

Annual Rotary Football Jamboree Highlights

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Hopkins County, KY – iSurf News was on the sidelines today during the 61st Annual Rotary Football Jamboree. This event was held at Hopkins County Central High School with fans filling the stands. This spectacular event highlighted both players and cheerleaders from six area elementary schools. The Madisonville Rotary has supported causes such as this to help area athletes become better players by starting them young with the fundamentals.

“[Rotary football creates] a learning experience for the kids”, says Brad DeFatte with the Grapevine Wildcats. He went on to say that, “It also gives teaching opportunity for the coaches.” He explained that opportunities like this allow the coaches to correct the players and give them a chance to play against other teams.

iSurf spoke with a proud grandmother, Rosalind Carter about seeing her grandchildren playing today she said, “I love what they [Rotary Football] are doing for the kids. It gives them an incentive as they go on to high school. This gives them experience. They seem to love it!” Rosalind was all smiles as she watched two of her grandson’s play today for Grapevine Elementary.

“Really love football... [I am] very excited”, says Austin Schultz, “It’s my first year.” Austin plays offensive Tackle for Southside Elementary.

iSurf spoke with Makenzie Blades, a sophomore at Madisonville North. She began cheerleading in 1st grade. “I wanted to work with younger kids” says Makenzie, and now she is coaching the Pride Avenue Elementary Cheerleaders.

The crowd was pumped and excited and there is more to come. This was a kickoff for this year’s Rotary Football season. Below is a schedule for this year’s games we encourage you to attend.

We have included with this article a photo gallery below of this event.

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Direct Link to Photo Gallery: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/41729723@N02/sets/72157621988364957/show/>

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- ALL GAMES TO BE PLAYED AT SOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL □
- HOME TEAMS LISTED FIRST □

Saturday, August 29 Tuesday, September 8

9:00 AM Pride vs. Broadway 5:30 PM Grapevine vs. Jesse Stuart

10:30 AM Grapevine vs. South 7:00 PM Pride vs. South

12:00 PM Jesse Stuart vs. Hanson

Saturday, September 12 Thursday, September 17

9:00 AM Grapevine vs. Pride 5:30 PM Broadway vs. Hanson

10:30 AM Hanson vs. South 7:00PM Jesse Stuart vs. Pride

12:00 PM Jesse Stuart vs. Broadway

Saturday, September 19 Thursday, September 24

9:00 AM Broadway vs. Grapevine 5:30 PM South vs. Broadway

10:30 AM Pride vs. Hanson 7:00 PM Hanson vs. Grapevine

12:00 PM South vs. Jesse Stuart

Saturday, September 26

9:00 AM Broadway vs. Pride

10:30 AM South vs. Grapevine

12:00 PM Hanson vs. Jesse Stuart

Saturday, October 3 ** ROTARY LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP **

Overall team win/loss records will determine standings for Championship games

9:00 AM Fifth Place vs. Sixth Place

10:30 AM Third Place vs. Fourth Place

12:00 PM First Place vs. Second Place