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# Bearcats Off to a Great Start in Track and Field Competitions

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**Cape Girardeau, Missouri** – The Dexter Bearcats opened their season at Notre Dame High School in Cape Girardeau on Tuesday. The boys track team took fourth place and the girls track team took third.

Team scores – Jackson 151, Notre Dame 116, Central 77, Dexter 26, and Saxony Luther 5.

MaKayla Waldner finished first in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.95. She also placed first in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 15.44, first in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 45.78, and first in the long jump with a score of 16-1.

Hannah Moore took second in the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:06.45.

Kelsi Wood took second in the 800-meter dash with a time of 2:41.78.

Madelyn Webb placed third in shot put with a 30-9 1/2.

Taylor Ivy placed second play in the triple jump with a score of 31-4.

Cole Dean placed second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.24.

Dexter boys took second place in the 400 relay with a time of 49.81 and third in the 800 relay with a time of 1:43.78. In the 3,200 relay Dexter finished behind

Jackson and Cape for third with a time of 10:08.27.

Dexter girls took second in the 400 relay with a time of 58.02. They also took third in the 800 relay with a time of 2:03.64 and third in the 1,600 relay and 3,200 relay with times of 4:43.79 and 10:45.23.

"We are off to a great start," commented new head track and field coach Kim Waldner. "You never know what to expect for the first meet. There are always things that we see that we need to improve on and we will only get better."

"The first meet is a trial and error on the coaches part because there are some kids we never know how they will perform until the are thrown into a timed meet," continued Waldner. "Overall I'm looking forward to a great season."

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# Lady 'Cats Win Home Opener Against Wildcats

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Lady 'Cats Win Home Opener Against Wildcats

**Dexter, Missouri** – The Lady Bearcats softball team earned a stunning 13-1 fiveinning victory against the Bloomfield Wildcats in their season-opener in front of a hometown crowd on Tuesday evening.

Morgan Ross earned the victory on the mound for Dexter.

"She had great composure and stayed focused the entire game," stated new head softball coach Starla Pulley. "She got in a couple of jams, but was able to get out of them."

Dexter scored 3 runs in the first. #12 Kirsten Durrow, #3 Dakota Silliman, and #16 Amber Spence each earned a run.

"We were real aggressive on the bases," Pulley said of her offense. "We had nine stolen bases for the day and we have been talking about taking our game to the next level. We have to be aggressive on the bases."

Cheyenne Mosby slid into first base in the bottom of the third to score followed by Brittany Brown, Dakota Silliman, and Amber Spence giving the Bearcats a comfortable 7-0 lead.

Bloomfield scored their first run of the game when Beaird hit one to the outfield allowing a runner to cross home plate.

In the bottom of the 5<sup>th</sup> inning Dexter's Cheyenne Mosby hit a double allowing Halley Sielert and Morgan Ross to head for home plate. Mosby eventually made it home as well putting Dexter on top 10-1. Three more Bearcats made it across home plate before calling the game at the end of the 5<sup>th</sup>.

"There are things we still need to work on," Pulley stated. "We were pulling out of our swing. We need to stay in there and be confident. We had a few mixups on the bases with signs. We have to be aware and pay attention to where we are on the bases."

Dexter returns to action on Wednesday when they host Clearwater. Game time 4:00 p.m.

### Final Score Dexter 13, Bloomfield 1

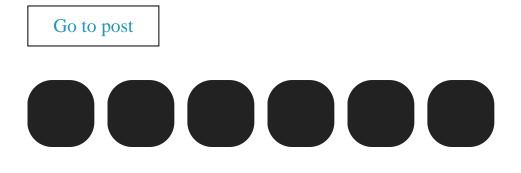
Dexter 3 4 0 0 6 - 13

Bloomfield 0 0 1 0 0 - 1

# Shown in the photos is Morgan Ross throwing a pitch to home plate! Way to go Morgan on your first win of the season!

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## Malden Drowns Bearcats in Green Wave's Season Opener

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Malden Drowns Bearcats in Green Wave's Season Opener

**Malden, Missouri –** The Dexter varsity baseball team suffered an 18-7 loss in five innings at Malden on Tuesday afternoon.

The Green Wave scored a run in both the first and second innings before earning six runs in the bottom of the third. The fourth inning was all Green Wave earning them 10 runs and securing the win.

Dexter scored a pair of runs in the top of the fourth inning cutting the deficit to 8-2.

Chandler Young pitched the first 2 1/3 innings for the Bearcats. Garrett Keathley relieved Young. Jacob Pedigo and Blake Horton both pitched in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Horton had a RBI double in the fourth inning as well while Pedigo drove home a running from third in the fourth inning and his second RBI in the fifth inning.

Malden recorded 10 runs in the 4<sup>th</sup> finishing with 18 points.

Dexter (1-1) will host Kennett on Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 p.m.

### Final Score Malden 18, Dexter 7 (5 Innings)

Dexter 0 0 0 2 5 - 7 6 3

Malden 1 1 6 10 x - 18 15 0

WP – Toby Miller, LP – Chandler Young, HR – Dee Triplett (M). 2B – Blake
Horton (D), Mason Brown (M), Parker McCormick (M), Conner Murphy (M).
Multiple hits – Dexter: Colton Averett 2-3, Malden: Toby Miller 2-4, Chapen Riley
4-4, Triplett 2-3, McCormick 2-3, Brandon Stanley 2-2.

# Shown in the provided photo is #24 Garrett Keathley making a throw form the outfield.

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## 2015 DHS Softball Begins Season With New Head Coach

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2015 DHS Softball Begins Season With New Head Coach

**Dexter, Missouri** – The Lady Cats Softball team will be comprised of 16 players and under first year head coach Starla Pulley. Weather permitting they open their season at home on Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> against Bloomfield.

Dexter placed second at Districts last year and lost three seniors.

They are slated to compete in Class 1, District 3 with Bloomfield, Charleston, Malden, Risco, and Bernie this year. Dexter will also host the annual Swing Pink Tournament on April 11<sup>th</sup>.

Richland High School will host the SCAA Tournament this year on April 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.

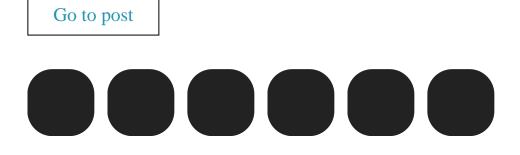
On the roster for the Lady Cats are senior Dakota Silliman, juniors Anthony McKenzie, Brittany Brown, Carey Kaylee, Kirsten Durrow, Halley Sielert, Olivia Sitzes, Amber Spence, and Alexis Tankersley; sophomores Haley Cornett, Cheyenne Mosby, Emily Mouser, and Morgan Ross; and freshmen Victoria Beaird, Hannah Gibson, and Jacey Pyles.

### 2015 Dexter High School Softball Schedule

Date Oppone	ent	Location	Time
3/24 Bloomfie	eld	Home	4:30 p.m.
3/25 Clearwa	ter	Home	4:30 p.m.
3/26 Advance	9	Away	4:30 p.m.
3/27 Woodlar	nd	Home	4:30 p.m.
3/31 Kennett		Home	4:30 p.m.
4/1 Bernie		Home	4:30 p.m.
4/7 Malden		Away	4:30 p.m.
4/9 Zalma		Home	4:30 p.m.
4/10 Donipha	n	Away	4 p.m.
4/11 Pink Tou	ırn.	Dexter	ТВА
4/13 NMCC		Away	4:30 p.m.
4/14 Charlest	on	Away	4 p.m.
4/16 Puxico		Home	4:30 p.m.
4/17 Twin Riv	vers	Away	4:30 p.m.
4/20 SCAA T	ournament	Richland	ТВА
4/23 Holcomb	)	Away	4:30 p.m.
4/24 Greenvil	le	Home	4:30 p.m.
4/29 Leopold		Home	4:30 p.m.
5/1 Caruthe	rsville	Away	4 p.m.

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## Dexter Bearcats Win Season Opener on the Road

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Dexter Bearcats Win Season Opener on the Road

**Doniphan, Missouri –** In their season opener, the Dexter Bearcats limited Doniphan to just two hits securing their first victory of the season.

Dexter recorded 7 hits, one error and 5 runs. Doniphan had two hits, 3 errors and no runs.

"I thought we played well considering our first time on the field," stated Dexter's head baseball coach Brian Becker. "Jason Mattison and Austin Aldridge did a

great job on the mound for us. We played excellent defense behind them as well."

# Dexter will host state-ranked Greenville on Monday at 4:00 p.m. in their home opener.

Dexter also has a tough schedule this week playing at home on Monday, at Malden on Tuesday, at home against Kennett on Wednesday, and two games on Saturday at Oran against Oran and Valle Catholic. Should be a great week for Bearcat Baseball!!

Final score Dexter 5, Doniphan 0

Dexter 0 0 1 0 0 3 1 - 5 7 1

Doniphan 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 0 2 3

WP – Jason Mattison. LP Brennon Casteel. 2B – Blake Horton (DX). Multiple Hits – Dexter: Colton Averett 2-3.

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