

JAWS

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a team that didn’t make the playoffs the previous year.

“Herb knew they could be really good,” Maynard recalled. “The other coaches were into it. They talked to the team and told them they were thinking about it. The team wanted to do it. Of course, 18-year-olds would want that nickname. Herb told them that they need to live up to it. If you do this, you need to live up to it. They proved it early in the season. They didn’t give them the name until they upset No. 1 Bryan Station in the second week of the season. They did it with defense. After that, it took off. They just annihilated people. The offense was good too. It wasn’t solely built on defense.”

Maynard said the personal connection to the team was the main reason he wrote the book. He also knew the team’s connection to the community. The players bleed maroon. They grew up on their streets. They were friends with their kids. They called Ashland home.

“The team holds special memories for me,” Maynard said. “They were a bunch of fun guys. They weren’t prima donnas or anything like that at all. They were respected. They were all Ashland kids. There were no recruits or transfers that came in to help them. They were Ashland kids, and that made it more special. It’s why the community wrapped their arms around them. They loved them. They had the band play the JAWS theme when the defense came on the field. The place was packed every Friday night.”

The postseason included a long cross-state trip to Paducah for the at-large state championship. It would be a six-hour bus ride, but the town had other plans. The community raised money for a Southern Airways flight so they could arrive for the biggest game of the season in just 60 minutes.

Maynard has many of these stories inside the new book. It speaks highly of a group and a team that people are still talking about them a half century later.

“This team did a lot of firsts,” Maynard said. “It was a fun book to write, and it was fun to revisit those games again. I had been planning to write this book for 10 years. The team was adored in Ashland.

“I have thought so much about this book for so many years that the words just came out,” he added. “I knew the games, and I knew what had happened. We have stats in the back of the book. The cover has the iconic picture of that team. I really enjoyed writing it. I have written so many stories, but books have a different excitement. You try to make it as perfect as can be.”

“The Boys They Call JAWS” will be released in late September. Readers can preorder a softback or hardback edition of the book. The link can be found on Maynard’s Facebook page.

DEVILS

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McAllister said. “The freshman, the sophomores and the juniors that are out there have experience. They have played so much, and they can settle in. I am very blessed to be on such an experienced team. The juniors and seniors were able to settle them down at halftime, and the coaches can just come in and talk strategy.”

Boyd County coach Olivia Pennington takes a different approach with her young team. Most are beginning their soccer careers and will grow by playing a tough opponent in a tournament atmosphere.

“Seventeen of our 28 players didn’t even play for me last year, so we’ve been focusing a lot defensively and building things,” Pennington said. “We went into this game knowing that we may not be able to score a lot because we haven’t trained enough offensively. We thought if we

can keep them out of the back as we did in the first half, we can maybe get one in over the top.”

The offensive transition period following Faith Burnside’s graduation remains ongoing. The former Lions striker tallied 90 goals during the previous two seasons. Boyd County (3-2) can rely on a dependable keeper, and Pennington said the attitudes and results have been positive.

“The girls have heard a lot lately that they were just one player last year,” Pennington said. “With us moving forward, we have scored five and six goals on some teams. ... We’ve had 10 different players that have scored so far in four games. We are new, and I think we are in a good place. In this game, especially in the first half, that is a good team over there, and we can hang.

“Emilee (Bush) was solid,” she added about her keeper. “We kind of hung her out to dry there. She got some one-on-ones there, and those are hard on a keeper. Anything in

the air, she was solid. She’s getting more vocal. She’s a key factor for us moving forward.”

A scoreless tie remained until a timely through ball found the feet of Barker midway through the second half. She sprinted to the goal and found the net inside the far post in the 56th minute.

Ramey connected on a 35-yard free kick just three minutes later to build the Red Devils’ lead. The junior also contributed an assist.

Barker used her speed and instincts to add a late goal and put the match out of reach.

“We just had to pull the defense out,” Barker said. “We had our center back step up. We just played with more intensity and put our heart out on the field.”

McAllister said the ongoing message was patience, but the words of encouragement from the sideline came from another well-informed source.

“Coach Pennington had a great game plan of stopping our vertical run,”

McAllister said. “It wasn’t falling, but we wanted to continue to go to the well. The problem was that we needed to be patient. The message came from Sophia. It’s great to be able to come to the sideline and not have to say something and realize that I’m the echo. They worked the ball around and took advantage of opportunities.”

Russell (5-0) advances to the semi-state round of the Kentucky 2A Tournament. The match is scheduled for Sept. 12. The opponent and venue will be determined at a later date.

McAllister feels that playing a familiar district opponent for a crown early in the season can be an important moment.

“It’s a historic rivalry,” McAllister said. “The girls had this one circled, along with the one in late September. It’s fun as a coach to step into this rivalry, watch the girls have a good time, and now, for it to mean something being in the 2A. Districts mean everything too, but having this extra tournament is awesome for them.”

SPORTS ON THE AIR

TODAY
AUTO RACING
7:30 p.m. — NASCAR Cup Series: Coke Zero Sugar 400, Daytona International Speedway, Daytona Beach, Fla.NBC
COLLEGE FOOTBALL
Noon — North Carolina vs. TCU, DublinESPN
3 p.m. — San Jose St. at Southern Cal.....NBC
3:30 p.m. — NC State at Virginia.....ESPN
7 p.m. — Hawaii at Stanford ACCN
7 p.m. — New Mexico St. at Florida St.CW
7 p.m. — East Texas A&M at Mercer.....ESPN
10 p.m. — Memphis vs. UNLV, Las Vegas..... FOX
LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL
12:30 p.m. — Little League World Series: Willemstad, Curaçao vs. Tokyo, International Championship, South Williamsport, Pa.ABC
3:30 p.m. — Little League World Series: Henderson, Nev. vs. Hamilton, Ohio, United States Championship, South Williamsport, Pa.ABC
MLB
1 p.m. — Boston at N.Y. Yankees — Game 1MLBN

2:20 p.m. — Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs REDS.TV
4 p.m. — Colorado at AtlantaMLBN
7 p.m. — Boston at N.Y. Yankees — Game 2 FOX
WNBA
1 p.m. — Chicago at New York..... CBS
SUNDAY
LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL
3 p.m. — Little League World Series: TBD, Championship, South Williamsport, Pa.ABC
MLB
Noon — Miami at Washington (12:15 p.m.)NBCSN
1:30 p.m. — San Diego at Tampa BayMLBN
3 p.m. — Houston at N.Y. Mets (3:10 p.m.).....NBC
7 p.m. — Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs (7:20 p.m.)NBC
TENNIS
Noon — U.S. Open, First Round, New YorkABC
7 p.m. — ATP/WTA: U.S. Open, First Round, New York..ESPN
MONDAY
MLB
6:30 p.m. — Miami at Washington (6:45 p.m.) FS1
6:40 p.m. — SanDiego at Cincinnati REDS.TV

Greenup working through volleyball situation

BY AARON SNYDER

THE DAILY INDEPENDENT

The Greenup County School District posted a letter from its superintendent Thursday regarding “concerns involving financial activities associated with our high school volleyball program.”

Superintendent Steve Hall said the concerns are currently under review, “and the matter remains part of an ongoing investigation.”

Because the investigation is an ac-

tive personnel and financial matter, “the district is limited in the information it can share at this time,” Hall wrote. “We are committed to ensuring the matter is reviewed thoroughly and appropriately while also respecting applicable personnel and privacy requirements.”

“As the review continues, the district will share additional information when it is appropriate and legally permissible to do so,” Hall added. “... Our immediate priority is supporting

our student-athletes and families and ensuring continuity for the volleyball program.”

Greenup County’s volleyball program is moving forward without the head coach it originally had to begin the season.

Assistant coach Devin Forest, who was a volleyball standout at Ironton from where she graduated in 2022, is taking the reins of the program with help from Chelsea Delong, the school’s athletic director, according to Gree-

nup County High School Principal Anthony Thompson.

The Musketeers defeated Raceland, 3-1 (25-17, 25-16, 23-25, 25-5), on Thursday. Greenup County is now 3-2 on the season. It will travel to Fairview on Thursday, Sept. 3.

“We have an exceptionally strong group of seniors,” Thompson said. “Devin is extremely bright and talented. She’s been working with the JV program and has been effective, and the girls like her a ton.”

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE		LEGAL NOTICE			
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY ASHLAND DIVISION		NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF BOYD			
IN RE: AW FARMS, LLC CASE NO. 26-10215-dll CHAPTER 11 — SUBCHAPTER V NOTICE OF SALE		I, Mary Hall Sergeant, Clerk of the Boyd District Court, certify that the following have been appointed fiduciaries. Creditors having claims against said estates must file same with fiduciary within (6) six months from date of appointment.			
Pursuant to an Order of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, AW Farms, LLC is soliciting bids for the sale of substantially all of its assets pursuant to § 363 of the Bankruptcy Code.		DATE OF			
	CASE#	APPT.	ESTATE	FIDUCIARY	ATTORNEY
The assets include the Debtor’s real estate, the Meat House, equipment, machinery, inventory, customer lists, intellectual property, goodwill, and other business assets. The sale is subject to Court-approved Bidding Procedures and final approval by the Bankruptcy Court.	17-P-188	08/10/2026	Rechilda Hardin	Douglas Schaiper	
	26-P-264	08/21/2026	Sandra Kirk	Karla Kirk	Derik Taylor
	26-P-265	07/28/2026	Thurley Randall Cooper	Charlene Cooper	Richaard W. Martin
	26-P-268	08/03/2026	Claudia Williams Bevins	Joseph Bevins	
	26-P-270	07/28/2026	Caroline Burton	James Burton	
	26-P-271	07/29/2026	James William Elliott	Tammy Ann Elliott	M. Kevin Lett
	26-P-272	07/31/2026	Ada Pauline Botts	Nathaniel Hall	Bruce Blackburn
	26-P-273	08/03/2026	Norita Phyllis Ruggles	Michael Ruggles	
	26-P-274	07/31/2026	Mary Gibson	Nancy Turnmyer	
	26-P-276	08/03/2026	James Coursey	Anna Coursey	C. David Mussetter
BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 22, 2026 AT 5:00 P.M. EASTERN TIME.	26-P-277	08/06/2026	Edward Hiley Monk	Robert Charles Monk	Alyssa Thompson
	26-P-278	08/05/2026	Jeanelle Roberts	Timothy S. Roberts	
If more than one Qualified Bid is received, an Auction will be held September 25, 2026. The Sale Hearing is scheduled for October 14, 2026.	26-P-279	08/07/2026	Margaret Frances Barbar	Cheryle Melvin	Wendell Roberts
	26-P-280	08/06/2026	Carl Richard Malone	Verna Malone	
	26-P-282	08/07/2026	Forest Wireman	Sherry Roberts	Patrick Hedrick
	26-P-284	08/07/2026	Harriet C. Scott	Kelly Ackerson	Kimberly McCann
Interested parties may obtain additional information, bidding procedures, related court orders, sale documents, and access to due diligence materials by contacting:	26-P-287	08/14/2026	Darith Jill McGuire	Cecilia Jill Lambert	Audelia Francis
	26-P-288	08/11/2026	Cindy Jackson	Bryan Newman	
J. Christian Dennery, Esq. Dennery, PLLC 7310 Turfway Road, Suite 550 Florence, Kentucky 41042 jc@dennerypllc.com	26-P-290	08/12/2026	David Ray Gullett	Michael D. Gullett	
	26-P-293	08/12/2026	Aaron Anthony Blair	Lenore Williams	Pamela Potter
	26-P-294	08/13/2026	Sarah Fritz	Bill Thomas Fritz	Michael W. Hobbs
	26-P-296	08/21/2026	Nathan Alan Gray	Larry Ross Gray	Theodore B. Walter, Sr.
	26-P-303	08/21/2026	Virginia Collinsworth	Vicki Stewart	James P. Stavros
				Kelly Chandler	
All bids and participation in the sale process are subject to the Court-approved Bidding Procedures.	26-P-304	08/21/2026	Ronald Lee Hall	Jennifer Alexander	Earl Rogers III
	26-P-309	08/21/2026	Maurice Ann Smith	Larry Smith, Jr.	
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