



The season for high school volleyball and football is in full swing, and middle school is ramping up for girls’ basketball and football. All of them were in action this past week, and things are looking good.

We will start the review of the week with LCHS volleyball, as Coach Bentley had a busy week. Normally, the volleyball team has two to three games in a week, but this week they had five matches thanks to the 16th Region All “A” Classic. They started the week on August 25, hosting a tough Fairview Eagles team, and lost 3-2. Then, on August 26, they played Fleming County at home and won 3-2. The next night, August 27, they traveled to Grayson to play the East Carter Lady Raiders and won 3-1.

On Saturday, August 29, the Lady Lions traveled to Raceland to play in their first-ever All “A” Classic. They were matched up with Menifee County in the first round of play. The tournament is single-elimination with three-set matches. The Lady Lions defeated Menifee County in the first round, 2-0. That then matched them up with host school Raceland. The Lady Lions played well but ended up losing to the eventual 16th Region champions, 2-1. All in all, not a bad week for the Lady Lions, who are now 4-3 on the season.

Next, let’s talk about those Lewis County football teams. The high school traveled to West Liberty to take on the Morgan County Cougars. Coach Dalton Stamm’s young men came home with the victory, win-

ning 12-8, and are now 2-0 early in the season. Defense looks to be their calling card, and if the defense plays well, we should be in most of our games. This is the first time the team has started 2-0 since the 2013 season. The Lions will be home this Friday to take on the Nicholas County Blue-jackets, with kickoff at 7:30 p.m. Hope to see you there.

The LCMS football teams also played this past week, taking on the East Carter Raiders. Coach Cody Fite has over 40 young men out this year and is excited about how they should compete this season. This past Thursday, they hosted the Raiders and split the games. The first game was the seventh-grade game, and East Carter came away with the victory, 24-6. However, in the nightcap, the Lions’ eighth-grade team beat the Raiders by a score of 26-16. Both teams looked good and played hard.

Now, some BT’s Tidbits:

- Football will once again be having the “Yard Line Sale” as a fundraiser for the team. The gist is that you pay \$25 and are given a random yard line on the field for the season. If the ball is on that yard line at the end of the first or third quarter, you win some money. There are only 99 numbers, so get yours soon. Call me at (606) 541-0305 to get yours today.

- Good to see one of my old teammates at the Morgan County game, Joe Gilliam. Joe was an outstanding athlete at LCHS in the late seventies and was the anchor of the ’78 5-3 defense, playing middle linebacker. Joe has the

distinction of being named honorable mention All-State as both a linebacker and an offensive tackle. He still looks like he could play a few downs.

- Remember that you can reach out to me with comments and suggestions by email at epb_billtom_stone@hotmail.com or by phone at (606) 541-0305. I look forward to hearing from you guys with information and ideas.

- I know that a lot of people keep up with our teams using the KHSAA/Riherds Scoreboard, and that feature is no longer available. However, the Kentucky High School Athletic Association has started a new partnership with ArbiterSports to help keep fans up to date. Just go to the KHSAA website and follow the Scoreboard. I’m still getting used to it, but it is better than nothing, and after we figure it out, it may be even better.

I’m not sure how many people took the time to have their child read “The Man in the Arena,” but I hope you encouraged them to become active in school. They have many opportunities to get involved. Ask a coach about coming out, and I know they will help your child get involved.

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Lewis County Comes Storming Back for Season-Opening Victory

By Bill Tom Stone

The longest journey starts with a single step. For the Lewis County Lions on Friday night in Olive Hill, the first step for the program was victory.

The Lions overcame an 18-7 halftime deficit with the help of two long touchdown runs from Braylon Puente in the second half and held off West Carter, 20-18, to win the fourth annual Beckham Bowl. The victory was the first in the career of head coach Dalton Stamm and the first for the program since a 50-8 win over Bath County on Sept. 22, 2023, a span of 25 games.

“We told our guys at half that if we continued to play hard and stick to our game plan, we could win this game,” Stamm said.

That is exactly what happened. During the third quarter, both teams found it hard to move the ball, and going into the fourth quarter, the Lions still trailed.

Then, as though from an old UK playbook with Lynn Bowden at QB, the Lions started running what WKKS play-by-play announcer Seth Wallingford called the “Bray-Cat.” Puente lined up at QB, took the snap and raced 63 yards for a touchdown. The extra point failed, and with 7:25 left in the game, the Lions trailed 18-13. It was now up to the defense to get the ball back, and that they did, forcing the Comets to punt after only three plays.

The Lions wasted little time as they once again lined up in the Bray-Cat, and Puente rambled down the field, avoiding would-be tacklers for a 65-yard TD. McCray added the extra point, and with 5:11 left, the Lions led 20-18. Though Puente carried the ball only

five times, he made each one count as he finished with 170 yards.

The game was still undecided as the Comets moved the ball down the field to the Lions’ 25-yard line, where they turned it over on downs.

Still, there was 2:10 left on the clock, the Lions needed a first down, and West had a timeout. The task looked even more difficult after the Lions received a 15-yard penalty and, with 1:38 remaining in the game, faced a third-and-28. Once again under center at QB, Puente wouldn’t be denied as he took the ball and raced 35 yards for a first down to seal the win.

The season started out as many of Lewis County’s games have in the past, with West Carter’s Westin Kiser scoring on a 71-yard QB draw on the Comets’ first possession. The extra-point attempt failed, and with the season barely two minutes old, the Lions trailed 6-0.

From there, though, the Lions righted the ship defensively, holding West Carter to 12 more points. In the previous nine games against the Comets, all losses, the Lewis County defense had surrendered an average of 43 points per game. With each stop, the defense gained confidence and took control after Kiser exited the game in the second half with an injury.

“All week we had worked on gap integrity, and tonight these young men showed you what that means,” Stamm said. “I’m proud of these young men not because of the win alone, but because of the job they did executing our game plan.”

But even with the great effort of the defense, Comets running back Nathaniel Hale scored on a 5-yard run with 1:31 remaining in the half to

put the Comets up 12-0 as the extra point failed once again.

On the ensuing kickoff, the Lions fumbled, and West Carter recovered on the Lions’ 38-yard line. On the next play, however, Jaidence Cottingham gave the Lions another chance with an interception at the Lions’ 31-yard line. The pick was one of five takeaways the Lions forced on the night.

Aaden Bloomfield and Puente hooked up on two great plays to take the Lions to the promised land just before the half. The first was a 38-yard pass on a post route from Bloomfield to Puente to move the Lions to the Comets’ 31-yard line, and the second was an 18-yard TD pass to put the Lions on the board. Tyson McCray added the extra point to make it 12-7 with 17.8 seconds remaining in the first half. Bloomfield finished 10-of-17 for 88 yards and a touchdown.

But the half was not over. After a muffed kickoff, the Comets needed just three plays to score, this time on a 20-yard pass from Westin Kiser to Jordan Barker for an 18-7 halftime lead.

The Lions are 2-0 for the first time since 2013. Friday night, they will try for a three-game winning streak when they take on Nicholas County at home.

District Court

**Hon. Paul E. Craft
Hon. Benjamin L. Harrison
County Attorney
August 25, 2026**

Charles Hall. Other hearing. 9/1. No bond.

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Charles E. Hall. Other hearing. (1)No/expired registration plates. (2)No/expired Kentucky registration receipt. (3)Failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, 1st. (4)Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. (5)Failure to wear seat belts. 9/1.

Charles E. Hall. Other hearing. (1)Escaping contents, shifting/spilling loads. (2)Failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security 1st. (3)No operators/moped license. (4)No/expired registration plates. 9/1.

Charles Eugene Hall. Other hearing. (1)No/expired Kentucky registration receipt. (2)No/expired registration plates. (3)Improper registration plate. (4)Failure to produce insurance card. (5)Failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, 1st. (6)Failure to wear seat belt. (7)Operating on suspended/revoked operators license. (8)Failure to register transfer of motor vehicle. 9/1.

Shawn Bruce Meadows. Other hearing. Amend bond OR. 180 days contempt. C/D 2 yrs. 6 month outpatient.

Casandra L. Pickard. Arraignment. OPER MV U/INFL ALC-1st. Amend to Agg. 30 serve 4 balance C/D 2 yrs. \$250 fine. No violations. Set for 9/1.

Brian K. Bonner. Diversion completion. Redocket.

Garry Holsinger. Arraignment. Terroristic threatening, 3rd degree. Pled Not Guilty (PNG). No contact. 9/22.

Betty Lore. Arraignment. Local county ordinance. PNG. 9/22.

Joseph A. Martin. Diversion completion. Dismiss.

Bretton Kyle McKinney. Arraignment. (1)Failure to produce insurance card. (2)License plate not legible. (3)Failure owner to maintain required insurance/security 1st. Amend to 2nd offense. PNG. 9/22.

Aaron H. Peeno. Diversion completion. Dismiss. Amara N. Warnock. Expungement. Sustained.

Robert L. Armstrong. Show cause. Amount due: \$2098.00. 11/24.

Kimberly Dawn Bare. Show cause. Amount due: \$293.00. 6 days serve out.

Luke Blazer. Show cause. Amount due: \$903.00. 2/23.

Cheryl Butler. Show cause. Amount due: \$559.00. Waive fines and cost.

Christopher J. Cooper. Show cause. Amount due: \$633.00. 90 days. C/D. 13 days WF.

Austin L. Fithen. Show

cause. Amount due: BW.

\$973.00. FTA. BW.

Trey A. Flinders. Show

cause. Amount due: \$475.00. Waive cost and fines.

Corey Daniel Foreman. Show cause. Amount due: \$923.00. Must be paid in full by 2/23.

Perry Knell. Show cause. Amount due: \$245.50. FTA. BW.

Perry Knell. Show cause. Amount due: \$243.00. FTA. BW.

Perry W. Knell. Show cause. Amount due: \$1400.70. FTA. BW.

Perry Wayne Knell. Show cause. Amount due: \$243.00. FTA. BW.

Nathan C. Lumpkins. Show cause. Amount due: \$398.00. FTA. BW.

Russell Martin. Show cause. Amount due: \$633.00. 2/23.

Russell S. Martin. Show cause. Amount due: \$1611.45. 2/23.

Russell Stuart Martin. Show cause. Amount due: \$318.00. 2/23.

Angela S. Mosley. Show cause. Amount due: \$423.00. 2/23.

Angie S. Mosley. Show cause. Amount due: \$242.12. 2/23.

Eddy Mount. Show cause. Amount due: \$323.00. FTA. BW.

Eddy W. Mount Jr. Show cause. Amount due: \$143.00. FTA. BW.

Harold Potter. Show cause. Amount due: \$2079.00. FTA. BW.

Harold Potter III. Show cause. Amount due: \$303.00. FTA. BW.

Micah Chane Smith. Show cause. Amount due: \$153.00. FTA. BW.

Jesse Paul Super. Show cause. Amount due: \$973.00. 19 days serve out. Credit for 16 days.

Christa Lasha Wilburn. Show cause. \$523.00. Serve out 10 days.

Paul A. Wright. Show cause. Amount due: \$4559.58. 2/23.

Tony Bevins. Pretrial conference. (1)Resisting arrest. (2)Resisting Arrest. 9/1.

Dustin E. Cottingham. Revocation hearing. FTA.

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Dustin Eugene Cottingham. Revocation hearing. FTA. BW.

Kodi Hackworth. Pretrial conference. TBUT or DISP all others. 9/1.

Jess W. Insko. Pretrial conference. (1)OPER MV U/INFL ALC/SUBS - 1st. (2)Endangering the welfare of a minor. 9/8.

Kayla Kilgore. Pretrial conference. Non support. Dismissed.

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Yasmine R. Lightner. Pretrial conference. (1)OPER MV U/INFL ALC .08 1ST. (2)Endangering the welfare of a minor. (3)Failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security 1st. (4)No/expired registration plates. 9/8.

Brianna M. Luther. Motion hour. OPER MV U/INFL ALC/SUBS - 1st.

Mark McElfresh. Pretrial conference. Assault 4th degree - child abuse. SB90. 12 month agreement.

Tommy Potter Jr. Preliminary hearing. Criminal mischief, 1st degree. Waived PH. Grand Jury.

Tommy R. Potter Jr. Pretrial conference. (1)Assault 4th degree no visible injury. (2)Terroristic threatening, 3rd degree. 11/3.

Tommy Ray Potter. Preliminary hearing. Criminal mischief, 1st degree. Waived PH. Grand Jury.

Ricky Dale Salyer. Pretrial conference. (1)Possess open alcohol beverage container in a motor vehicle. (2)OPER MV U/INFL ALC .08 - 1st. (3)Failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, 1st. (4)All terrain vehicle violations. 3/19. Status 9/22.

Thomas Stanton. Revocation hearing. Amount due: \$778.00. 9/22.

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