

Girls basketball greatly improves as season continues

The Cheylin girls basketball team went into the Western Kansas Liberty League Tournament on Monday with an additional game on Tuesday. The third matchup of the tournament will be Friday with the finals on Saturday.

The Lady Cougars have also played in the Sagebrush Shootout in December and the final weekend before Christmas break they competed with Weskan and Dundy County/Benkelman. Results of a number of these contests follows.

Cheylin 68, Jennings 25
The Cheylin defeated Jennings by a large 68-25 margin the first game of the new year.

"The girls put a very good game together shooting 48 percent from the field," Coach Dennis Hengen said. "Right now I have 10 girls that can play, if I sub in there is little if any let up in production on the floor. It is really nice to have to decide who to start instead of having a set starting five.

Sara Moore led the scoring and rebounding with 26 points and 11 rebounds. Cristi Antholz led the team in steals with Stephanie Hubbard right behind her with six and five respectively. Moore and Antholz led the team with assists with four apiece, with Jill Zumbahlen and Amanda Banister right behind them with three each.

Cheylin took control of the game in the first quarter and never looked back. By halftime they had a commanding 37-12 advantage.

"The game was rough all the way through and the girls responded quite well," Coach Hengen said. "They didn't back down and got physical right back. Joy Zumbahlen was knocked out of the game early when she twisted her knee in a collision with a Jennings girl."

C 20 17 19 12 68
J 04 08 11 02 25

Scoring: Moore 26, Antholz 8, Hubbard 7, Annie Hengen 6, Amanda Poore 6, Hollie Louderbaugh 6, Banister 5, Jill Zumbahlen 4

Rebounding: Moore 17, Louderbaugh 6, Jill Zumbahlen 4, Hengen 4, Poore 3, Hayley Young 3, Antholz 3, Joy Zumbahlen 2, Banister 1

Cheylin 71, Dundy County/Benkelman 40
The Cheylin-Dundy County

game was reported in the Jan. 9 issue of the Times. Moore scored 22 points and had eight rebounds to led the team.

Coach Hengen said the girls had run the floor the best they have for several years in this contest.

Cheylin 61, Weskan 41
This was another big win for the Lady Cougars as it was a Western Kansas Liberty League contest.

"The girls did an excellent job of containing the Welsh girls holding her to 11 points," Coach Hengen said. "Joy Zumbahlen and Cristi Antholz took turns guarding Welsh, not letting her get the ball."

Moore led the team in scoring with 27 points and in rebounds with 16.

Scoring: Moore 27, Jill Zumbahlen 8, Poore 6, Antholz 5, Annie Hengen 5, Joy Zumbahlen 4, Banister 3, Hollie Louderbaugh 2, Stephanie Hubbard 1.

Sagebrush Shootout Game one

St. Francis 36, Cheylin 28
The Lady Cougars were defeated by the Lady Indians of St. Francis in the Tuesday evening contest moving Cheylin into the consolation bracket of the tournament.

This was a low scoring game for both teams as by halftime St. Francis had only 18 points and Cheylin 9.

Moore pushed through 14 points to help the Lady Cougars in this contest. She also had seven rebounds.

Seven players added to the final score and eight players pulled down at least one rebound during this game. The team had 11 steals compared to seven for St. Francis with Moore and Antholz each having four. Cheylin also had 11 assists led by Joy Zumbahlen with five and three blocked shots with Moore, Antholz and Hengen each having one.

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Scoring: Moore 14, Banister 4, Poore 4, Joy Zumbahlen 2, Young 2, Louderbaugh 1, Antholz 1

Rebounding: Moore 7, Antholz 6, Joy Zumbahlen 5, Young 3, Louderbaugh 3, Hubbard 3, Banister 2, Poore 2.

Cheylin 47, Atwood 44
Game two of the tournament saw the Cheylin ladies pull out a 47-44

win in a come-from-behind contest. At halftime the Lady Buffs from Atwood had a 27-19 advantage but Cheylin turned things around in the second half to earn the victory. The scoring in the four quarter was especially productive with Cheylin having 18 to Atwood's 11.

Moore led the comeback with 12 points, scoring eight of them in the second half.

Cheylin had a total of 30 rebounds, six assists and 17 steals with Moore leading in rebounds with eight and in assists with three, while Antholz had five steals. Louderbaugh connect on a trey in the first period.

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Scoring: Moore 12, Banister 7, Antholz 7, Joy Zumbahlen 6, Louderbaugh 5, Poore 4, Hengen 2, Young 2, Jill Zumbahlen 1, Hubbard 1

Rebounding: Moore 8, Jill Zumbahlen 5, Louderbaugh 5, Joy Zumbahlen 4, Banister 3, Antholz 2, Poore 1, Young 1, Hengen 1

Oberlin 53, Cheylin 49
The Cheylin Ladies finished the tournament in sixth place following a 53-49 defeat by Oberlin

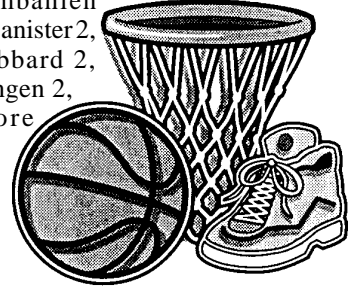
Oberlin had a 10 point advantage at halftime (30-20) but the Lady Cougars outscored them in the second half to almost earn the victory. It was hard to overcome the first quarter when the ball wouldn't go in the basket for Cheylin.

Twenty point by Moore helped the Cheylin cause as she had 13 of those points in the second half. She also positioned herself under the basket to pull down the majority of the Cheylin rebounds. The team had a total of 39 boards.

Cheylin had seven assists led by Moore with three and 12 steals led by Joy Zumbahlen with five.

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Scoring: Moore 20, Antholz 8, Jill Zumbahlen 5, Louderbaugh 5, Joy Zumbahlen 4, Banister 2, Hubbard 2, Hengen 2, Poore 1.



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