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Changes to Missouri Hunter Education Program

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Missouri - As most hunters know, anyone born since January 1, 1967, who wishes to purchase a Missouri firearms hunting permit must obtain hunter education certification. What many folks do not know is that Missouri's hunter education program has recently undergone major changes. The old hunter education course required folks to attend ten to twelve hours of classroom lecture and pass a fifty question test. The new program is divided into two portions, knowledge and skill. Students must complete the knowledge portion before attending a skills session.

The knowledge portion may be completed on-line at www.missouriconservation.org. Once you have completed the on-line study including all review questions you must print your Missouri Skills Session Qualifier Certificate. The company which administers the study course charges a \$15 fee to print the certificate. None of that fee comes to the Conservation Department.

Another way to complete the knowledge portion is to pick up a Hunter Education Student Manual and complete the chapter review questions at the end of each chapter. Manuals can be picked up at the Cape Girardeau Regional Office or

American Outdoors in Dexter. If students chose this method, they must bring their manual with completed review questions to be allowed to attend the skills session.

Later this fall, knowledge sessions will be offered which will allow students to attend a traditional style Hunter Education lecture but these will only be four hours in length and faster-paced than previous classes. Upon completion of the knowledge session, students will receive a Missouri Skills Session Qualifier Certificate. Knowledge sessions are not currently available due to printer delays of new manuals.

Students must register for a skills session at www.missouriconservation.org. Once registered, be sure to bring your Missouri Skills Session Qualifier Certificate or completed Hunter Education Student Manual or you will not be allowed to attend the session. At the skills session, students will be given the opportunity to demonstrate safe firearms handling skills and will be required to pass a thirty-five question multiple-choice exam. The skills session will last no longer than four hours.

We currently have a skills session scheduled for August 24, 8am until noon, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dexter, MO. Students must register at www.missouriconservation.org. If you have questions regarding hunter education, please contact the Cape Girardeau Regional Office at 573-290-5730 or Mark Reed at 573-421-3240. Please do not call the church with questions as they will not be able to answer them. Remember, in order to attend the skills session you must first complete on-line study or obtain a student manual at the Cape Office or American Outdoors. You must bring the completed student manual or certificate obtained from on-line study to attend the skills session.

Changes to Missouri's Hunter Education Program were brought about in response to citizen comment regarding the previous system. The new program allows students to study at their own pace, for as long as necessary to prepare for the skills session. The four hour skills session greatly reduces the amount of time required to attend a hunter education course. Fall hunting season are almost here so register now!

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Bearcat Football Unleash a New Weapon: Girl Power

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Bearcat Football Unleash a New Weapon: Girl Power

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Dexter, Missouri – This Dexter Senior High School athlete has proven herself in tennis, basketball, soccer, track and field.

Now **Sophomore**, **MaKayla Waldner**, will make history when she steps on the field next Friday night, August 30th, at the first home game of the season for the Dexter Bearcats. **She will become the first female Bearcat football athlete!**

One would have to go back quite a few years to find the first ever female high school football player. Luverne Wise kicked six extra points for the Escambia County, Alabama High School football team way back in 1939. Since that time, many young ladies have worked hard to compete in a male dominated sport.

Katie Hnida was the first female to score in a NCAA Division 1-A college football game. She accomplished this as a placekicker for the University of New Mexico

Lobos on August 30, 1983.

Now, exactly 20 years to that infamous date, MaKayla will enter the record books for the Dexter Bearcats.

Waldner who practices with the team daily says her male teammates have never made her feel uncomfortable. Actually on her first day of practice they had her "breakout" at the end of practice.

She has already proven herself in the sports arena. Not only has she broken school records, but state records as well. She hopes to travel to Greece in 2014 with the National PAO soccer team.

Her accomplishments so far are astounding!

15 time AAU National medalist in track and field

National champion

2 time AAU Indoor | /images/Dexter High School 2013-14/MaKayla Waldner FB 4.jpg

55m hurdles

Pentathlon – National Record holder since 2010

Show Me State Games – track and field

6 state records - HJ, shot put, short hurdles, 400m and

2 long jump records

Long Jump record still holds she competed at 6 and

under, 2003

International European National track meet Berlin, Germany 2009

1st place 65m hurdles

4th Shot put

4th 800m Run

6th Long Jump

Freshman Year 2012 - 2013

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Tennis – varsity letter

DHS team most single wins

DHA team most double wins

Basketball – varsity letter

4th in the State of Missouri

Sikeston Standard

Democrat newspaper:

Best Freshman Player

Best Spark Off the Bench

Track – varsity letter

Most Valuable Player

3rd place in state – 100m hurdles

8th place in state – 300m hurdles

State qualifier – LJ and 4x100 relay

2 school records in the 100m hurdles

and 300m hurdles

Sikeston Standard Democrat

Player of the Year in Track

Western Kentucky United Soccer team - Won KY State Cup 2013

Currently plays for West KY and Panathinaikos Soccer Team in St. Louis

National PAO Soccer Team still pending 2nd tryout in September – team will travel to Greece for 10 days next year

Her brother, Trevor Waldner, who is also plays for the Dexter Bearcat Football team, says, "Having my sister on the team is pretty cool and I am really proud of her." Trevor is extremely supportive of MaKayla and so are his teammates!

"I feel pretty accomplished about it. I am excited about being the first female ever to play high school football, people will remember me." stated Makayla when asked how she felt. "I am really nervous though. It will be tough being out their with the big guys!"

/images/Dexter High School 2013-14/MaKayla Waldner FB 5.jpg httinued Waldner. "I hope the boys treat me like any other player as well."

Coach Peden is delighted to have the first female kicker at Dexter High School. "I believe she will represent the Dexter Varsity Football Team well." Peden who is in his maided year as the Head Football Coach also encouraged her to try-out for the team and kick for the Bearcats!

"I am so excited about the first game. I have to get over my nervousness." Waldner continued. And she will, as soon as her adrenalin kicks in and she steps onto the field Friday night.

Makayla said, "My sister Brittney inspired me. She was the first female DHS wrestler and when she went to State, people knew who she was."

"I am not new to football, I played in little league. I even scored a touchdown. I just hope that I get the chance to kick and show people a girl can play football too. Little girls will have something to look forward too and someone like them to look up to."

Makayla may not be the first female to play high school football, but when she takes the field she will go down in the Dexter Senior High School history book!

Way to go MaKayla!

The Dexter Community is very proud of your athletic accomplishments! Kick one between the uprights! Go Bearcats!



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Cardinals Win 12-Inning Game Against the Pirates

AUGUST 16TH 2013 BY BETH FARRAH

Cardinals Win 12-Inning Game Against the Pirates

St. Louis, Missouri - Matt Holliday's RBI single in the bottom of the 12th lifted the St. Louis Cardinals over the Pittsburgh Pirates, 6-5, in the rubber match of a three-game series.

Bryan Morris (5-6), who pitched a scoreless 11th, stayed on to pitch the 12th for the Pirates. With one out, Matt Carpenter walked and Jon Jay singled to put runners on the corners. Holliday followed with the game-winning hit to center.

Carpenter finished 4-for-5 with an RBI and two runs scored for the Cardinals, who moved within two games of Pittsburgh for first place in the NL Central. Holliday and Daniel Descalso each knocked in two runs.

"Every team is going to face adversity and have the ups and downs," said Holliday. "We play the Pirates a lot in the last few weeks so winning these games is going to be important for us."

St. Louis starter Lance Lynn allowed four runs on eight hits while striking out six over 5 1/3 innings. Kevin Siegrist (1-1) got the win after pitching a scoreless top of the 12th.

Russell Martin and Clint Barmes homered for the Pirates, who have lost five of six. Andrew Lambo and Neil Walker added an RBI apiece.

A.J. Burnett got the start for Pittsburgh and gave up five runs on eight hits over 4 1/3 innings.

"They're aggressive at times and they're passive at times," Burnett said. "It's on me tonight."

After four scoreless innings, the teams combined for nine runs in the fifth. Garrett Jones started the top half with a single and raced home on Lambo's double to right-center field. Barmes followed with a two-run homer to left. The scoring continued when Starling Marte tripled to right-center field and crossed the plate on Walker's sacrifice fly.

St. Louis responded with five runs in the bottom half. Matt Adams singled and David Freese doubled to get things going. Descalso followed with a two-run single to center. Carpenter's triple to right plated Descalso. Jay added an RBI single to right and scored himself on Holliday's double to left-center field on a ball which sailed past a diving Andrew McCutchen.

The Pirates were close to tying the game in the seventh. Pinch-hitter Josh Harrison doubled to right-center field and moved to third on a sacrifice bunt. Harrison got caught in a rundown between third and home when Walker hit a grounder to first.

Pittsburgh did manage to tie the contest in the eighth when Martin homered off Trevor Rosenthal.

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Squirrels Play Tonight

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Squirrels Play Tonight

Written by Dee Loflin, SMT Manager/Writer

GAME RESCHEDULED FOR 9:00 A.M. FRIDAY, AUG 16TH

Charleston, Missouri - The Fighting Squirrels made it to their destination and have been practicing hard and working on their strategy for the upcoming game this evening at 7:00 p.m. against the hosting team of Covington County, Alabama.

It's only the second time in history that the Squirrels have made it to the World Series. With a 10 game winning streak they will be tough contenders for tonight's game.

Trey Tigart, of Sikeston will be on the mound this evening. "We'll go with what has worked well in the past," stated Mike Minner, Head Coach for the Fighting Squirrels.

"We have started him in every tournament so far., " continued Minner. "This way if and when we need him later in the tournament, he'll be ready."

Charleston has been on a winning streak and effortlessly beat all of their opponents during the state tournament outscoring their opponents by 55 points. The Midwest Regionals were not much different just a little more difficult. They dominated the game, infield, outfield, hitting, scoring, running, and pitching. The Fighting Squirrels seem unstoppable.

If you can't make it to the game tonight, listen to the Squirrels on 107.1 for the latest and fastest information and for play by play action of each game!

Click Here to view the Babe Ruth World Series Website! You can listen to live a audio stream, view standings updates, and live brackets.

Go Nuts Squirrels! and bring home the championship!!

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Fighting Squirrels Fly to the World Series

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Fighting Squirrels Fly to the World Series

Written by Dee Loflin, SMT Manager/Writer

Charleston, Missouri - They may not be called Flying Squirrels, but they are flying to Alabama! The Charleston Fighting Squirrels are headed to the Babe Ruth World Series!

It will be the second World Series appearance for the Fighting Squirrels, who are coached by Michael Minner.

"We've got a bunch of good kids," according to Coach Minner. "They play the game the right way."

Listen to all the action on Rock 107 FM, Thursday night as they take on the host team, Covington County, Alabama at 7:00 p.m.

The Squirrels are now 50-9 on the season with a 10 game winning streak! They have their sights set on winning the World Series in Covington County, Alabama. We're cheering for you in Missouri!

"We've had a great run," Minner said. "We just played incredible baseball at the Midwest Plains Regionals and we're excited to be going to the World Series.

"We're going to go out there and represent Charleston, Southeast Missouri and the Midwest Plains with the utmost class." stated Coach Minner.

To follow the Charleston Fighting Squirrels, go to the Babe Ruth World Series website by clicking on the picture below. The ShowMe Times will try to post as many updates as possible on our Facebook page.

We wish the Squirrels luck and God speed on their journey to win the National Championship!

Go Nuts Squirrels!!!

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