

Cats Leave Coach Landes With Anger

Mulvane High School boys cage coach Dale Landes wasn't happy with the play of his veterans Tuesday night, Jan. 11, when Wellington came to town.

The Crusaders waltzed away with a 67-52 victory, dropping Mulvane's Chisholm Trail League record to 0-4.

"We didn't act like a basketball team in the first quarter," said Landes. "There was no execution offensively and breakdown after breakdown on defense. Nobody was hitting the boards, nobody was stopping penetration. You would have thought we hadn't ever worked on those things in practice."

Wellington marched out to a 21-5 lead after one quarter, and the Wildcats were back on their heels the rest of the game.

"I thought our younger players came in and did a good job for us," said Landes, "but we never could get over the hump after that first quarter." Thirty-three fouls didn't help the Cat cause, although many came in the last quarter in a catch-up attempt.

Junior Dexter Carpenter headed the Wildcat scoring effort with 13 points in his first start. Dan Smith scored 12 points, Tim Glaser had nine and Jeremy Brown scored seven.

In the junior varsity game, Wellington rallied in the second half for a 64-58 triumph. Shawn Erbert's 15-point spree paced the jayvees. Tom Nienke scored 13 and Tim Glaser had nine points.

Varsity Boys

Wellington	21	21	8	17-67
Mulvane	5	18	14	15-52

Wellington—Jesse Comejo 12, Jeremy Troutman 25, Colby Zeka 8, Tim Tracy 10, John Thatcher 4, Sam Biles 2, Ben Weber 5, David Teague 1. FG 22 (1), FT 22-38, F 14.

Mulvane—Dexter Carpenter 13, Tim Glaser 6, Jeremy Brown 7, Mike Abasolo 4, Shawn Erbert 2, Jeff Parker 6, Giff Comejo 2, Dan Smith 12. FG 20 (5), FT 7-11, F 33.

Junior Varsity Boys

Wellington	9	18	17	20-64
Mulvane	21	16	9	12-58

Wellington—Darren Farley 2, David Teague 7, Sam Biles 8, Corey Farley 5, James Leftwich 4, Nate Boster 2, Ben Weber 4, Kirk Boster 19, Shay Stewart 15. FG 27 (4), FT 8-12, F 13.

Mulvane—Tom Nienke 13, Tim Glaser 9, Jeremy Brown 5, Shawn Erbert 15, Rick Maxwell 4, David Butler 4, Brad Canfield 6, T.J. Lervik 2. FG 23 (3), FT 9-13, F 14.

Varsity Boys

Mulvane	13	9	13	19-54
Valley Center	19	23	10	27-79

Mulvane—Dan Smith 17, Griff Comejo 13, Dexter Carpenter 4, Steve Heersche 6, Jeff Parker 3, Shawn Erbert 2, Shay Vangas 2, Jeremy Brown 3, Mike Abasolo 1, Tim Glaser 3. FG 21 (4), FT 8-17, F 27.

Valley Center—Quin Cravens 13, Greg Drumright 21, Brad Tidemann 6, Jason Perry 9, Casey Walkup 3, Bobby Venditti 2, Quentin Ellis 11, Justin Zellers 2, Brandon Bally 5, Mark Whitaker 7. FG 24 (6), FT 25-40, F 22.

Junior Varsity Boys

Mulvane	7	7	16	7-37
Valley Center	20	17	18	13-68

Mulvane—Tom Nienke 10, Tim Glaser 8, Jeremy Brown 5, Shawn Erbert 3, Kevin Diller 2, Dexter Carpenter 6, Brad Canfield 3. FG 15 (1), FT 6-11, F 13.

Valley Center—Casey Walkup 15, Tymber Lee 4, Meyer 4, Jason Parry 8, Marco Sandoval 4, Larry Schmidt 14, Charlie Reyes 4, Ryan Schmidt 1, Brandon Bally 6, Kevin Sparks 2, Ken Rutschman 4, Ben Anderson 2. FG 30 (3), FT 5-9, F 17.

Sophomore Boys

Mulvane	11	11	12	6-40
Valley Center	14	19	12	18-63

Mulvane—Seth Jones 10, Eric Erbert 3, Tad Nicholson 2, T.J. Lervik 8, Brad Canfield 8, Sam McCoy 1, Jake Carmichael 6, Kasey McDowell 2. FG 17 (2), FT 4-6, F 10.

Valley Center—Charlie Reyes 5, Tymber Lee 16, Ben Anderson 12, Ryan Schmidt 5, Tony Aflague 4, Kevin Sparks 9, Ken Rutschman 12. FG 28 (5), FT 2-5, F 9.

The Wildcat game slipped a bit at Valley Center Friday night, Jan. 7 as the host Hornets buzzed all over Mulvane, 79-54, in a Chisholm Trail League game.

Playing without senior center Jason DeWald, who hurt his ankle earlier in the week against Augusta, the Cats couldn't hang with the Hornets, who out-scored MHS, 23-9, in a big second quarter push that decided the game. That gave VC a 20-point halftime lead, 42-22.

It also didn't help the Cat cause to be whistled for 27 fouls. That gave Valley plenty of chances at the line, and the hosts went 25 for 39 while Mulvane made eight of its 15 free throw tries. "When you don't play good defense, you end up fouling and they made us pay," said Landes.

Dan Smith's 17 points topped the Wildcat varsity effort. Griff Comejo finished with 13 points, guard Steve Heersche scored six points and Dexter Carpenter finished with four.

Valley also buried the MHS junior varsity by a 68-37 count. Tom Nienke was the lone Cat in double figures, hitting for 10 points. Tim Glaser scored eight points, Carpenter had six and Jeremy Brown scored five.

In the sophomore contest at VC, the Hornets clipped the Wildcats, 63-40. Seth Jones led the way for Mulvane with 10 points. Teammates Brad Canfield and T.J. Lervik scored eight apiece and Jake Carmichael scored six points.

Mulvane will be trying to get back on the winning track Friday night, Jan. 14, by entertaining pre-season CTL favorite Maize.