

Oberlin Red Devils down Oakley boys

The Decatur Community High boys basketball team opened its season with a win over Oakley in a road game Friday.

The game was close, the Red Devils edging the Plainsmen 47-44 after a hotly contested fourth quarter.

Each team scored 15 points in the first quarter. Zach May put up a pair of threes and a free throw while Dalton Jones hit a three, a two and one of two at the free-throw line. Garrett Berry's basket completed Oberlin's scoring.

Then in the second quarter, Oakley took a 16-9 lead, putting the Plainsmen ahead 31-24 at the half. Jones hit a three and a pair of twos while Shane McEvoy sank both his free throws. Meanwhile, Oakley had four players score for 16 points.

In the third quarter, neither team shot well, but Oberlin did score 5 points to Oakley's 2. May put up his third three and Tyler Bruggeman sank a basket for Oberlin.

At that point, the Plainsmen still led 33-29.

In the fourth quarter, Oberlin hit fast and hard to outscore Oakley 18-10. Jones got hot, hitting three three pointers and a pair of twos for 13 of Oberlin's 18 points. Everything else was free throws, with May hitting four of five tries and Bruggeman sinking one of two attempts.

"We played very well, especially defensively," Coach Jeff Jones said. "In the second half, we controlled the boards and contested shots. We shot ... from the three-point line."

Scoring were Jones 26, May 14, Bruggeman 3 and McEvoy and Berry 2 each. May hit five of seven free throws; McEvoy, two of two; and Jones and Bruggeman, one of two each.

May led the rebounding with eight, followed by Bruggeman, seven; McEvoy, five; Jones and Berry, four each; and Tyler Shields, one.

Jones and May each had a blocked shot. Jones and May had three steals each while McEvoy had a pair and Berry and Bruggeman had one each. Shields had



HELPING THE OBERLIN BOYS to their first victory, Tyler Bruggeman headed for the basket in Oakley on Friday.

— Herald photos by Susan May

four deflections and McEvoy and May had three each. May and Jones had four assists each.

The boys were to play in the McCook Tournament on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday this week.

Next week, they will play Hill City at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday on the road and St. Francis at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16, at home.

The Oberlin junior varsity fell 63-55 to the young Plainsmen. Oberlin started out ahead 14-11 in the first quarter and added to the lead in the second, outscoring Oakley 17-16 to lead 31-27 at the half.

However, Oakley came alive in the third quarter, with five players hitting the net and scoring 20 points between them. Meanwhile, Oberlin slowed down and hit just a three, a two and four successful free throws for 9 points. This gave Oakley a 47-40 lead.

In the fourth quarter, the teams were pretty even, with Oakley scoring 16 and Oberlin 15.

Scoring for Oberlin were Kennedy Fortin, 19; Kyle Breth, 14; Kaine Fredrickson and Regent Erickson, 8 each; and Ryan May, Keldon Breth and Gannon Henningson, 2 each.

Two tournaments cancelled; boys lose Goodland matches

A busy weekend for the Decatur Community High wrestling squad was shortened as two tournaments were canceled due to snow Saturday.

Oberlin went to Goodland on Thursday for a dual match, but lost 48-21 to the larger school. Decatur Community High is in Class 2A

while Goodland is a 3A school.

Then on Saturday, the boys stayed at home to watch the snow as a varsity tournament in Hoxie and a junior-varsity tournament at Thomas More Prep in Hays were cancelled.

On Thursday, however, the Red Devil wrestlers got their first taste of competition. Oberlin did well in the middle weights but couldn't keep up with the Cowboys in the light or heavy divisions.

Wrestling were:

- 106 pounds, Troy Juenemann was pinned in the third period by Aaron Avelar.

- 113, Matthew Helm, pinned in the first by Coy Johnson.

- 120, Gabe Anderson, pinned in the first by Austin Avelar.

- 132, Dayton Dreher, pinned Corey Davis in the third.

- 138, Brent Juenemann, pinned Brook Bahe in the second period.

- 145, Chris Anderson, pinned James Dinkel in the third period.

- 152, Kade Brown, won 7-5 over John Pedan.

- 160, Matt Gladin, lost 1-0 to Colten Cooper.

- 170, Rex Diederich, pinned in the second by Jason Cowan.

- 182, default, Oberlin had no wrestler.

- 195, Jeff Shaw, pinned in the second period by Laine Gerl.

- 220, Channing Fortin, lost 5-0 to Riley Oharah.

- 285, Cody Wurm, pinned in the second by Tyler Fisher.

In junior varsity action:

- 132, Adam Zillinger, pinned in the second by James Dinkel.

- 285, Ben Glading, pinned in the first by Mac Purvis.

This week, the wrestlers will be at the Colby Tournament at 2 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. Saturday.

Seventh graders win game

The Decatur Community seventh-grade boys basketball team downed Rawlins County for the second time in less than a month on Thursday.

The Oberlin boys beat the Buffaloes in front of a home crowd, 38-28.

The seventh graders came out hot and shut down Rawlins County 13-0 in the first quarter. The Buffaloes woke up in the second period and outscored Oberlin 10-7 but still trailed 20-10 at the half. In the third quarter, Oberlin again scored 13 points while the Buffaloes shot 9. In the fourth, Atwood hit 9 points and Oberlin 5.

"We came out hot, shooting the ball," said coach Tim Breth. "At this point of the season, we are refining our skills in preparation for the upcoming league tournament. I am very pleased how we distribute the basketball. It was nice to shoot a better percentage from the free-throw line also."

Scoring for Oberlin were Tabor Erickson, 10 points, four rebounds and six steals; Jeff Juenemann, 7 points and four steals; Gatlin Hissong, 6 points and five steals; Cade Wurm, 6 points; Quinton Cook, 5 points and five rebounds; Dayton Kempt, 2 points and three rebounds; and Mason Ahlberg, 2 points.

The boys have a 5-2 record.

The Oberlin boys will play St. Francis at 4:30 p.m. Friday in St. Francis. Last time the teams met, on Nov. 3, the Indians gave the Oberlin teams their first losses of the season.

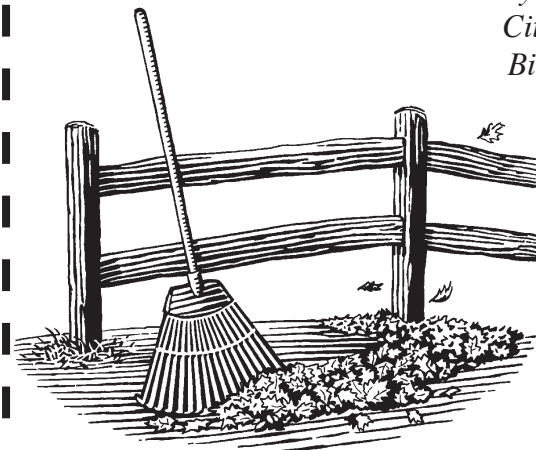
This will be the teams' last regular game. The Northwest Kansas League Tournament will start Monday, said Coach Breth, with teams, times and places to be determined later this week.

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OBERLIN JUNIOR MIKI DORSHORST kept the ball away from an Oakley player during the Lady Red Devils first game of the season.

Oakley downs Lady Red Devils

The Decatur Community High girls basketball team fell 62-8 at Oakley in the team's first game of the season Friday on the road.

The girls had a tough game, unable to score in the first and fourth quarters and only putting up a single basket in the second and three in the third.

Meanwhile, Oakley scored 26 in the first quarter, 20 in the second, 10 in the third and 6 in the final quarter.

Miki Dorshorst made Oberlin's three baskets in the third quarter and Darbi Rouse made the single Red Devil basket in the second.

Oberlin got only two opportuni-

ties at the free throw line and was not able to make either shot.

Alexis Hissong had two assists for the Red Devils, followed by Rouse and Brianna Klima with one each.

Klima was Oberlin's top rebounder with six, followed by Hissong, three; Shawn Baker, two; and Rouse, Demi Murray, Dorshorst, Molly Jansonius, Kariah Castle and Hannah May, one each. Rouse and Klima each stole the ball once.

The Oberlin junior varsity also had a tough night, falling to the Oakley girls 58-16.

Again Oberlin failed to score in the first quarter as Oakley put up

16. In the second quarter, Whitney Witt scored twice for Oberlin while Oakley put up 19 points to outscore the Lady Red Devils 19-4 and take a 35-4 lead at the half.

Oberlin scored 6 points in both the third and fourth quarters to make the final score 58-16. Scoring for Oberlin were Ashley Witt, 8, and Jamie Soderlund and W. Witt, 4 each.

The girls were to play in the McCook Tournament on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday of this week. Next Tuesday, Oberlin will be at Hill City for a 6:30 p.m. game.

At 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16, they will be at home against St. Francis.



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