



Mustang Hoops Update



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FINDING A WAY TO HELP YOUR TEAM:

Friday night's 64-54 win at Clinton Prairie provided a great example of how to flourish in your role. In the last 4 minutes of a close game, Casey Walls grabbed 4 of his team-leading 10 rebounds. He also dished out 2 assists and made a great diving play to help us maintain possession of the ball in a crucial period of the game. Casey also led the team in assists against the Gophers with 4. His rebound put-back basket at the end of the first half gave us a 12-point lead and some momentum going into halftime.



BUILDING VERSATILITY:

Friday night's game also provided the Mustangs with a chance to build and showcase their versatility. After watching the Mustangs shoot very well from 3-point range in the first 3 games, the Gophers decided to deny sharpshooter Ladd Warner the all over the court, which allowed for more diving opportunities for Clayton Corey, Koby Pierce, and Ethan Woodrow. The trio took advantage of the tactic, combining for 62 points and a season high 15 offensive rebounds (for the team). The Mustangs were also able to have their biggest rebound advantage of the season (38-27). This year's team has been strong so far in trying to find different ways to win, and we can continue to be successful as long as we all keep looking to find ways that we can contribute to the win.



BUSY HOLIDAYS FOR THE MUSTANGS:

Over the next 3 weeks, the Mustangs will play 9 games! We travel to Attica this Friday, and we host Western Boone on Saturday. The following week, we play 2 games on Friday and 2 again on Saturday in the BSN Classic at Bismarck-Henning High School. The BSN tournament concludes on Monday, Dec. 29. That same week, FC will play in the Bi-County on Friday and Saturday (we host both games). When we return from Christmas Break, we will have played 13 games already. That seems like a lot for this early in the season!



YOUTH BASKETBALL:

FCYB for grades K-2 will conclude this Saturday. We have had over 45 kids attend our Saturday morning clinics – our best turnout ever. Coaches Jeff Horlacher and Tyler Huckstep have done a tremendous job running the clinics.

3rd-4th-5th grade teams have completed their Montgomery County Youth League, and we are preparing for the Wabash Valley League for grades 4-5-6 to be played on Sunday afternoons in January and February. FC hosts 4th grade, Covington hosts 5th grade, and Attica hosts 6th grade. We are very excited about the growth in participation in youth basketball this season, and we feel that the future looks bright for Mustang Basketball. The first day of games is Sunday, January 4th.



THIS WEEKEND'S OPPONENTS:



ATTICA RED RAMBLERS

Attica will be one of the hardest working, most athletic teams we have faced this season. Kenny Little outworks other players on the floor on any given night. The Ramblers have a little more size this year than they have in the past. With a new coach and some new players, Attica is eager to prove themselves this season. It will be important for us to take care of the basketball and prevent them from getting lay-ups.

Attica is 2-2, with wins over South Vermillion and North White. Attica lost to Covington and Clinton Prairie. While Attica was one of the smaller teams we faced last year, they have some size this year and we will need to slow them down inside to have a chance to win.



WESTERN BOONE STARS

Last year's game against Western Boone was one of the most disappointing of the season. We went the last 10 minutes of the game without scoring a point, turning a 1-point lead into a 19-point loss. In Riggs Baxter, the Stars feature one of the most aggressive and effective drivers on our schedule. He is averaging 27ppg in 3 games, and has shot 30+ free throws already. Staying in front of him and preventing him from getting into the paint will be crucial.

Western Boone has lost to 3 very good teams (Covington, Zionsville, and Lebanon), and they beat Rossville, making them 1-3. They will be playing Southmont on Friday night as the Mustangs take on Attica.



BENCH PLAY:

Reserves Andrew Golia, Tyler Starkey, and Dallas Otero are averaging over 7 rebounds combined so far. Each week, the three of them are getting better and better in practice. They will play a very important role as we play 9 games in the next three weeks. Matt Heckler has also continued to give great effort in practice and has helped us get better each day. Our senior class continues to develop and we hope they lead us to a great season this year.



TONIGHT'S PROBABLE STARTERS:

F Ladd Warner	6-8	Jr.	(11.8 ppg, 4.5 rebs, .8 ast)
F Casey Walls	5-11	Sr.	(1.5 ppg, 3.5 rebs, 2.3 ast)
C Ethan Woodrow	6-6	Sr.	(17.5 ppg, 9.5 rebs, 1.8 ast)
G Clayton Corey	6-0	Sr.	(17.5 ppg, 4.0 rebs, 3.0 ast)
G Koby Pierce	6-2	Sr.	(16.5 ppg, 4.3 rebs, 3.3 ast)

NOT SO WARM MEMORIES:

Western Boone represents one of my worst memories as a basketball player. My senior season (1992), I missed a relatively open lay-up at the buzzer that would have sent the game to overtime. To make matters worse, several of my friends from another school were there to watch the game that night because they had the night off. All were gathered at my house after the game, so one could imagine my enjoyment upon returning home that night (particularly when my dad told me "Nice lay-up" as I walked in the door). The next week of practice, I missed the same lay-up in the same manner. It was a frustrating part of the season.

Luckily, that was early in the season, and we were able to win Rossville's final single class sectional championship with a victory over Frankfort.



MUSTANG BASKETBALL RECORDS-EXTENDED LIST

CAREER LEADERS:

CAREER SCORING:

1. ROB SIMMONS	1582 PTS	1964-68
2. DON BELL	1265 PTS	1972-76
3. CRAIG SIMMONS	1265 PTS	1987-91
4. SCOTT BOONE	1256 PTS	1972-76
5. ETHAN WOODROW	1249 PTS	2011-15
6. WAYNE GARRETT	1040 PTS	1965-68
7. BRAD KROUT	1000 PTS	1980-84
8. ALAN HOLT	945 PTS	1996-00
9. RODNEY CARVER	890 PTS	2003-07
10. BRODY SOWERS	858 PTS	2007-11
12. BRAD BINGAMAN	854 PTS	1976-80
13. DON SIMMONS	803 PTS	1975-79
14. BOB LYONS	799 PTS	1966-70
15. BRAD NELSON	797 PTS	1989-93
16. LUKE DAVENPORT	720 PTS	2009-13
17. KOBY PIERCE	709 PTS	2011-15

MUSTANG BASKETBALL RECORDS-EXTENDED LIST

CAREER LEADERS:

CAREER REBOUNDS:

1. ROB SIMMONS	800 REBS	1964-68
2. CRAIG SIMMONS	661 REBS	1987-91
3. ETHAN WOODROW	575 REBS	2011-15
4. DON SIMMONS	566 REBS	1975-79
5. KEVIN DELP	499 REBS	1973-77
6. STEVE FELIX	451 REBS	1974-78
7. ROBERT GERARD	421 REBS	1969-73
8. CHRIS SHELTON	405 REBS	1978-82
9. GARY MITCHELL	378 REBS	1979-82
10. BOB LYONS	368 REBS	1964-68
11. JOSH HERING	352 REBS	1987-91
12. KOBY PIERCE	335 REBS	2011-15
13. RODNEY CARVER	258 REBS	2003-07

CAREER ASSISTS:

1. ANDY HAAS	372 AST	1987-91
2. KENNY KROUT	305 AST	1977-81
3. JOSH HERING	290 AST	1987-91
4. DON BELL	282 AST	1972-76
5. TRAVIS BROWN	271 AST	
6. LUKE DAVENPORT	269 AST	2009-13
7. BRAD KROUT	234 AST	1980-84
8. RODNEY CARVER	217 AST	2003-07
9. COY OVERPECK	216 AST	1988-90
10. CHRIS SHELTON	214 AST	1978-82

CAREER STEALS:

1. COY OVERPECK	133 STL	1988-90
2. RODNEY CARVER	110 STL	2003-06
3. LUKE DAVENPORT	109 STL	2010-13
4. KOBY PIERCE	106 STL	2011-15

***MUSTANG PLAYERS ETHAN WOODROW AND CLAYTON COREY COULD POSSIBLY PASS 100 CAREER STEALS THIS SEASON.

***PLEASE NOTE THAT STATS ARE AS ACCURATE AS WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FIND RECORDS FOR. IF YOU KNOW OF SOME STATS THAT NEED TO BE CORRECTED, PLEASE CONTACT COACH GOOD WITH THE CORRECT INFORMATION.

