

## Local Roundup

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### Miller City boys rout Musketeers

FORT JENNINGS — Miller City's boys basketball team came out with a strong first period — 29-13 — and rode that to an 83-53 rout of Fort Jennings Thursday night at The Fort.

Austin Lammers drilled three 3s in his 19 points to pace the Wildcats, getting help from Ross Kaufman (18 points) and 13 by Adam Niese. They canned 34-of-65 shots (a strong 8-of-17 downtown) for 52.3 percent and 7-of-11 singles (63.6%). They dominated the glass 38-19 and forced 19 miscues (8 for themselves).

The Musketeers were paced by the 22 of sophomore Connor Wallenhorst and 16 by senior Brandon Kohli. They dropped in 17-of-42 shots (3-of-10 triples) for 40.5 percent and 16-of-22 freebies (72.7%). Senior Kurt Warnecke led the floor game with eight boards and five assists. They host Perry Saturday night.

### MILLER CITY (83)

Russell Niese 3-0-8, Cory Heuerman 0-2-2, Adam Drummelsmith 3-0-7, Adam Niese 5-1-13, Ross Lammers 9-0-18, Ross Vennekotter 3-1-7, Leon Alexander 3-2-8, Nick Lammers 0-0-0, Jacob Gerten 0-1-1, Tristan Niese 0-0-0, Hunter Berner 0-0-0, Josh Inkrott 0-0-0, Jared Snyder 0-0-0. Totals 26-8-7/11-83.

### FORT JENNINGS (53)

Nick Von Sossan 0-2-2, Dylan Eldridge 0-0-0, Connor Wallenhorst 7-7-22, Josh Wittler 0-0-0, Austin Kehres 1-1-3, Nathan German 0-0-0, Kurt Warnecke 3-0-8, Brandon Kohli 6-4-16, Drew Stechschulte 0-0-0, Logan Sickels 0-2-2. Totals 14-3-16/22-53.

### Score by Quarters:

Miller City	29	24	15	14 - 83
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Fort Jennings	13	6	14	20 - 53
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Three-point goals: Miller City, A. Lammers 3, R. Niese 2, A. Niese 2, Drummelsmith; Fort Jennings, Warnecke 2, Wallenhorst.

JV score: 32-26 (Fort Jennings).

### Mustangs rout Lady Bearcats

HARROD — Allen East's girls basketball team steadily pulled away from Spencerville Thursday night and rolled up a 75-45 Northwest Conference rout of the Lady Bearcats inside The Corral.

Jadin Salyers led the Lady Mustangs with 15, while Casey Rowe added 13 and Aubrie Woods 10.

Guiding Spencerville was Abbie Freewalt with 19. Spencerville hosts St. John's Thursday.

### SPENCERVILLE (45)

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Schylar Miller 6, Alyssa Mulholland 2, Jacey Grigsby 7, Meagan Miller 2, Abbie Freewalt 19, Caitlyn Probst 4, Patricia Riley 5.

ALLEN EAST (75)

Casey Rowe 13, Carly Clum 9, Morgan Truex 7, Lindsy Woods 7, Jadin Salyers 15, London Richardson 7, Aubrie Woods 10, Erin Conkle 7.

Score by Quarters:

Spencerville 10 10 14 11 - 45

Allen East 16 23 19 17 - 75

Sharpshooting Lady Knights thump LCC 58-37

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CONVOY - Crestview conducted a clinic in the first and fourth quarters Thursday night, which more than made up for some second- and third-quarter struggles as the Lady Knights topped Lima Central Catholic 58-37.

Crestview is now 3-0 in the Northwest Conference and 7-1 overall. LCC is 1-2 and 3-4.

In the first quarter, the game appeared to be a mismatch as the Knights rolled to a 13-2 lead, holding the T-Birds without a field goal in 12 attempts, while Crestview was hitting on six of its 12 tries. However, that stanza was not indicative of what was to come.

The home team turned it over nine times in the second period, which allowed LCC to get right back into it. Although Crestview remained hot from the field (5-of-7), those miscues allowed the visitors to get many more shots from the field (5-of-14) and from the line (4-of-5, compared to the Knights' 0-for-2). The bright spot for Crestview in those eight minutes was Terra Crowle, who came off the bench to score eight points, including threes on the first two Knight possessions in the quarter. It was 25-17, Crestview, at the break.

"I thought that second quarter we just lost our energy," said Crestview coach Greg Rickard. "No intensity, lots of turnovers. It was just a mental thing. We just lost focus. We're gonna have to learn to play with a big lead. We weren't very intense on the defensive end and we didn't take care of the ball. At the half we were up eight and we should've been up 16 or 18 points."

LCC got as close as six twice (25-19 and 27-21) early in the third period. It was 31-24 when the Knights began to put some distance between themselves and the pesky T-Birds. Crowle started the run with a putback at the 3:16 mark. Mackenzie Riggerbach split a pair from the line and Kennis Mercer swished a trifecta from the right wing to make it 37-24 at 1:44. After an LCC

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score, Riggerbach hit a breakaway layup to put Crestview up 39-26 after three.

The visitors, however, weren't done yet. They cut the margin to 43-33 at the 6:02 mark of the fourth period before the Knights put it away. Riggerbach treyed from straight out and Lindsey Motycka got an easy layup on a Riggerbach assist. Riggerbach nailed a jumper from the top of the key and Mercer slashed down the lane for a layup to extend that run to 9-0 and allow the Knight fans to rest easy with a 52-33 lead and 2:10 on the clock.

There was a sharp contrast in field goal shooting, the Knights canning 22-of-39 (56%), the T-Birds only 13-of-48 (27%). Crestview also won the boards 28-20, including a 15-6 margin in the second half. Both teams were solid from the line, the Knights hitting 9-of-13 (69%), the Birds 8-of-12 (67%). LCC was better at protecting the ball, 13 turnovers to 19.

The bright spots for the Knights were shooting, particularly by Crowle, and rebounding.

"She (Crowle) is a good 3-point shooter," added Rickard. "Mac (Mackenzie Riggerbach) hit a couple. Kennis (Mercer) got one. For us to hit 5-of-10 (3-pointers), we'll take that anytime. They (the T-Birds) had quite a few offensive rebounds the first half. There's no excuse for that, but in the second half I think they had one, so we did a little better job."

Motycka led all scorers with 18, including a 6-for-6 free throw performance. Riggerbach and Crowle chipped in with 15 and 10 respectively. Meredith Shepherd led a balanced LCC attack with 10.

The Crestview junior varsity (6-2) led only 14-13 at the half but cruised after that, winning 39-29. The Knights were led in scoring by Megan Hartman, Courtney Grote and Brady Guest with 12, 10 and 8. Natalie Snider had 11 for LCC (2-5).

Lima Central Catholic (37)

Santaguida 3 0-1 6, Shepherd 4 0-0 10, Kidd 1 2-2 4, Mohler 1 4-4 6, Verhoff 2 2-2 7, Warner 2 0-3 4, Zerante 0 0-0 0, Farler 0 0-0 0. Totals 13 8-12 37.

Crestview (58)

Mercer 2 0-0 5, Riggerbach 5 3-5 15, Bauer 2 0-0 4, Motycka 6 6-6 18, Hicks 1 0-2 2, Crowle 4 0-0 10, Henry 2 0-0 4. Totals 22 9-13 58.

Score by quarters:

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Three-point field goals: LCC 3 (Shepherd 2, Verhoff), Crestview 5 (Crowle 2, Riggerbach 2, Mercer).