

Jackets look at 1988-89 with youthful eyes

Six seniors gone from 1988 regional semi-finalist

Nicholas County's 1988 boys basketball schedule will be much the same as last year. The Bluejackets will drop Boyle County from the regular season and pickup games with Heron Community High School and Madison Southern. The Jackets have also withdrawn from the Mason County High School tournament and accepted games in the Choo Choo Classic at Estill County (a three game round-robin event) and the Montgomery County tournament.

The Estill County tournament is a three game guarantee with Madison Southern, Franklin County and Estill County, all entered, along with us," Nicholas County Boys' Head Basketball Coach Lee Cruse said.

"We also were given the opportunity to play the host (Montgomery County's Indians) in the opening game of the Montgomery County tournament."

In the final game of the Nicholas County Pan-a-Rama, the Jackets dropped a 61-60 overtime decision to Powell County, staying close throughout the contest.

"We'll be young and inexperienced this season. How many teams do you know that can lose six seniors, including three players scoring in double figures, and not come back with a young team," he added.

"Andy Anderson and Danny Wells are returning regulars, but neither averaged in double figures. Anderson will play at guard and Wells will play center."

"We'll need to depend on them to lead the program. We have to have those players to step in and take those leadership positions. You can't make people do that, it's something that some will do and some will not."

"David Sparks came on strong at the end of last season, and played tough during tournament time - but he too will have to continue some game experience."

"On the wing, Collier Mathes, who played as a freshman last year, has great athletic ability, but will have to take that ability and make

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NICHOLAS COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Location	Home/Away	Notes
Nov. 29	Bourbon Co.	Away	
Dec. 2	Pandleton Co.	Away	
9	Deming	Home	
10	Richmond Madison	Away	
13	Frankfort	Home	
16	Mason Co.	Away	
20-22	Choo Choo Tournament	Estill Co.	
26-30	Montgomery Co. Tournament	Mt. Sterling	
Jan. 3	Jourbon Co.	Home	
10	Marion Co.	Home	
13	Richmond Model	Home	
14	Paris	Home	
17	Harrison Co.	Home	
20	Jessamine Co.	Away	
27	Madison Southern	Away	
31	Fleming Co.	Home	
Feb. 3	Montgomery Co.	Away	
4	Berea	Away	
7	Bracken Co.	Home	
10	Estill Co.	Home	
14	Maysville	Home	
17	Bath Co.	Home	
18	Sayre	Away	
24	Deming	Away	



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Nicholas County High School varsity team: standing, left to right, Becky Dale, Michelle Havens, Brian Canupp, Andy Anderson, Collier Mathes, David Betz, Danny Wells, David Sparks, Travis Sims, Brad Allison, manager Scott Zornes, Cyndi Miller, coach Don Powers. Seated, left to right, coach Lee Cruse, Jarrod Lee Cruse, Jarrod Tibbs, Daniel Brown, Scott Ballard, Mike Johnson, David Sibert, David Pruitt, Brian Hiander, coach Greg Letcher.

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