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Dexter, Missouri - An August storm full of rain and lightning covering most of southeast Missouri delayed the Poplar Bluff vs Dexter football game by 30 minutes on Friday evening at Charles Bland Stadium. The 30-minute wait is a rule handed down from MSHSAA (Missouri State High School Activities Association) when lightning is spotted in the area. Once play resumed it was the Mules who came out on top 41 - 8.

Poplar Bluff took the lead early scoring on their first three possessions of the game. Jerrid Moore took the opening kick-off about 80 yards in the first 11 seconds of the first quarter to put the Mules on the scoreboard first.

Poplar Bluff's Zane Foust pass to Tyson Cox led to the second touchdown with just 8:20 left in the first quarter. Brett Larousse ran 12 yards to score the third touchdown and then carried the ball 10 yards for the fourth touchdown in the first quarter.

Dexter was able to force two turnovers in the 2nd quarter. Seth Rogers came up with both, one was only inches from the goal line and the other on the Bearcat 21 yard line.

The football game was delayed for 30 minutes at the 4:51 mark of the first quarter because of lightning. Despite the rain several Bearcat and Mule fans toughed it out and waiting for the boys of fall to return to the field.

"When the kids had to sit there for 30 minutes and decide who wants to play football or not, that's a big thing," Goltra said.

Once the ball was back in play and the teams took the field, Zane Foust connected with Tyson Cox with a 54-yard touchdown pass with 4:42 left in the half and the Mules took a 34-0 lead into the half-time break.

"We came out terrible," commented Dexter head football coach Kevin Goltra. "It all started with the opening kick-off return for a touchdown. We really miss Jason Jarrell terribly bad in the kicking game."

"I think that just deflated the balloon completely until the lightning hit, until halftime," continued Goltra.

Dexter came out strong in the 3rd quarter. Trevor McDonald raced down the field for a gain of 34 yards on the second play. Payton Tinnin ran for a 22-yard gain setting up a 2-yard touchdown by Hunter Lawrence. Gabe Jackson caught a 2-point pass from Ben Sindle putting the Bearcats on the board for the first time. Score 34-8.

"We made adjustments and the kids responded, so I think they are slowly starting to see how to win," commented Goltra. "They were ready to play after halftime. The second half I saw some very encouraging things. I saw excitement in the offensive line that I haven't seen before."

Quarterback Logan Bell completed the final touchdown of the game for Poplar Bluff in the third quarter with 1:21 left on the clock. A 13-yard touchdown run earned the win for the Mules. Final score 41 - 8.

The Mules finished with a total of 182 yards led by 106 yards passing from Zane Foust who hit Tyson Cox four times for 79 yards. Brett Larousse rushed for 77 yards on six carries.

The Bearcats finished with a total of 160 yards. Payton Tinnin rushed for 75 yards on 21 carries and Trevor McDonald rushed for 72 yards on 14 carries.

Jett Featherston earned 4 tackles and 7 tackle assists. Bo McMullen recorded 3 tackles and 6 tackle assists.

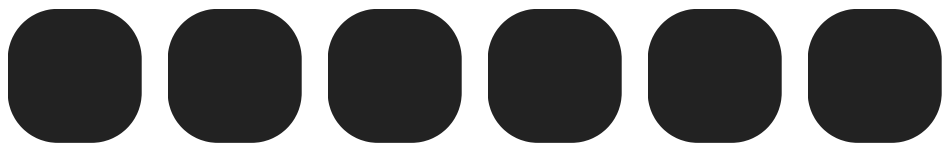
Dexter will travel to New Madrid County Central on Friday evening while Poplar Bluff travels to St. Charles, Missouri. Game times are 7:00 p.m.

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Cats Swallow Jays in Tennis

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Cats Swallow Jays in Tennis

Dexter, Missouri - With one win under their belt and looking forward to a home opener the Lady Bearcats wanted the win and that's exactly what they got. They swept the Charleston Lady Bluejays 9-0 in varsity and 4-0 in junior varsity. The varsity Lady Cats did not allow one point by the Lady Jays during the singles matches.

"We played well at all positions today," commented Dexter head tennis coach April Aldridge. "We are going to continue to push ourselves to play with the best teams in our district."

VARSITY: DEXTER 9, CHARLESTON 0

VARSITY SINGLES

No. 1 Lexi May (D) def. Coreyanna Frazier (C) 8-0

No. 2 Morgan Aldridge (D) def. Ashonta Whitney (C) 8-0

No. 3 Macy Urhahn (D) def. Zakyrh Curtis (C) 8-0

No. 4 Rachel Singh (D) def. De'Quilla Williams (C) 8-0

No. 5 Nicole Sells (D) def. Faquazia Wilson (C) 8-0

No. 6 Malia Cook (D) def. AShanti Williams (C) 8-0

VARSITY DOUBLES

No. 1 Aldridge-Urhahn (D) def. Frazier-Whitney (C) 8-1

No. 2 May-Cook (D) def. Curtis-Wilson (C) 8-1

No. 3 Singh-Sells (D) def. D. Williams-A. Williams (C) 8-0

JUNIOR VARSITY: DEXTER 4, CHARLESTON 0

JUNIOR VARSITY SINGLES

No. 1 Jady Northcutt (D) def. Kaitlyn Humphrey (C) 6-0

No. 2 Abbie Dorton (D) def. Anica Paris (C) 6-0

No. 3 Maci McBride (D) def. Kiarra Pettigrew (C) 6-0

JUNIOR VARSITY DOUBLES

No. 1 Northcutt-Dorton (D) def. Humphrey-Paris (C) 6-1

Dexter (2-0) will host Cape Central on Thursday, August 25th. Game time 4:00 p.m.

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Bernie Lady Mules Take Out the Bulldogs

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Bernie, Missouri - After winning their home opener against the Richland Rebels, the Lady Mules stepped onto the court once again just one night later in an exciting match up against the Lady Bulldogs of Sikeston.

The junior varsity Lady Mules won both of their sets against Sikeston 25-10, 25-10 and are now 2-0 on the season going into the Bernie Junior Varsity Tournament which begins on Thursday, August 25th.

Cassidy Freed had a great night with 5 aces, 3 kills, and 4 digs. Nia Walker had 3 aces. Ryleigh Foster had 2 aces and Emily Sheehan finished the night with 1 ace.

Makayla Turner led the team with 7 kills. Ryleigh Foster completed 2 kills.

The varsity Lady Mules (2-0) won both of their sets against the Sikeston Lady Dogs 25-13, 25-19.

The team had a total of 6 aces. Kayli Tanner and Taylor Lovelady each had 2 aces. Morgan Baker and Cymber Arnold each added one ace.

Mabree Stone led in kills with 7 followed closely by Kayli Tanner with 5 kills. Cymber Arnold had 4 kills and Morgan Baker had 3 kills.

Kayli Tanner also had 3 solo blocks and 2 block assists. Cymber Arnold had 1 block assist.

"The varsity came out strong in the first set with at one point the score being 19-7," commented Bernie head volleyball coach Monica Collier. "Sikeston gained some momentum and was able to score 6 straight points. We finally took charge and made the last 6 points to win the first set 25-13."

"In the second set we struggled a bit with some personal errors and the score went back and forth making it an exciting game," continued Collier. "At one point Sikeston was

ahead in points with a lead of 16-14, but we did a great job of getting their mind set to gain control of the game and fix their errors. We dominated the latter half to win 25-19.

"I am very proud of them, especially when I saw a determination rise in them to stop making mistakes and play volleyball the way they are capable of playing."

The junior varsity will host a tournament beginning on Thursday, August 24th. The varsity will be back in action on Monday, August 29th traveling to Notre Dame High School. Game time 6:00 p.m.

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Bernie Lady Mules Stomp Rebels in Season Opener

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Bernie, Missouri - The Bernie Mules kicked off their season hosting the Richland Lady Rebels on Monday, August 22nd. Due to Richland only having one complete team, their varsity played two sets against the Bernie varsity first and two sets against the Bernie junior varsity team.

The varsity Mules defeated the Rebels 25-3, 25-7. Taylor Lovelady had a great night serving 7 aces. Madissen Corbin had 4 aces, Mabree Stone had 2 aces, Cymber Arnold had 2 aces and Morgan Baker finished with 1 ace.

Kayli Tanner led with 5 kills and 1 block. Morgan Baker had two kills. Cymber Arnold, Madisson Wooldridge, and Taylor Anthony each had one kill.

Morgan Baker had 9 assists and Kayli Tanner had one assist.

The Bernie Junior Varsity also won both of their sets 25-9, 25-7.

Emily Sheehan and Ryleigh Foster each had 4 aces. Cassidy Freed had 3 aces and Daisy Eaton had 1 ace.

Makayla Turner had 3 kills. Nia Walker and Ryleigh Foster each had 2 kills and Daisy Eaton had one kill.

"Overall, Bernie played very well," commented Bernie head volleyball coach Monica Collier. "We were very excited to get the season started and look forward to a great season."

"Our goal is to improve with every game and practice," continued Collier.

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T.S. Hill Middle School Football Schedule

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T.S. Hill Middle School Football Schedule

Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter middle school football team has already had several days of practice in the scorching heat since school started. They are comprised of 7th grade athletes and 8th grade athletes. The DMS Bearcats will have four home games and four away games.

Dexter will open at HOME on Thursday, September 1st at 5:00 p.m. against Doniphan. This will be an 8th grade only game.

They will then travel to New Madrid County Central on Tuesday, September 6th. Both the 7th and 8th grade football teams will compete. Game time 5:00 p.m. The next two games will also be on the road; Malden on Thursday, September 8th (7th and 8th grade) and East Prairie on Tuesday, September 13th (7th grade only). Game time for Malden is 6:00 p.m. and game time for East Prairie is 5:30 p.m.

The next three games will be at Charles Bland Stadium in Dexter. Both the 7th grade and 8th grade football teams will compete against Sikeston on Thursday, September 22nd; Caruthersville on Tuesday, September 27th; and Kennett on Thursday, September 29th with all games beginning at 5:00 p.m.

The DMS Bearcats will end their season on the road against Portageville on Tuesday, October 4th. Game time 5:00 p.m.

2016 DMS Football Schedule

September 1st Doniphan 8th Home 5:00 p.m.

September 6th NMCC 7th/8th Away 5:00 p.m.

September 8th Malden 7th/8th Away 6:00 p.m.

September 13th East Prairie 7th Away 5:30 p.m.

September 22nd Sikeston 7th/8th Home 5:00 p.m.

September 27th Caruthersville 7th/8th Home 5:00 p.m.

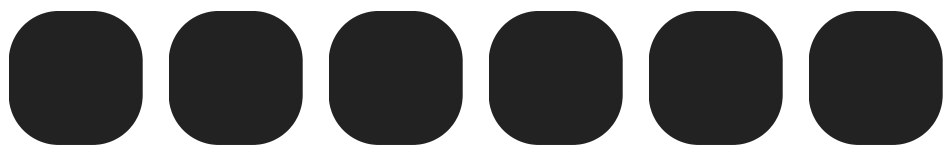
September 29th Kennett 7th/8th Home 5:00 p.m.

October 4th Portageville 8th Away 5:00 p.m.

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