3rd Quarter Blues Kill Boys; First AVCT Game Of Year

The Mulvane High School boys' basket-ball team opened league play at home Tuesday night. Dec. 13, against El Dorado. After being even for a half, the visiting Wildcats pulled away in the second half to defeat the host Wildcats, 53-39. Coach Scott Dunham's Mulvane club slipped to 0-1 in AVCTL Division III and 1-4 overall.

Mulvane trailed 20-14 late in the half before scoring the final six points to tie the game at 20-20 at halftime. El Dorado, however, scored the first seven points of the second half, eventually leading 38-26 by the end of the third period. Mulvane cut the lead to 10 points twice in the fourth quarter, but that was as close as they got:

Mulvane was led by John Knight with 10 points. Tyler Ruder scored eight points. Ryan Herrig had six, and Dylan Donaldson added five. Mulvane also got four points from Kyle Womacks and three each from Adam Edwards and Chris Wilson.

Things didn't look so good Friday, Dec. 9, early in the Wildcats' final game of the Andale Early-Season Tournament against Douglass. The Bulldogs jumped out to a 10-0 lead in the first quarter.

Problem? Not this time.

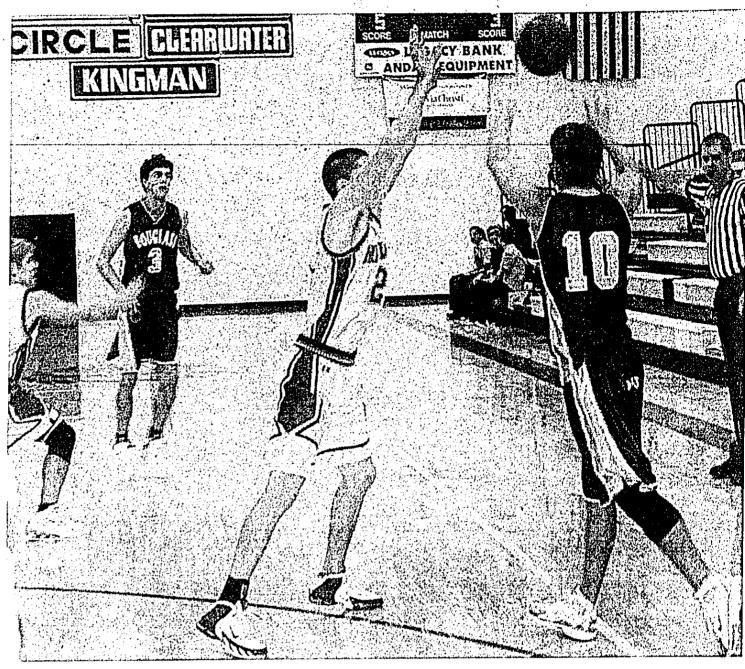
Dunham's Wildcats cut the lead to 13-8 by the end of the period and, by halftime, had taken the lead, 24-20. The 'Cats kept their roll going from there, getting their first win of the season, 55-39.

The Wildcats made eight three-pointers and were a solid 11-for-13 from the free-throw line. Leading the way off the bench was sophomore shooting guard Dylan Donaldson, who scored a career-high 20 points, including four treys. Senior center Adam Edwards added 10 points while John Knight, Tyler Ruder, and Ryan Herrig each added six.

Edwards was the only Wildcats chosen for the All-Tournament Team. Joining him were Douglass' Preston Giesen, Andale's Brett Macari and Michael Hermreck, and Rose Hill's Josh Shirley, Taylor Wilson, Brayden Crowe, and Trent Ubben.

The Wildcats played even with host Andale for three quarters Thursday night, Dec. 8, but of course, games are four quarters long. Andale outscored Mulvane 18-11 in the fourth quarter to pull away for a 56-48 win.

Edwards led Mulvane with 14 points while Donaldson scored nine and Ruder added eight. Mulvane also got six points from Kyle Womacks, five from Jesse Pierce, four from Herrig, and two from Levi Hein. One other key statistic: Andale was 21-for-27 from the line, compared to Mulvane's 6-for-8.



Mulvane's John Knight (21) tries to close off the passing lane against Douglass in Wildcat victory Friday night

The Mulvane junior varsity went 2-1 at the Andale JV Tournament, defeating Rose Hill (64-45) and Douglass (61-49) while losing to host Andale, 49-44. Against Rose Hill,

Aaron Elston had 11 points while Zach Thiesing and Devin Morton each added 10. In the Andale loss, Levi Hein led Mulvane with 16 points while Syler Swaney added 12. Against Douglass, Tyler Springer scored 16 points while Swaney and Hein each added 10.

The Wildcats will finish up the 2005 portion of their schedule Friday night, Dec 16, when they travel to Wellington for another AVCTL III contest. The game is scheduled to tip off at 7:30 p.m.

AVCT League Basketball Standings

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Varsity Boys

El Dorado 12 8 18 15—53 Mulvane 8 12 6 13—39 El Dorado—Landon Bryan 6, Roger Nightengale 5, Zach Fleener 10, D.J. Funk 3, C.D. Matthews 10, Dustin Ingalls 5, Jake Currier 14. FG 18 (5), FT 12-17.

Mulvane—Dylan Donaldson 5, Tyler Ruder 8, Ryan Herrig 6, John Knight 10, Kyle Womacks 4, Chris Wilson 3, Adam Edwards 3, FG 15 (1), FT 8-16.

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Tournament Varsity THIRD ROUND

Douglass 13 7 4 15—39 Mulyane 8 16 12 19—55 Douglass—Tyler Houser 7, Chris Bergley 6, Preston Gresen 9, Joey Currie 3, Josh Hamilton 3, Ben Nispel 6, Skylar Frayis 5, FG 16 (4), FT 3,7

Mulvane—Dylan Donaldson 20 Tyler Ruder 6 Ryan Herrig 6, John Knight 6, Brock Kendall 3, Kyle Womacks 3, Chris Wilson 1, Adam Ldwards 10, FG 18 (8), FT 11-13

Andale 50, Rose Hill 44

SECOND ROUND

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Mulyane—Dylan Donaldson 9, Tyler Ruder 8, Ryan Herrig 4, Kyle Womacks 6, Jesse Pierce 5, Adam Edwards 14, Leyi Hein 2, FG 18 (6), FT 6-8

Andale—Josh Heimerman 3, Gavin Martin 10, Brett Macari 14, Joseph Baalmann 4, Weston Mills 2, Michael Hermreck, 16, Chris Asi 3, Bart Eck, 4, 1 G, 15 (5), 14, 21, 27

Junior Varsity THIRD ROUND

| Douglass | 13 | 12 | 9 | 12-40 |
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Mulvane—Tyler Springer 16, Syler Swaney 10, Jared NeSmith 8, Devin Morton 5, Quinton Smith 9, Zach Thiesing 3, Levi Hein 10, FG 21 (3), FT 16-28

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Quinton Smith 4, Andrew Myers 6, Levi Hein 16/14/19 (2), FT 4-11 Andale—Josh Heimerman 3, Lucas Hein 4, Dane Peroutek 7, Chad Schwartz 2, Weston Mills 4, Ethan

Ungles 12, Marcus Strunk 12, Calin Archer 5, FG 18 (3),

FT 10-15

FIRST ROUND

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| Rose Hill | 10 | 10 | 15 | 1045 |

Mulvane—Tyler Springer 7, Aaron Elston 11, Devin Morton 10, Quinton Smith 2, Matt Parsons 3, Danny Schneider 9, Zach Thiesing 10, John Sanders 4, Levi Hein 8, FG 23 (7), FT 11-16

Rose Hill—Chase Ozbun 3, Ty Wisener 7, Cody Knuth 2, Taylor Stauffer 2, Casey Coates 7, Blaize Foliz 24, FG 17 (0), FT 11-20.