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Missouri - Young hunters checked 4,332 turkeys during Missouri's youth turkey hunting season April 12 and 13, topping the 4,000 mark for the second time in the youth season's 14-year history.

Top counties in the youth season were Franklin with 107 birds checked, Cedar with 96, and Webster with 92. The Missouri Department of Conservation recorded one nonfatal hunting incident during the weekend hunt.

Conservation Department Resource Scientist Jason Isabelle says the strong youth season harvest can be attributed partly to the carry-over of adult gobblers resulting from good turkey reproduction in 2011 and 2012. Favorable weather throughout much of the state during the mornings of the hunt also helped.

Missouri's only other 4,000-plus youth season harvest was in 2012, when young hunters checked 4,319 turkeys. Hunters age 6 through 15 are allowed to take one male turkey or turkey with a visible beard during the youth hunt. Those who do take a turkey during the youth hunt may not take a second bird until the second week of the regular spring turkey season.

The 2014 regular spring turkey season runs April 21 through May 11. For more information, get a copy of the 2014 Spring Turkey Hunting Regulations and Information booklet where permits are sold or visit mdc.mo.gov/node/4051.

The Conservation Department's First Turkey Program is a great way to memorialize a hunter's first successful hunt. The program provides a free commemorative certificate suitable for framing. You can even add a photo of the proud hunter with his or her bird. Creating a tangible reminder of a once-in-a-lifetime experience begins with visiting mdc.mo.gov/node/10469. The same site has forms for a hunter's first deer for youths or adults.

If you bag a Turkey this year and would like the ShowMe Times to spotlight your kill, just send a photo, your name, County location of the hunt any pertinent information you would like us to share to news@showmetimes.com.

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Bernie, Missouri – The first ever District Softball Championship game in history between the #1 seeded Dexter Lady Bearcats and the #2 seeded Bernie Lady Mules was definitely one for the record books. Bernie upset Dexter 8 – 5 in extra innings to win their school's first District Softball Championship.

"It's always fun to win a district championship," commented Brad Botsch, Bernie Head Softball Coach. "It is good to see the smiles on their faces and know we worked hard. All year long we have had three freshmen outfielders. They've gotten steadily better as the season went on."

Dexter jumped on top 2-0 in the first inning when Amber Spence earned a two RBI double. Bernie fought back earning 2 runs of their own in the top of the second.

Jordan Ellenburg propelled the Mules to their first lead (4-3) of the game when she earned an RBI by running in Tori Lowrey. That didn't stop the Bearcats as Ashley brown and Halley Sielert each collected an RBI improving Dexter's lead to 4-3 in the 4th inning.

"You can really depend on Tori and Jordan, Botsch said. "Jordan had back surgery about three weeks ago and she is just toughing it out

Bernie returned the favor increasing two runs to improve the score to 5-4 in the top of the fifth.

Dexter came back and tied the game 5-5 in the 7th inning when Brittany Brown scored on an error.

The eighth inning belonged to Bernie scoring three runs. Bernie Mule fans were on their feet cheering the Mules to victory.

"I am proud for the kids," stated Botsch. "I thought we competed hard and Dexter overall played pretty well. We beat them by the 10-run rule in the county tournament a couple of weeks ago and they beat us earlier in the year. We were just glad to come out on top. Our kids battled when they needed to the most."

Bernie will now host the sectional state playoff game on Monday against the winner of District 3.

Dexter will return to the field on Friday, May 2nd at 4:30 p.m. hosting Caruthersville.

Final Score Bernie 8 Dexter 5 (8 Innings)

Bernie 02102002-884

Dexter 2 0 0 2 0 0 1 0 - 5 5 6

WP - Blakely Bradshaw. LP - Kendra Stevenson. 2B - Amber Spence (D), Tori Lowrey (B), Jescie McGuire (B). Multiple hits - Bernie: Lowrey 3-4, Jordan Ellenburg 2-4; Dexter: Spence 2-4.

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Upcoming Football Season

Dexter, Missouri - Summer is almost upon us and it's time to start thinking about the upcoming football season! The coaching staff and I have been getting ready since Christmas break, preparing for a successful season for the 2014 Bearcats.

Last season was an amazing learning experience and there were several great moments that I will remember forever, but it's time to start looking forward. I truly feel that the upcoming 2014 season will be a return to the winning tradition of Dexter football.

We have sixteen seniors returning next year, along with a large group of juniors and sophomores who received valuable playing time in the 2013 season due to injuries. This group has been working hard in the weight room and on their own to prepare for summer activities.

Coach Brice Beck has been doing an amazing job in weightlifting classes this year and we are starting to see a change in the type of athlete we have here. While strength is still of the utmost importance we have implemented agility and speed training that has assisted these athletes to perform at a higher level.

We are returning eleven players on offense that started at least two games last season. Those players are quarterback Peyton Pollock, running back Carson Dean, receivers Austin Chesser, Ethan Stevens, Austin Aldridge, Tim Spence and Offensive Linemen Dakota Southerland, Brandon Wick, Jared Deal, Jackson Hubbard, and Tyler Stevenson.

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Defensively the returning starters are Drake Mitchell, Brandon Quertermous, Matt Sims, Tyler Stevenson, Dylan Bazarian, Jake Adams, Austin Aldridge, Tim Spence, Austin Chesser, Ethan Stevens and Noah Kronk.

We will be extremely active this summer. We plan to attend the SEMO Overnight Team Camp, the SEMO 7 on 7 Tournament, the Sikeston Contact Camp and our own 2nd Annual Dexter 7 on 7 Tournament.

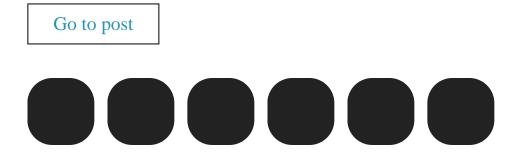
I encourage everyone who bleeds red and black to come out and support us at the 2nd Annual Dexter Bearcat 7 on 7 Football Tournament. We will eight teams this year, which include Dexter, Cape Central, Sikeston, Poplar Bluff, Kennett, Hayti, East Prairie and Scott City. The Tournament will be held on Saturday, June 21st and will start at 10am. It should be a great way to see how we are developing and also get a look at some of our competition this season!

On a personal note I want to thank everyone in the community and within the school who have helped make my first year in Dexter such a positive one. My family (including our newest addition baby Liam) have had such a wonderful experience. I would name everyone who has been helpful, but the list would be a page long! I am looking forward to next season and can't wait for Friday night football!

Teamwork is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results.

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Flowers and Kronk Take 2nd Place in Tennis

Submitted Article to news@showmetimes.com

Poplar Bluff, Missouri - The Dexter High School varsity tennis team competed in a 5-team single elimination tournament in Poplar Bluff, Missouri on Saturday, April 26th.

Sophomore Ethan Flowers and junior Noah Kronk took 2nd place at day's end. Flowers and Kronk won their first game 8-6 against Notre Dame's Alex Wikel and Dalton Stroup. They went on to win 8-6 against Farmington's Zach Scruggs and Alex England in the double's semi-final round before falling to Farmington's Ian Powers and John Augustine 4-8 in the final round.

Teams competing in the tournament included Dexter, Farmington, Notre Dame, Poplar Bluff, and Sikeston.

The DHS Tennis Team will be back in action at home on Tuesday, April 29th hosting Poplar Bluff. On Wednesday they will host Sikeston.

Congratulations Ethan and Noah! Photo provided by Kim Flowers. Thank you Kim for supporting the ShowMe Times!

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Garrett Potts Signs to Play Baseball

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Article submitted to

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Written by John Paul Halford

Malden, Missouri - Garrett Potts senior of Malden High School signed a letter of intent to play baseball with Rochester Community and Technical College located in Rochester, MN.

"I chose this school based on the credentials of the baseball program and especially the coach. His consistent ability to produce athletes to further there careers is remarkable their track record speaks for itself. I was also very impressed with the art department and city of Rochester. Yes, I know it will be cold but I'll make due!," Potts said

Potts plans on majoring in studio art.

Potts also stated that "RCTC has a long lasting winning program with a coach that gives me a great chance to transfer to a great D1 program and further my abilities as he is a very great coach at developing players at the collegiate level."

He will play under the Yellowjackets Head coach Steve Hucke and Assistant coach Michael Burton.

The Baseball program at RCTC has a national reputation of being one of the best Junior Colleges in the nation. We have been ranked in the top 15 nationally 4 out of the last 5 years, placed each of those years in the Regional Tournament, and played in the College World Series. Last year in a rain shortened season, our team was 29-7 and finished 3rd in the Region just missing another chance to play in the College World Series. Over the last 4 years RCTC has compiled an overall record of 121-50, averaging out to over 30 wins a season.

Potts stats current as of April 24th 2014:

AB 34, R 6, H 17, 1B 13, 2B 3, 3B 0, HR 2, RBI 13, TBB 3, AVG 543, Sig 676, Obp. 564, Trend 19, 3Avg. 400, Avg RSP 700, Cont% 824, OBS 1241, G 11, SOL 3, SOS 3, HP 2, SB 5, Sacb 0, Sacf 0, CS 2, SB% 714, TB 23, HS 2,.

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