

Lady Jackets

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 night long, but Kim Dinkins and the Lady Jackets managed to shake Danning.
 The game played to a 44-44 standoff midway in the final period. The Lady Jackets used key free throws by Tacy Earlywine and Nikki Smoot to win the game.
 Dinkins led the jackets with 22 points and a game high 16 rebounds.
 Earlywine also placed in double figures with 16 points.

Game Eight
Nicholas County 61
Sacred Heart 54
 LOUISVILLE — The Nicholas County Lady Bluejackets rolled all over Sacred Heart to advance to the quarter finals. The jackets were able to pull on top early in the fourth quarter. Christie Hatton insured their win by hitting nine of 10 free throws in the Kim Dinkins and Tacy Earlywine led for high scoring honors with 16 points each.
 Coach Kenney was proud of her young squad.
 "It's a terrific experience to be playing in a tournament with defending state champion Henry Clay and three other teams ranked in the state.
 It's a good time for Nicholas County basketball."


Game Nine
Louisville Male Invitational Tournament Quarter-Finals
Nicholas County 57
Louisville Assumption 45
 LOUISVILLE — The Lady Jackets advanced to the final four by shooting state power Assumption despite falling behind for much of the first half.
 The jackets went into the locker room at the half trailing by six, 28-22, but Nicholas County was able to come out of the break and make several easy baskets down the stretch.
 Tacy Earlywine led the winners with a game high 16 points. Freshman center Kim Dinkins had eight points to complement her 13 rebounds.
 The Lady Jackets, usually hampered by poor free throw shooting, continued to find the charity shots in the tournament. Nicholas County shot over 70 percent in the tournament's first two games.

Game 10
Louisville Male Invitational Tournament Semi-Finals
Nicholas County 59
Oakham County 60
 LOUISVILLE — Nicholas County fell short for its first loss of the season.
 Oakham County, the perennial power from the 8th Region, was ranked as the top seed in Kentucky.
 Of the first four teams in the tournament, Nicholas, Oakham, Henry Clay, and Graves County, Nicholas was the only team not the top 20.
 Kim Dinkins led the jackets with 17 points while Christie Hatton finished with 14 points. Tacy Earlywine also finished in double figures with 12 points.
 Dinkins was Nicholas County's lone selection on the all-tournament team.

Game 11
at Nicholas County 52
Carlsle 44
 CARLSLE — The Lady Jackets fell for the second straight game and suffered their worst loss of the season at the hands of the Lady Oxhounds.
 The Hounds led from start to finish by taking up the defense and taking advantage of poor Nicholas County shooting.
 Kim Dinkins paced the jackets at the lone score in double figures. Dinkins scored 25 points and hauled down 15 rebounds.

Game 12
Nicholas County 53
at Powell County 55
 STANTON — Nicholas County overcame the Lady Pirates' blowdown game to get back on the winning track.
 The Lady Jackets rolled out to a 14-4 lead at the end of the opening period and never looked back.
 The Powell County defense did keep the offense off balance, but the Nicholas County inside game was just too much for the out-manned Pirates.
 Nikki Smoot came alive in the second half to lead all scorers with 17 points. Christie Hatton also scored in double digits with 14.

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Game 13
Nicholas County 54
at Jessamine County 41
 NICHOLASVILLE — The Lady Jackets erupted in the second quarter on a 16-2 tear in putting the Lady Colts out to pasture. The Colts were able to keep the game close in the first period, but the tandem of Nikki Smoot and Christie Hatton proved too much for Jessamine County.
 Despite bad fouling, Smoot poured in eight points and notched six assists while Hatton scored 13.
 Center Kim Dinkins led all scorers with 20 points and crunched the boards for 21 rebounds.

Game 14
Bourbon County 36
at Nicholas County 54
 CARLSLE — The Lady Jackets closed the season opener with no fluke by pouncing the Lady Colobins.
 Kim Dinkins put together the best game of her young career. Dinkins went six of six from the floor and four of four along the charity stripe to total 16 points. She also came away with 16 rebounds, four steals, two assists, and three blocked shots.
 Three other players also scored in double figures.
 Tacy Earlywine scored 12 and Nikki Smoot and Christie Hatton scored 10 points each.

Game 15
Bracken County 55
at Nicholas County 69
 CARLSLE — The Lady Jackets handed the Lady Bears only their second loss of the year with their 16th straight victory. Nicholas County out scored Bracken 19-2 in the game's final minute to the game away.
 Bracken County, the eventual 10th Region All A champions and state team finalists, fell behind 8-6 at the 1:20 mark in the opening period and never held the lead again.
 Kim Dinkins continued her string of solid performances by scoring 28 points and grabbing 13 rebounds.
 Coach Barbara Kenney had nothing but good things to say about her jackets.
 "They were ranked above us in the region, had more experience, and had a size advantage, but we never folded."
 "They were 12-1 and started four seasons. It's a big win for our girls."

Game 16
Nicholas County 45
at Augusta 23
 The Lady Jackets were able to pull away from the Lady Panthers' slow down attack to post the win.
 The jackets were held to only 21 points in the second half, but the Nicholas County's defense stepped up to the challenge to keep Augusta's three point threats at bay.
 Nikki Smoot led all scorers with 13 points as well as recording several key assists.
 Kim Dinkins also scored in double figures with 10 points to get the win.
 Coach Kenney was not pleased with the efforts, but the girls "We just couldn't find the range. They did well against us. I'm just happy to get the win."

Game 17
10th Region All A Classic Quarter-Finals
Nicholas County 61
Bath County 42
 PARIS — The Lady Jackets exploded for the game's final 17 points to shock the Lady Wildcats.
 Bath County stayed close all night long and even managed to grab the lead late in the fourth quarter, but the late rally and the game out of reach.
 The jackets, despite playing without an injured Nikki Smoot, managed to get the ball up and down the court with ease against the Wildcats' press.
 Kim Dinkins continued her hot hand by scoring 25 points, grabbing 15 rebounds, and recording seven blocked shots.

Game 18
10th Region All A Classic Semi-Finals
Nicholas County 49
at Paris 52
 PARIS — This lady jackets hit the hot line in the second round, but the second to Paris, when a late comeback attempt fell short.
 The lady jackets never led in the game, and trailed by a score of 10-2 after only two minutes of play.
 Paris, leading by as many as 13 in the third quarter, saw the Lady Jackets hit one of the straight points to end the ball game and keep the score respectable.

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