

By Christy Sheets

Sports Writer

Friday night, the Wildcats traveled to Arthur to play Arthur County. The Lady Cats started the match with determination, striking first, but Arthur answered back quickly. Both teams fought hard, but at the end of the first quarter Arthur County was leading by just two, 10 to 12.

Arthur County found a comfort level at the free throw line and battled back, outscoring the foul ridden Lady Cats by seven. As the buzzer sounded the Lady Cats headed into the locker room frustrated, and trailing, 13 to 22.



The third quarter saw new momentum build in the Lady Cats. There was a spark, and the Cats looked like a different team. The Wildcats outscored Arthur by four, and trailed by just five at the end of the third quarter, 29 to 34.

In the fourth quarter, it was Arthur County's turn to rally, but the Cats would hear none of it. The Wildcats were driven, and continued to build on their energy. The Lady Cats rallied to outscore their opponent by 11 and won, 48 to 42.

Offensively, sophomore Christina Daniels led the Cats with 16 points, followed closely by senior Chelsea Sowle with 14 points. Junior Sara Hubbard had seven points, seniors Katelyn Melton and Anna Griffiths each made five points, and junior Paige Aylward made one point.

Leading the team with assists were Melton (three), Hubbard (two), Daniels (two), Sowle (one), and sophomore Morgan Messersmith (one).

Leading the team with offensive rebounds were Sowle (two), Daniels (two), Griffiths (one), and Hubbard (one).

Defensively, Daniels led the Cats with two rebounds and six steals, followed by Melton with one rebound and four steals, and Hasenauer with three rebounds and three steals. Griffiths had three rebounds and one steal. Sowle had three rebounds and one steal, Griffiths had one rebound and two steals, junior Alexandria Lundvall had two steals, Hubbard had one rebound and one steal, and Messersmith had one steal.

Wallace vs Mullen

Saturday night, the Wildcats played host to the Mullen Broncos. The Lady Cats seemed very nervous in the first quarter, and the undefeated Mullen Broncos led at the end of the first quarter 6 to 24.

In the second quarter the Cats were able to battle back, refusing to let Mullen score without answering back with points of their own. As the buzzer sounded at the half, the Lady Cats headed into the locker room trailing 17 to 41.

The second half was more of a struggle. The Broncos' shooting in the second half of the game seemed to deflate the Lady Cats. At the end of the third the score was 21 to 52. The Wildcats rallied in the fourth, but the Broncos were just unwilling to relinquish the lead. The Broncos won the game 67 to 28.

Offensively, Griffiths led the Cats with seven points, followed closely by Sowle and Hubbard each with six points. Daniels had five points, and Melton had four points.

Leading the team with assists were Griffiths (two), Hubbard (one), and Daniels (one).

Leading the team with offensive rebounds were Sowle (three), Lundvall (two), Melton (one), and Aylward (one).

Defensively, Sowle and Griffiths led the Cats each with three rebounds and one steal, followed closely by Hubbard with two rebounds and one steal. Daniels had one rebound and one steal, and Aylward and Messersmith each had one rebound

Next Action

The Cats will travel to Big Springs to play South Platte on Thursday, Jan. 10, with JV starting at 4 p.m., and then will play host to Paxton on Friday, Jan. 11, with JV starting at 4 p.m.