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Dexter, Missouri - Dexter Bearcat wrestlers hosted the New Madrid County Central Eagles in a dual meet Tuesday and posted a 66-12 team win. It was an impressive outing across the spectrum of weight classes as there were only two losses; Jason Mattison in 195 and Damien Glasener in 285, who both lost by falls.

Dexter was also the beneficiary of four forfeits, in 106, 120, 152, and 170, while neither squad had a competitor in the 113 pound weight class.

The night was still filled with great wrestling excitement as Storm Massey, Trevor Waldner and Ethan Stevens muscled their opponents throughout the match. Each of these Bearcats were able to record victories, as well as Ty Harmon, Dylan Bazarian, Brad Wick and Brandon Wick.

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forward to the return of Senior Logan Quertermous in the 182 weight class.

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James Sneed. "Anytime we play New Madrid in any sport it's a big rivalry and I thought the kids rose to the occasion."

"We are real young," continued Sneed. "But they working hard everyday and their hard work is paying off."

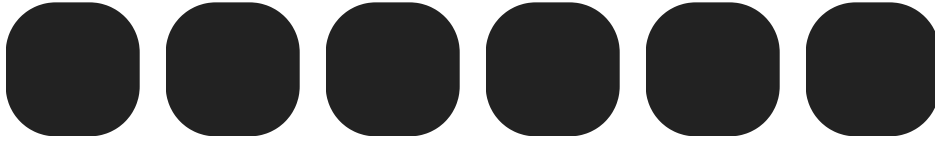
Here are the Varsity results:

- 106 Brandon Twomey (D) won by forfeit
- 113 double forfeit
- 120 James Mullins (D) won by forfeit
- 126 Storm Massey (D) won by fall 3:56 over Riley Smith (NMCC)
- 132 Ty Harmon (D) won by fall 3:02 over Garrett Manley (NMCC)
- 138 Trevor Waldner (D) won by fall 2:50 over Bryce Smith (NMCC)
- 145 Ethan Stevens (D) won by fall 3:59 over Cole Nowell (NMCC)
- 152 Brandon Helm (D) won by forfeit
- 160 Dylan Bazarian (D) won by fall 1:25 over Alec Collier
- 170 Chance Jarrell (D) won by forfeit
- 182 Brad Wick (D) won by fall 2:52 over Austin Cummins (NMCC)
- 195 Jason Mattison (D) LOST by fall 2:55 to Blade Perkins (NMCC)
- 220 Brandon Wick (D) won by forfeit
- 285 Damien Glasener (D) LOST by fall :56 to Brandon Western (NMCC)

The Bearcats will be back in action Thursday December 6th as they host a triad meet featuring the Bulldogs of Cape Notre Dame and the Poplar Bluff Mules. Matches begin at 5 PM, so try to take some time after work to come out and show the grapplers that you support Dexter Bearcat wrestling!

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Bearcats Get Hot in 4th Quarter

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Bearcats Get Hot in 4th Quarter

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Sikeston, Missouri- The Dexter varsity boys basketball team took their third trip to Sikeston in less than a week Tuesday night. This time the opponent was the Jackson Indians, and while the Bearcats still came out on the short end of a 64-38 final score, the beginnings of some improved play began to show in the second half.

The game began in similar fashion to the previous night's blowout at the hands of tournament top seed Charleston, and in fact the Indians led the Bearcats 42-13 at halftime.

But little by little the inexperienced Dexter squad began to find a range to the goal, getting three-point shots to fall on more than one occasion. Junior D..J. Dowdy led the

offensive charge, really turning up the heat in the fourth quarter, assisted in the effort by senior Brad Potts. The Bearcats were able to put twice as many points on the board in the second half as they had in the first. Had the team played with this same intensity in the first two quarters, the final score might have been closer than anyone could have imagined.

So is this the start of a positive trend? Or just a one-time fluke? Only time will tell, and a turnaround can't come soon enough for the beleaguered Dexter fan base. Keep watching this space to find out!

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Bearcat basketball has another tough night

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by SMT writer

Sikeston, Missouri - For the Dexter Bearcats boys basketball team, "it was Deja Vu all over again" Monday evening as they found themselves facing the same team they'd played last Monday night, the Charleston Bluejays, in the same gym where they'd taken a tough loss Friday night at the hands of the Sikeston Bulldogs.

This time, it was the opening night of the 2012 SEMO Conference Tournament. And the Bluejays were still the powerful opponent they had been at the Bearcat Event Center in last week's season opener. There was a glimmer of hope early on as the Bearcats put 5 points on the scoreboard. But the small group of Dexter fans present had their hopes dashed in short order as Charleston shut down the fledgling Dexter offense and took full control of the court, running up a lead of 29-5 by the end of the first quarter. The injury-plagued Bearcats just couldn't find an answer for the speedy Bluejays, who proceeded to dominate the remainder of the first half and take a 48-12 lead into the locker room.

Charleston's momentum slowed somewhat in the second half, but the Dexter offense continued to give the ball up with regularity, and they finished the night by taking their third loss of the season-final score Charleston 74, Dexter 23.

The Bearcats will face the Jackson Indians in the tournament consolation semifinal game at 6 PM Tuesday.

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2012 Mid-School Basketball Recap

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2012 Mid-School Basketball Recap

Dexter, Missouri - As the 2012 basketball season ends for the T. S. Hill Middle School teams, the program celebrates a good overall season for both the 7th and 8th grade teams.

Head Coach Josh Dowdy was a great addition to the program in his first year as the "skipper" of the program. Josh was assisted by Coach Mike Vipperman this season.

Josh worked with a very talented group of young men to install his basketball philosophies of hard work and solid defense upon the kids. Those seated in the stands can easily observe that he carries a high passion for the sport of basketball as he communicates with the kids on the floor. But a further discussion with him will highlight that his passion likewise runs deep for the betterment of the kids. He grows young men, not just into better athletes, but better people as well.

Dowdy brings a spirit of growth and excitement to the middle school program that should provide positive basketball results in the coming year, and will no doubt make better student athletes.

8th grade

With an overall record on the 2012 season of 11 and 4, the eighth grade Cats were able to establish a very strong 6-1 conference record.

The team finished third this past season in the Stoddard County Athletic Association (SCAA) Tournament held in Bernie. The three powerhouse 8th grade teams battled it out down to the wire with the 'Cats losing by two points in overtime to the Bloomfield Wildcats in the semi-final game. Bloomfield went on to win the SCAA Championship over Puxico in the finals.

"I was so proud of the way these boys progressed this year," noted Coach Dowdy. "They

(8th Grade) are a bunch that played with some grit and they were relentless down to the wire helping them pull out some comeback victories."

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48.5 points per game. Equally, defense lived up to the teaching of their coach by holding opponents to only 518 points, or a 34.5 points per game average. With only four losses on the season, the 8th graders lost by a combined total of only 24-points.

Significant wins on the season were against the Advance Hornets (55-50), the Jackson Indians (47-32), the Sikeston Bulldogs (50-46), and the Charleston Bluejays (52-36). The win over Sikeston was extra sweet as it was the first time in many years the young 'Cats were able to beat the Bulldogs.

"It was a fun group to watch and coach every day," added Dowdy. "Most importantly, the kids represented the name on the front of that jersey well with a great attitude on and off the floor."

7th grade

The 7th grade middle school team did not post a similar won-loss record on the season, but their .500 record (7-7) was an overall victory in the athletic gains this group made as a team.

Seventh grade is a challenging year as many of the kids are performing on a big stage for the first time. There is a lot to learn and much is thrown at the young team. A big solid group of athletes, this group of young men is just awakening to their full potential.

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and effort they need to put into dribbling, passing and shooting the basketball," said Dowdy. "Once we develop a true hunger for the game, I believe these boys will surprise themselves with how much better they can become."

The young 'Cats were able to turn in a Conference record of 5 and 1 on the season. They were able to show their progress this season by finishing in second place at the SCAA tournament.

The seventh grade was outscored by their opposition with a narrow margin of 528 points

to their opponents 539 points. The Bearcats averaged 37.7 points per game on the season compared to the opposition at 38.5 points per game.

“These boys are awesome ambassadors for our school,” noted Coach Dowdy. “You will not find too many groups who are as respectful as these young men.”

“We just started our next season today!” closed Coach Dowdy. (Editorial: I think he means it).

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Lady Bearcat Brackets Announced

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Dexter, Missouri - The Lady Bearcats Varsity team will travel this weekend to Paragould, Arkansas to participate in the McDonald's Shootout, hosted by Paragould High

School. The tournament features an eight team bracket filled with challenging teams.

Dexter and Poplar Bluff are two strong Missouri teams that will participate in the contest. Arkansas teams featured are Jonesboro, Valley View, Marmaduke, Little Rock Christian and BIC.

Be sure to catch all the action of the games on Life Radio 90.3 if you are unable to make that short trip to Paragould. Make it a habit to support the Lady Bearcats and all the area high school programs.

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