Engineers captured their thirteenth consecutive District title last Tuesday night with a decisive 15-0 win over Lee County in the 56th District Tournament.

The Ladies bats were hot on this night as they smashed out 13 hits in only three innings of play.

Five Lady Engineers were named to the All-District Tournament Team. Taylor Wiseman, McKinley Meek, Kaylee Riddell, Taylor Duechle, and Kaylee Covey, who was named MVP along with receiving the JL Thomas Award. Congratulations Ladies!!!

Stats: L. Wood 3-4, RBI, A. Winkle 2-3, 2B, RBI, T. Wiseman 2-2, 2 RBI, S. Wiseman 1-2, RBI,

M. Meek 3-3, 2 2B, HR, 5 RBI, K. Riddell 2-3, 2B, T. Duechle RBI. K. Covey 3 IP, 1 H, 0 ER, 1 BB, 5 K.

The Lady Engineers would see their search for six regional titles in a row ended with a 7-5 loss to Leslie County in the first round of the 14th Region Tournament.

The Ladies would hold a 3-0 lead through the first five innings

until a Leslie Co. grand slam would give them the lead. Estill would fight back with two runs of their own to reclaim the lead, but Leslie would scrape out two runs in the sixth and a single run in the seventh to put an end to Estills season. The Lady Engineers would end the season 18-13.

I enjoyed watching every inning played by this great group

of young ladies and am especially proud of my daughter. I know it wasn't the result you expected but still a great year. Thanks for your hard play and desire to win.

Stats: L. Wood 1-3, RBI, 2 SB, A. Winkle 1-4, T. Wiseman 1-3, M. Meek 2-4, K. Riddell 3-4, K. Covey 2-4, RBI, T. Duechle 2-4, 2B, 3RBI, A. Farmer 1-4, SB. K. Covey 7 IP, 9 H, 7 ER, 4 BB, 10 K.

Engineers' Season Ends In First Round Region Loss

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The Estill County Engineers Baseball team brought home their second consecutive District championship in a hard fought 3-1 victory over host Powell County last Tuesday night. This would be the

third straight win over the Pirates this year with all being tight affairs.

Stats: T. Crowe 1-4, K. Powell 1-3, J. Arnold 2-3, M. Adams 1-3, 2B, L. Beckler 2-3. T. Crowe 4. 2 IP, 2H, 1 ER, 5 BB, 9 K. C. Lisle 2. 1 IP, 1 H, 1 BB, 3 K.

Five members of the Engineer Baseball team were named to the All-District Tournament Team: Jacob Arnold, Logan Beckler, Dylan Arthur, Bradley Kirby, and Tanner Crowe, who was also named MVP. Congratulations Gentlemen.

The Estill County Engineers

Baseball season came to an end on Monday with a 6-3 loss to Perry Co. Central in the opening round of the 14th Region Tournament. Estill would end the season with a terrific 21-10 record. Congratulations on a great season!!!!

Stats: T. Crowe 2-3, 2B, B. Kir-

by 2-3, M. Adams 1-3, L. Beckler RBI. T. Crowe 6 IP, 2 H, 3 ER, 6 BB, 3 K. C. Lisle 1 IP, 2 H, 1 ER, 1 BB.

Tanner Crowe was selected for the All-Region Tournament Team. Congrats, Tanner!

Special Olympics Kentucky Returns to ECU for State Summer Games

Frankfort, Ky. – Special Olympics Kentucky will return to its home away from home at Eastern Kentucky University in Richmond, when that campus hosts the organization's State Summer Games, June 2-4. The Games are Special Olympics Kentucky's largest event of the year with nearly 1,500 athletes competing in five sports, and hundreds of coaches and volunteers also taking part. This is the 23rd consecutive year that ECU has hosted the State Summer Games.

Summer Games activities get underway early on June 2 in the Capitol Rotunda in Frankfort with the opening of the Law Enforcement Torch Run Final Leg at 9 am. The Final Leg group will then head to the Capitol steps for the lighting of the Special Olympics Torch, which the Final Leg participants will then carry to Richmond for the Summer Games Opening Ceremonies. Other stops along the Final Leg, include the annual celebration at Stewart Home and School in Frankfort at 10:30 am, a run from the Transylvania Univer-

sity Campus to the Wildcat statue at the University of Kentucky in Lexington beginning at 1 pm and a stop at the Richmond Police Department at 3:30, followed by a run into the Ravine on the Eastern Kentucky University campus.

Opening Ceremonies for the Games will begin at 6:45 pm on June 2 in The Ravine near the center of the ECU campus (weather permitting). The Ceremonies will include the parade of athletes and the lighting of the Special Olympics cauldron. In the event of bad weather, the Opening Ceremonies will be held in Alumni Coliseum.

Competition will begin Friday night immediately following the Opening Ceremonies. Tom Samuels Track will host the distance races and relays beginning at approximately 8:15 pm on June 2. There will also be several heats of the shot put competition held on Friday night. The Don Combs Natatorium will also see aquatic action on Friday night, beginning at 8:15 with the short course relay events.

The main action gets un-

derway early in the morning on Saturday, June 3, with the opening of all remaining competitive events. Athletes will be competing in track and field, swimming, bocce, soccer and rhythmic gymnastics.

The public is encouraged to attend the Opening Ceremonies and all competitions. All are open to the public and there is no admission charge. Most competitions on Saturday will be underway by 9:00 am.

Saturday's activities will also include the popular Chick-fil-A Olympic Town area, which includes several interactive activities for athletes and their families. Chick-fil-A Olympic Town is also the location of the annual Healthy Athletes Athlete Wellness Village. This year's Healthy Athletes program features a Special Smiles location where athletes can receive dental screenings; an Opening Eyes vision screening venue; a Fit Feet location where athletes can receive podiatric evaluations; FUN Fitness, which gives physical therapy evaluations; and the latest addition Health

Promotions, which offers advice on diet and other healthy lifestyles. All of the services provided in the Healthy Athlete Village are free to the athletes and provided by volunteers.

Photos from all competitions and other Summer Games activities will be available on line throughout the day at <http://flickr.com/photos/sokentucky/albums>. Photos will be downloadable and can be used for publication.

Saturday's activities conclude with the official Closing Ceremonies, which begin at 7:30 pm in the Alumni Coliseum parking lot. Closing ceremonies include the presentation of the pentathlon medals, fireworks and an athlete victory dance.

Volunteers are still needed for several venues at the Games. For volunteer opportunities, contact Justin Harville at 800-633-7403 or jharville@soky.org.

This is the fifth consecutive year that Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives have served as the Platinum Sponsor for the Games. Touchstone Energy is the largest single sup-

porter of the State Summer Games. This will be the fourth year that Chick-fil-A Central Kentucky stores are teaming up to provide all lunches for athletes, coaches and volunteers on Saturday, June 3.

For information about the 2017 Special Olympics Kentucky State Summer Games, contact Special Olympics Kentucky communications director Mark Buerger at 502-695-8222 or via e-mail at mbuerger@soky.org.

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Special Olympics is the world's largest program of sports training and competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Participation in competitive events is open to all individuals eight years of age or older. Training and competition in local, area, state, and national programs is offered year-round in Kentucky in 15 sports. In addition to its traditional sports competitions, Special Olympics also offers early childhood programming through the Young Athletes Program and medical screenings through the Healthy Athletes Initiative. Special Olympics Kentucky began as a one-day event in Louisville in 1970 and has expanded to serve more than 8,300 athletes statewide annually. Special Olympics has now been changing the lives of people with intellectual disabilities in Kentucky for 47 years.

Hamidou Diallo never lost track of his plan



by Larry Vaught

Jarred Vanderbilt will be reporting to Kentucky June 6 as scheduled and apparently is fine after injuring his lower right leg/ankle late in the Jordan Brand Classic in April.

"Everything is going well," said Robert Vanderbilt, Jarred's father. "He's feeling good, looking good. He just can't wait until he gets his opportunity at Kentucky."

Robert Vanderbilt said his son was told to stay off the leg after the injury and has been doing exactly that.

"He was told to rest and that's what he has been doing the last few weeks. The doctor said it all looks well and he will be fine when he gets to Kentucky," Robert Vanderbilt said. "Most certainly the rest will be good for him. He had been going pretty strong"

The 6-9 Vanderbilt had been impressive in post-season all-star play starting with the McDonald's All-American Game and then the Nike Hoop Summit. He had 17 points and seven rebounds in the Jordan Brand Classic.

"He has not done anything since then except rest and get ready for UK," Robert Vanderbilt said.

What the UK signee will not be doing is trying out for the USA under 19 team that will be coached by John Calipari and go to Egypt this summer. Robert Vanderbilt said they were not even sure Team USA would go after the recent bombing in Manchester, England.

"I told coach Cal when he was here that I would wish him well but too much is going on in the world. I do not want to go outside the country right now. The timing is just not right," Robert Vanderbilt said.

The timing could be right, though, next season for Jarred Vanderbilt, Kevin Knox Jr. and PJ Washington to all be on the court together. Many have speculated that they are similar and cannot be on the court together but Robert Vanderbilt disagrees.

"Those three can certainly play together," Rob-

ert Vanderbilt said. "They played well together at the McDonalds Game and the Jordan Classic. They have played together and known each other for years. They get along real well.

"I think it is a great thing for coach Cal to have that much talent on one team and the opportunity to coach guys like that who all have the same goal to try and win a championship as a team. I think that attitude is a plus when you look at all the talent this team will have."

PJ Washington played in the Kentucky Lake Classic in McCracken County in February and Paul Washington, his coach, plans to bring Findlay Prep (Nevada) back to not only the Kentucky Lake Classic Feb. 16-17 but also the Marshall County Hoop Fest Nov. 30-Dec. 3 in Benton.

"We loved coming to Kentucky last year, so we definitely wanted to come back," Paul Washington said.

His younger son, Spencer, will be back in Kentucky to play for his dad. He's a senior and a terrific shooter.

"He is stretching out and getting stronger. He is going to be taller than PJ. He wears a size 17 shoe," Paul Washington said. "He

is a shooter, too. Fans are going to enjoy seeing him and the rest of our team."

Both the Hoop Fest and Kentucky Lake Showcase are part of the Grind Session. So is McCracken County Mustang Madness Jan. 6-7 in Paducah.

Hillcrest Prep (Arizona) will play in all three events and just added Kyree Walker, a 6-6 wing who was named the MaxPreps National Freshman of the Year after averaging 21.5 points, 6.6 rebounds and 3.9 assists for Hayward (Calif.) Moreau Catholic last season. He already has a scholarship offer from Arizona.

He will team with junior Josh Green, a 6-5 guard who has 20 major scholarship offers, at Hillcrest.

11th Annual Holes for Hoops Golf Scramble Saturday, June 10, 2017 Estill County Golf Club

The 11th Annual Holes for Hoops Golf Scramble will be held on Saturday, June 10, 2017, at the Estill County Golf Club. This is sponsored by and all proceeds are given to the Estill County High School boys basketball team.

Scramble format will be played from four-somes with a 9:00 a.m. shotgun start. Cost is \$50.00 per player; \$200.00 per team. Fee includes 18 holes of golf, use of cart, lunch at 1:00 p.m., excellent prizes, and an opportunity to support the young men of ECHS. Extras include: mulligans \$5.00 each (2 maximum).

For additional information contact Coach Bentley at (859) 200-3704 <Jon.Bentley@Estill.KySchools.us> or Coach Benton at (859) 248-7335 <Rick.Benton@Estill.KySchools.us>.

Miss Estill County Fair Beauty Pageants

Starting on June 2 applications will be taken for:

Miss Estill County Open Beauty Contest – Ages 16-21

Miss Estill County Open Teen Beauty Contest – Ages 13-15

Miss Estill County Pre-Teen Pageant (Closed) – Ages 8-12

Date for all three (3) pageants is Saturday, July 1, 2017

Pageant entry deadline for all 3 pageants – Friday, June 30, 2017, 4:00 p.m.

For more information or an application call or email Gina Flynn (606) 975-5851, gina.flynn@estill.kyschools.us or Cheryl Stepp (606) 723-8546, cjstepp@windstream.net Applications will also be available at the Farmers Market located at the fairgrounds starting June 2nd.