Pressing Defense Takes Toll Against Cat Girls

Handling a pressing defense wasn't one of the strong suits of the Mulvane girls basketball team Saturday, Jan. 29, in the third place game in the Mulvane Girls Invitational Basketball Tournament.

The Cats couldn't handle the pressing Bishop Carroll Golden Eagles and Carroll rode numerous Wildcat turnovers to a 49-36 verdict for third place. It was the second loss to Carroll this week for the Cats and sandwiched a semifinal win of 49-44 over Clearwater Thursday night, Jan. 27.

It also marked the final game for head coach Bill Stinson, who is taking a leave of absence to pursue a professional football career. Tony Gourlay will be taking over.

The Wildcats kept falling off the pace as Carroll pressed. By intermission, Carroll had a 29-14 edge and the MHS girls never made a serious run.

Junior Tawnya Infinger scored 14 points to pace the Wildcat girls. Sophomore Melody Carey added eight points and guard Jay Kilpatrick, a senior named to the all-tournament team, added four points.

Top gun May Cole was held to only two points.

MULVANE GIRLS INVITATIONAL Championship

Derby 63, Peabody 51

Third Place

Mulvane 6 8 6 16--36 Bishop Carroll 13 16 7 13--49

Mulvane--Mary Cole 2, Tawyna Infinger 14, Jay Kilpatrick 4, Diane Mohney 2, Melody Carey 8, Lori Melick 1, Traci Lawless 3, Darla Reekle 2, FG 13, FT 10-26, F 22.

Bishop Carroll--Monica Mavec 8, Teresa Degenhardt 2, Mary Giovanni 2, Clindy Hoffmans 4, Rita McClure 15, Cynthia Ornelas 3, Laura Cannon 10, Connie Czarneski 4, Val Kastens 1, FG 17, FT 15-28, F 25.

Fifth Place

Clearwater 52, Wellington 38
Semifinals

Mulvane 10 12 11 16--49 Clearwater 11 11 10 12--44

Mulvane-Mary Cole 15, Tawnya Infinger 9, Jay Kilpatrick 13, Diane Mohney 10, Lori Melick 2, FG 17, FT 15-28, F 18.

Clearwater-Valeri Hufford 1, Janelle Gorges 18, Dana Stump 12, Patty Stewart 4, Lori Pelz 4, Robyn Wright 2, Sandy Vogel 2, Melody Brost 3, FG 17, FT 10-17, F 22. S DOP'S

All-Tourney To Jay, 'Cats'

Only one Mulvane High School player was named to the all-tournament team announced after the Mulvane Girls Invitational Basketball Tournament which ended Saturday, Jan. 29.

The Wildcats did far better in the pompon competition. The Classy Cats from MHS tied for first place with Andover in the battle of pompon squads. The top two teams received team trophies.

Other schools entered in the pom poncompetition were Belle Plaine, Derby and Valley Center.

Members of the Classy Cats are Tammy Moore, Kellie Lough, Jenny Unger, Cheri Heibert, Kirsten Mize, Stacy Iverson, Jill Arnold, Jennifer Pounds, Paula Wayman, Julie Schmidt, Robin Smart and Lanette Casey. The all-tourney first team was dominated by the top two finishers, Derby and Peabody. However, Mulvane Senior Jay Kilpatrick was named to the all-tourney team, the lone Cat on the team.

Others named from Derby were Ruthy and Ramona Ricketts and Laura Carey of Derby, Lucille Carson and Linda Nightengale of Peabody, Monica Mavec and Rita McClure of Bishop Carroll, Janelle Gorges of Clearwater and Sharon Scheufler of Wellington.

Carson set the tournament's singlegame scoring mark with 37 points in a losing cause in the championship game. She also led the tournament in scoring with 64 points in two games, beating out Gorges, who had 54 points in three games.