

Modest Winning Skein Has Wildcats Buzzing

Two...going for three.

For the first time in the history of the Mulvane girls basketball program, a two-game winning streak can be put in the books. The Wildcat girls moved out to a steady 45-36 victory Tuesday night, Dec. 4, against Cheney after registering a year-opening 48-15 victory over Augusta Thursday night, Nov. 29.

"We've got two and we're going for three," rejoiced Wildcat coach Bill Brown. "If we can stay aggressive on defense, we can do it."

Brown, who has been the girl cagers' only coach in the program's four years, felt good about handling Cheney's Cardinals. "Cheney was quicker inside and that hurt us defensively but I feel our defense is what carried us in the fourth quarter," declared Brown. "We only scored six points but I didn't think they would be able to catch up against our defense."

Foul troubles plagued the Wildcat girls and nearly side-tracked the victory celebration. "We got into foul trouble in the fourth quarter and had to slow down," said Brown. "We had to do some things we didn't want to."

The Wildcats, with Cindi Lawless bringing down 12 rebounds and Denise Standerfer six, were on the short end of a 37-32 rebound count.

Guards Sandy Whetstone, the club's No. 1 scorer a year ago, and Shelley Gerlach each scored 11 points and Lawless added eight.

Against Augusta, junior Arlene Reekie poured in 16 points and Lawless added 10.

"The girls played with so much more spirit," praised Brown. "They played a more aggressive brand of basketball, it was just a good team effort from everyone who played."

"In fact, I think it was the best team effort we've ever had. The defense was great. They didn't get a chance to do anything. Our defense just tore them up."

The Cat B-team registered a 15-9 loss against Augusta. Top scorer was Cindy

Powell, who had six points.

Friday night, Dec. 7, the girls will be at home against Kingman.

Girls A-Team

Cheney 4 11 12 9--36

Mulvane 9 19 11 6-45

Cheney—Stacey Bolinger 9, Amy Goldsmith 6, Terri Ruckle 4, Julie Ewing 12, Nikki Viner 3. FG 14-60, FT 8-20, F 15.

Mulvane—Cindy Nelson 2, Arlene Reekie 6, Sandy Whetstone 11, Shelley Gerlach 11, Cindi Lawless 8, Denise Standerfer 7. FG 19-54, FT 7-14, F 22.

Girls A-Team

Mulvane 14 10 14 10--48

Augusta 2 4 2 7--15

Mulvane—Cindy Nelson 4, Arlene Reekie 16, Sandy Whetstone 8, Shelley Gerlach 4, Cindi Lawless 10, Denise Standerfer 6. FG 21-51, FT 8-9, F 9.

Augusta—Brandi Riedmiller 4, Lisa McDaniel 3, Denise Poage 2, Liz Taylor 6, Terri Miller 0. FG 7-47, FT 1-3, F 14.

Girls B-Team

Mulvane 4 0 3 2--9

Augusta 8 0 0 7--15

Mulvane—Celia Rogars 0, Cindy Powell 6, Kristi Lawless 0, Shari Randall 3, Susan Healty 0. FG 4-48, FT 1-4, F 7.

Augusta—Eva Priebe 6, Linda Ray 2, Pat McCougald 7, Tammy Wray 0, Charlene Rowland 0. FG 7-43, FT 1-2, F 8.