

# Devils take second

## Wrestler voted outstanding by coaches

The Decatur Community High team took second in the Hoxie Invitational tournament on Saturday with 11 out of 12 wrestlers placing.

In addition to the team's second place, Jonathon Richards was named Most Outstanding Wrestler of the tournament by the coaches.

Norton took first with 211.5 points, Oberlin second with 164.5 and Oakley third with 134.5, followed by Hoxie, 130.5; Plainville, 75; Lakin, 69; Trego Community, 58; Dodge City, 54; and Holcomb, 7.

J. Richards and Brock Euhus took first place in their weights; Gage Reichert, Garrit Peters and Drew Martin, second; Aaron Helm, Breck



**PINNING HIS OPPONENT**, Blake VanEaton of Norton, Oberlin's Jonathon Richards took the championship match at 140 pounds in the Hoxie Invitational tournament on Saturday. Richards was also named Outstanding Wrestler of the tournament by the coaches. — Herald photo by Jeannie Martin

Simonsson, Scott Miller and Terry Urban, third; and Andrew Richards and Regan Badsky, fourth.

Wrestling for Oberlin were: • 103 pounds — Helm, beat Brad Halbleib, Oakley, 8-2; was pinned by Dan Welgel, Plainville; pinned Chad Jamison, Trego; beat Regina Ward, Lakin, 4-0, for third place.

• 112 — Andrew Richards, lost to Scott Jewell, Trego, 7-5; beat Trevor Popp, Hoxie, 8-3; and was pinned by Richard Morgan,

Plainville, for fourth. • 119 — Reichert, pinned Tyler Torry, Holcomb; pinned Lewis Cunningham, Lakin; and lost to Clay Madden, Norton, 13-2, for second.

• 135 — Simonsson, pinned John Lynch, Lakin; was pinned by Jon Harding, Norton; beat Heath Malay, Trego, 8-6; and pinned Lynch again, for third place.

• 140 — J. Richards, pinned Cass Baalman, Hoxie; beat Drake Moore,

Oakley, 4-0; and pinned Blake VanEaton, Norton, for first.

• 145 — Jared Marcuson, was pinned by Kelly Younkin, Oakley, and lost to Quinn Aumiller, Hoxie, 11-9.

• 152 — Peters, pinned Cody Best, Hoxie; beat Travis Harper, Dodge City, 4-1; and was pinned by Luke Pfannenstiel, Norton, for second.

• 160 — Miller, pinned Jody Kruse, Oakley; lost to Michael

Schemberger, Hoxie, 4-3; beat Brandon Kaulman, Dodge City, 7-2; and beat Connor McMullen, Plainville, 2-0, for third.

• 171 — Martin, pinned Jacob Stanton, Holcomb; beat Micah Dunn, Lakin, 7-2; and was pinned by David Obermeyer, Hoxie, for second.

• 189 — Urban, lost to Matt McGinty, Hoxie, 4-1; beat David Stanley, Norton, 7-6; and beat McGinty, 3-1, for third.

• 215 — Badsky, pinned Alan Crawford, Plainville; lost to Tim Erwin, Hoxie, 8-1; pinned Kyle Spana, Trego; and lost to Aaron Racette, Oakley, for fourth.

• 275 — Euhus, pinned Cody Pope, Hoxie; pinned Zach Mannel, Norton; and beat Luke Fabrizius, Trego, 8-2, for first.

The Oberlin wrestlers will take part in the Colby tournament, which starts at 2 p.m. Friday and continues at 8 a.m. on Saturday.

# Girls down Oakley

Eight Lady Devils sank baskets to beat the Oakley Lady Plainsmen 48-29 in the Oberlin girls' season opener Friday in Oakley.

"We played well for our first game," Coach Terry Ream said. "Our shooting, especially free throws, needs to improve, and we see a few things to work on to get better."

Although Oakley hit 75 percent of its free throws, the team only got eight chances at the charity line. Oberlin hit just 33 percent, but that was 10 out of 30 opportunities.

"It's a long season," the coach said, "and as long as we improve each game, we will be very competitive."

"Our bench personnel did a great job and will be a big key for us this year."

Laurin (Fortin) had a big night with 20 points, nine rebounds, seven steals and four assists, which are some pretty nice numbers for a single game."

Oberlin wasn't too impressive in the first quarter, but still took the lead, as the Lady Plainsmen hit a three pointer and a pair of deuces for 7 points and Oberlin hit four two-pointers and one free throw out of six tries for 9.

In the second period, the girls pulled ahead. Oakley hit another three pointer and two out of two free throws for 5 points while Oberlin

put up 10, missing a pair of free throws, to lead 19-12 at the half.

The third and fourth quarters were big for the Decatur Community High girls, as the Lady Devils outscored Oakley 15-4 in the third and 14-13 in the fourth.

Scoring for Oberlin were Fortin, 20; Lacey Ream, 10; Tricia Dorshorst, 6; Courtney Gillespie, 5; Sarah Murray, Kim Wessel and Lydia Karnopp, 2 each; and Heather Williams, 1.

Dorshorst lead rebounds with 10, followed by Fortin, nine; Karnopp, six; Gillespie, five; Murray, four; Williams, three; and Wessel and Ream, one each.

Ream had five assists, followed by Fortin, four; and Jessica Dellere, Murray and Karnopp, one each.

Fortin stole seven balls, followed by Ream, five; Gillespie, two; and Dellere and Dorshorst, one each.

The junior varsity only got to play two quarters, but Oberlin outscored Oakley 13-9.

Each team scored 7 in the first quarter and in the second, Oberlin scored 5 points to Oakley's 2.

Scoring for Oberlin's junior varsity were Dellere, 5; LeAnna Sheaffer, 4; and Wessel and Kenzie Fisher, 2 each.

Oberlin was to play Atwood in the first game of the Sagebrush Shoot-out in Brewster on Tuesday. The tournament continues on Friday and



**GOING FOR THE BASKET**, Lydia Karnopp, No. 21, was too fast for the Lady Plainsmen from Oakley. Lauren Fortin, No. 12, was ready to help. — Herald photo by Jonna Inman

Saturday. On Tuesday, the girls will start at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday against the Ring-

# Oberlin boys lose first game of season

The Decatur Community High Red Devils opened their basketball season Friday with a loss to the Plainsmen in Oakley.

The Plainsmen outscored Oberlin 65-52, even though Oberlin had more rebounds, 25-22, and fewer turnovers, 14-12.

"Our defense was not very good," Coach Dick Ahlberg said. "We must control shots better, and execution was a big factor."

"Oakley ran their stuff better than we did."

The Plainsmen were able to score on 58 percent of their shots, including seven of 12 three pointers, while Oberlin only sank 45 percent.

Oakley took the lead in the first quarter, outscoring the Red Devils 20-15. In the second, both teams scored 10 to put the Plainsmen up 30-25 at the half. In the third quarter, the home team again outscored Oberlin, 24-15. In the fourth quarter, though, Oberlin edged Oakley 12-11.

Scoring for Oberlin were Teryn

Grafel, 20 points; Andy Inman, 12; Jesse Juenemann, 9; Nolan May, 4; Andy Leitner, 3; and Jobey Black and Jace Robinson, 2 each.

Grafel was the top Oberlin rebounder with 10; followed by Inman, seven; David Edgerton and May, three each; and Juenemann and Brent Stallman, one each.

Juenemann led the assists with nine, followed by May, two; and Leitner, Grafel, Inman and Robinson, one each.

Juenemann was also Oberlin's steal leader with four. Leitner, Grafel, Inman and Stallman each had one.

Oberlin was to play Atwood in the first game of the Sagebrush Shoot-out in Brewster on Tuesday. The tournament will continue on Friday and Saturday.

On Tuesday the Red Devils will be in Hill City. The boys game should start about 8 p.m. The first Oberlin home game will be against St. Francis on Friday, Dec. 16.

# Junior High boys lose to Goodland Mustangs

The Decatur Community Junior High boys basketball teams both lost Thursday to the Mustangs of Grant Junior High in Goodland.

The seventh-grade boys dropped their record to 5-2 with the 39-35 loss.

"We came out flat and rusty from the Thanksgiving break," Coach Tim Breth said. "They played very hard to keep the game close. Those who normally shoot well, didn't, and the team had too many turnovers."

Goodland jumped out to an 11-5 lead in the first quarter. In the second quarter, the teams each hit 10

points so Goodland led 21-15 at the half. In the third quarter, Oberlin outscored Goodland 17-16, and in the fourth quarter 3-2.

Stats for Oberlin were Dakota Soderland, 15 points, 11 rebounds; Josh Ritter, 9 points, five rebounds and four steals; Chad Williams, 4 points, four rebounds; Nolan Peters, 4 points, two steals; Keithen Fortin, 2 points, one steal; and Jacob Larue, 1 point, four rebounds.

The eighth-grade team fell 41-3d, dropping their record to 1-5.

"We too were rusty and committed a lot of turnovers," Coach Breth said. "I am extremely proud how we

got back into the ball game. Goodland really hurt us on the boards."

As Coach Breth said, Goodland started out tough, outscoring Oberlin 11-1 in the first quarter, but the Red Devils came back to outscore the Mustangs 13-11 in the second and were down 22-14 at the half. In the third quarter, Oberlin outscored Goodland 10-4 to shave the difference to 26-24. However, in the final quarter, Goodland got hot again and put up 15 points to Oberlin's 8.

Leaders for Oberlin were Chris Schiessler, 11 points, five rebounds; Wiley Farr, 10 points, four re-

bounds, two steals; Kaden Macfee, 6 points, three steals; and Toby Peters, 5 points, seven rebounds.

The boys will be in Colby on Thursday for their last regular-season game. The seventh graders will start at 4:30 p.m. with the eighth-grade game directly after.

The boys will be in the Northwest Kansas League tournament on Monday for the first round. The second and third rounds will be on Thursday, Dec. 15. The seventh graders will play in Hoxie and the eighth graders at home as Oberlin hosts that part of the tournament.

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