Play Well

Girls Busted In Overtime

It's "tournament time" and the intensity oozed like never before for the Mulvane High School girls.

But Andover caught up in regulation and passed the Wildcats in overtime Monday night, Jan. 25, in the opening game of the 13th annual Wildcat Girls Basketball Classic. The Trojans clipped MHS, 64-59, in overtime.

In the other first-round game, No. 1 seeded Garden Plain bulled its way past Winfield, 56-38.

"I thought we played as good a ball game as we have played all year," stressed Gregg Wolgast, the Mulvane girls coach. "From an intensity standpoint and an emotional standpoint, it was great. It was a lot different from the Goddard game when they made a run at us and we fell apart. Andover one of her finest hours. She scored 23 points

made a run at us, took the lead by four, but we came back to get the lead again."

Actually, Mulvane, which dropped to 3-9 for the year, took a two-point lead into the last 15 seconds but the Trojans' outstanding guard, Susan Woolf, tied the game with two free throws with five seconds left and Mulvane couldn't get off a decent shot. In overtime, Woolf took charge, scoring six points as the Trojans (7-4) clinched it.

"I was happy with the poise we showed, though," added Wolgast. "Against Goddard, we just kind of ducked our heads down and gave up. This one we were poised, regained the lead and battled back. In overtime they shot the ball well and I think we just kind of ran out of gas. The girls were worn out and tired."

Wildcat senior center Sheila Mills had

1993 Wildcat Girls Classic Pairings

TODAY (JAN. 28)

Game 5 -- Winfield vs. Mulvane, 3:30 p.m.

Game 6 -- Clearwater vs. Wellington, 5:15

Game 7 -- Wichita South vs. Circle, 7

Game 8 -- Garden Plain vs. Andover, 8:45 SATURDAY, JAN. 30

Game 9 (Seventh Place)--losers of games 5 and 6, 1 p.m.

Game 10 (Fifth Place)--winners of gams 5 and 6, 2:45 Game 11 (Third Place)--losers of games 7 and 8, 4:30 Game 12 (First Place)--winners of games 7 and 8, 8 6:30 p.m.--Drill Team/Cheerleader competition

and had 14 rebounds. Lee Banzet added 12 points and Kristi McDowell had seven points and 11 rebounds. Stephanie Schultz finished with five points.

"I told the girls afterwards that if they played that hard and came out and executed like they did against Andover, there isn't anybody we've played that they couldn't beat," added Wolgast. "We passed the ball around, found the open person and played with a lot of intensity. The girls did a great job. And Sheila got 23 points, but the other girls didn't just rely on her."

According to Wolgast, a big factor in the game was offensive rebounds. Although Mulvane had 37 boards to 34 for the Trojans, it was Andover that cashed in the most on the offensive boards with easy buckets underneath. "Especially late in the game, Andover got a bunch of offensive rebounds," said Wolgast. "I think we were a little fatigued. We weren't quite getting into position on the weak side and that left the gate open for them to slip in for the rebound."

A short but deadly spurt at the start of the second half propelled Goddard to a 54-37 Chisholm Trail League triumph Friday night, Jan. 22, over the Mulvane girls. The game was played in the MHS gym.

The loss knocked Coach Wolgast's girls to 1-5 in the conference.

The pressure late killed the Cats' hopes. "Earlier in the game, they pressed us and we handled it pretty easily," pointed out Wolgast. 'In fact, our first few scores came off our press-break offense. We played our best ball at the start of the second half. We came out more aggressive, pressured them into several turnovers and didn't let them set up their offense."

But down the stretch, the antics didn't work and Goddard pulled away.

Mulvane hung with the Lions in rebounding as the Wildcats had 27 caroms to 25 for Goddard. Mills had nine boards, Lee Banzet had six and Kristi McDowell had six.

Wildcat Girls Basketball Classic

FIRST ROUND

Mulvano 19 (4)-59 Andover 22 (9)--64 Mulvano-- Sheila Milla 23, Stephanie Schultz 5, Kristi McDowell 7, Robin Smith 4, Lee Banzet 12, Marci Amold 3, Anna Turner 2, Deva Lewis 3, PG 21-49 (1),

FT 16-27, F 30, Andover--Susan Woolf 32, Krista Tiller 8, Nicki Martons 9, Jonnifer Belcher 3, Sharon Johnson 9, Misty Minton 2. PG 24-67 (0), FT 16-33, F 23.

Garden Plain 56, Winfield 38

Varsity Girls

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Mulvane Goddard-Lie Bowden 3, Bobbi Lochner 15, Amy Brown 17, Amy Poland 6, Stacie Scholl 4, Diana Edmond 1, Elaine Floetwood 2, FG 22-45 (2), FT 12-21, F 13.

Mulvanc-Marci Arnold 1, Loc Banzet 8, Kristi McDowell 6, Sheila Mills 15, Cody Watson 4, Stephenic Schultz 2, Dova Lewis 2, PG 19-50 (1), FT 0-4, F 23.

Junior Varsity Girls

No game played

Goddard