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# 2018 Bernie Junior High Volleyball Schedule Released

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Bernie, Missouri - The 2018 Bernie Mules Junior High Volleyball Schedule has now been released. Though they don't have their first game until March 6th, it's never too early to get your calendar up-to-date!

The Bernie 8th Grade Volleyball Tournament is slated for Monday, March 26th and Tuesday, March 27th. Teams participating are Advance, Bell City, Bloomfield, Dexter, Portageville, Woodland, and Sikeston.

The Stoddard County Athletic Association (SCAA) Tournament is set for Saturday, April 7th, Monday, April 9th, and Tuesday, April 10th to be held at the Bloomfield High School gym.

The ShowMe Times will announce again in March the schedule as a reminder.

#### 2018 Bernie Mules Junior High Volleyball Schedule:

Tue March 6th vs Woodland (HOME) 6 p.m.

Thur March 8th @ Poplar Bluff 6 p.m.

Fri March 9th vs Richland (HOME) 6 p.m.

Tue March 13th @ Bell City 6 p.m.

Mon March 19th @ Sikeston 6 p.m.

Tues March 20th @ Dexter 6 p.m.

Fri March 23rd vs Twin Rivers (HOME) 6 p.m.

Mon March 26th and Tues March 27th Bernie 8th Grade Tournament 4 p.m.

Teams participating are Bernie, Advance, Bell City, Bloomfield, Dexter, Portageville, Woodland, and Sikeston

Tues April 3rd vs Advance (HOME)

Thur April 5th vs Puxico (HOME) 6 p.m.

Fri April 6th @ Bloomfield 6 p.m.

Saturday, April 7th, Monday, April 9th and Tuesday, April 10th SCAA Tournament @ Bloomfield (TBA)

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## Ozark Angler Hooks State-Record Quillback

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MDC congratulates Timothy Keene on breaking the pole-and-line state record by catching a 5-pound, 13-ounce quillback on Bull Shoals Lake.

Ozark, Missouri - The Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) reports that Timothy Keene of Ozark became the most recent record-breaking angler in Missouri when he hooked a quillback on Bull Shoals Lake in Taney County using a rod and reel.

The new "pole and line" record quillback caught by Keene on June 26 weighed 5 pounds, 13 ounces. It broke the previous state-record of 2 pounds, 12 ounces. Keene and a fishing buddy were using red and purple-colored spoons trying to catch walleye when he hooked the state-record quillback.

"The quillback put up a pretty good fight. I fought it for at least four minutes until I got it in the boat," Keene said.

Keene said once he got it in the boat he didn't really know what type of fish it was, but his fishing buddy did.

"I'm pretty new at fishing so I don't know all the fish species, but my fishing buddy knew we had a really nice size quillback," he said. "After some quick research, we were confident we had a new state-record fish."

Keene says he still can't believe he has a Missouri state record, which was confirmed by MDC staff using a certified scale at Shepherd of the Hills Hatchery.

"I can't believe it! This is an event I would have never dreamed of," he said.

The quillback fish is a part of the sucker family. It is deeper-bodied than most suckers, leading to a carp-like appearance. It can be distinguished from carp by the lack of barbels

around the mouth.

Keene is unsure if he is going to mount the fish or not.

Missouri state-record fish are recognized in two categories: pole-and-line and alternative methods. Alternative methods include: throwlines, trotlines, limb lines, bank lines, jug lines, spearfishing, snagging, snaring, gigging, grabbing, archery, and atlatl.

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# Bearcat Community 5K Run Slated for September 16th

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Bearcat Community 5K Run Slated for September 16th

Dexter, Missouri - Time to get in shape to run the first ever Bearcat Community 5K Run to benefit the Dexter Cross Country Teams. Coach Leonard Morse has put together a great run on September 16, 2017 beginning at 7:30 a.m.

Top 3 athletes in each Division for male and female will win a medal. T-shirts will also be given to each participant.

Age Divisions are High School age, ages 19-30, ages 31-50, and ages 51+ for both women and men.

Coach Morse can be reached at (573) 820-5851 or you can register at the Concession Stand the day of the race. Check-in times are between 7:00 a.m. - 7:20 a.m. Cost to enter is \$25 and all proceeds go to benefit the Dexter High School Cross Country Teams.

Pre-Registration deadline is September 10th. This will ensure the correct size t-shirt as they have to be ordered in advance.

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### Bloomfield 2017 Fall Baseball Schedule Released

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#### Bloomfield 2017 Fall Baseball Schedule Released

Bloomfield, Missouri - The 2017 Bloomfield R-14 Fall Baseball Schedule has been released. The Bloomfield Wildcats will open at Piedmont to play in the Clearwater Jamboree on Saturday, August 12th at noon. They will also compete in the Bernie Round Robin on Saturday, August 26th.

Bloomfield will host a Round Robin on Saturday, September 9th against Van Buren and Advance. They will then compete at the Bernie Fall Baseball Tournament on September 23rd - 27th.

The Bloomfield Wildcats will end their Fall Baseball schedule on October 4th at home against Leopold.

#### BLOOMFIELD FALL BASEBALL SCHEDULE

August 12th Clearwater Jamboree at Piedmont Noon

August 22nd @ Holcomb 4:30 p.m.

August 23rd vs Bell City (HOME) 4:30 p.m.

August 26th Bernie Round Robin vs Holcomb at noon, vs Bernie at 2 p.m.

August 29th @ Puxico 4:30 p.m.

August 30th vs Oran (HOME) 4:30 p.m.

August 31st @ Leopold 4:30 p.m.

September 5th vs Twin Rivers (HOME) 4:30 p.m.

September 7th @ Senath 4:30 p.m.

September 9th Bloomfield Round Robin vs Van Buren @ 10 a.m., vs Advance at 2 p.m.

September 11th @ Gideon 4:30 p.m.

September 12th @ East Carter 4:30 p.m.

September 14th vs Holcomb (HOME) 4:30 p.m.

September 18th @ Bell City 4:30 p.m.

September 21st vs Bernie (HOME) 4:30 p.m.

September 22nd vs Naylor (HOME) 4:30 p.m.

September 23rd - 27th Bernie Tournament (TBA)

September 29th @ Advance 4:30 p.m.

October 4th vs Leopold (HOME) 4:30 p.m.

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# Conservation Commission Welcomes New Commissioner Nicole Wood

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# Conservation Commission welcomes new commissioner Nicole Wood The St. François County outdoor enthusiast brings experience and passion to MDC.

Jefferson City, Missouri - Gov. Greitens announced on July 31 the appointment of long-time conservationist and outdoor enthusiast Nicole Wood to the Missouri Conservation Commission. The Governor has appointed Wood to a term that expires June 30, 2023. Wood replaces James T. Blair, IV, of St. Louis whose Commission appointment expired. Wood's appointment will be subject to confirmation by the Missouri Senate.

Wood is the director of operations at Woodland Operations and Maintenance, where she is involved in the daily management of 20,000 acres of land in the Missouri Ozarks. She is only the fifth woman appointed to the Conservation Commission in the Department's 80 year history.

"Nicole's passion for the outdoors and her strong business acumen will be extremely beneficial to the Commission's ongoing work in strategic planning, budget guidance, and Wildlife Code regulations," said Missouri Department of Conservation Director Sara Parker Pauley.

Wood serves on the boards of the National Wildlife Federation, Conservation Federation of Missouri, Parkland Hospital Foundation, and the National Wildlife Federation Endowment. She and her family share a passion for the outdoors.

"Missouri has the best Department of Conservation in the United States and, to be part of that as a commissioner is an incredible honor," Wood said. "I look forward to working with all the commissioners, staff and citizens on continuing to make the Department the best in the country."

Her interest in the outdoors started at a young age while on family hunting and fishing trips. She enjoys floating, rafting, kayaking or just sitting on a gravel bar. Wood also has a family history of commitment to conservation with her father, Howard Wood, serving as commissioner from 1997 to 2003.

The Missouri Conservation Commission controls, manages, restores, conserves and regulates the bird, fish, game, forestry and all wildlife resources of the state, including hatcheries, sanctuaries, refuges, reservations and all other property owned, acquired or used for such purposes, as well as the acquisition and establishment of those properties.

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