

Scott City Downs Wildcats, 56-54

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A strong Scott City team nosed past the Mulvane Wildcats 56-54 in an exhibition game during the Campus Christmas Classic which was held December 28-29. A strong fourth quarter when the Beavers scored 10 points was the difference in the ball game.

After eight minutes of play the Beavers were ahead 15-12. The score was tied 10-10 after five minutes but Mulvane was only able to get two points in the last three minutes. David Farber and Gall Jones each collected four points in the initial period to lead the Wildcats.

The Wildcats had a poor second quarter as they got only nine points and were able to connect on just two field goals. The Wildcats tried 14 shots but one shot by Dave Boone and one by Greg Sharpe was all that connected. The fact that the Beavers also had a bad quarter and that Mulvane made 5 of 7 free throws, it kept the Wildcats in the contest. The game was half over and Scott City was ahead 27-21.

The Wildcats were fired up at half time and outscored the Beavers 17-10 during the third quarter. Mulvane held a slim 38-37 lead at the end of the third stanza. A balanced attack led by David Boone with six points gave the Wildcats this lead. The Wildcats held Scott City to just four field goals during the third period.

The last quarter was a very exciting period when the lead changed hands seven times during the first three minutes. Baskets by Dave Farber, David Boone and Terry Richardson gave Mulvane the lead three different times only to see baskets by Scott City shift the lead. Five straight points by Scott City gave the Beavers a 48-44 lead with 3:48 left in the game. A basket by Terry Richardson and a basket by Scott City made the score 50-46. The Beavers exploded for five straight points and held a 55-46 lead. Little Clinton Hess came off the bench and drew many "oohs" and "ahs" because of his size. The people in attendance really paid attention when "little Hess" scored four straight points and made the score 55-50. Don McKean made two free throws to make the score 55-52 with 20 seconds left in the game. Clinton Hess fouled with nine seconds left. The free throw missed and Don McKean grabbed the rebound. He was fouled and made the score 55-54 when he made both free tosses. The Wildcats fouled with 3 seconds left in the game. The foul shot missed with Dorsey getting the City player and the game ended rebound but his pass went to a Scott with the score 56-54 in favor of the Beavers from Scott City.

Mulvane connected on 17 of 53 field goals for 32.1%. Scott City made 22 of 48 attempts for a 45.8%. The Beavers only made 12 of 26 free throws for 46.2% while Mulvane hit 20 of 26 free tosses for 76.9%. The Wildcats were out-rebounded 38-29.

The top scorer for the Wildcats were David Farber with 11 points and David Boone with 10. Scoring honors went to Paul Wray from Scott City with 16 points.

A tremendous rebounding battle took place between David Farber for Mulvane and Paul Wray of Scott City. Farber finished the game with 11 rebounds and Wray totaled 15. Don McKean got 7 rebounds for the Wildcats.

The Wildcats next game will be January 4 when they travel to Valley Center. The next home game will be Jan. 8 against Goddard. Goddard has one of the top teams in class B this year and they should prove to be one of the best teams the Wildcats will face this year.

The box score:

	g	f	p
Scott City			
Lawrence	6	1	4
Berry	5	1	3
Wray	6	4	2
Plum	3	1	4
Murick	2	3	0
Merideth	0	2	3
Koch	0	0	4
Thomas	0	0	0
Totals	22	12	20
Mulvane			
Boone	5	0	3
Jones	3	1	3
Richardson	3	1	4
Farber	2	7	2
Dorsey	1	0	0
McKean	1	5	4
Sharpe	1	4	4
Forshee	0	0	0
Hess	1	2	3
Iverson	0	0	0
Totals	17	20	23

Score by quarters:

Scott City	15	12	10	19	56
Mulvane	12	9	17	16	54