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### Regional Championship Game Recap

### REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP RECAP

### POST SEASON AWARDS



Lady Rocket Basketball team members (seated from left) are Georgia Holeman, Ayanna Matthews, Chloe Hunt, Elliot Evans, Jordyn Hodge, Andrea Federico, (back) assistant coach Jessie Johnson, manager Breanna Walker, Brodi Rich, Abigail Champion, Anna Boone, Morgan Stewart, Bristyn Rushing, Adri Berry, Sarah Grau, assistant coach Bristyn Prowell and head coach Shannon Hodge.

# Hodge thinks No. 32 could be special

#### STAFF REPORT

As coach Shannon Hodge prepares to cut the wrapper off of her 32nd basketball campaign, there's very little that escapes her seasoned scrutiny. She picks at her team's ruggedness and doggedness with the frankness of a minister. She expects more in that department and covets better communication on the floor, something she preaches on until her face matches that blue coaching shirt.

A critic indeed, the veteran skipper misses nothing – be it good or bad. And, she's mighty high, if not outright confident in the abilities of a team she calls the most athletic of her decades-long tennancy on the Lady Rocket sideline.

Built for a championship run, armed with experience and a lineup that returns the top seven players from last year's 19-14 squad, Hodge knows it could be banquet time if certain things fall into place, according to her plan.

With two district titles and two All A Classic regional championships over the past three years, the Lady Rockets are focused on adding more hardware to their already impressive resume.

"This group has what it takes to compete with anyone in the region," the coach says. "The key will be how physical we play, how well we rebound and if we bring intensity every night."

Leading the way is junior guard Anna Boone, who averaged 22 points per game

### LADY ROCKET ROSTER

Adri Berry	14	Fr	F
Anna Boone	2	Jr	G
Abigail Champion	12	8th	G
Elliot Evans	22	Jr	G
Andrea Federico	20	Jr	F
Jordyn Hodge	11	Fr	G
Georgia Holeman	15	Jr	G
Chloe Hunt	34	Jr	G
Ayanna Matthews	44	Fr	F
Bristyn Rushing	25	Jr	C
Morgan Stewart	4	So	F

### CCHS SCHEDULE

Dec 2 at Caldwell Co.  
Dec 4 at Todd Central @Marshall Hoopfest  
Dec 6 UNION COUNTY  
Dec 10 at Trigg County  
Dec 13 LYON COUNTY  
Dec 17 at Lyon County  
Dec 21 at Carlisle County  
Dec 27-29 at South Warren Tournament  
Jan 3 WEBSTER COUNTY  
Jan 6 LIVINGSTON CENTRAL (All A)  
Jan 9 All A Semifinals at Crittenden  
Jan 11 All A Championship at CCHS 4 pm  
Jan 14 TRIGG COUNTY  
Jan 17 at Livingston County  
Jan 21 at Mayfield  
Jan 24 CALDWELL COUNTY  
Jan 31 at Lyon County  
Feb 1 at Christian County  
Feb 7 DAWSON SPRINGS (Homecoming)  
Feb 8 at Union County  
Feb 11 at Hopkins Central  
Feb 13 HENDERSON COUNTY  
Feb 15 HOPKINSVILLE  
Feb 18 at Madisonville  
Feb 20 MCLEAN COUNTY  
Feb 24-28 District at Trigg County



**Coach Shannon Hodge 32nd Season**  
Hodge's Coaching Record 412-427

### LADY ROCKETS' RESUME

**All A Regional Champion**  
1998, 1999, 2001, 2008, 2011,  
2017, 2021, 2023, 2024

**District Champion**

1979, 1984, 2011, 2017, 2018, 2020, 2022

Junior Andrea Federico is the team's most physical and vocal player. Hodge believes "Fed's" improved confidence on

Boone, who averaged 22 points per game last season, scoring 725 total points while shooting 43% from the field. Boone also hit 68 three-pointers at a 42% clip and knocked down 215 free throws, converting 80% of her attempts. She's expected to be the team's go-to scorer once again after being tapped as the Second Region Player of the Year last season.

"Anna has worked hard in the offseason, improving her strength and passing," Hodge said. "A lot is expected of her, not just by me but by everyone."

Elliot Evans, another key junior, brings energy and versatility to both ends of the floor. She averaged 9.7 points per game last season while shooting 42% from the field and pulling down 7 rebounds per game. Evans also contributed defensively as the team's perimeter stopper.

"Elliot is explosive and runs the floor better than anyone," Hodge said. "She needs to continue rebounding well and scoring in double digits."

Freshman guard Jordyn Hodge is a rising star, averaging 9.5 points per game while hitting 38% of her three-point attempts a year ago. She's improved her strength and ball-handling, making her a more complete player.

Junior center Bristyn Rushing could be the team's X-factor, the coach says.

## 1976, 1984, 2011, 2017, 2018, 2022, 2023 Second Region Champion 2011

She averaged 5.5 points and 5.4 rebounds per game last season. Her ability to stay out of foul trouble and dominate on the boards will be critical.

"Bristyn is capable of rebounding in double figures every night," Hodge said. "If she stays disciplined, she can make a huge difference for us."

The team averaged 57 points per game last season while shooting 39% from the field. Its 34% accuracy from three-point range highlights the girls' ability to score from beyond the arc, while a solid 73% free throw percentage gives them a reliable weapon at the charity stripe.

Rebounding remains an area for growth, as the Lady Rockets averaged 29 boards per game. Hodge is pushing her team to improve in that department, especially against tough regional opponents like Henderson County and Christian County, who bring to bear those type strengths and are among the top teams in the region again this winter.

"There's a lot of parity in the region this year," Hodge said. "It's up for grabs, and consistency will be the key. If we play to our potential, we can be right there."

the offensive end could be a real gamechanger.

"She's starting to look for her shot and take the ball to the basket. If she can add that to her game and continue to be a physical player for us, it will be big," Hodge said.

First off the bench will be junior Georgia Holeman and sophomore Morgan Stewart. Both have plenty of playing time under their belts and provide reliable depth – Holeman on the perimeter and Stewart in the paint.

Junior Chloe Hunt, the team's would-be point guard, continues to rehab knee injuries that have already cost her most of her high school career to date. The coach says Hunt could be back and ready to practice by mid December. She said Hunt's leadership and skills would add more spark to an already dynamic lineup.

Otherwise, CCHS will rely on freshmen Adri Berry and Ayanna Matthews for further depth, and perhaps some eighth graders like Abigail Champion.

Crittenden County will open its season Dec. 2 at Caldwell County. Rocket Arena will host this season's All A Classic, a tournament in which Crittenden County has carved out a great deal of success.