



Jennings Coyotes outscore Cheylin

In a great show of team unity, the Jennings Coyotes defeated the Cheylin Cougars 57-38 Tuesday night in Jennings. The Coyotes warmed up in the first quarter, taking a 13-11 lead, and then let the baskets fall in the second quarter, making 18 points for a 31-25 lead. The third quarter was slower where scoring was concerned, with Jennings making 8 points and Cheylin scoring 5 points to a tally of 39-30. The Coyotes were hot in the fourth quarter, racking up another 18 points to the Cougars' 8 for a final tally of 57-38.

"First off, we were without our leading scorer Adam Miller, who was out sick," said Coach Chris Henson. "Because of that, we had to move a couple of our guys around. It felt like we were out of sync. We missed his presence on both sides, but the other guys stepped up and did a pretty good job.

"We came out in the first quarter a little slow, but then picked it up in the second half. I have to give Cheylin credit for coming out ready to play.

"We're getting better with each game as the season goes on and the kids are having fun and those are two things that matter.

"We're happy with this win."

Brett McKenna led scoring for Jennings with 8 two-pointers and 2 foul shots for 18 points. He was followed by Grant Bailey, 13 points; Marcus McKenna, 11 points; Adam Wahlmeier, 5 points; Kyle Kinser, 4 points; and Nick Wahlmeier, Andy Coiner and Brian Miller, 2 points apiece. Rebounding honors went to N. Wahlmeier, Bailey, and B.

McKenna, who grabbed 7. M. McKenna made 3, while A. Wahlmeier took 2 and Kinser, Coiner, Miller and Justin Meitl each made 1 rebound.

N. Wahlmeier led the way in steals, making 5 thefts. He was followed by Bailey, M. McKenna, and A. Wahlmeier, 3 each; B. McKenna, 2; and Kinser and Coiner, 1 apiece.

Bailey led assists, finding 6 teammates open for a basket.

Jennings' B-team was also victorious, defeating Cheylin 51-47 in a back-and-forth game.

Scoring for the Coyotes were Seth Ritter and Miller, 9 points apiece; Meitl, 8 points; M. McKenna and Coiner, 7 points each; Josh Vahling, 6 points; Kinser, 3 points; and Brett Linden, 2 points.

The Jennings Coyotes will host Northern Valley tonight in Jennings and then will travel to Brewster Saturday.

Jennings 57, Cheylin 38

Score by quarters:
Jennings 13 18 8 18—57
Cheylin 11 14 5 8—38

Jennings (57)

Brett McKenna 8 0 5-2 18, Grant Bailey 5 0 4-3 13, Marcus McKenna 1 3 0-0 11, Adam Wahlmeier 202-1 5, Kyle Kinser 2 0 1-0 4, Nick Wahlmeier 1 0 0-0 2, Andy Coiner 1 0 0-0 2, Brian Miller 1 0 1-0 2, Justin Meitl 0 0 2-0 0. Totals 21 3 15-6 57.

Cheylin (38)

Josh Mayer 4 0 0-0 8, David Banister 3 0 1-1 7, Andrew Marshall 2 0 4-2 6, Tyler Knapp 1 1 0-0 5, Justin Antholz 2 0 3-1 5, Nathan Ketzner 2 0 2-1 5, Kelly Ray Simmonds 1 0 0-0 2. Totals 15 1 10-5 38.



Jennings' Grant Bailey, No. 3, (above) shoots for two while everyone else watches to see if it will go in. It did, giving Bailey 2 of his 13 points. Marcus McKenna (top left) grabs the rebound and holds on while his teammates Adam Wahlmeier, No. 21, and Nick Wahlmeier, No. 12, get into position. Brett McKenna (bottom left) makes a free throw in the second quarter. B. McKenna made a total of 18 points during Tuesday night's game with Cheylin.

— Telegram photos by Veronica Monier

Lady Huskies take third in tourney

The Northern Valley Lady Huskies made their first win of the season at the Cambridge Basketball Tournament on Jan. 2 and 3, where they took third place. The Lady Huskies were defeated 44-37 by Cambridge in the first round, but then came back to beat Culbertson 43-34 for the plaque.

Cambridge

Northern Valley trailed in the first quarter 17-6, and then just couldn't quite catch up throughout the rest of the game: 29-18, 40-31, and 44-37.

"We started with a slow quarter in the first," said Coach Bill Lowry. "They outscored us by 11 points. We outscored them in the last three quarters.

"We shot the ball better at 41 percent, but just didn't get enough attempts. We had opportunities to close the gap to 3 in the last two minutes, but had turnovers.

"I saw improvements in some areas of our game."

Lindsey Graham led scoring for the Lady Huskies with 5 two-

pointers and 1 free throw for 11 points. She was followed by Regan Fessenden, 9 points; Serena Woodside and Jena Jessup, 6 apiece; Alasia Eagleburger, 3; and Kelli Cole, 2.

Rebounding honors went to Graham with 8 and Woodside with 5. As a team, Northern Valley made 22 rebounds.

Graham made 6 of the team's 12 steals, while Cole grabbed 2.

Graham and Cole both found 2 teammates open for baskets.

Woodside made the only block.

The Lady Huskies had 24 turnovers to Cambridge's 17.

Culbertson

After trailing by one point in the first 15-14, the Lady Huskies overtook Culbertson and maintained the lead for the last three quarters: 23-22, 30-29, 43-34.

"It was good to get our first win and a plaque all at the same time," said Coach Lowry. "Overall, we had a good tournament and were happy to finish third.

"We met several of our game goals, which resulted in the win. I was very pleased with the effort of

the girls. We were able to out-rebound them and kept our turnovers down.

"This was the most shot attempts that we've had this year."

Scoring for the Huskies were Graham, 14 points; Woodside, 10; Cole, 9; Fessenden, 7; and Lindsey Jessup, 3.

Rebounding honors went to Graham with 12, Woodside with 8 and L. Jessup with 5. Northern Valley grabbed a total of 41 rebounds to Culbertson's 27.

Fessenden made 3 of the team's 9 steals, while Woodside grabbed 2.

In assists, Fessenden found 5 teammates open to score, while L. Jessup found 4 open.

Graham and Fessenden made the team's only 2 blocks.

The Huskies had 18 turnovers to Culbertson's 20.

Cambridge 44,

Northern Valley 37

Score by quarters:

Cambridge 17 12 11 4—44

N. Valley 6 12 13 6—37

Northern Valley (37)

Lindsey Graham 5 0 2-1 11,

Regan Fessenden 3 1 0-0 9, Serena Woodside 2 0 2-2 6, Jena Jessup 3 0 0-0 6, Alasia Eagleburger 1 0 1-1 3, Kelli Cole 1 0 0-0 2. Totals 15 1 5-4 37.

Cambridge (44)

Kaci Nickerson 7 0 1-0 14, Lisa Minnick 5 0 4-3 13, Staci Moore 3 1 2-2 11, Andi Langley 3 0 0-0 6, Cassie Bruckman 0 0 1-0 0. Totals 18 1 7-5 44.

Northern Valley 43,

Culbertson 34

Score by quarters:

N. Valley 14 9 7 13—43

Culbertson 15 7 7 5—34

Northern Valley (43)

Lindsey Graham 6 0 5-2 14, Serena Woodside 4 0 2-2 10, Kelli Cole 1 2 2-1 9, Regan Fessenden 2 1 0-0 7, Lindsey Jessup 0 0 5-3 3. Totals 13 3 14-8 43.

Culbertson (34)

Bailey Lacey 1 2 0-0 8, Kayla Bauer 3 0 6-1 7, Allison Smith 2 0 9-3 7, Corin Hartzler 1 1 0-0 5, Alyssa Cook 2 0 0-0 4, Sarah Emhovich 1 0 0-0 2, Constance Ferneau 0 0 2-1 1. Totals 10 3 17-55.

Huskies lose two at Cambridge Tourney

The Northern Valley boys basketball team was defeated 70-33 by Cambridge and 61-52 by Culbertson at the Cambridge Basketball Tournament on Jan. 2 and 3.

Cambridge

The Huskies trailed in every quarter: 17-7, 38-15, 58-23, 70-33.

"We knew going into this game that we were facing a very well balanced team," said Coach Jason Dibble. "They proved everything accurate and then some by dominating all facets of the game. They did a good job in their half court offense and defense and forced us to turn the ball over more than we would have liked.

"One thing we did a good job of was forcing turnovers against them as well. We did accomplish two goals from half-time, which was to hold them to less points in the second half and for us to score more points in the second half."

Joey Copper led scoring for the Huskies with 5 two-pointers and 3 free throws for 13 points. He was followed by Thomas Ostmeier, 9 points; Henry Griffiths, 4; Avery Thalheim, 3; and Jesse Hilburn and Cole Kinderknecht, 2 apiece.

Rebounding honors went to Garth Gebhard with 3, Griffiths and Copper with 2 each, and Hilburn, Kinderknecht, Thalheim and Andrew Sheley with 1 apiece.

Steal leaders were Copper with 4 and Gebhard and Ostmeier with 3 each.

Assists were made by Hilburn and Copper, 2 each; and Sheley, 1.

Copper made 2 blocks, while Kinderknecht made 1.

Culbertson

Northern Valley trailed in every quarter: 13-9, 31-21, 42-33, 61-52.

"After falling to a tough Cambridge team, I felt good going into the Saturday night contest with a team more our caliber," said Coach Dibble. "I felt if we took the experience gained from Friday night, we could apply it and be successful.

"This was definitely the case as we continued to have problems with turnovers and running our offense.

"I really feel that for us to move forward, we do not have to concern ourselves with our effort, most of the time, but need to start playing smarter. We had some individuals step up and play pretty well, but some others that need to contribute more and reach their potential.

"At the same time, we are still young and gaining experience every game, which should help us down the road."

Copper led scoring with 5 two-pointers and 5 free throws for 15. He was followed by Thalheim with 14 points; Hilburn, 9; Griffiths, 8; and Gebhard, 6.

Rebounding honors went to Copper with 9 and Gebhard with 6.

with Hilburn grabbing 7 and Thalheim making 3.

Gebhard and Copper each found 2 teammates open for a basket, while Hilburn and Ostmeier both found 1 open.

Making the team's blocks were Copper with 2 and Ostmeier with 1.

Cambridge 70,

Northern Valley 33

Score by quarters:

Cambridge 17 21 20 12—70

N. Valley 7 8 8 10—33

Northern Valley (33)

Copper 5 0 3-3 13, Ostmeier 2 0 8-5 9, Griffiths 2 0 0-0 4, Thalheim 0 10-0 3, Kinderknecht 1 0 0-0 2, Hilburn 1 0 0-0 2. Totals 12 1 11-8 35.

Cambridge (70)

M. Vontz 3 3 0-0 15, Light 5 0 2-2 12, W. Vontz 1 2 4-3 11, Depperschmidt 2 1 4-3 10, Sexton 4 0 4-1 9, Lytle 2 0 3-3 7, Mantsch 1 0 0-0 2. Totals 14 6 21-12 70.

Culbertson 61,

Northern Valley 52

Score by quarters:

Culbertson 13 18 11 19—61

N. Valley 9 13 11 20—52

Northern Valley (52)

Copper 5 0 6-5 15, Thalheim 1 4 0-0 14, Hilburn 4 0 2-1 9, Griffiths 1 2 0-0 8, Gebhard 2 0 2-6 10. Totals 13 6 10-8 52.

Culbertson (61)

Frecks 10-4-1 21, Olson 7 0 8-2 16, Hagan 5 0 3-1 11, Cook 3 1 0-0 9, Bauer 2 0 0-0 4. Totals 27 1 15-4 61.

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