

SPORTS

Mounts win two exhibition games

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The Dallas Mountaineers won their first two exhibition games last weekend led by Brett Gauntlett, Damon Lisnow and Ray Russin. The Mounts took a 66-51 win over Lake-Lehman in an exhibition season opener and downed Wyoming Seminary 75-62 the following night.

Dallas traveled to Lehman Friday night where Gauntlett, Russin and Lisnow tossed in a combined total of 50 points to give their team the win.

Gauntlett, 6-6 senior, dumped in a game high of 18 points while Ray Russin put in 17 and a newcomer to the team Damon Lisnow put in 15 points for Dallas.

A foreign exchange student for the Knights, Glenn Nilsson gave Lake-Lehman 16 points, four of his scores three pointers.

The Mountaineers played at Wyoming Seminary Saturday night where they defeated the Blue Knights behind Lisnow's game high 26 points and Gauntlett's 15. Russin hit the double figure column with 12 points for the Mountaineers.

Knights fall in final seconds

The Lake-Lehman Knights held a 34-30 lead at halftime over Bishop Hoban but a strong shooting rally by the Argents gave them a 41-40 edge going into the final period.

The Knights rallied and overcame the Argents until the final 16 seconds when Hoban's Mike Collins tossed in a three-pointer to

put his team in the lead for good.

Lake-Lehman's Rob Wilson was high game scorer with 18 points and Hoban's Brian Bradshaw followed with 17 points.

Glenn Nilsson hit the double figure column with 10 points and Ben Haughney tossed in 12 points for the Knights.

Lady Knights top Woming Area

Coach Joe Martini's girls rebounded from their Thursday night loss to Dallas to defeat Wyoming Area 58-45 Saturday night behind the scoring of Wendy Skibitsky.

The Lady Knights jumped out to

an early lead in the first quarter and never fell behind. Skibitsky hit 21 points for game high while D.D. Mazur put in 11 and Jennifer Smith tossed in 13 points to aid in the Lady Knights win.

Strikes 'n spares

In the **Charlie Williams Memorial League** Varsity Lawn Care shut out Offset Paperback paced by J. Roan's 224-210 (614), P. Thomas' 214 (573) and D. Thomas' 222 (560). J. Grohowski's 531 was high series for the Offset men. Mt. Stream Construction blanked Back Mt. Auto Body sparked by Orkwis' 235-218 (646), S. Vigorito's 203-215-200 (618) and R. Clemow's 246 (609). J. Brady added 552 and F. Cornell rolled 215 (521). Monk's Plumbing dropped four points to Cross Country Restaurant whose M. Schmolli rolled 28-214 (633). B. Fisher aided with 235 (576) and R. Herron gave 540. High for Monk's were B.C. 540, C. Bobb 531 and T. Considine 520. E. Harris' 202-202 (594) and D. Moore's 572 led Back Mt. Bowl to three points from Roth Novelty. R. Harris helped with 526 and B. Searfoss gave 515. R. Shoemaker hit pins for 235 (573), B. Varner rolled 231 (543) and L. Wolfe hit 531. G.H. Harris took all from Jedidia's with D. Purvin's 213-211 (605) leading the way. R. Wendel hit 559 and C. Kazokas rolled 549.

Matthew took four from Wilson's in the **Sunday Nite Couples League** paced by V. Matthews 523. P. Nice's 519 and J. Lerch's 514 combined with M. Matthews 470 aided the Nice's in shutting out the Moore's whose D. Moore hit 528. Booth's team copped three from Shaver's led by B. Harris' 236 (583) and J. Booth's 538. H. Shaver rolled 570 for the losing team.

In the **Native Textiles League** Ballbusters blanked the Pinheads while the Roadrunners took three from Hopeless Cause. Wild Pins copped three from Bad News Bowlers and Taft Market made it three over the Sandbaggers. Alley Cats split 2-2 with the Beer Bowlers. Hitting high scores were R. Shoemaker 546, K. Schooley 173 (486), G. Strazdus 516, R. DeRemer 533, H. Sidorek 179 (470), D. DeRemer 187, R. Clemow 257 (619), B. Clemow 172, T. Williams 176 (479).

Noctur de Force shut out the Eagles in the **Sunday Night Mixed League** and the Destroyers blanked the Toas with John's 256 (624) high for all teams.

The Saints picked up three from Twice Sly.

In the **Back Mt. Church League** C. Kazokas led his men to four points from E. Roth's team. Kazokas hit 214 (528) and B. Cyphers added 526. R. VanGorder led his men to three points from T. Oney's five despite Oney's 534. Dallas copped three from Orange sparked by B. Williams 234-224 (601), and G. Kohli's 548. L. Bellas rolled 227-237 (649) for the Orange team.

Ugly Ducklings took all from the Mules in **Back Mt. Farmers League** and the Black Sheep shut out the Turkeys. Chickies took three from the Thoroughbreds and Barn Cats managed 2 1/2 from the Longhorns. High scorers were L. Coolbaugh 516, T. Ruger 544, J. Grohowski 221 (517), L. Lanning 513, M. Delaney 548, W. Wesley 529, W. Lathrop 521, C. Doty 195, 178 (540), and S. Vigorito 211 (541).

In the **Back Mt. Mixed League** Halfbreeds took three from the Brass Bowlers while the Hi Jinx split with the Silver Bullets. High scores were Dale's 562, John's 533, Jack's 504 and Lara's 173 (474).

In the **Our Gang League** Spanky shut out Alfalfa, led by J. Leary's 532 and Porky blanked Stymie aided by D. Moore's 541. Chubby picked up three from Spike paced by F. Tregan's 211 (568) and B. Searfoss's 231 (611) led Butch to three points from Wheezer. Buckwheat and Mickey divided evenly with F. Mihalick hitting 227 (550) and K. Bevan aided with 571.

Fashion Vending shut out the Castlettes in the **Ladies Country League** aided by C.I. Smith's 176. Back Mt. Bowl copped three points from G.H. Harris paced by Faux's 176-190 (515), J. Cummings 177 and F. Allabaugh's 195. Grotto Pizza picked up three from Faux Inn led by J. Lamoreaux's 176.

In the **Friday Nite Special League** Charlie's Angels blanked the Ball Busters and Kandelite took all from the Brew Crew. Nite Shift took three from the Nutcrackers. High bowlers were A. Prebola 520, S. Spencer 500.

Dallas and Lake-Lehman girl's basketball preview

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Dallas girls basketball coach Kit Karuza likes most of what she sees in her team this year, but a lack of depth may hurt them.

"We had 15 girls come out for the team this season," Dallas girls basketball coach Kit Karuza said prior to last Thursday's exhibition game with Lake-Lehman team. "Now we're down to 11 but we have seven returning from last season, which gives us a good nucleus."

"Laura Poynton and Jennifer Besecker are seniors and our co-captains. Both are key factors in the success of this season's team. Laura is outstanding on offense and this year will do a great job in leading our defense and Jen is about the quickest I've seen at the basket. Our other returning players are Aria Pierson, Melanie Langdon, Diane Demko, Tina Hite and Kathy Welky."

"We have a good shooting team this season, four of them are exceptional and we have a fifth one that is good. The girls are an excellent running gun team. They're pretty fast and in good physical condition."

Karuza said the team has had good success in scrimmages but their weakness will be depth.

"Hite has improved and Demko has improved dramatically. Langdon will play point guard and she has speed and strength. Pierson is strong and will play center."

"We have a ninth grader on the team this year, Tara Lisnow, who did a good job for us in scrimmage and had a good range with her shots. We now have three girls within the 20 foot range. The key



SENIOR JACKETS - Dallas senior basketball players received their jackets prior to the Dallas-Lake-Lehman exhibition game last Thursday night at the Dallas gym where the Lady Mounts scored a 64-47 win over the Lady Knights. (Photo by C.M. Denmon)

is to avoid injuries and to stay out of foul trouble," Karuza said.

He said Welky is fast but needs more experience. He also has twin sisters Monique and Monica Matthews out for the team. "They have great potential," Karuza said. "They are fast but it's their first year out for basketball and they need more experience but they're learning fast."

The Lady Mounts always have a hard time with Wallenpaupack but this season they played five or six quarters against Wallenpaupack

and beat them every quarter. "In one quarter, the girls made eight of nine shots," Karuza said.

The Lady Mounts did an excellent job against the Lady Knights last week despite the speed of Lake-Lehman's Wendy Skibitsky.

LADY MOUNTS NEED MORE PLAYING TIME

"Laura Poynton did a great job of staying with Skibitsky," Lake-

Lehman Coach Joe Martini said after the game. "I was disappointed in their playing last Thursday."

"We have 23 girls out for basketball with 15 or 16 of them on the bench," Martini said. "It's difficult to get enough playing time for them all with that many girls."

"They're working hard but they don't do in a game what they learn in practice. Many of them are new and get nervous when they get out on the floor. I was happy with what I saw as the game progressed, however," Martini said.

"We have five letter winners returning and three of them are seniors-Wendy Skibitsky, D.D. Mazur and Molly White. White is injured which hurts us as she is the best rebounder we have. Alyson Davis started last year. She got nervous when she started the other night but then she got over it and shot in the double figures. Jenny Smith is a wing player and she steadied down in the game. Heidi Wenrich, sophomore and Cherub Honeywell, a freshman, will hold down the fifth starting position."

"I have four girls I feel can come in and give us a good performance when needed. They are Heather Ruger, Jennie Parise, sophomores; Cherise Valanski, junior and Dyan Dymond, freshman. Wendy is a great ball handler and a good leader. She's fast. She's been doing a real quality job running the team and I expect a big year out of her. As Wendy goes, we go," Martini concluded.

The Lady Knights are in Division II while the Lady Mountaineers are in Division I in the Conference.

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