

Inconsistent Cats Last

Chaparral Roadrunner Boys

Classic Results

SEVENTH PLACE

Kingman	20	18	20	17-75
Mulvane	8	18	10	11-47

Kingman—Brent Garrison 15, Jason Gootz 10, Blaine Jones 2, Gary Nye 7, Michael Armour 7, Michael Luehrs 1, Jason Zoeller 10, Brent Strong 12, Justin Watkins 9, Bart Carnithers 2. FG 33 (0), FT 9-18, F 14.

Mulvane—Jeff Parson 17, Gary Cleverdon 12, Jarrod Oldridge 4, Steve Nelson 2, Toby Hoving 4, Danny Daniels 4, Andy Mackey 2, Chad Carpenter 2. FG 20 (0), FT 7-10, F 16.

FIRST PLACE

Arkansas City 57, Pratt 35

THIRD PLACE

Campus 69, Chaparral 60

FIFTH PLACE

Maize 63, Clearwater 55

SECOND ROUND

Clearwater	19	14	15	25-73
Mulvane	8	18	7	27-60

Clearwater—Chris Archer 5, Chad Buller 9, Nick True 13, Tyler Reynolds 3, Jason Smith 2, Scott Rudy 4, Gary Abner 28, Byron Jayne 2, Steve Olson 7. FG 29 (0), FT 15-29, F 21.

Mulvane—Gary Cleverdon 23, Jeff Parson 13, J.J. Dunn 9, Toby Hoving 6, Jarrod Oldridge 5, Danny Daniels 2, Andy Mackey 2. FG 21 (1), FT 12-15, F 25.

Maize 73, Kingman 58

Pratt 67, Campus 40

Arkansas City 73, Chaparral 57

FIRST ROUND

Mulvane	12	11	2	16-41
Arkansas City	17	17	12	21-67

Mulvane—Gary Cleverdon 17, J.J. Dunn 3, Toby Hoving 9, Jarrod Oldridge 2, Jeff Parson 4, Judson Spicer 6. FG 22 (0), FT 10-13, F 11.

Arkansas City—Justin Sparks 18, Eric Lolar 16, Brian Lolar 11, Jake Turner 7, Phil Morris 8, Travis Wyckoff 2, Dennis Abington 2, Aaron Hollins 3. FG 29 (0), FT 9-12, F 14.

Chaparral 64, Clearwater 41

Pratt 56, Kingman 50

Campus 65, Maize 62

A second straight finish in last place in the 20th annual Chaparral Roadrunner Boys Classic was waiting for the Mulvane High School boys after getting blown out by Kingman, 75-47, Saturday, Jan. 19, in the seventh place game at Chaparral.

"We played well at different times during the tournament but we still had a problem of sustaining that good effort," remarked Mason. "We don't seem to be able to sustain an effort the whole ball game and that's one reason we're losing."

The Wildcats opened the tournament Wednesday night, Jan. 16, by getting knocked out by No. 1 seeded Arkansas City, 67-41, and Clearwater knocked Mulvane into the 7th place game two days later by holding off a Mulvane rally late in the game for a 73-60 verdict.

Ark City went on to capture first place, blasting Pratt in Saturday's championship, 57-35.

"I've said it several times before but it fits here again," said Mason, whose team slipped to 0-10 for the season. "When you go up against 6-5, 6-6 and 6-7 people, 6-footers are going to struggle and that's where we're at. We went up against extreme size and great quickness, especially against Ark City. We were just out-manned. They have four people named to the all-tournament team had have two of the better kids in the state."

For a half, the Cats were in the ball game before one of those periods that

Mason talked about earlier—sustaining an effort. Ark City was ahead, 34-23 at half-time but a 12-2 rush in the third quarter sealed the Wildcats' fate. "We played two quarters, then fooled around in the second half," said Mason. "We did things we needed to do to be in the ball game in the first half, then they put us away."

Junior Gary Cleverdon was the top gun for the Cats as he scored 17 points. Guard Toby Hoving had nine points against Ark City and Judson Spicer finished with six. Sophomore J.J. Dunn, making his first start, scored three points.

Mulvane appeared to be perched on a victory against Clearwater in the second game but again the second half proved fatal as the Indians out-scored Mulvane, 15-7, in the third frame to enlarge a nine-point half-time lead.

"We got off to a terrible start (10-0) but got things back together in the second quarter," noted Mason. "We were in the ball game but started pressing in the third quarter. We got some turnovers but for every basket we got, we gave up one on the back side. They'd break the trap and that would lead to easy lay-ups."

Cleverdon had another fine scoring game, hitting for 23 points. Jeff Parson scored 13 points, followed by Dunn with nine, Toby Hoving with six and Jarrod Oldridge with five.

The Wildcats closed the game 65-58 on a bucket underneath by Parson with 1:37

left in the game but never could get closer as the Indians got the clutch baskets down the stretch to hold off the MHS charge.

Two quarters killed the Cats against Kingman. The Eagles jumped ahead, 20-8, in the opening period and out-scored the Cats, 20-10, in the third quarter.

Parson topped the Mulvane offensive effort with 17 points and Cleverdon scored 12. Danny Daniels, Oldridge and Hoving had four points apiece.

"We did accomplish something, we got a chance to look at several other kids," said Mason. "We got to look at a lot of kids and we played everybody we have. We're still trying to find the right people to do the job. I don't know what we're going to do the rest of the year. Somewhere along the line, we're going to have to sustain an effort the whole game."

Among the bright spots were the scoring of Cleverdon, who had 52 points in the tournament.

"That was the first time this year that he's had three good games in a row," said Mason. "He had a good tournament, and Parson was pretty consistent, too. He had his usual good scoring effort. Another one who provided a bright spot was Dunn, who really showed some promise."

The Wildcats will jumped back into Chisholm Trail League play Friday, Jan. 25, at Wellington, then go to Maize Tuesday, Jan. 29.