

### Horse Park opening delayed

The opening of the Kentucky State Horse Park will be delayed for two years, Parks Commissioner Bruce Montgomery announced recently. Montgomery told the park's advisory committee that the 963-acre facility's opening, originally set for July 1976, has been scheduled for mid-1978 to coincide with construction of a highway interchange on Interstate 75 to serve the park.



The decision to delay the park's opening was made jointly by the Department of Parks and the Department of Finance, Montgomery said, and was based on the report of a Lexington-based consulting firm, Economic Research Associates. According to Montgomery, the decision will "make the park more fiscally sound, and will upgrade its attractiveness."

Opening the park without the highway interchange to handle projected traffic would not have been feasible, the commissioner said. "Operation of the park without the interchange would have created a tremendous traffic problem on Iron Works Pike, and it would cut down on the park's attendance. If attendance was cut down because of lack of access, the park would operate at a deficit for at least two years."

Work on the \$22 million park, located north of Lexington, was begun in October 1974. The facility has been closed to visitors throughout the construction period. It will remain closed, except for a few special events which have been previously scheduled, Montgomery said.

Montgomery has recommended to Gov. Julian Carroll that construction be continued following the general contract procedure, which allows the parks department additional input in the park's design. The park's construction schedule has been operating on the accelerated fast-track system.

He has also recommended the hiring of an experienced attraction designer to plan the park's layout. The commissioner anticipated modification in



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the design of the exhibit center facilities and of the camping area. The Lexington architectural firm of Chisman, Miller and Wallace will continue to handle the renovation and

These pre-school youngsters are pictured on graduation day, Thursday, April 16, at Playschool in the Home Economics Department at Nicholas County High School. The class has been held annually by the Department to acquaint students with child development. The unit of study is Semester Child Development and Comprehensive

Teachers are Mrs. Martha See Taylor and Mrs. Bonnie Metcalfe. The children attended Playschool two hours per day, three days per week for eight weeks. Front row, Danny Wells, Chris Knapke, Tracy Shaw, Andy Anderson, Rebecca Jones, Heather Hughes, Top row, Cindy Haman, Neal Metcalfe, Erin Matisse, Nancy Noll and Chris Anderson.—Duncan photo

mony expressed his support for the project. "I'm absolutely committed to the idea of the Horse Park. I think it is terrific, and it has great potential as a tourist attraction."

CAMPUS BEAUTY CHOSEN—Pat Hatcherem, 21-year-old senior from Bardonia, is the new Miss Northeast State University. Chosen from 32 entrants at the annual campus pageant, she will represent Miss in the Miss Kentucky Scholarship Pageant this summer in Louisville.

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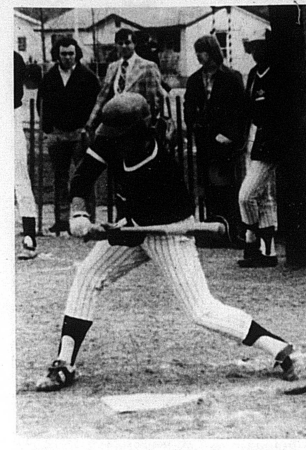
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Mike Matisse comes around to stroke one into the outfield for a base hit in Nicholas County's game with Mason County, Friday. The Jackets won the game, 13-3.—Smith photo

### Jackets clip Mason County, 13-3

Nicholas County pulled their season's baseball record to five wins and three losses with a dominating victory over Mason County, Friday. The Jackets didn't even have to go the full seven innings to down the Royals as they broke ahead by ten runs during the sixth inning and the game was called.

Things started cooking for the Jackets with a pair of early outs, then Jacket hurler, Ricky Hicks, let one pitch go into the wrong area and Mason's Jimmy Klasek, sent it flying over the center field fence for a homer, and gave Mason County an early, 1-0, lead. In the second inning, after failing to get their offense into swing, a couple of key errors hurt the Jackets in the worst way possible by producing two runs.

Things started cooking for the Jackets in the bottom of the second inning, started off by a base on balls from Mason's pitcher Tony Breese to Ricky Broderick. Then Greg Letcher proved to be the trigger man for the score on his double that sent Broderick across the plate for a score, along with David Snapp who had gained base the same way as Broderick. Then Doug Dartsro received an R.B.I. when he knocked in Greg Letcher, and Dartsro in turn was sent home on another Jacket high play, giving the Nicholas County team a 4-1 lead at the end of second inning.

David Snapp and Greg Letcher set up the opportunity for Tony Ritchie to cash in on an R.B.I., giving the Jackets a 10-3, lead.

The Nicholas County squad put a halt to the game with some play in the

sixth inning. A sterling individual performance by Tony Ritchie started things off, while a walk and an error sent him on a trip around the bases that would not end until he had hit another ball. Bill Clark drew a walk with bases loaded to put the Jackets just one run behind the needed ten run advantage that would end the game. Joe Ruckel picked up another base on balls from a worn Mason County pitching platoon, and the game ended, 13-3.

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Those who attended were: Mrs. Walter Kennedy, Mrs. Cecil Smart, Mrs. Edgar Scott, Mrs. Albert Vice, Mrs. Christine Stone, Mrs. Carolyn Terrell, Mrs. Carl Humber, Mrs. Joe Delaney, Mrs. W.W. Rigg, Mrs. Nora Wells, Mrs. Evelyne Dancos, Mrs. Edgar A. Darrill, Mrs. James Lowe, Mrs. Eugene Smoot, Mrs. Virginia Crump, Mrs. Ruth King, Mrs. Christine Booth, Mrs. Lyons, Mrs. Vickie Ringe, Mrs. Lovell Shaw, Mrs. Paul Visono, Mrs. Hattie Stone, Miss Alma Atkinson, Mrs. Frances Taylor, Mrs. Allan Alexander, and Mrs. Karen Busan.

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