



SHANIA FINLAY/Golden Plains High School
Chance Hoeting fought for the ball during the Golden Plains vs. Brewster-Triplains junior varsity game Jan. 20. Hoeting put in the last four points of the Bulldogs' 53-43 win from the free-throw line.

Bulldogs junior varsity beats Titans for second win

By Judy Rogers
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The Golden Plains High School junior varsity boy outscored the Brewster-Triplains Titans for their second win of the season.

The boys played a strong first quarter Jan. 20 as they pulled ahead 14-10. The Titans continued to test them, outscoring the Bulldogs 14-11 in the second.

With a 25-24 lead at halftime, the Bulldogs knew they were going to have to play hard to gain the win. They did just that in the third quarter, adding 13 points to their score while holding the Titans to 4.

As both teams went to the line in the fourth quarter, the Bulldogs hit only 7 of their 19 free throws. The last 6 points of the game came from the charity stripe, the final 4 from sophomore Chance Hoeting. The Titans made 5 of their 12 charity shots in the

fourth as both teams added 15 points, ending the game with the Bulldogs leading 53-43.

Golden Plains' points came from Joseph Koerperich with 18, including an 80 percent free-throw shooting percentage, 4 out of his 5 attempts; Grant Spresser 11, including 3 three-pointers; Trey Schwarz 10; Camron Spresser 8; and Chance Hoeting 6. Titan scoring included Jorgensen with 12, Brown 9, Culwell 9, Colling 4, Soyims 3, Ballentine 2, Felzier 2, Werth 1 and DeArroda 1.

"We did a good job," Chance Hoeting said. "The team was relaxed and did a good job."

"We were in the zone," Grant Spresser added. "We ran our offense and did not get frustrated."

The Bulldogs' season continues on their home floor the following week against Quinter and Dighton.

Kansas stunned by Iowa State

AMES, Iowa (AP) — Bill Self found exactly what he expected at Iowa State's Hilton Coliseum.

The place was packed, the atmosphere electric, the opponent determined. It was the most hostile environment his fifth-ranked Jayhawks had faced this season.

So how did they respond?

"Not well, obviously," the Kansas coach said after his team's 72-64 loss on Saturday.

Kansas (17-4, 7-1 Big 12) lost for the first time on an opponent's court this season and two numbers stood out for Self and his players: Iowa State had 36 rebounds, Kansas 23. Eleven of the Cyclones' rebounds came on the offensive end against a team that's leading the conference in rebounding margin.

But even with Iowa State dominating the glass and even with Thomas Robinson having a rough game — 5-for-11 shooting, five turnovers — the Jayhawks hit their first six shots in the second half to open a 47-41 lead.

Iowa State (15-6, 5-3) inched ahead midway through the second half, then turned things over to Royce White, a 6-foot-8,

270-pound matchup nightmare. White, who had hurt the Jayhawks earlier with sharp passes to the Iowa State shooters, scored eight straight ISU points to help the Cyclones build a five-point lead with under two minutes to play.

White led Iowa State with 18 points, nine rebounds and five assists. All five Kansas starters scored in double figures, led by Taylor with 16 and Robinson with 10. But the Jayhawks got only five points from the reserves and Self saw his players constantly getting outthusted to loose balls.

White, a 39 percent free-throw shooter in Big 12 games, hit a pair to put Iowa State up 64-59 with 1:47 left. Kansas then threw the ball away and Chris Babb drained a 3 to give the Cyclones an eight-point lead with 55.6 seconds left.

Iowa State students celebrated the biggest win of coach Fred Hoiberg's tenure by storming the floor.

Kansas caught the Cyclones napping to start the second half and took its biggest lead to that point, 45-39, thanks to a 10-0 run. But big man Anthony Booker

brought Iowa State back, sinking a rare 3-pointer to put the Cyclones ahead 50-49 with 12:13 left.

Neither team could get much going over the next 6 minutes, but Tyrus McGee's three-point play gave Iowa State a 56-53 lead with just over 6 minutes left. Robinson then blew an open dunk and White hit two layups to make it 60-55 Iowa State with 3:42 left.

Kansas certainly knew what Iowa State was capable of after the Cyclones threw a scare into the Jayhawks in Lawrence two weeks ago.

Iowa State led at halftime back on Jan. 14 and pushed its lead to as many as 12 points before Kansas stormed back for an 82-73 win. The Cyclones might have been able to pull off that upset had they shot better than 2 of 15 from 3-point range in the second half.

Iowa State didn't let the opportunity pass by this time around — and it now has a marquee win that will look great on its resume come March.

Kids wrestling club holds home tourney

The Colby Kids Wrestling Club has competed in five tournaments this month throughout Kansas, and sponsored it's own event Jan. 7 at the Community Building.

Results for Colby wrestlers included:

6 and under group — Jaxson Carney, 40 pounds, did not place; Talon Wark, 40, did not place; Kaeden McCarty, 43, third; Blaine Beckley, 43, did not place; Blake Beckley, 43, fourth; Drew Dennis, 43, did not place; Joe Leijia, 43, did not place; Max Kersenbrock, 46, did not place; Baylei Kraft, 49, fourth; Alec Wildeman, 52, first; Lauden Barrett, 49, did not place; Tucker Wark, 52, fourth; Brayden Imhof, 55, did not place; Breon Barton, 61, third; Bryant Wiedeman, 61, second; Mason Kersen-

brock, 61, fourth; and Mason Givens, 67, third.

8 and under — Jason Kranawitter, 55 pounds, did not place; Conner Lanning, 55, second; Roberto Loya, 58, did not place; Keden Frahm, 58, did not place; Thomas Norris, 61, fourth; Tyler Voss, 67, first; Rojelio Loya, 67, did not place; Isaac Smith, 67, did not place; Dawsyn Lemman, 70, second; Shawn Brown, 73, did not place; Jud Rose, 80, did not place; Hagan Booi, 95, first; and Declan Ryan, heavyweight, second.

10 and under — Rathe Aschenbrenner, 67 pounds, first; Brysen Barton, 67, did not place; Braden Schritter, 67, did not place; Kurt Schroeder, 67, third; Thane Wildeman, 67, did not place; Riley Kraft, 70, did not place; Mat-

thew Schritter, 70, did not place; Kensey Garrett, 76, fourth; Austin Reed, 73, did not place; Konnor Griffin, 73, did not place; Cade Lanning, 76, third; Bradyn Blackhart, 79, third; Brett Smollock, 79, did not place; Blasie Vrbas, 79, did not place; Tyler Harry, 90, did not place; Brett Morris, 90, fourth; and Tucker Branum, 110, first.

12 and under — Austin Brier, 64 pounds, third; Braiden Lynn, 72, first; Sean Rall, 92, second; Tyler Schritter, 105, third; Zachary Hart, 110, second; and Lucas Taylor, 165, first.

14 and under — Ernie Leija, 80 pounds, third; Tate Carney, 90, first; Brady Holzmeister, 125, first; Bryce Arnberger, 125, second; Garrett Rose, 130, second; and Justin Leth, 150, third.

K-State's win streak snapped by Oklahoma

By Dave Skretta
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MANHATTAN — The cell phone that was doubling as a tape recorder on the table in front of Frank Martin lit up, someone texting a report about No. 22 Kansas State's loss to Oklahoma.

The message said: "Well, that was discouraging."

Martin looked at the phone, asked a room full of sheepish reporters who it was sending the text message, then said glumly, "You can tell her I'm discouraged, too."

Steven Pledger scored 30 points and Oklahoma weathered a second-half charge by No. 22

Kansas State and some tense moments down the stretch for a 63-60 victory Saturday night.

Sam Grooms made a key steal in the closing minute and two free throws with 5 seconds left for the Sooners (13-7, 3-5 Big 12), who watched as Rodney McGruder's potential tying 3-pointer from the wing at the buzzer bounced off the back iron.

"I had a clean look," McGruder said. "Just came up short."

McGruder finished with 19 points and Angel Rodriguez had 10 for the Wildcats (15-5, 4-4), who trailed by 10 in the second half but went on a 12-2 run and later pulled into the lead.

The Sooners led 59-56 on a

pair of free throws by Pledger with 1:07 left, but Will Spradling trimmed the lead to a point on a slicing layup moments later.

It was still 59-58 when the Wildcats' Jordan Henriquez corralled a loose ball on defense with just over 10 seconds remaining, but Grooms managed to poke it loose before it could be cleared.

Romero Osby hit two free throws to restore Oklahoma's three-point lead, and the Sooners fouled Henriquez on purpose with 5.2 seconds left. He made both fouls shots to get Kansas State within 61-60, but Grooms came through with his free throws to make it 63-60.

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