

Hornets Ruin Wildcat State Tourney Hopes

(By Gary Kuntz)

The Valley Center Hornets scored a last second basket and defeated the Wildcats 53-51 for the right to the State Tournament.

The Wildcats got off to a quick 5-0 lead and led after 8 minutes 17-14. Steve Carmichael and Gordon Long accounted for 13 points as Mulvane hit 6 of 10 field goals. Little Steve Minson scored 7 points for the Hornets in the first quarter and also drew 3 quick fouls on Ted Richardson to force him to leave the line-up.

Gordon Long scored six more points in the second quarter but Steve Minson scored 10 and Valley Center outscored Mulvane 18-11. Valley led at half time 32-28.

Mulvane started quickly in the third period hitting 5 of their first 6 shots and with 2 minutes and 27 seconds left in the quarter the Wildcats led 41-38. At the end of the quarter Mulvane led 45-42. The Wildcat scoring was led by Ted Richardson and Gordon Long with six points each.

The Wildcats were cold in the last quarter as they were held to six points. It appeared the game might go into overtime after Valley tried two shots with ten seconds to go but then the Hornets picked up the ball and scored the winning basket just as the buzzer sound-

Steve Carmichael	3	3	2
Gordon Long	8	2	1
Davey	3	0	2
Richardson	5	0	3
Roney	0	2	0
Kimble	2	0	1
Total	21	7	9