

Local Roundup

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Delphos Tri-County Wrestlers open season

SIDNEY — The Delphos Tri-County Wrestling Club started its regular season recently with a big bang at Sidney High School.

With 46 wrestlers participating for the club, 19 of them new to the sport, they brought home 11 first-place finishes, 13 second place, 13 third place and nine fourth.

Bringing home three pins on the day were: newcomer Landen Grothaus, as well as Cody Bailey, Gabe Steyer and Conner Anspach.

With 2 pins were: Aiden Lanteigne, Joshua Ringwald, Colin Bailey, Cody Bockey, Brady Welker, Kane Plescher and Trent Vonderwell.

And one pin: newcomers Blaine Maloney, Ty Rudasill, Garrett Trentman, Coby Anspach, Jay Goetz and Braden Lewis, along with Austin Giesige, Tyler Herron, Mason Vonderwell, Avery Schulte, Isaiah Bretz, Dominic Estrada, Kole McKee, Ean Boecker, Justin Weiging and August Wurst.

First place went to: Aiden Lanteigne, Cody Bailey, Nathan Ditto, Landen Grothaus, Tyler Herron, Colin Bailey, Gabe Steyer, Brady Welker, Kane Plescher, Jay Goetz and Conner Anspach.

Second-place finishers were: Blaine Maloney, Keilik Cross, Joshua Ringwald, Austin Giesige, Logan Dickman, Mason Vonderwell, Eli Zehender, Cody Bockey, Braden Lewis, Dominic Estrada, Ean Boecker, Trent Vonderwell and Justin Weiging.

Third went to: Ty Rudasill, JJ Murphy, Royce Kill, Garrett Trentman, Troy Pseekos, Coby Anspach, Clayton Paddubny, Cole Binkley, Avery Schulte, Brady Zalar, Isaiah Bretz, Kole McKee and August Wurst.

And bringing home a fourth-place ribbon were: Grady Holdgreve, Alex Gerow, Caden Wright, Jacob McConnahea, Isaac Cross, Ben McKee, Jason Seekings, Chase Bailey and John Pseekos.

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The club got 42 total pins on the day!

Next action is Sunday at Ottawa-Glandorf High School. Wrestling starts at 1 p.m.

The club's home tournament is scheduled for Jan. 20 at St. John's.

Second-half defense propels Defiance to 62-46 win over Beavers

By Keisha Holtsberry

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DEFIANCE — The Bluffton University men's basketball team fell 62-46 to Defiance College on Wednesday. The Beavers slipped to 4-8 overall and 0-5 in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference, while Defiance improved to 7-5 overall and 3-2 in the HCAC.

The Beavers had a solid first half and controlled the scoreboard for a majority of the period. Junior Will Pope (Somerville/Preble Shawnee) dumped in a layup for the first tie of the game. Twenty seconds later, junior Josh Johnson (Ottawa-Glandorf) buried a triple try, giving the Beavers the lead. The Yellow Jackets wasted no time in tying the game back up less than a minute later. Junior Dustin Kinn (Alvada/New Riegel) put the Beavers on top by two at the 15:56 mark but eight seconds later Defiance again tied the game.

The Yellow Jackets went up by three for a few minutes before sophomore Ryan Ebbeskotte (Fort Jennings/Delphos Jefferson) and Kinn both converted to put the Beavers back in the lead. The visitors stayed in control until late in the stanza with their largest lead being five after a 3-pointer from senior Tyler Neal (Bluffton). Defiance used a 10-2 run to take the lead but Johnson dialed long distance with 19 seconds left in the half for a 28-28 tie at the break.

Defiance wasted no time taking control to start the second half. The home team went up 40-31 at the 16:13 mark and kept the lead for the entire half, outscoring the Beavers 34-18 for a 62-46 final score.

The Beavers were led by Kinn who had 11 points and 11 rebounds for his first career double-double. Johnson added nine points from three triples. Freshman Thayne Recker

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(Arlington) pulled down six rebounds.

Bluffton went 18-of-57 (31.6%) from the field, while Defiance finished 23-of-50 (46.0%). The Beavers were 4-of-13 (30.8%) from behind the arc, compared to 6-of-17 (35.3%) for the home team.

A commanding 45-28 Bluffton advantage on the boards was offset by eight more turnovers (13-5) and a miserable 6-of-17 (35.3%) shooting night at the stripe. The Yellow Jackets were 10-of-12 (83.3%).

The Beavers jump back into HCAC action on Saturday with a trip to Hanover College. The contest with the Panthers is slated for 4 p.m. following the women's matchup.

Bluffton University 46

fgm-fga 3fgm-fga ftm-fta pts

Dustin Kinn 5-14 0-0 1-2 11, Will Pope 3-5 0-0 1-4 7, Josh Fisher 0-5 0-2 2-6 2, Tyler Neal 2-6 1-3 0-0 5, Josh Johnson 3-12 3-7 0-0 9, Brock Homier 0-1 0-0 1-3 1, Billy Taflinger 1-1 0-0 0-0 2, Matt Weisenborn 0-0 0-0 0-0 0, Nate Chambers 1-4 0-1 0-0 2, Ryan Ebbeskotte 1-4 0-0 0-0 2, Dillon Long 0-0 0-0 0-0 0, Thayne Recker 2-5 0-0 1-2 5. Totals 18-57 4-13 6-17 46.

Rebounds: 45/17 off. (Kinn 11). Assists: 6 (Kinn 3). Steals: 2 (Fisher/Chambers 1). Blocks: 3 (Recker 2). Turnovers: 13. Fouls: 14.

Defiance 62

fgm-fga 3fgm-fga ftm-fta pts

Ryan Hicks 4-10 0-1 1-2 9, Wade Wooley 0-1 0-0 0-0 0, Mason Roth 4-7 0-1 0-0 8, Travis Schomaeker 4-9 1-5 0-0 9, Logan Wolfrum 7-14 4-6 2-2 20, Bernard Edwards 3-7 1-3 5-6 12, D.J. Bonds 0-0 0-0 2-2 2, Drew Frizell 0-1 0-1 0-0 0, Jordan Fair 0-0 0-0 0-0 0, Hosie Smith 1-1 0-0 0-0 2, Kent Tietje 0-0 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-50 6-17 10-12 62.

Rebounds: 28/2 off. (Hicks 5). Assists: 8 (Hicks 3). Steals: 7 (Roth/Edwards 2). Blocks: 7 (Edwards 4). Turnovers: 5. Fouls: 15.

Score by Halves:

Bluffton 28 18 - 46

Defiance 28 34 - 62

Points in the paint-BUMB13 24,DC 20. Points off turnovers-BUMB13 2,DC 13.

2nd chance points-BUMB13 8,DC 3. Fast break points-BUMB13 2,DC 13.

Bench points-BUMB13 12,DC 16. Score tied-4 times. Lead changed-6 times.

Largest lead-BUMB13 by 5 1st-05:59, DC by 18 2nd-04:41.

Officials: Steven Skiles, Gary Spring, Scott Sivilie

Attendance: 1,046

189th meeting between DC and Bluffton on the hardwood.

Logan Wolfrum moves to 8th on DC's all-time points list with 1,542.

Defiance stays perfect in HCAC with 54-32 win over Beavers

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DEFIANCE — The Bluffton University women's basketball team stumbled out of the gate and never recovered as rival Defiance College dominated round one of the 2012-13 series with a 54-32 victory. The Beavers fell to 1-4 in the HCAC and 6-6 overall, while Defiance improved to 5-0 in HCAC and 8-4 overall.

Bluffton could not overcome a cold-shooting first half after jumping out to an early lead on a Taylor Whitaker (Mansfield/Lexington) three. When Defiance finally found the range, the Yellow Jackets put it into overdrive as they built a commanding 34-9 lead at the break.

The second half started with the Beavers going on a 9-2 run to close the gap to 36-18 with 16 minutes left. However, Defiance answered back and held off Bluffton's rally en route to a 54-32 win over the Beavers in the Weaner Center.

Sophomore Rachel Debord (Lebanon) led the way offensively with 10 points and she pulled down five rebounds. Brooke Ruffer (Stryker) hauled in seven boards and added four points. Taylor Knight (Perrysburg) chipped in with four boards of her own.

Bluffton hit just 13-of-47 from the field (27.7%), including a paltry 18.2 percent in the opening half (4-of-22). The Jackets also pounded the boards, outrebounding the visitors 48-28.

The Beavers return to action on Saturday when they head to Hanover College. The tip is set for 2 p.m.

Bluffton University 32

fgm-fga 3fgm-fga ftm-fta pts

Mikayla Coburn 2-5 1-2 0-0 5, Brooke Ruffer 2-6 0-0 0-0 4, Taylor Whitaker 1-13 1-9 2-4 5, Taylor Knight 1-6 0-1 1-4 3, Kaitlyn Pennekamp 0-0 0-0 0-0 0, Brenna Kurilec 0-2 0-0 0-0 0, Belicia Cooper 1-1 0-0 0-0 2, Abby Jerger 1-1 0-0 0-0 2, Rachel DeBord 5-9 0-1 0-0 10, Lauren Hutton 0-0 0-0 0-0 0, Kylee Burkholder 0-3 0-0 1-2 1, Alexis Williams 0-1 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 13-47(27.7%) 2-13(15.4%) 4-10(40%) 32.

Rebounds: 28/9 off. (Ruffer 7). Assists: 6 (Knight 3). Steals: 8 (Debord 3). Blocks: 2 (DeBord/Buckholder 1). Turnovers: 21. Fouls: 19.

Defiance 54

fgm-fga 3fgm-fga ftm-fta pts

Hannah Harshman 3-6 0-0 0-0 6, Kim Comden 7-17 1-4 4-4 19, Rachel Ciminillo 0-3 0-1 0-0 0, Erica King 1-9 0-4 3-4 5, Megan Zachrich 4-9 0-3 0-0 8, Catey Fix 0-0 0-0 0-0 0, Marissa Kath

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1-1 1-1 1-4 4, Ashley Birchmeier 2-4 2-4 0-0 6, Emma Starks 1-1 0-0 0-0 2, Maggie Neanen 0-2 0-0 2-2 2, Kim Bingley 0-2 0-0 0-0 0, Megan Fields 0-0 0-0 2-3 2. Totals 19-54(35.2%) 4-17(23.5%) 12-17(70.6%) 54.

Rebounds: 48/19 off. (Comden 12). Assists: 17 (King 4). Steals: 8 (Kath 2). Blocks: 8 (Comden 6). Turnovers: 19. Fouls: 9.

Score by Halves:

Bluffton 9 23 - 32

Defiance 34 20 - 54

Points in the paint-BUWB13 10,DC 20. Points off turnovers-BUWB13 4,DC 18.

2nd chance points-BUWB13 3,DC 13. Fast break points-BUWB13 6,DC 0.

Bench points-BUWB13 15,DC 16. Score tied-1 time. Lead changed-1 time.

Last FG-BUWB13 2nd-00:51, DC 2nd-02:42.

Largest lead-BUWB13 by 3 1st-19:35, DC by 27 2nd-19:06.

Officials: Bob Wilkerson, Bryce Heller, Rachael Stackhouse

Attendance: 813

77th all-time meeting between Defiance and Bluffton.