

### Lady Jackets ride strong beginning to a second straight 20 win season

**Game One**  
Nicholas County 49  
at Bourbon County 41

**PARIS** — The Lady Bluejackets defeated Lady Golden's for the first time in NCAS history. Both teams turned the ball over and shot less than 30 percent from the free throw line, but the Lady Jackets were able to hold on to the game with a tough last four games.

Tacy Earlywine led the Jackets with 19 points, the only Nicholas County player in double figures.

Ken Dentons dominated the boards with 11 rebounds in the first three quarters.

Cochs Barbara Kenney said the game was a chance for her young team to experiment with different defenses.

"We will get better after this game. It's a big lesson to beat Bourbon County, especially on the road in your season opener, for the first time ever."

**Game Two**  
Nicholas County 78  
at Saint Patrick 14

**CARLISLE** — The Lady Jackets, led by smaller and less experienced Lady Scouts to claim their second win of the season. The Jackets were without two players, Nikki Spoor and Tamara Longford, but never missed a beat in getting the job done.

The Lady Jackets put the game away early, leading out to a 30-2 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Cochs Barbara Kenney frequented her bench, but the Lady Scouts could not gain any ground.

Earlywine led the Jackets with 16 points, Kim Dentons and Kristi Barton also scored in double figures with 10 points each.

**Game Three**  
Harrison County 62  
at Nicholas County 95

**CARLISLE** — The Nicholas County Lady Bluejackets blasted the Filles in the home opener.

Harrison County fell behind by 27 points in the first half, and the Nicholas County bench kept the Filles at bay the rest of the way.

The Lady Jackets hit the 30 points mark when Alicia Skart

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carried a pair of free throws in the game's final seconds.

Tacy Earlywine led the Jackets in scoring for the third straight game with a season high 20 points.

Signed her team's concentration.

"I hope we don't look past some of these teams. We have a real problem concentrating for an entire 32 minutes."

**Game Four**  
Nicholas County 81  
at Mason County 48

**MAVSVILLE** — The Lady Jackets pulled off another easy win over the Lady Royals to close the season with a 4-0 mark.

Mason County did loose all turnovers, but the Lady Jackets managed to lead from wire to wire.

**Game Six**  
Nicholas County 62  
at Montgomery 48

**MOUNT STERLING** — The Lady Jackets won a barn burner against 10th Region contender Lady Indians.

It was the first meeting between the two teams since the Jackets' shocking win in the semi-finals of the 1990 regional tournament.

The Lady Royals did pull within three points late in the third quarter, but the Nicholas County defense picked up the pace to hold the Royals on the offensive side of the floor.

Earlywine again paced the Bluejacket's offense with 24 points.

Both teams started the game cold, but the Lady Jackets were able to cling to a one point lead by the end of the third quarter.

The Lady Jackets won the game with defense and good free throw shooting to hand the Lady Indians their first loss of the year.

A proud Barbara Kenney summed up her team's effort.

"This is the best team we've played all season. Our girls played good defense and really stuck out when the going got tough. I'm very proud of them."

**Game Five**  
Menifee County 36  
at Nicholas County 77

**CARLISLE** — The Lady Jackets rolled all over the hapless Lady Cats to claim their fifth win in as many contests.

Nicholas County led the game from start to finish by averaging the Menifee ball-handlers for 19 first half turnovers.

**Game Seven**  
(Mount Olive) Denting 48  
at Nicholas County 57

**CARLISLE** — The Denting Lady Devils kept fighting back at

Tacy Earlywine led the Jackets in scoring with 22 points and Kim Dentons continued to dominate the boards for 19 rebounds.

Cochs Barbara Kenney was pleased with the win, but ques

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