

Boys Falter In OT; Short At Augusta



Flying Zach Kimble (21) rejects a shot by RH's Blake Ringwall (34)

There's intensity and there's intensity for four quarters.

Mulvane High School boys basketball coach Ryan Herra is looking for the latter but he's finding the former.

"We get down by 11 and we play with intensity to save our tails but if we would play with that kind of intensity the whole game, we'd be playing to win games," said Herra.

The frustrated coach got intensity only in spots Tuesday night, Feb. 10, when Rose Hill came to town. Consequently, the Rockets left with a 55-46 triumph in a Chisholm Trail League game, their third

Boys Varsity
 Rose Hill 10 12 14 6 (43)-55
 Mulvane 11 11 3 17 (4)-46
 Rose Hill--Caleb Fouse 9, James Hensley 9, Kyle Foster 13, Braydon Crowe 2, Dennis Shirley 4, Jared McRae 2, Josh Shirley 7, Blake Ringwall 9. FG 20 (3). FT 12-24, F 24

Mulvane--Kiel Mangus 1, Brad Enochs 3, Zach Kimble 17, Nick Hansen 2, Kris Stephens 1, Gavin Snider 8, Greg Flores 12, Bobby Swayne 2. FG 16 (2). FT 12-22, F 25

Mulvane 14 11 11 11-47
 Augusta 9 15 15 10-49

Mulvane--Zach Kimble 8, Kiel Mangus 2, Grant Snider 12, Greg Flores 13, Brad Enochs 5, Nick Hansen 7. FG 18 (4), FT 7-12, F 14

Augusta--Thomas Stephenson 6, Kirby Nickel 4, Jake Sims 11, Matt Boyer 18, Harrison Dredling 4, Kevin Schauf 6. FG 19 (2), FT 9-11, F 13

Junior Varsity Boys
 Rose Hill 12 11 16 19-58
 Mulvane 8 15 14 14-51
 Rose Hill--Josh Shirley 14, Allen Webber 8, Taylor Wilson 2, Braydon Crowe 12, Aaron Clark 7, Chris Cook 4, Graham Petersen 2, Ryan Roy 4, Michael Allard 2, Tyler Wilson 3. FG 21 (4), FT 12-18, F 13

Mulvane--Logan Sorensen 5, Kendall 6, Kyle Womacks 8, Bobby Swayne 9, Chris Wilson 2, J. D. Sorensen 6, Adam Edwards 9, John Knight 6. FG 23 (2), FT 3-4, F 15

victory this year over the Wildcats.

RH broke away in the 3rd quarter, out-scoring the Cats, 14-3, then had to bounce out strong in overtime to win it after Mulvane's Greg Flores swished two free throws with less than one second to tie the game at 42-42 in regulation.

"We played well in the 4th quarter, we showed the kind of intensity you need for four quarters but we've been saying the same thing all season long. Sometimes they play with intensity, sometimes they don't," said Herra.

Mulvane showed some spunk in the last quarter, coming from 11 points down and finally catching the Rockets with .2 of a second left in regulation. It was all for naught, though, as the Rockets pulled away in the extra period as Mulvane's top two offensive threats, seniors Zach Kimble and Greg Flores, fouled out in overtime.

"We scored three points in the 3rd quarter, it's a joke," said Herra. "It's getting old. We got tentative in the 3rd quarter and Rose Hill was aggressive. We were not. We showed signs of being aggressive but Rose Hill was aggressive, they always are."

Kimble finished the game with 17 points—and 5 fouls—and so did Flores, who scored 12 points. Gavin Snider finished with eight points and Brad Enochs had three.

The Rockets also stopped the Cats in the junior varsity game, 58-51, Tuesday night.

The Wildcat scoring leaders included Adam Edwards and Bobby Swayne with nine points each, Kyle Womacks with eight points and Brock Kendall, J. D. Sorensen and John Knight with six points apiece.

A last-second play went awry and that helped Augusta to inch past the MHS boys, 49-47, in a CTL game Friday night, Feb. 6, at Augusta, giving the Orioles a sweep of the regular season series.

The game was nearly a carbon copy of the first game. The Wildcats sizzled in the opening quarter and faded in the 2nd and 3rd quarters. And darn that Matt Boyer. Jake Sims is supposed to be the star of the Oriole boys team but it's been Boyer who has killed the Wildcats in each game this year.

He had 24 points when the two teams played in Mulvane and Friday night, he hit a game-best 18 to help the Orioles survive.

"Boyer hurt us again, he just does such a good job for them," agreed Coach Herra. "But the story of the game is that we missed six uncontested lay-ups and we didn't take care of business on the offensive boards. They got too many offensive rebounds. We gave up 12 offensive rebounds in the game and that's a lot. That kept them ahead late because they got three of them in the 4th quarter including two late that kept us from taking the lead."

The Wildcats boiled out to a 14-9 advantage in the first quarter playing great basketball and taking care of business and even held a one-point lead at halftime, 25-24. But the host Orioles had all the answers down the stretch.

The Wildcats had a chance to tie or win it with 7 seconds left. "We were at half court so you don't have to run your play

perfectly but it does help," said Herra. "Greg (Flores) bobbled the ball and Gavin (Snider) picked it up and put a shot off the glass from about 12 feet. It just rolled off."

"I guess we just need to learn how to play every quarter like the first quarter," said Herra. "We're right there in every game we play. If these guys start getting it figured out, we're going to start winning ball games. We have a good start but that's not good enough. It's just an old story and I'm ready to move away from it."

"Kids who know how to win games, understand the important part of the game. They understand getting the ball in your hands on rebounds is important. That's the importance of not giving up offensive rebounds. And that's the story of that game."

Flores tossed in 13 points to pace the Cat offense. Grant Snider finished with 12 points. Zach Kimble scored eight points, Nick Hansen had seven and Brad Enochs scored five.