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According to Mike Reed, MDC fisheries management biologist, fishing has been variable this winter due to weather extremes.

"If the lakes don't freeze, we should have an excellent opener to the trout harvest season at both lakes," Reed said.

Reed said MDC stocked trout in November at the start of the catch-and-release season.

"These fish provide a tremendous amount of fishing opportunity through the fall and winter months when warm water fishing is at a lull," Reed said, adding that in addition to catchable-size fish, a few "lunker" trout were also stocked at each lake.

Perryville's Legion Lake is the newest addition to the popular winter trout fishing locations in Southeast Missouri and has quickly become popular with local anglers reported Paul Cieslewicz, MDC fisheries management biologist.

Reed reminds anglers they must release trout caught now through Jan. 31.

Anglers age 16-64 must have a valid Missouri fishing permit and a trout permit to harvest trout. The limit is four trout and any lure or bait is allowed.

"An amazing number of trout can typically be caught the first week of trout harvest season," Cieslewicz said.

Many anglers frequently catch limits of trout using light weight or ultra-light fishing tackle or fly tackle. Cieslewicz recommends anglers use 2-4 lb. test line, small hooks and little or no added weight to their line. Popular baits include almost any type of small spinner, small crank baits, natural baits such as worms and cheese and commercially produced dough baits.

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Dexter, Missouri - The Dexter Bearcats boys basketball team won their 8th straight game defeating rival Puxico Indians with five double-digit scorers to a dominating 75-45 win on Tuesday evening.

"It was a good win for us," stated Dexter coach Josh Dowdy. "We came in here against a Puxico team with a couple nice players and we were wanting to neutralize those guys from a defensive stand point. I feel like we got that job done."

Levi Woods proved to be Puxico's top player as he is their primary scorer, but was held scoreless in the first half and only three points the entire game.

"Levi scored almost 90 points in three games at the Bloomfield Christmas Tournament," Dowdy said. "We felt like if we could take him away it would make them do some things they are not used to doing on offense. Hats off to Clay Mullins, Ben Sindle, and Dawson Kasting. We had to throw about everyone we had on the bench at them."

Dexter led 42 -17 at the half.

"They played zone in the first quarter and we got off to a slow start, but we picked it up," continued Dowdy. "They switched to man and we ran our stuff real well. We mixed a bunch of kids in the game tonight and were still able to run our offense real well. That was neat to see."

Puxico rallied in the third quarter had the Indians within 22 points, but a comeback was not in the cards.

Dexter scored seven straight points at the beginning of the fourth quarter to push their lead by 29 points.

Matt Bollinger led Puxico with 16 points. Dalton King recorded 14 points. Levi Woods, Shane Haynes, and Braiden Jones each contributed one 3-pointer each.

Junior Gabe Jackson and Ben Sindle finished with game-high 18 points each with Jackson recording 13 rebounds.

Sindle recorded all his points on six treys.

Jason Jarrell tallied 14 points, Clay Mullins and Dawson Kasting added 10 points each.

Dexter (10-5) on the season will face Puxico again in the first round of the SCAA Tournament on Monday at 7:00 p.m. at the Bloomfield High School gym. Dexter earned the #2 seed while Puxico received the #7 seed.

On Friday, Dexter will travel to New Madrid County Central high school. The Bearcats fell to NMCC 50-36 in the SEMO Conference Tournament at Sikeston early in the season.

"I want to think we are a better team now than we were at that time," stated Dowdy. "We need to go down there and play well. I told the kids this game was a big test to get us ready for Friday."

Final Score Dexter 75, Puxico 45

Puxico 10 7 10 18 - 45

Dexter 16 26 14 19 - 75

Puxico (45) - Levi Woods 3, Shane Haynes 3, Braiden Jones 5, Dalton King 14, Brady Hart 2, Brent Geohagan 2, Matt Bollinger 16. FG 21, FT 0/0, F 12. (3-pointers: Woods 1, Haynes 1, Jones 1. Fouled Out: None).

Dexter (75) - Jason Jarrell 14, Ben Sindle 18, Clay Mullins 10, Dawson Kasting 10, Ryan Mayo 3, Chad Smith 3, Gabe Jackson 18. FG 31, FT 7/11, F 8. (3-pointers: Sindle 6. Fouled Out: None).

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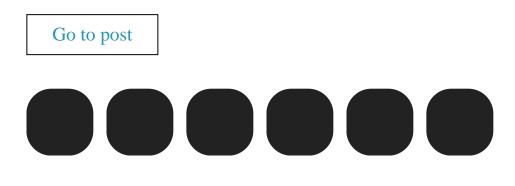
Dexter, Missouri - The Bearcat Event Center will be the location for the 2017 SEMO Regional Conference Wrestling tournament on Friday, January 20th and Saturday, January 21st.

Wrestling begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and will resume on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. Admission is \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for students.

Medals will be presented to the top 4 wrestlers and trophies will be given to the two top teams.

Schools participating are Dexter Cape Central, Farmington, Hillsboro, Jackson, New Madrid County Central, North County, Notre Dame, Kennett, Poplar Bluff, Ste. Genevieve, Sikeston, and Windsor.

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Lady Cats Take Down State Ranked Park Hills

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Park Hills, Missouri - The Lady Cats of Dexter handed the Park Hills Lady Rebels their first loss at home since 2013! Though the first half had a lot of fans praying for the Bearcats, they managed to pull it out in the fourth quarter to earn a 47 - 38 victory on the road.

"We found a way to win there at the end," commented Lady Cats coach Chad Allen. "We had a tie game there at 31-31 at the end of three. The girls did a great job defensively in the 4th quarter to get the win."

Dexter was 7/8 from the free throw line and more specifically Natalie Sitze shot 5/6 from the charity stripe.

"That was a huge thing for us, those were huge free throws and they were 1 and 1 for Natalie," stated Allen. "I thought we were more confident offensively and knocking down free throws in the fourth quarter."

"Armonette was the key to their offense and she got to the basket quite a bit, but with Riley and Hannah being in there, she couldn't do that," Allen said of Park Hills player Skyler Armonette. "I totally think our length gave them problems today. They don't have much size and we could get out and pressure and stay on shooters. We made some adjustments in the second half trying to really stay on their shooters. If they beat us off the dribble we had a big there whether it was Riley or Hannah."

"I thought we did such a better job in the second half defensively," continued Allen. "It was a very physical game between the two teams and I just can't say enough of how proud I am of these girls. They kept their composure in the first quarter down 10-2 and to come back in the fourth quarter like they did. I am just really proud of the girls to keep fighting the way they did."

"Coach Mapes does an unbelievable job with this program here and they keep better all the time," stated Allen. "They lost some key players this year, but such a great team defensively. Park Hills did an excellent job on defense. They were like hornets around Hannah (Thurmon). She got her head up and found some key players. Their game plan coming in tonight was good."

Dexter had a lot of good contributions from the bench tonight as well.

"Riley (Allen) played very well as did Maycie (Martin) and Meg (Trout). Meg got that huge 3 when we needed it," Allen said. "It just showed that our composure is good and we just keep fighting and grinding out games with our touch schedule."

Final Score Dexter 47, Park Hills 38

Dexter 11 9 11 16 - 47

Park Hills 12 9 10 7 - 38

Dexter (47) - Maycie Martin 5, Natalie Sitze 7, Meg Trout 3, Cheyenne Mosby 7, Hannah Thurmon 4, Harley Allen 3, Chaylea Mosby 18. FG 15, FT 12/14, F 11. (3-pointers: Meg Trout 1, Cheyenne Mosby 1, Harley Allen 1, Chaylea Mosby 2. Fouled Out: Hannah Thurmon).

Park Hills (38) - BreAnna Seaton 14, Caitlyn Holmes 12, Callie Thurston 1, Skyler Armonette 9, Karissa Belfield 2. FG 12, FT 8/14, F 14. (3-pointers: BreAnna Seaton 4, Skyler Armonette 2, Fouled Out: None).

Dexter will play a make-up game on Saturday at the Jackson High School against Parkway South. The JV game will begin at 9:30 with the varsity game to follow.

"They don't have a great record, but they play some great teams," Allen said of Parkway South. "They have some good guards and I hope we can get after them defensively and cause some trouble with them. We will come in with a good game plan and execute."

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Dexter Wrestling Team Shuts Down North County 54-24

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Bonne Terre, Missouri - The Dexter High School Wrestling Bearcats traveled to Bonne Terre to compete against North County, Notre Dame and Potosi High Schools Tuesday,

January 17, 2017.

The Bearcats came out on top against Potosi 39 - 24, Notre Dame 66 - 6, and North County 54 - 24.

Dexter (DEXTER) 54.00 North County (NORTHCO) 24.00

106: Travis Waldner (DEXTER) over Cody White (NORTHCO) (Fall 2:19)

113: Seth Harris (DEXTER) over (NORTHCO) (For.)

120: Dawson Jones (DEXTER) over (NORTHCO) (For.)

126: Matthew Stone (DEXTER) over Nikki Eaton (NORTHCO) (Fall 4:30)

132: Trevor McDonald (DEXTER) over Nicholas Davis (NORTHCO) (Dec 10-9)

138: Parker VanSlyke (DEXTER) over Kyle Cresswell (NORTHCO) (Dec 7-5)

145: Bobby Moore (NORTHCO) over Wyatt Chastain (DEXTER) (Fall 0:56)

152: Cole Cresswell (NORTHCO) over Austin Adams (DEXTER) (Fall 0:00)

160: Cory Ezell (DEXTER) over Jase Odle (NORTHCO) (Fall 3:11)

170: Jakob Sauvage (DEXTER) over Trevor Sutton (NORTHCO) (Fall 2:26)

182: Jett Featherston (DEXTER) over Joe Ohara (NORTHCO) (Fall 4:57)

195: Michael Allison (NORTHCO) over Corbin Strong (DEXTER) (Fall 5:19)

220: Briley Dickerson (NORTHCO) over (DEXTER) (For.)

285: Cory Holland (DEXTER) over Jacob Butler (NORTHCO) (Fall 0:48)

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