

# Pratt Derails Cat Charge



What they say about half-a-loaf is right. Half-a-trophy is better than none. Mulvane's Wildcats found that out Saturday night, Jan. 23, in the finals of the annual Roadrunner Basketball Classic at Chaparral High School.

The Cats had been picked to play early and go home ended up in the championship game before defending tourney kingpin Pratt ended Mulvane's Cinderella Story with a 64-38 verdict. Still, Mulvane won a large second place trophy.

"Nobody expected us to get that far but we did," said Wildcat cage coach Charlie Mason. "The Pratt paper did a rundown on all the teams and picked us 6th. About the only thing we couldn't be happy about is that we didn't play better in the second half against a very strong Pratt team."

Mulvane's trail to the top was littered with pretenders. The Cats opened the week-long tournament by nipping Arkansas City, 48-47, in overtime and followed that up Friday night, Jan. 22, with a stunning upset over previously unbeaten Chaparral, 52-42.

Against the Greenbacks, Mulvane was right there knocking at the door again through the first quarter. Senior Tim Warren, who had a spectacular tournament, scored nine points in the quarter. Pratt shut down Warren in the second quarter and the MHS game collapsed.

During the second and third quarters, Mulvane's offense could muster only 10 points and that was the ball game.

Warren finished with 19 points. Senior Dale Landes scores six, as did junior center David Hagerman.

The 6-foot-1 Warren went crazy against the host Roadrunners a night earlier. He had 25 points. Vic Marcelle scored 11 points and sophomore guard Kevin Bell added seven. Chaparral's two top players missed the game because of disciplinary action.

In the opening round, Warren scored 16 points, Landes 10 and Hagerman 12 but it was a Warren bucket that tied the game in overtime, setting the stage for a steal by Landes as Ark City was trying to stall the game out for the final shot. Landes made the steal and was fouled with five seconds left. He hit one of two but that was enough.

"Warren had a super tournament and so did Bell," said Mason. "Landes was also had a good tournament. We don't have anything to be ashamed of. We beat some good teams on the way up."



Wildcats Dale Landes (12), Tim Warren (13), David Hagerman (back) and Kevin Bell surround Pratt rebounder in tournament

**ROADRUNNER CLASSIC**  
First Place

Pratt	15 14 17 18-64
Mulvane	13 4 6 15-38
Pratt—Troy Piper 10, Jeff Henry 7, Eric Boldt 15, Dan Quint 9, Pat Stivers 10, Hal Norris 3, Jamie Dick 2, Greg Webster 4, Steve Trinkle 4. FG 27-62, FT 10-18, F 10.	
Mulvane—Kevin Butler 3, David Hagerman 6, Mike Coffey 2, Tim Warren 19, Dale Landes 6, Allen Whitmer 2. FG 15-48, FT 8-9, F 16.	

**Championship Semifinal**

Mulvane	12 11 6 23-52
Chaparral	8 12 8 14-42
C. Shook 4, David Hagerman 2, Kevin Warren 25, Dale Landes 6. FG 22-50, FT 10-17.	

Arkansas City	12 12 (2)-47
Mulvane	12 8 9 (3)-48
Arkansas City—Stanley 2, David Bowker 8, Marcelle 11, Woodward 3, David Stanley 2, F 7.	
Mulvane—David Hagerman 12, Mike Coffey 2, Kevin Bell 2, Vic Marcelle 6, Tim Warren 16, Dale Landes 10. FG 17-42, FT 14-25, F 15.	

## Warren, Landes Named All-Tournament

Two players from Mulvane High School, Tim Warren and Dale Landes, were named to the all-tournament first team at the Roadrunner Classic Basketball Tournament Saturday night, Jan. 23, following the final game at Chaparral.

Both seniors are Wildcat starters. The 6-foot-1 Warren led Mulvane to second

place behind Pratt with his scoring. He led the club in points all three games, scoring 60 points in the tournament. Landes, a guard, finished with 19 points in the three games, including a free throw in overtime against Ark City which decided the first game.

Others on the top 10 first team were

Jeff Henry and 6-5 Eric Boldt from the championship Greenbacks, Deron Lock and Tim Orth of Kingman, Linn Hibbs from Wellington, James Smith of Ark City and Tom Schrant and 6-7 Kyle Ray of Chaparral.

Boldt and Hibbs made the all-tournament team last year.