Season champions!

The Pirates, sponsored by Dee Jay Auto Parts, were Minor League regular season champions and runners-up in the post-season tournament. Front row, l-r, Aaron Wills, George Mitchell, Isaac Sapp, Bradley Hollar, Gregory Morris and Brad House. Back row, Michael Jenkins, Shawn Lang, Whitney Allison, Thomas Sexton, Wesley Berry and Chris Kelley. Coaches, not shown, were Mike Woosley, Pat Letcher and Bennie Morris. — Mercury photo

Tournament winners

The Minor League Cubs were the tournament winners and season runners-up in recent playoffs. They are pictured, front, l-r, Clint Carpenter, Colin Broderick, Jason House, Jamie Liver, Clint Hughes, Derek Anderson; 2nd row, Duane Kenney, Shane Kenney, Wesley Broderick, David Tincher, Mikey Booth, Eric House; back, Herb Booth, manager; coaches Billy Anderson and Larry Tincher. — Mercury photo

Bob Watkins

Sports In Kentucky

People and things...

With the loss of All-American Kenny Walker and playmaker Roger Harden to graduation, it will be important for the University of Kentucky basketball team to get off to a "fast start" next season, right?

Well, if the home court advantage is "useful" to a rebuilding club, then UK's 1986-87 schedule ought to lend hope for optimism for Wildcat fans.

Released last week UK's schedule shows eight of the first nine dates will be played in Kentucky (six at Rupp Arena, two at Freedom Hall). Only a Dec. 6 date in Bloomington, Indiana breaks a string that includes Austin Peay (Lake Kelly's club), Texas Tech (in last year's NCAA), Lamar, the UKIT (Ilona and Boston University or Texas A&M), and UofL and Georgia at Freedom Hall in Louisville.

Highlights? January could be a dandy for UK with dates against Auburn, Tennessee, Alabama and Tennessee in one stretch, Florida, LSU, Vanderbilt and Navy in another.

The UK-Navy contest Jan. 25 will offer Kentucky fans a progress report on Eddie Sutton's big men, Cedric Jenkins and Robert Lock and —if he enrolls and is ready to play— 6-11 Mike Scott. The "teacher" in this scenario will be Navy's celebrated big man, David Robinson.

■ What about Louisville basketball schedule?

1986-87 UK BASKETBALL

Date	Team	Site
Nov. 18	Yugoslavia	Lexington,
Nov. 29	Austin Peay	Lexington,
Dec. 2	Texas Tech	Lexington,
Dec. 6	Indiana	Bloomington
Dec. 13	Lamar	Lexington,
Dec. 19-20	UKIT (Kentucky, Iona, Texas A&M and Boston Univ.)	Lexington,
Dec. 27	Louisville	Louisville,
Dec. 30	Georgia	Louisville,
Jan. 3	Auburn	Auburn,
Jan. 7	Tennessee	Knoxville,
Jan. 10	Mississippi St.	Starkville,
Jan. 14	Florida	Lexington,
Jan. 18	Louisiana St.	Lexington,
Jan. 21	Vanderbilt	Nashville,
Jan. 25	Navy	Lexington,
Jan. 28	Mississippi	Oxford,
Jan. 31	Mississippi St.	Lexington,
Feb. 4	Auburn	Lexington,
Feb. 7	Alabama	Tuscaloosa,
Feb. 11	Tennessee	Lexington,
Feb. 14	Florida	Gainesville,
Feb. 18	Vanderbilt	Lexington,
Feb. 21	LSU	Baton Rouge,
Feb. 25	Georgia	Athens,
Feb. 28	Mississippi	Lexington,
March 1	TBA	Lexington,
March 5-8	SEC Tourney	Atlanta,

"It isn't ready yet," a spokesperson said last week. "We're hoping it won't be as late as last year."

■ We will have to wait and see how well he coaches in the Bluegrass State, but Western Kentucky University's new men's basketball coach Murray Arnold certainly is quite a gentleman. Arnold, whose wife Ann is a native of Russellville, is like a "man come home" in thus he has always wanted to coach basketball in Kentucky.

KENTUCKY TEAM

Player	Yr.	School	ppg
Jerome Coles	6-6	Tates Creek	15.8
Kevin Ellery	6-5	West. Co.	23.0
Deron Feldhaus	6-6	Mason Co.	21.0
Mike Holt	6-3	Fmem.	14.0
Terry North	6-1	Hazard	16.0
John Pedrue	6-0	Madonna	14.0
John Pelphrey	6-7	Prestw.	19.0
Beau Schumann	6-3	Cum Co.	17.0
John Solomon	6-5	Marshll Co.	20.0
David Spicer	6-4	Groves Co.	18.0
Brooke Stoll	6-3	Bowl Co.	19.0
Kevin Sutton	6-0	Hart. Cnty.	14.0

Summertime basketball

The Kentucky Juniors all-star team toured Kentucky last week on its way to Los Angeles and Las Vegas and Coach Eddie Ford's team featured what are projected to be the top high school senior cagers in the state next season. If so — and it is a "nice" group — then next winter's crop won't come close to last season's players in talent or numbers.

A few observations...

✔ Deron Feldhaus, 6-6, from Mason County High, Jerome Coles, 6-6, from Lexington Tates Creek and 6-7 John Pelphrey of Paintsville, will be touted as the two best college forward prospects in the state next winter. But it says here that Kevin Ellery from Washington County — if he works hard and keeps his weight in check — could be a better college prospect than all of them. And No 2 may well be 6-7 Matt Eutsler of North Hardin ... if he wants to be.

And Feldhaus No. 3.

At the same time, Feldhaus has the sort of rawboned skills and willingness to "mix it up" that college scouts will like. Good bloodlines too.

An understatement to watch for in junior-to-be James "Boo" Brewer of Bardstown. A couple of predictions here — Brewer has the potential to be a legitimate candidate for Mr. Basketball in 1988. And, at this time in 1988, Brewer will be a member of the Kentucky all-stars preparing to play Indiana.

Schnellenberger 'takes' time

In keeping with his concerted effort to maximize media exposure for his football program, University of Louisville coach Howard Schnellenberger was in Bowling Green last week to visit with sports editors from many of Kentucky's daily newspapers. The coach reiterated his commitment to make U/L a national contender.

Nothing new there, but what is significant is that Schnellenberger is staying on course at doing something other (big time) coaches have sniffed at in the past — court the state media.

Both Kentucky basketball coach Eddie Sutton and Louisville's Denny Crum were invited to visit sports editors at their meeting, but neither had time.

Schnellenberger made time. And it is a good investment for the future.

Translation? Schnellenberger needs all the attention he can get, while Sutton and Crum, buoyed by their successes (and sneaker contracts) believe they don't need anybody.

Schnellenberger is a straight-forward person (with a touch of class) who most fans and writers enjoy being around.

"I know you have a job to do and it isn't always easy," he told the editors. "I respect you for what you have to do and I understand that you have opinions and you express them and that's fine. But when you write something I disagree with or feel is not accurate I will call you within 24 hours to tell you how I feel about it."

Right up front, most coaches I know could learn much from Schnellenberger's approaches to the media.

On other fronts ...

■ When the 52 year-old UL coach was asked if Louisville would be his last coaching stop, he hedged a bit saying he would do everything in his power to make UofL one of the best, but if he could not achieve that goal he would move aside and let some one else have a go at it.

Schnellenberger repeated his stand that "I hope our fans understand that we're trying to park 15 years of building a program into five years."

■ In the long term the NCAA's Prop 48 will be good for college athletics. Schnellenberger believes, because it will elevate the lowest levels student-athletes (most of us in society) most frequently strive to reach.

■ On quality athletes to build a football program. Schellenberger believes Jefferson County can produce enough quality players to at least build a program around. Statistics show, he said, that each million people in a population area normally produces three quality athletes.

■ On UofL's only contribution to the NFL: a 1986 college draft — wide receiver kickoff returner Ernest Givins. "I think with the right club, Givins can be an impact player and become an outstanding receiver in the NFL."

Comment: Givins was drafted by the Houston Oilers who need everything.

Prep athletes for '86

Sports editors from Kentucky's daily newspapers affiliated with The Associated Press met last weekend in Bowling Green and one item on the business agenda was placing nominations for prep boy and girl athletes of the year. The winners may be announced as early as this week. The nominees are

BOYS

✔ Al Baker, Trigg County — Rushed for 1,200 yards and won the Class A 100 and 200 meter dashes. Rated as one of the top high school running backs in the nation.

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Runners meet

Dick Hutchison, center, of the Todds Road Stumblers, a club of running enthusiasts in Lexington, was the guest speaker at a meeting of those interested in running in the Blackberry 5000 July 4. The meeting was held at the Nicholas County Library on June 9 and attended by 19 persons. Left is Barbara Hopkins, and right is Gayle Kelley, who are the co-directors of the Blackberry 5000 which will be held on Main Street the morning of July 4. — Mercury photo

Registration underway for Blackberry 5K

With the 4th of July less than three weeks away is there something important that you haven't done? Planned a picnic, bought sparklers or in it that you haven't registered for the Blackberry Festival 5K Run?

Registration is running ahead of last year so race directors Gayle Kelley and Barbara Hopkins suggest that to assure your T-shirt size you return your registration form early to either IGA or KU. Interest in the race is high as witnessed by the number of walkers and early evening runners seen on the streets of Carlisle.

"We are challenging all the young people of Nicholas County to join the run as there were fewer in that age group last year," Hopkins said.

Plans are made to insure the safety of the six and under participants in the July 4 Fun Run. If interest is high enough another age group of 7-10 year olds may be added.

"But let us know early," Hopkins advised.

A total of 19 persons attended the running clinic June 9 at the local library.

Hopkins finishes second in 10K

The Cynthiana "Run for Life" was held on Saturday, June 14. The 5K (3.1 miles) or 10K (6.2 miles) races were held simultaneously over a fast course. Barbara Hopkins of Carlisle won her age group for the second year in the 10K race.

For those interested, there will be a five mile race in Morehead and a 3.1 mile race in Stanford this Saturday, June 21. Race day registration is possible.

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County committee nominees announced

Election of two Farmers Home Administration county committee members will take place on June 30, county supervisor Dean Tandy has announced.

"This is a historic occasion, Tandy said. It is the first time that FmHA county committee members have been elected. Until now, they have been designated by the agency. The 1985 Farm Bill calls for two elected and one designated member on the committee."

The FmHA county committee assists the county office in determining the eligibility of applicants for certain types of FmHA loans.

Farmers who live in Nicholas or Harrison counties, have their principal farming operation within the county or area for which the election is being held, and derive the principal part of their income from farming are eligible to vote.

Nominees for the county committee are Calvin Martin Jr., Harry Martin Marshall, Charles T. Whaley and Herbert C. Duncan.

"This time, we will elect two committee members," Tandy said. "One will serve for one year and the other will serve two years. In the future, all three members will serve three-year terms on a staggered basis, with one position to be filled each year."

Voting ballots are available from the FmHA county office at US 62 East in Cynthiana or at the Carlisle ASCS office on Main Street in the old armory building. Marked ballots must be received at the FmHA office by June 30.

Modern Pioneers

Modern day pioneers who one day may rank among the trailblazers of the 20th century — are profiled in the "Smithsonian World" special "Where None Has Gone Before." The program airs Wednesday, June 25 at 8 p.m. on KET.

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Fleming-Mason REC meeting scheduled July 2

Fleming-Mason Rural Electric Cooperative will hold its 48th annual membership meeting on July 2, one mile west of Flemingsburg, on Highway 32. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. with the program getting underway at 2 p.m.

Country music recording stars, The Thrasher Brothers, will highlight the day's entertainment program, which will also include the crowning of a new Miss Fleming-Mason RECC, children's entertainment by magician Gorian Blake and door prizes.

Head Start enrollment is June 24

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two nutritious meals, plus a snack, every day. In addition, children are given vision, dental, speech and hearing screenings in an effort to detect any potential problems that might interfere with their education in the future. The screenings are all done at no cost to the parents.

Parents of children with handicapping conditions are also encouraged to apply.

Parents and other interested persons may call the Community Center at 289-7173 or 289-7122 for more information, or they may call Mrs. Crawford at 289-2089.

Saltwell ..... by Mrs. Fred Hollar

Miss Lena Paynter, Hillsboro, OH, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bishop of Flemingsburg, Ky., visited Mrs. Verena Earlywine of Millersburg on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kennedy, Dana Blakeman and Kim Brown of Lexington visited Martha and Daley Kenney on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hollar attended the 50th anniversary reception for Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Marsh at the Milford Christian Church on Sunday afternoon. There was a huge crowd that attended and the church was beautifully decorated. They received many lovely gifts.

Orville Doyle and Mrs. Phyllis Brady attended the funeral of Virgil McNabb at Drake Funeral Home, Cynthiana, on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fryman entertained a member of her family and a few friends with a cookout at their home on Friday night honoring the birthday of their daughter, Mrs. Diane Gentry of Richmond, Ky.

Mrs. Naomi Gaunce spent Saturday with Mrs. Carol Gaunce and son Andy of Lexington.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gaunce and Brian of Lexington and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley W. Caswell, Carlisle, were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Gaunce and Amanda.

Mr. and Mrs. Jobie Howard visited her grandfather Mr. Roy Stubbs who remains very ill at St. Joseph Hospital on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doyle and Robbie, Mrs. Phyllis Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Doyle and Mindy attended the Pope reunion at Jacobson Park near Lexington on Sunday.

Several young adults of Rose Hill Church enjoyed Bible Study at the home of Rev. Randy Coleman Saturday night.

Mrs. Carol Gaunce and Andy spent Sunday with Mrs. Naomi Gaunce and dined at a Carlisle restaurant on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett, Carlisle, visited Matthew and Daley Kennedy on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moore, Liberty, IN, Mr. and Mrs. Dennie Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. David Doyle and Mrs. Bonnie Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Fryman and Mr. and Mrs. J. Doyle visited Orville Doyle the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hollar and Ramona George dined at a Cynthiana restaurant on Sunday in observance of Father's Day and 32nd wedding anniversary of the Hollars.

Miss Cayce Howard, Traci and Shane Bartels are spending the week at Woodsmen of the World youth camp in Jessamine County this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stone and Denise, Mrs. Diane Smith and Shellie, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hollar and Chris, Phillip Coldiron and Mark Chiles, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Galbraith were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Galbraith and Andrea, honoring Father's Day.

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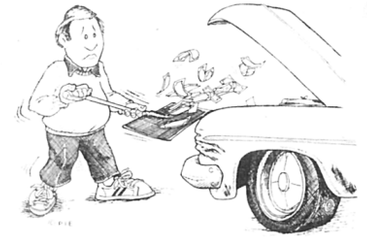

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