

Girls' String Of Progress Snapped

As Indians Ambush Wildcat Girls

Here today, gone tomorrow. Just as Mulvane High School girls basketball coach Bill Stinson.

He thought it was "here" the last three weeks but he found out Tuesday night, Feb. 21, at Clearwater that tomorrow's another day. His Wildcats didn't have it and lost, 40-25, to Clearwater.

The loss saw the Cat log dip to 6-13 for the season.

"We reverted back to some bad habits and really played our worst game in the last three weeks, we really played poorly," complained the second-year coach.

Mulvane maintained a lead in the first quarter, then went 0-for-9 from the field in the second period and fell far off the Indian pace. "We had seven shots in the lane but couldn't get any of them down," said Stinson. "They weren't going down for us like they have been the last few weeks. I had been feeling real good about things but we just took a step back in time."

Junior Lisa Jones had her string of double-figure games snapped but she still topped the Mulvane effort with nine points. Lori Cox scored eight points.

The Cat jayvees also were beaten but by a 31-30 count. Sheila Mahlandt led the Mulvane scorers with nine points and Teresa Graybeal scored eight.

A dry spell at the top of the fourth quarter cost the Cat gals a victory at home Friday night, Feb. 17, against Valley Center. The Hornets pulled out their second narrow victory over Mulvane this year, 40-37. Earlier this season, the Hornets tipped the Cats, 26-25.

"We're putting ourselves in position to win but we're still making those mistakes that cost you (victories)," complained Stinson. "We beat ourselves and gave them the opportunity to win. They made the most of their opportunities and we didn't, it's that simple."

Stinson's outfit, a solid 4th in the Chisholm Trail League Division I

standings with a 3-6 mark, went cold in the final frame, hitting only two of nine field attempts. "If we hit only four of nine, we win the ball game," said Stinson. "We shut them down in the last quarter and had the chance to rally. We're not totally frustrated with the loss because we passed the ball better than ever before against their defense but we still made those mistakes that beat you."

"We had the shots to win but didn't

Girls Varsity

Mulvane	8	0	11	6--25
Clearwater	4	14	12	12--40
Mulvane--Diane Mohny 4, Tawnya Infinger 0, Darla Reekie 4, Lori Cox 8, Lisa Jones 9. FG 12-45, FT 1-4, F 22.				

Clearwater--Brost 6, Wright 7, Gast 3, Stewart 4, Gorges 10, Cunningham 9, Blumenshine 3. FG 14-40. FT 14-24, F 10.

Girls Junior Varsity

Mulvane	8	7	6	9--30
Clearwater	11	6	4	10--31
Mulvane--Tiane Dossey 7, Terri Lawless 2, Sheila Mahlandt 9, Debbie Yohe 2, Melinda Storey 2, Teresa Graybeal 8. FG 13-45, FT 4-12, F 6.				
Clearwater--Ward 8, Watt 2, Blum 2, McMinn 8, Vogel 11. FG 15-40, FT 1-2, F 12.				

Girls Varsity

Valley Center	14	10	13	3--40
Mulvane	10	12	10	5--37
Valley Center--Dana Dole 5, Kathy Rall 12, Deborah Rowley 6, Jill Cochran 0, Kim Barnes 17. FG 19-42, FT 2-7, F 8.				

Mulvane--Diane Mohny 4, Darla Reekie 6, Lori Cox 10, Lisa Jones 15, Traci Lawless 2. FG 18-41, FT 1-2, F 12.				
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Girls Junior Varsity

Valley Center	10	4--14
Mulvane	3	10--13
Valley Center--Stacy Williams 2, Jena Dick 10, Alice Jewell 2, Susan Anderson 0, Cathy Smith 0. FG 8, FT 2-10, F 7.		

Mulvane--Tiane Dossey 0, Terri Lawless 1, Sheila Mahlandt 6, Debbie Yohe 2, Melinda Storey 4. FG 5, FT 3-7, F 10.		
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knock them down. We still threw the ball away a couple of times when we needed it."

Junior guard Lisa Jones had her third super ball game, pacing the Cat scorers with 15 points. In her last three games, Jones has averaged 17 points a game.

Sophomore Lori Cox scored 10 points and another sophomore, Darla Reekie, added six points. The team's top scorer, Tawnya Infinger, was held scoreless.

The Cat junior varsity, playing a shortened two-quarter game, lost a close one also, 14-13, to Valley. Sheila Mahlandt scored six points and Melinda Storey had four for the Wildcats.

Mulvane's girls will close out their regular season at home Friday night, Feb. 24, against Augusta. The girls junior varsity will play at the junior high at 4:30 p.m. and the varsity will play at 6:15 at the high school.