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TUCKER COUNTY GIRLS' BEAT NOTRE DAME, MOOREFIELD FALL TO GILMER

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HAMBLETON – The Lady Mt. Lions Basketball team hosted Notre Dame on Monday April 5th. Tucker County got off to a quick start and never looked back in route to a 65-24 victory.

The first quarter was dominated by the Lady Mt. Lions as they led after one quarter 20-6. Tucker County continued to play good defense as they held Notre Dame to just 5 points in the quarter and the Lady Mt. Lions scored 17 points to take a halftime lead of 37-11.

The Lady Irish struggled on offense in the third quarter as Tucker County outshot Notre Dame 20-0 to make the score 57-11 after three. The Lady Mt. Lions reserves finished the game in the fourth as Notre Dame outscored Tucker County 13-8 in the fourth quarter to put the final score at 65-24 Tucker County.

London Hood led Tucker County with 25 points, 4 steals and Kadie Colebank added 16 points, 12 rebounds for the Lady Mt. Lions in the win. Gracie Rapp and Brylee Wetzel chipped in with 8 points each for Tucker County. The Lady Mt.

Lions JV team defeated Buckhannon-Upshur before the varsity contest by the final score of 30-15.

The Tucker County Girls' Basketball Senior Gracie Rapp and Senior Cheerleaders Emma Hockman, Kyleigh Barrett, Karley Kyle and Averie Bunnell were recognized before the varsity game.

HAMBLETON – The Tucker County Girls hosted #1 Gilmer County for a varsity only contest on Wednesday April 7th. The Lady Mt. Lions fought hard and led throughout the contest, but the Lady Titans pulled out the road victory by the score of 63-54.

The game started with both teams hitting shots as the score showed Tucker County with a slim 17-16 lead after one quarter. The Lady Mt. Lions then added to their lead in the second quarter as they outscored Gilmer County 17-13 in the second to put the halftime score to 34-29.

The Lady Titans came out in the third and cut into the Tucker County lead. Gilmer County outpaced the Lady Mt. Lions 15-11 in the third to make the score 45-44 Tucker County after three quarters. The fourth quarter was back and forth with neither team leading by more than 3 points throughout. Then with 1:23 left in the game the Lady Mt. Lions took a 54-53 lead, but Tucker County could not hold the lead. The Lady Titans then took the lead and they made their foul shots down the stretch to secure the road victory 63-54.

Kadie Colebank led Tucker County with 20 points, 19 rebounds and London Hood added 12 points, 5 rebounds for the Lady Mt. Lions. Macy Helmick chipped in with 10 points, 4 rebounds and Gracie Rapp had 7 points, 6 rebounds for Tucker County in the loss.

MOOREFIELD – The Lady Mt. Lions traveled to Moorefield on Thursday April 8th. Moorefield raced out to a quick lead over Tucker County, but the Lady Mt. Lions came from behind to win the game by the final score of 49-47. The first quarter was dominated by Moorefield as they got out to a quick 14-0 start and the Lady Yellowjackets led after one quarter 17-3. The Lady Mt. Lions fought back in the second quarter as they outscored Moorefield 14-10 to make the halftime score 27-17 Moorefield. Tucker County cut the Lady Yellowjackets lead down to 36-30 early in the third, but Moorefield responded to outpace the Lady Mt. Lions in the third 9-8 to put the score at 36-25 Moorefield after three. The fourth quarter belonged to Tucker County as they chipped away at the Lady Yellowjackets lead and tied the game 38-38 with 4:50 left in the game. The teams then battled the rest of the game. Then with 12 seconds left in the game Macy Helmick drained 2 foul shots to give Tucker County the 49-47 lead. Moorefield then missed a shot to tie the game as time expired to give the Lady Mt. Lions the road win by the score of 49-47. Tucker County outscored Moorefield 24-11 in the fourth quarter to help the comeback. London Hood led Tucker County with 19 points, 3 assists and Kadie Colebank added 13 points, 17 rebounds, 4 blocks. Macy Helmick had 7 points, 5 assists and Jacey Davis chipped in with 7 points, 5 rebounds for the Lady Mt. Lions in the win.

Tucker County(14-4) will host the Sectional Championship on Thursday April 15th against the winner of Union and East Hardy. The Lady Mt. Lions will then play for the Regional Championship on Wednesday April 21st, time and place of Regional Championship will be determined after Sectional Championship game. For more info go to TuckerCountySports.Com.



Senior Cheer and Basketball were honored before the game on April 5th. Girls honored were: (L-R) Karley Kyle, Emma Hockman, Gracie Rapp, Averie Bunnell and Kyleigh Barrett. Photo by Becky Moore.



Tucker County's Gracie Rapp shoots the ball against Gilmer County on April 7th. Tucker County fell in the contest 63-54. Photo by Becky Moore.