

Offense Alive & Well, 'Big D' Asleep

Just when you plug one hole, another appears. That's the way Mulvane High School boys basketball coach Charlie Mason must be feeling. Scoring points was a serious problem last season but the 1990 Wildcats opened their year Tuesday night, Dec. 4, at Goddard and scored 67 points,

more than any game last year. It's fixed.

Enter another problem. Goddard won the game by scoring 97 points.

"We scored more than any game last year," admitted Mason, "but there again, 97 points is more than we ever gave up. We came out and did some things we wanted to do offensively but on defense, we got beat deep a lot and also got caught in a lot of mis matches inside."

The helter skelter style was apparent from the start as the Lions shot out to a 35-15 lead after one quarter.

"If we intend to win any ball games, we can't give up 97 points," added Mason. "We also got tired. We had to battle so hard inside to get the ball that we got tired. They wore us down with their size."

"We also had 27 turnovers which hurt," said Mason. "This is a new game for us and I thought we'd have some but not that many. Their press hurt us early but once we adjusted to it, it didn't hurt."

Junior Jeff Parson came off the bench to score a game-high 19 points for Mulvane and helped the Cats to a team record eight three-point plays. Junior Gary Cleverdon scored 16 points after a slow start and Jarrod Oldridge and Toby Hoving connected for 12 and eight points, respectively.

The Wildcat junior varsity also opened its season on a down trend, as Goddard used a quick start (the Lions were ahead, 35-17, at intermission) to claim a 65-48 triumph. The sophomore game was cancelled because Goddard didn't have enough players.

Steve Nelson led the jayvee Cats with 10

points, all in the second half. J.J. Dunn and Chad Carpenter scored eight points each and Judson Spicer had seven.

Boys Varsity

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| Mulvane | 15 | 20 | 19 | 13 | 67 |
| Goddard | 35 | 20 | 17 | 25 | 97 |

Mulvane: Jeff Parson 19, Toby Hoving 8, Andy Markey 6, Gary Cleverdon 16, Jarrod Oldridge 12, Brock Davis 6. FG 19 (8), FT 21-31, F 28.

Goddard: Jeff Berblinger 17, Scott Hardesty 9, Ryan Hickman 15, Rory Hamilton 14, Jeff Bennett 14, Glenn Dreding 8, Larry Thompson 6, Vince Domenico 7, Jay Rueschler 7. FG 37 (1), FT 22-38, F29

Boys Junior Varsity

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| Mulvane | 9 | 8 | 17 | 14 | 48 |
| Goddard | 18 | 17 | 15 | 14 | 65 |

Mulvane: Neil Andersen 2, J.J. Dunn 8, Steve Nelson 10, Jeff Parson 4, Larry Dixon 4, Chad Carpenter 8, Judson Spicer 7, David Boyer 3. FG 13 (3), FT 11-16, F 15

Goddard: Karl Staats 4, Rory Hamilton 2, Jeff Bennett 9, Brian Buchanan 2, Chris Durham 17, Scott Hardesty 4, Curtis Summers 7, Carl Hayes 3, Bill Chubick 16. FG 21 (4), FT 10-16, F 13.