

Basketball boys spend week working hard for new coach

With one week of practice under their belts, the Decatur Community High basketball boys have been pushing to improve not only their record from last season but their attitude.

"We have a new bunch of boys who have been focusing on a new system," said first-year Coach Greg Olson. "Practice went pretty well last week. Thursday was our toughest practice, and the kids stepped up to the challenge. It was definitely our best practice this year."

Olson and his assistant, grade-school teacher Tim Thornton, are developing structured practices, something that was missing last season.

"One of the things we have been focusing on is practicing with more intensity and playing at a faster pace, while at the same time staying under control," said Thornton. "The boys seem to be buying into the new system and will need to continue to improve in order to achieve the level that we expect from them."

The Red Devils will hit the floor this season

undersized under the boards. Senior Cody Haas is the tallest Red Devil working the post position at 6 foot, 5 inches.

"We will need to rely on our speed and quickness and intensity to control the pace of the games," Olson said. "We will be doing some things a little different before we run out on the court this season in order to create a little extra excitement for the kids and crowd."

"We are really emphasizing positive team behavior from the boys. We ask the fans to exhibit this same positive behavior. Negativity and unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated from anyone."

Tuesday, the Red Devils planned to hold their annual Food Scrimmage, gathering canned goods and other items for the Decatur County Food Bank.

Friday, Nov. 30, the Red Devils open the season on the road against the Oakley Plainsmen, starting after the girls game about 8 p.m. or after the girls game ends.

Quarterback led Red Devils in rushing for football season

Junior quarterback Jacob Fortin led the Oberlin Red Devils in rushing this fall, carrying the ball 73 times for 419 yards and eight touchdowns.

Coach Trevor Williams released the team statistics, showing junior tailback Lucas Juenemann, the workhorse of the backfield, carried the ball 122 times for 366 yards and four touchdowns.

Just behind Juenemann was junior fullback Sam Stapp, who carried the ball 81 times for 354 yards and one touchdown. Sophomore Toby Peters ran 30 times for 89 yards, and junior slotback Logan Fortin had 11 carries for 17 yards.

Senior fullback Royal Fisher carried the ball five times for 64 yards and a touchdown. Freshman quarterback Chad Williams carried six times for 15 yards.

Through the air, Jacob Fortin threw the ball 89 times, completing 24 passes for 469 yards, two touchdowns and nine interceptions.

Juenemann passed six times, completing three for 90 yards. T. Peters threw four times, completing two for 13 yards. Williams threw 13 times, completing two for three yards and four interceptions.

On the receiving end of the ball, senior wide-out Ace Manning caught seven passes for 166 yards and one touchdown.

T. Peters caught 18 passes for 181 yards. L. Fortin caught five passes for 81 yards. Stapp finished the year with six catches for 147 yards and a touchdown.

Juenemann punted 28 times for 867 total yards, while T. Peters kicked four times for 161 yards.

Freshman Dakota Soderlund made three of five extra-point kicks.

Defensively, junior Everett Urban led the team in unassisted tackles with 36. He also had 67 assisted tackles.

T. Peters collected 29 unassisted tackles and 60 assisted, along with

one interception; Juenemann, 19 unassisted, 20 assists, one interception; Stapp, 10 unassisted, 37 assists; senior David Urban, seven unassisted, 33 assists; senior Sean Ybarra, nine unassisted, 32 assists; Fisher, 12 unassisted, 45 assists; junior Nathan Simonsson, eight unassisted, 26 assisted, two fumble recoveries; L. Fortin, 10 unassisted, 25 assists; junior Derek Chambers, five unassisted, 12 assists.

Sophomore Wiley Farr, 17 unassisted, 44 assists; Soderlund, 12 unassisted, 30 assists, one fumble recovery; Manning, 10 unassisted, 22 assists, one interception, two fumble recoveries; J. Fortin, six unassisted, 13 assists; senior Colt Diederich, five unassisted, 28 assists; Williams, two unassisted, 11 assists; sophomore Donovan Bauman, four unassisted, 12 assists; freshman Josh Ritter, three assists; freshman Jacob Larue, four assists; and senior Jared Marcuson, five assists.

Honor Roll

Decatur Community High School

1st Nine Weeks

4.0 SENIORS

JUNIORS
Jacinta Carter
Chris Larson
Alyssa Rippe

SOPHOMORES

FRESHMEN
Jacob Helm
Jacob Larue
Carissa Wentz

3.4 to 3.99 SENIORS

Lacie Alstrom
Jessica Bremer
Kassia Bryan
Kenzie Fisher
Heather Glodt
Melissa Hasty
Rebecca Helm
Chenaniah Langness

Amber Mason
Shanna Pearce
Lacey Ream
Gage Reichert
Rory Wendelin
Nicole Wessel
Kayla Zodrow

JUNIORS

Derek Chambers
Annamarie Larue
Ryan McEvoy
Nathan Simonsson
Jay Wessel

SOPHOMORES

Jordan Crow
Brandi Diederich
Jessica Fredrickson
Ashley Horton
Kira Meitl
Hunter Nedland
Mary Olson
Adrienne Pauls
Nolan Wasson

FRESHMEN

Tiffany Anderson
Bret Ashley

Nakita Bose
Rhiannon Davies
Jordan Dreher
Katie Glading
Joseph Hirsch
Sara Kyte
Tim Larson
Laysha Medina
Rachelle Scott
Dakota Soderlund
Chad Williams

1st Nine Weeks

4.0 8th Grade

Nolan Henningson
Tyler Shields

7th Grade

Kade Brown
Mikaela Dorshorst
Zach May

3.5 to 3.99 8th Grade

Samantha Anderson
Darian Bose
Amanda Marshall
Shay McChesney
Shane McEvoy

Megan Wentz
Matthew Wittman

7th Grade

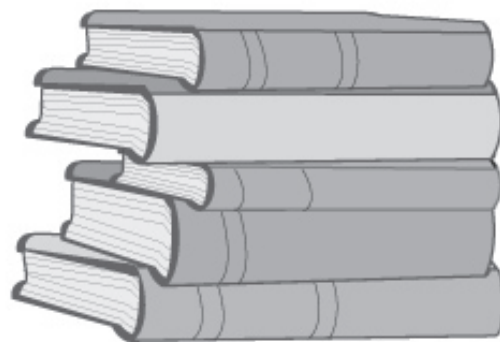
Mathew Glading
Matthew Helm
Ryan May
Samantha Meitl
Elizabeth Nedland
Darbi Rouse
Cassidy Shields

3.0 to 3.49

8th Grade
Garrett Berry
Tracy Hoppal
Megan Huntley
Brent Juenemann
Brianna Klima
Brooklyn O'Hare
Serena Stacy
Evan Walker

7th Grade

Mika Hackney
Dannay Rhein
Jonathon Florick
Michelle Russ
Cheyanne Soderlund
Jordin Wasson



Oberlin Elementary School

ALL As

6th Grade
Sierra Lohoeferer
Hannah May

5th Grade
Regent Erickson
Kaine Fredrickson
Molly Jansonius

Morgan Jansonius

4th Grade

Kelly Brown
Kade Grafel
Alexandra Waterman

ALL As & Bs

6th Grade
Nick Ashley
Emma Borton
Kennedy Fortin
Konner Fortin
Baron Green
Alexis Hissong
Caleb Koerperich
Haley Schiessler
Jude Walinder
Ashley Witt

5th Grade

Gabe Anderson
Dylan (LaBuda) Barron
Kariah Castle
Austin Hendrickson
Ganon Henningson

Troy Juenemann
McKenna O'Hare
Grace Randel
Daisy Rhein
Fernando Sanchez
Caitlin Shields
Rebecca Wentz

4th Grade

Keagen Blau
Emma Green
Justice Harris
Jonathon Howland
Emily Larson
Noah Nelson
Ara Singleton-Marine
Andrew Wade
Braden Wasson
Konnor Witt

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UAP Oberlin
Countryside Veterinary Clinic
of Oberlin, PA
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Fredrickson Insurance Agency
Nex-Tech Wireless
Unified School District 294
United Northwest
Federal Credit Union
Prairie Land Electric Cooperative
The Bank Member FDIC
Hansen Plumbing, Heating & AC

A&W Restaurant
D&M Sinclair
Shaw Aerial Spraying
Raye's Grocery
Ward Drug Store
Hirsch & Pratt LLP ATTYS
Southwest Implement
Quality Truck & Auto Repair
Oberlin Clinic
Dr. Gary Fredrickson, Family Dentist
D&M Service
Wal★Mart Super Center

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