

Young Devils lose two

The Decatur Community Junior High girls basketball teams traveled to Goodland on Jan. 16, losing both seventh- and eighth-grade games to the Grant Mustangs.

Goodland edged the seventh-graders 19-17 in their first game of the season. While they didn't win, the young Devils had eight girls score while Goodland only had five.

Scoring were Jenny Ploussard and Heather Glodt, 3 points each; Alyssa Montgomery, Kayla Zoderow, Leanna Sheaffer, Chantelle Beneda and Rory Wendelin, 2 each; and Lacey Ream, 1.

The eighth-graders had a tougher time with the Mustangs.

In the first quarter, the game was pretty even, with Goodland ahead 10-8. In the next two quarters, the Mustangs ran away, outscoring the young Devils 17-6 and 12-4. Scoring in the last quarter was again pretty even, 4-3 in the home team's favor.

Scoring were Heather Williams, 6; Tricia Dorshorst and Lauren Fortin, 4 each; Shay Miller, Whitnee Ashley and Marci Metcalf, 2 each; and Sarah Murray, 1.

The girls were to be in Atwood Thursday and will play host to Hoxie on Thursday.



SEVENTH-GRADER Heather Glodt took a shot during the first girls junior high game of the season. The young Devils played the Grant Mustangs from Goodland.

— Herald photo by Brad Larson

Kid Wrestlers win on road

The Oberlin Kid Wrestlers won honors in Norton and Phillipsburg over the last two weeks.

On Jan. 25, the boys traveled to Norton and came home with 13 awards, three firsts, a second, four thirds and five fourth places, for 18 wrestlers.

On Saturday, five boys went to Phillipsburg and brought home a pair of firsts, a second and a third place.

Wrestling in Norton were:
 • 6-and-under, 46 pounds, Chance Uehlin; 46 pounds, Mike Kasson, fourth place; 52 pounds, Kelly Brown, third.

• 8-and-under, 52 pounds, Chris Anderson; 55 pounds, Tyler Shields, second; 64 pounds, Zach May; 67 pounds, Kade Brown, third; 80 pounds, Tyler Bruggeman, 1st; 88 pounds, Dakota Cook, third.
 • 10-and-under, 55/61 pounds,

Matthew Wittman, fourth; 67 pounds, Nolan Peters; 70 pounds, Kaden Macfee, fourth; 73 pounds, Clay Andersen, first; 76 pounds, Troy Warta, third; 100 pounds, Justin Williams, fourth; 110 pounds, Jacob LaRue, fourth.

12-and-under, 80 pounds, Andrew Richards; 130/150 pounds, Nathan Simonsson, first.

Wrestling in Phillipsburg were:

• 6-and-under, 55 pounds, Dayton Dreher, first.

• 8-and-under, 88 pounds, Cook, third.

• 10-and-under, 70 pounds, Macfee; 73 pounds, Andersen, first.

• 12-and-under, 130 pounds, Simonsson, second.

The Oberlin Kid Wrestling Club will hold its tournament on Saturday, March 8.

Darts

Jan. 23:

Y Us 77-55; Enigma II 76-56; Dart It 69-63; 2nd Generation 62-70; Just Us 58-70; Wild Hawks 54-78.

High Ton: Chris Paul.
 Hat Trick: Larry VanOtterloo,

Herb Shirley, Jim Barrett.

Fourth Round Out: Chris Paul, Rocky Courage, Jim Barrett.

Men's High: Rocky Courage 258, Jim Barrett 216.

Women's High: Amanda Farr 75, Fonda Farr 66.

Girls fall to Goodland

The Decatur Community High girls lost in Goodland 60-45 on Friday in their only basketball game of the week.

The loss takes the girls' record to 7-7.

"It's awfully disappointing to play like this after a full week of preparation," Coach Paul Nepodal said. "Give credit to Goodland for taking advantage of our inability to be focused."

Oberlin lost the game in the first quarter, as the Goodland girls put up a three pointer, 11 baskets and four free throws for 29 points. Oberlin was able to answer with only a single basket and four charity shots for 6.

With a 29-6 lead, the Cowgirls coasted in the second quarter, scoring 11. Oberlin still could not get things together and put up another 6 points. At the half, the home team led 40-12.

The third quarter was more of the same, with Goodland outscoring the Red Devils 15-8 for a 55-20 lead.

In the fourth quarter, the Cowgirl subs came into the game and Oberlin was able to pick up some points to help even out the score. Jamie Elwood, who had been unable to sink anything in the first three quarters, put up six baskets for the Devils while teammates Kelsey Dorshorst and Sarah Ruf, Lindsay Fortin

and Kortney Stapp helped put 25 points on the board to the Cowgirls' 5.

Scoring were Elwood, 12; Dorshorst, 8; Ruf, Fortin and Abby Ream, 6 each; Stapp, 5; and Kerrie Olson, 2.

Ruf was the leading rebounder with 10 while Stapp had eight.

The Goodland junior varsity team beat Oberlin 47-34.

Scoring were Kerrie Olson, 12; Kaitlyn Stapp, 8; Christa Hardy and Kelly Olson, 4 each; and Megan Barrett, Lora Marietta and Leah Marietta, 2 each.

The girls will travel to Colby on Friday to take on the Lady Eagles in a 6:30 p.m. contest.

Jennings forced to give up game

The Jennings High girls lost the first game of their league tournament and had to forfeit the second one due to illness.

Jan. 13, the Lady Coyotes traveled to Brewster to take on Sharon Springs in the Western Kansas Liberty League Tournament, but came up on the short end of a 55-20 score.

"After a disappointing first half, we regained our composure in the second half," Coach Cheri Brooks said. "We held Sharon Springs to 25 while we scored 19. We also took care of the ball better and made better decisions on offense.

"We've got to continue to improve our self confidence and be more aggressive while making quicker decisions on offense. Our free-throw shootings is another area we need to see immediate improvement, which really comes down to our self confidence.

"Defensively, we didn't do too

Lady Coyotes lose 79-17

The Jennings High girls basketball team lost a 79-17 battle to the Golden Plains Bulldogs last Tuesday.

It just wasn't a fun game for the Coyotes. The Bulldogs jumped out to a 27-5 lead in the first period and never gave up, leaving the visitors with little to work with.

"It was a disappointing loss,"

said Coach Cheri Brooks. "We failed to display our true abilities during the game. We can't have any personal successes until they believe in themselves."

Scoring were Nakita Graf and Katie Randolph, 4 each; Elise Kinser, Adrienne Vacura and Courtney Gillespie, 2 each; and Christina Coiner, Sara Kier and Peggy Foster, 1 each.

bad. We rotated well, but failed to get good position and maintain it on the rebound."

Scoring were Peggy Foster, 7 points; Courtney Gillespie, 3; and Christina Coiner, Elise Kinser, Nakita Graf, Adrienne Vacura and Katie Randolph, 2 each.

Kinser and Foster led the re-

bounding with six each, followed by Gillespie and Kier, four each, and Vacura, two.

Foster had five steals; Gillespie, four; Coiner and Randolph, a pair each; and Kier, one.

On Saturday, Jan. 18, the girls were to play Cheylin in Goodland but illness forced them to cancel.

Junior varsity girls win pair of games

The Decatur Community High girls junior varsity basketball squad beat both Hoxie and Quinter in games played the week before the Oberlin Invitational Tournament.

On Tuesday, Jan. 14, the girls traveled to Hoxie and beat the junior varsity Indians 46-33.

Hoxie had one good quarter, the third, where they outscored the visitors 15-12. Other than that, Oberlin had the upper hand — 11-9 in the first, 8-5 in the second and 15-4 in

the fourth quarters.

Scoring were Kaitlyn Stapp, 16 points; Leah Marietta, 8; Lydia Karnopp, 7; Kerrie Olson and Jamie Elwood, 4 each; Lora Marietta, 3; and Christa Hardy, 2.

On Friday, the Quinter Bulldogs came to town but went home with their tails between their legs after a 47-22 loss.

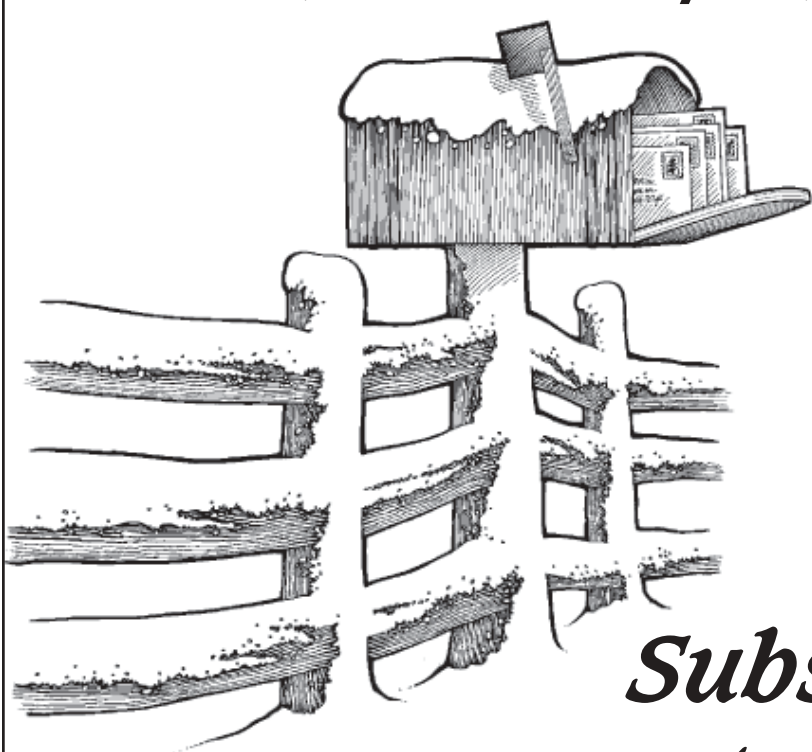
The first quarter was almost embarrassing, as the Devil girls put up 18 points to the Bulldogs' single

basket.

In the second quarter, both teams scored 7, but in the third quarter, the Devils were at it again outscoring their visitors 14-4. The fourth quarter was fairly even, with the Bulldogs outscoring the Devils 9-8 on the strength of one player, who sank three three-point baskets.

Scoring were Elwood and Stapp, 12 each; Olson, 10; Hardy, 4; Rena Unger, 3; and Karnopp and the Marietta sisters, 2 each.

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