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# Dexter Wins Boys Rib City Shootout

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**Dexter, Missouri** – The Dexter varsity boys basketball program completed their two day event with a record of 5-3, winning their last four games and won the Rib City Shootout. They defeated Puxico 57-30.

"We are all still learning right now, but I am very proud of their effort," stated head basketball coach Josh Dowdy. "I talked to them before the games about if we can control our effort, attitude, and be coachable good things are going to happen for this basketball team."

And good things do come to those who have courage and prepare hard. The Dexter varsity team looked awesome on the court and without two of their key players, Peyton Pollock and Noah Kronk, who were attending Boys State in Warrensburg, Missouri.

"I think over the course of eight games we grew up in that department a little bit. That's kind of what the summer and these Rib City shootouts are all about. I am glad to have the opportunity to play in it and the kids were thankful to be a part of the shootout as well."

Dexter played well against their first opponent in the shootout, the Hayti Indians; however Hayti was able to defeat the Bearcats 36-34. Dexter came back with a very impressive win over Rich Hill 57 – 38. (Photos are available on the ShowMe Times Facebook page). Then later in the afternoon on Thursday Dexter allowed Doniphan to edge by 47-43.

On Friday Dexter lost to Winona early on 39-33 in a very exciting game, but then bounced back to defeat Crittendon County, Kentucky 43-41. Once Dexter got in the groove they dominated the court Friday afternoon defeated Bloomfield 54 – 39 in quarterfinal action. They faced Winona once again and defeated them 58-40 in the semifinal contest.

In the championship game Dexter and Puxico battled it out with the Bearcats coming out on top by 27 points! Way to go Dexter!!

"We played man Thursday and Friday," commented Dowdy. "These kids haven't played man their entire lives. I told Coach McGowan and Coach Williams 'we are not playing man on Friday afternoon.' We got back to some things they are familiar with, but I do think going over those man-to-man principles definitely helped our zone out."

"We kept battling," Dowdy added. "They got tired on me in the Puxico game, but they went out the second half and put it on them. I am really proud of their performance."

Dexter has a great opportunity this season to win a few tournaments and have a great year. With a new head coach at the helm and two new assistant coaches there is no limit to the possibilities of what kind of ball they can play.

"This is just the start. I am glad they are excited, but I told them 'basketball is not a sprint, it's a marathon.' And that's kind of what we are living by right now," stated Dexter's new head basketball Coach Dowdy.

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**Jackson, Tennessee -** It was another successful weekend for the Southeast Rippers AAA 13U baseball team. The team participated in the Reggie's BBQ June Thunder tournament in Jackson, TN, on June 13-15.

During pool play, the Rippers went 2-1, falling only to the Mid-State Muddogs out of Murfreesboro, TN. In elimination play, the Rippers first met with The Naturals (Martin, TN), defeating the team 7-3. In the championship match-up, the Rippers were granted a second chance with the Muddogs. In a 10-inning, back-and-forth game, the Rippers came out on top, winning 9-8.

The Rippers advance to 27-5 for the season and will be playing in the USSSA State Tournament in O'Fallon on June 19-22.

The Southeast Rippers is based out of Benton, MO, and is coached by Danny Dumey and Darrell Dannenmueller.

Dalton Hobgood (pictured in the middle row, second from the right) is an incoming freshman at Bernie High School.

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# Bernie Spring Baseball in Top 10

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Bernie Spring Baseball in Top 10

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**Bernie**, **Missouri** – The spring baseball rankings from the 2014 high school baseball season have been released with Bernie making the top 10 list in the state of Missouri in Class 2.

The Missouri High School Baseball Coaches Association provides the rankings.

### Class 2

- 1. Valle
- 2. Hartville
- 3. Linn -
- 4. Archie
- 5. East Carter
- 6. Crane
- 7. Canton
- 8. West Platte
- 9. Bernie
- 10. Belle

Others receiving votes: Harrisburg, Skylline, Portageville, Spokane, Concordia, Elsberry

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Rib City Shootout Begins Thursday for Boys Basketball

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**Dexter, Missouri -** The latest boys basketball schedule has been released for the upcoming Rib City Shootout slated for Thursday, June 19th and Friday, June 20th. At least 40 teams will compete in this two-day event. Games are scheduled on all three courts at the Bearcat Event Center, Dexter Senior High School Gym, T.S. Hill Middle School Gym, and Southwest Elementary Gym.

The Dexter Bearcats Varsity team will begin play at 10:30 a.m. against Hayti on Court 2 of the Bearcat Event Center. At 1:00 p.m. they will play Rich Hill varsity on Court 2 and at 3:00 p.m. Dexter will compete against Doniphan on Court 1 of the Bearcat Event Center.

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Below is a schedule of Thursday's games at the Bearcat Event Center!

### **Bearcat Event Center Court 1**

9:45 a.m. - Scott City V vs. Bloomfield V

10:30 a.m. - Jackson JV vs. Bloomfield JV

11:15 a.m. - Scott City V vs. Puxico V

Noon - Steelville V vs. Meadow Heights V

12:45 p.m. - Hayti V vs. Scott City V

1:30 p.m. - Puxico V vs. Crystal City V

2:15 p.m. - Bloomfield V vs. Crittenden County, Ky., V

3:00 p.m. - Dexter V vs. Doniphan V

3:45 p.m. - Crittenden County V vs. Ellington V

4:30 p.m. - Union City, Tenn., V vs. Harrisburg JV

5:15 p.m. - Jackson JV vs. Puxico JV

6:00 p.m. - Union City JV v s. Hayti JV

6:45 p.m. - Notre Dame JV vs. Puxico JV

7:30 p.m. - Crittenden County V vs. Winona V

8:15 p.m. - Harrisburg JV 1 vs. Crittenden County JV

#### **Bearcat Event Center Court 2**

9:45 a.m - Leopold V vs. Puxico V

10:30 a.m. - Hayti V vs. Dexter V

11:15 a.m. - Bloomfield V vs. Ellington V

Noon - Union City V vs. Leopold V

12:45 p.m. - Covington, Tenn., V vs. Jackson V

1:30 p.m. - Rich Hill V vs. Dexter V

2:15 p.m. - Covington V vs. Hayti V

3:00 p.m. - Jackson V vs. Union City V

3:45 p.m. - Covington V vs. Notre Dame V

4:30 p.m. - Jackson V vs. Leopold V

5:15 p.m. - Union City V vs. Notre Dame V

6:00 p.m. - Jackson V vs. Rich Hill V

6:45 p.m. - Crittenden County JV vs. Chaffee JV

7:30 p.m. - Union City V vs. Rich HIII V.

8:15 p.m. - Chaffee JV vs. Harrisburg JV

#### **Bearcat Event Center Court 3**

9:45 a.m. - Van Buren V vs. Meadow Heights V

10:30 a.m. - Puxico JV vs. Fredericktown JV

11:15 a.m. - Van Buren V vs. Fredericktown V

Noon - Doniphan V vs. Crystal City V

12:45 p.m. - Harrisburg V vs. Bloomfield V

1:30 p.m. - Van Buren V vs. Steelville V

2:15 p.m. - Leopold V vs. Winona V

3:00 p.m. - Harisburg V vs. Rich Hill V

3:45 p.m. - Winona V vs. Steelville V

4:30 p.m. - Hayti V vs. Puxico V

5:15 p.m. – Winona V vs. Meadow Heights V

6:00 p.m. - Harrisburg V vs. Crittenden County V

6:45 p.m. - Steelville JV vs. Harrisburg JV

7:30 p.m. - Harrisburg V vs. Doniphan V

8:15 p.m. - Eminence JV vs. Winona JV

For a complete schedule of games go to the Rib City Shootout webpage by clicking **HERE**.

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**Dexter, Missouri -** When high school sports end in May, many athletes find a summer sport like baseball to play, or practice with their school teams during MSHSAA-allowed contacts days and participate in area shootouts and camps to prepare for the upcoming fall and winter sports seasons.

Ethan Flowers, a Dexter High School junior, had enough individual success in varsity basketball this past season as a sophomore that he was contacted by Riley Swinford, coach of the Southern Illinois Select Basketball 16U Team, to play summer basketball.

With the SI Select team slated to play around 30-40 games from April through July, Flowers stated, "I thought a chance like this might give me more practice

and experience that I could bring back to our school team for the fall."

Flowers was not the only Southeast Missouri athlete pursued by Swinford. The team currently has three other Missouri players: Zach Beel, a 6'6" center from Leopold High School; Al Young, a 5'11" guard from Cape Central; and Jalen Reddin, a 5'5" guard from Cape Central. The rest of the team's players come from the Marion and Carbondale, IL areas.

The 16U Select team has acquired several first and second place trophies in their last eight weeks of play, but their two biggest wins were earned the last two weekends. Two weeks ago, the Select Team participated at Lindenwood University in Belleville, IL in the Reebok Series United States Specialty Sports Association (USSSA) National Qualifier Tournament. The Select 16U beat a #4-ranked USSSA team from Illinois in their pool to advance into bracket play where they won the championship. Along with the SI Select 15U team (whose Dexter's Jason Jarrell plays for), the 16U team has now qualified for the USSSA Basketball National Championships held in Gainesville, FL at the end of June. They are currently hosting fundraisers to cover expenses for this 4-day tournament that is sponsored by Reebok, ESPN, Mizuno, Hershey's, and several other companies.

This past weekend, the Select 16U team earned a 2nd place trophy in the Western Kentucky Super Regional Qualifier in Paducah, KY that secured them a spot in the Midwest Youth Boys Basketball High School Championships held in Indianapolis, Indiana in July. The team currently has a 12-4 record.

Congratulations Ethan Flowers and the Southern Illinois Select Team on a job well done!

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