

Oxford Clips Wildcats, 63-62

Oxford stood off a last minute challenge to hand the Mulvane High School Wildcats a 63-62 loss in the opening basketball game of the year.

Oxford jumped off to a 20-13 first period lead. However, Mulvane rallied to take a one-point 34-33 lead at halftime. The Wildcats were ahead 45-44 at the end of the third period, however Oxford netted 19 tallies in the final quarter to just 17 for Mulvane.

The Wildcats were plagued by extremely cold shooting. From the floor, Mulvane hit 20 of 58 for just 35 percent. Things were not too much better at the charity stripe, where Mulvane converted 22 of 36 for 61 percent. On the other side of the ledger, Oxford hit 53 percent from the field, canning 25 of 47.

Jerry Shoemaker, 6-1 senior

aced the Wildcat scoring with 14 points, Mark Cranston, a 6-3 junior, and Brent Fleming, 6-1 junior, each had 12 points.

Dave McKinney was the leading rebounder for Mulvane, gathering in ten. Others on the rebounding chart were Jerry Shoemaker, 8; Brent Fleming, 5; Jim Carr, 3; Malcolm Nichols and Mark Cranston, 2 each and Jesse Morgan 1.

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Dave McKinney was named as the outstanding defensive player of the game by head coach Larry Berger.

The Mulvane box score: Malcolm Nichols, 0-3-3; Brent Fleming, 4-4-3; Dave McKinney, 2-2-4; Jim Carr, 1-4-5; Mark Cranston,

3-6-4; Jerry Shoemaker, 6-2-5; David Miller, 0-0-0.

"B" TEAM WINS

Mulvane High School "B" team defeated the Oxford reserves, 52-34. Kent Hughes led the scoring with 15 points while Mike Nichols added 12 and Mike Alumbaugh had 11. The box score: Kent Hurd, 0-0-0; Forrest Wise, 3-2-1; Sterling Borthwick, 1-0-4; Mike Dulaney, 0-0-1; Brad Sorrenson, 0-0-0; Jeff Crawford, 0-1-1; Mike Alumbaugh, 5-1-0; Ed Stunkel, 0-2-4; Steve Jackson, 0-0-0; Kelly Kerns, 0-1-0; Kent Hughes, 6-3-2; Mike Nichols, 5-2-0.