

# Cat Boys Take 7th At Maize ; Take 1-4 Record Into X-Mas

Even when you win, you lose. That's the situation Mulvane High School basketball coach Charlie Mason and his Wildcats were in in the seventh place game Saturday, Dec. 17, in the Maize Boys Invitational Tournament.

Mulvane posted its first victory of the year as the Cats sent the Andale junior varsity tumbling by a 70-54 score.

Valley Center continued its perfect season in the championship game, dumping Nickerson, 68-63, Andale's varsity won the third place game by popping past Winfield, 56-48, and Maize swamped Wellington, 70-45, in the game for fifth place.

Wellington knocked Mulvane into the seventh place game Thursday night, Dec. 15, when the Crusaders poured past the Cats, 69-60.

Mulvane was under the gun against the Andale jayvees, a position Mason called a "no winner."

"It's one of those situations you get into," said Mason. "It's a ball game, yet you're playing a junior varsity bunch that has nothing to lose and everything to gain. If you win, you're supposed to beat them, and if you lose, you feel terribly about it."

Tournament officials had trouble filling one slot in the eight-team field and settled for the Andale jayvee. "It counts as a win and that's about it," said Mason. "I understand the problem Maize had but it still was a tough

situation for us. Anyway, at this point, we'll take a win against anybody."

"This point" is 1-4 this season so the victory snapped a four-game skid by Mason's troops to begin the season.

The Wildcat staff also used the occasion to unveil a new offense. "We decided to go back to the basics," said Mason. "We have been having trouble getting a good shot off on offense and that's why we switched offenses. Not too many people are going to play us zone until we can beat their man-to-man."

The change seemed to help as the Wildcats played well to nail down third place by 16 points. "We were getting too mechanical, getting stuck on one side and decided to try something different and it seemed to give us better scoring opportunities by freeing up some people."

Mason was pleased with the way his club responded to the new look--and also the pressure of playing the junior varsity. "We shot the ball fairly well," said Mason. "They came out in a zone and didn't cover up (Larry) Lambrecht early. He knocked down a few in the first half before they went to a box-and-one. We played a lot better, more consistent. If we could have played like that, we would have beaten Wellington. We have to find five people who can play consistently, but anytime you win, it's a step in the right direction. We still have a lot of things we have to do."

Lambrecht, who was named to the all-tournament first team, finished with 28 points against Andale. Sean Gillespie was second-high for the Cats with 17 points. Center Jeff Sisco scored seven points and Bruce Brashear scored six.

Wellington moved out smartly against Mulvane and the Cats never caught up. The Crusaders held a 23-12 lead after eight minutes and were ahead, 41-27, by intermission.

"We gave them too many easy shots early," said Mason. "They shot only 47% but a lot of them were uncontested layups off our defense. That's another reason we went back to the basics."

Lambrecht had another big night, scoring 21 points, the 6-foot, 4-inch Sisco scored 13 points and Gillespie scored 12. Bill Harrington had his best

game, scoring eight points.

The Cats will be idle the next two weeks for the Christmas holiday. They will be at Buhler Tuesday, Jan. 3, in a

Chisholm Trail League game. Watch next week's News for results from the MHS game Tuesday, Dec. 20, against Augusta.



MHS's Sean Gillespie [5] comes down with rebound in tournament

## MAIZE BOYS TOURNAMENT SEVENTH PLACE

Mulvane 16 21 15 18--70  
Andale JV 11 17 11 15--54  
Mulvane--Derek Donaldson 2, Jeff Sisco 7, Bruce Brashear 6, Todd Hedstrom 1, Larry Lambrecht 28, John Heinrichs 1, Sean Gillespie 17, Mike Higgins 2, Andrew Hodges 4, Bill Harrington 1. FG 22 (5), FT 11-20, F 19.

Andale JV--David Stanhope 13, Craig Brasser 9, Chad Gorges 2, John Mannebach 9, Bryan Kraus 4, Josh Kersch 7, Nathan Barrager 5, Brad Horsch 1, Joe Rausch 4. FG 15 (4), FT 12-17, F 22

## CHAMPIONSHIP

Valley Center 68, Nickerson 63

## THIRD PLACE

Andale 56, Winfield 48

## FIFTH PLACE

Maize 70, Wellington 45

## SEMIFINALS

Mulvane 12 15 18 15--60  
Wellington 23 18 12 16--69

Mulvane--Bill Harrington 8, Sean Gillespie 12, Larry Lambrecht 21, Todd Hedstrom 2, Derek Donaldson 4, Jeff Sisco 13. FG 25 (1), FT 7-9, F 20.

Wellington--Rick McConnell 12, Frank Cornejo 14, Doug Mericle 21, Erickson 4, Kelly Adams 10, Willis 8, FG 31 (0), FT 7-21, F 12.

Valley Center 79, Winfield 42  
Nickerson 71, Andale 55  
Maize 68, Andale JV 56

## CHISHOLM TRAIL LEAGUE BOYS BASKETBALL STANDINGS [Includes games through Dec. 17]

### DIVISION I

Team	League		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Valley Center	1	0	5	0
Augusta	1	0	3	2
Buhler	1	0	1	2
Wellington	0	0	2	3
Mulvane	0	1	1	4
Goddard	0	1	1	4
Andover	0	1	1	4

### DIVISION II

Kingman	1	0	4	0
Rose Hill	1	0	2	3
Maize	1	0	3	2
Clearwater	0	0	1	1
Andale	0	1	3	2
Chaparral	0	1	2	3
Circle	0	1	2	2

### Next Week's Schedule

No games scheduled-Christmas break

## Lambrecht Named To All-Tourney Team

High-scoring Larry Lambrecht was the lone Mulvane High School representative on the Maize Boys Classic all-tournament team announced following the championship game Saturday night, Dec. 17.

Lambrecht finished his three-game tournament with 67 points and was one of the top scorers in the field. Lambrecht is a 6-foot, 11-inch senior and Coach Charlie Mason's top scorer this season.

Others named to the 10-member all-tournament elite squad were juniors Bobby Webber, Frank Lesperance and 6-5 Bryan Newell, who guided Valley Center to the tourney championship; senior Jim Walker and junior Ty Quillin of runner-up Nickerson; senior Heath Marx and junior Jason Marcotte of Andale; and senior David Brooks and junior Chad Peck, both of the host Eagles.