Kat Chatter

Wednesday, September 21, 2011

Thought for the day

"He who does not know how to look back at where he came from will never get to his destination."

-- Jose Rizal

KHS

Today's Athletic Events

5:00PM Boys Varsity	Tennis	Westfield	Home

THE WILDKAT

SCOREBOARD

RESULTS

Boys Soccer

Kokomo 2, Marion 1

Girls Soccer

Marion 6, Kokomo 1

Volleyball

Lafayette Jeff 3, Kokomo 0

KOKOMO WILDKATS

GIRLS SOCCER

The Lady Kats soccer team had a tough loss last night against the Lady Giants of Marion, losing 6-1.

The Kats fell behind early on 2-0 before putting up a little fight getting a goal to make it 2-1. Allison Wray hit a rocket of a corner kick to find the crashing head of Kendra Ryker.

Defensively we struggled the second half, giving up four goals. With two of our main defenders, Katie Whiteman and Anh Pham, out due to injuries, we have struggled back there finding the right combination to stopping oncoming attacks.

Becca Wade has done her best to keep the ball out of the net, but it has been a tough thing to do. Wade finished with 10 saves. – **Coach Geary**

BOYS SOCCER

It was one small step toward the NCC title but one giant step in confidence as the Kats managed to record a historic first win against the Marion Giants in Marion. Just as in the past, this was another close one for the Kats as Marion tried to mount a late comeback.

The Kats enjoyed their fair share of possession in the first half and controlled the midfield to great effect. Ting Zhou, Philip Heilman, Taylor Killings, and Tony Benedict, with Blake Brutus playing just behind the midfield, restricted the Giants with solid defensive play and some great counter attacking play.

The Kats were finally rewarded in the 15th minute when Blake Brutus connected with a perfect Jesus Rebollar corner kick. For Blake, this was a bitter sweet moment as he erased memories from the 2009 game, a double overtime loss. The goal was his seventh of the season.

With seconds remaining in the first half, the Giants failed to clear their lines. Credit to the vigilant Josh Stewart and his quick thinking; he latched onto the loose ball and guided it with delightful ease and precision into the Giants goal. It was 2-0 at the break.

The second half was going to test the Kats as the Giants went in search for their first goal. The Giants pressure meant opportunities for the Kats as the gamed went from end to end. No sooner had the Kats missed a golden opportunity to put the game to rest when the Giants pounced and punished the Kats with a decisive break in the 26th minute of the second half.

Moments later Zacc Truman would make a game saving stop to deny Marion any chance of a dramatic comeback. At the end of the day though, it was the Kats impregnable defensive unit that made the difference. Time after time in the second half, Tony Moses was called upon to make vital and telling interceptions.

It was a great game by both teams and a tantalizing sectional looms for all next month. This time though, the experienced Kats were able to hold on and win a vital NCC clash.

Go Kats!
Man of the Match: Tony Moses

– **Coach Morrison**

VOLLEYBALL

The VolleyKats took on potential sectional opponent Lafayette Jeff Tuesday night. We battled hard for two sets, then got down and fell apart in the third, losing 22-25-22-25, 12-25.

Samantha Johnson had 18 assists and nine digs, and Courtney Gilman had 13 kills. Amanda Kailey had seven kills and one block, and Kasie Hellmann led us defensively with 10 digs.

We travel to Huntington North Thursday for a conference match up with an improved Vikings team.
- Coach Watson

DID YOU KNOW?

The KHS football team plays at home Friday night against Richmond. It will be the Kats' first home game since the season opener against Mount Vernon on August 19th.

The Wildkat-Red Devil game will be the 52nd in the series.

Richmond leads the series with 34 wins to 16 for the Kats. There has been one tie.

Kokomo has won the last five games in the series.

The last time Richmond defeated Kokomo was September 23, 2005. That game was played at Walter Cross Field, and the Red Devils topped the Wildkats 27-13.

In the last five years, Kokomo has outscored Richmond 219-28. Two of the Wildkat wins were shutouts. The closest the Red Devils have been during that span was 28 points (28-0 in 2006).

The two schools have played continually since 1969.

The first game between the two schools came in the 1949 season, when Kokomo shutout Richmond by the score of 33-0.

Richmond had an 11-game winning streak against Kokomo from 1972 until 1982.

The last time Kokomo and Richmond played at Walter Cross Field, it was a 64-0 win for the Wildkats on October 9, 2009. That was Kokomo's largest margin of victory in the series.

Richmond's largest margin of victory was in 1979, when they trounced the Wildkats, 57-7.

Richmond once scored 65 on the Wildkats. Back in 1976, the Red Devils triumphed 65-22.

There was a game in the series where there were less than 10 points total scored in the game. Kokomo defeated Richmond 6-3 in 1983.

The highest scoring game in this series came in 1976. Richmond put 65 points on the scoreboard, while holding Kokomo to 22 for a total of 87 points.

The two teams played one overtime game. On September 21, 2001, at Walter Cross Field, Richmond defeated Kokomo by a score of 28-21.

IHSAA Class 5A, Sectional 3
Football 2011

	Overall			
	W	-	L	PCT
Homestead	5	-	0	1.000
Fort Wayne North	4	-	1	0.800
Fort Wayne Snider	3	-	2	0.600
KOKOMO	3	-	2	0.600
Huntington North	2	-	3	0.400
Fort Wayne South	2	-	3	0.400
Fort Wayne Northrop	1	-	4	0.200
Fort Wayne Wayne	0	-	5	0.000

Last Week's Scores

Fort Wayne Northrop 21, Fort Wayne South 14
Kokomo 55, New Castle 21
Fort Wayne Snider 43, Fort Wayne Concordia 14
Mishawaka 45, Fort Wayne North 28
Huntington North 42, Anderson 28
Fort Wayne Bishop Luers 56, Fort Wayne Wayne 12
Homestead 55, Bellmont 7

This Week's Games

Richmond at Kokomo
Marion at Huntington North
Fort Wayne North at Fort Wayne Snider
DeKalb at Homestead
Fort Wayne Northrop at Central Noble
Fort Wayne Wayne at Fort Wayne Dwenger
Fort Wayne South at Indianapolis Tech

KOKOMO-RICHMOND FOOTBALL SERIES

YEAR	SCORE	WINNER
1949	33 - 0	Kokomo
1952	46 - 7	Richmond
1954	7 - 7	TIE
1956	34 - 0	Richmond
1959	20 - 6	Richmond
1961	24 - 14	Kokomo
1963	28 - 27	Richmond
1965	31 - 14	Kokomo
1967	39 - 0	Richmond
1969	36 - 12	Richmond
1970	46 - 7	Richmond
1971	48 - 26	Kokomo
1972	33 - 2	Richmond
1973	49 - 0	Richmond
1974	28 - 20	Richmond
1975	35 - 0	Richmond
1976	65 - 22	Richmond
1977	55 - 28	Richmond
1978	19 - 14	Richmond
1979	57 - 7	Richmond
1980	22 - 6	Richmond
1981	28 - 20	Richmond
1982	28 - 14	Richmond
1983	6 - 3	Kokomo
1984	14 - 13	Richmond
1985	23 - 20	Richmond
1986	20 - 17	Richmond
1987	27 - 12	Kokomo
1988	21 - 7	Kokomo
1989	45 - 18	Richmond
1990	27 - 7	Richmond
1991	41 - 12	Richmond
1992	34 - 7	Richmond
1993	17 - 3	Richmond
1994	28 - 20	Richmond
1995	40 - 6	Kokomo
1996	20 - 14	Kokomo
1997	35 - 21	Kokomo
1998	48 - 40	Richmond
1999	50 - 7	Richmond
2000	33 - 6	Richmond
2001	28 - 21 *	Richmond
2002	54 - 27	Richmond
2003	44 - 20	Kokomo
2004	28 - 14	Richmond
2005	27 - 13	Richmond
2006	28 - 0	Kokomo
2007	47 - 6	Kokomo
2008	39 - 14	Kokomo
2009	64 - 0	Kokomo
2010	41 - 8	Kokomo

* overtime game

	Kokomo	Richmond
WINS	16	34
HIGH SCORE	64 (2009)	65 (1976)
LARGEST VICTORY	64 (2009)	50 (1979)
LONGEST WIN STRK	5 (current)	11 (1972-1982)
SHUTOUTS (Last one)	3 (2009)	4 (1975)

In the Past

September 22, 2010

Boys Tennis

Kokomo took on a good Westfield team and came away with a solid 3-2 victory over the Shamrocks.

Drew Sale was the first Wildkat off the courts, scoring a double bagel (6-0, 6-0) win over his opponent. Eric Eramo and Keaton Dubois won at #1 doubles, and the duo of Drew Sawyer and Cody Shipley were victorious in straight sets at #2 doubles.

Blake Brown and Michael Hilton battled tough at the top two singles spots, but were denied.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Drew Sale

Junior tennis player

My favorite subject area: **Physical Education**

My biggest NCC rival: **Logansport**

My favorite fruit: **Apples**

My favorite color: **Blue**

My favorite M&M: **Peanut Butter**

My favorite super power: **X-ray vision**

My favorite in-state college: **Indiana**

My favorite kind of PopTart: **S'Mores**

Country I would most like to visit: **Japan**

Favorite Elementary Teacher: **Mrs. Graham**

Favorite Cartoon as a kid: **Family Guy**

Favorite Phone App**: Mad Chad**

Celebrity Crush: **Emmanuelle Chriqui**

Best Sport Memory: **Winning baseball sectional in freshman year**

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Aaron Dea

Sophomore soccer player

My favorite subject area: **Physical Education**

My biggest NCC rival: **Marion**

My favorite fruit: **Apples**

My favorite color: **Blue**

My favorite M&M: **Plain**

My favorite in-state college: **Purdue**

My favorite kind of Pop Tart: **Strawberry**

Favorite Elementary Teacher: **Mrs. Martin**

Favorite Cartoon as a kid: **Bugs Bunny**

Favorite Phone App: **Angry Birds**

Celebrity Crush: **Jennifer Lopez**

Best Sport Memory: **Three assists in a Kokomo Soccer club game**

You Make the Call

Armon Bridgeforth is averaging 16.9 yards per carry this season. The school record heading into this season was 14.9. Who currently holds that record?

A. Braxton Shelton
B. Dondre Johnson
C. Rod Beard
D. Perry Brown
E. Tim Granson
F. Phil Schreiber
G. Dink Bender

Answer appears at the bottom of the page.

KHS Sports Term of the Day

YIP – in golf, to mishit the ball when making a putt with the result that the ball misses the hole.

WILDKAT TRIVIA

Kokomo has a losing football record against just one current NCC opponent. Which one?

Answer will appear in the next Kat Chatter.

Answer to the last Wildkat Trivia

How many rushing yards per game is Armon Bridgeforth averaging in 2011?

208

You Make the Call Answer: D

This Week in Wildkat Country

Wednesday, September 21

5:00PM Boys Varsity	Tennis	Westfield	Home

Thursday, September 22

5:00PM Girls JV	Soccer	McCutcheon	Away
5:00PM Boys Varsity	Tennis	Huntington North	Away
6:00PM Girls JV	Volleyball	Huntington North	Away
6:00PM Girls Freshman	Volleyball	Huntington North	Away
6:30PM Girls Varsity	Soccer	McCutcheon	Away
7:30PM Girls Varsity	Volleyball	Huntington North	Away

Friday, September 23

7:00PM Boys Varsity	Football	Richmond	Home

Saturday, September 24

9:00AM Girls Varsity	Cross Country	Culver Invitational	Away
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9:00AM Boys JV	Tennis	FW Carroll JV Tourney	Away
11:00AM Boys Freshman	Football	Richmond	Away
11:00AM Boys Varsity	Soccer	Anderson	Away
11:00AM Girls Varsity	Soccer	Anderson	Home
12:30PM Girls JV	Soccer	Anderson	Home
12:30PM Boys JV	Football	Richmond	Away
12:30PM Boys JV	Soccer	Anderson	Away

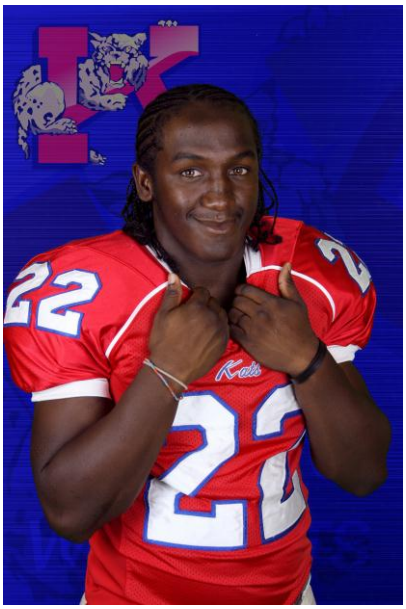
GO

KATS!!

N.C.C. Student-Athlete of the Week

Will Haynes

Will, a senior, had his first 100-yard rushing effort as he gained a career best 112 yards on the ground in Kokomo's 55-21 win over New Castle. Haynes also had an 82-yard kickoff return and scored two touchdowns.



KHS Web Favorites

Kokomo High School Athletics
www.kokomohighschoolsports.com

North Central Conference Sports
www.nccsports.org

Kokomo Tribune
http://www.kokomotribune.com/

Sports Journal of Central Indiana
www.indianasportsjournal.com

Kokomo Perspective
WWW.KOKOMOPERSPECTIVE.COM

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