

Rebels again split games for the week

by Coach Ray Benning

The Rebels split the games for the week beating the 11-5 Bears from Bertha-Hewitt and then dropping a road loss to the 17-1 Long Prairie-Grey Eagle Thunder. Our record is 12-6 overall and 8-3 in the Section.

Bertha-Hewitt

We hosted the Bears on Tuesday night. Both teams held a record of 11-5 coming into the game.

The beginning of the game we were pretty evenly matched, trading bucket for bucket for the first five minutes.

We started to get more of our shots to fall midway through the first. With ten minutes left in the half we held a 16-12 lead.

We knew we needed to control the boards and move the ball around on offense.

We got a few stops on defense and converted at the other end to give us a 43-33 lead going into the half.

Coming out of the locker room we again played very even for the first seven minutes with neither team making a run until we hit four consecutive 3's. Logan Riedel got hot and hit three in a row followed by one from Tate Benning which pushed our lead to 64-42.

We shot very well for the rest of the game. Our biggest lead on the night was 70-44 with just over six minutes remaining in the game.

The final was 83-67.

As a team we played very well. That is the third highest for the most points scored in a game for Eagle Valley. We set a new record for assists in this game as well with 24. Twenty-three was the previous record.

Tyler Oftedahl had another double-double and led all scorers. He had a career high, scoring 33 points and he pulled down 12 rebounds. He shot 15 of 19 (78%) which included 2 for 2

from 3 point land.

Riedel also had a career high night with 19 points. He hit 5 for 7 three pointers on the night and pulled down 6 rebounds.

Luke Mock had a double-double on the night with 13 points and a career high 11 assists.

Benning and Taylor Bailey each had 6 points, Neil Zimmer had 4 and Derek Meyer had 2.

	Pts	Rbd	Ast	Stl	Blk
Riedel	19	6	4	1	2
Oftedahl	33	12	2	0	0
Bailey	6	4	0	0	1
Benning	6	4	5	2	1
Meyer	2	2	1	0	1
Mock	13	2	11	2	0
Zimmer	4	4	1	3	0

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We traveled to Long Prairie on Thursday night to take on the Thunder.

We had another slow start in this game. We just didn't want to work the ball inside early in this game and resorted to taking 3's.

We missed a layup and the first three 3's didn't go in and then a turnover in the paint on our next possession found us down 0-9.

We had a couple more turnovers and found ourselves down 15-0 before we scored our first bucket.

We took a timeout to discuss what our game plan was coming in and what we needed to execute it.

It was one of those nights that just didn't go our way. We went into the half trailing 19-40.

In the second half we played very even with them. We did better at penetrating their zone defense, but couldn't gain any ground.

The boys worked hard, but we just had too many turnovers in this game.

The final was 52-77.

Oftedahl led all scorers with



Senior Neil Zimmer was able to create some space from his defender allowing him to put up a shot for the Rebels.

—photo by Blake Borst

18. He also led in rebounding with 6. Mock had 13 and 4 assists. Riedel had 13 and 4 rebounds, Benning 3 and 4 assists, Zimmer 2 and Bailey 1.

	Pts	Rbd	Ast	Stl	Blk
Riedel	13	4	1	1	0
Oftedahl	18	6	1	0	0
Bailey	1	2	0	0	0
Benning	3	4	5	4	0
Meyer	0	0	1	0	0
Mock	15	1	4	4	0
Zimmer	2	3	2	0	0

The Rebels host the Verdale Pirates on Tuesday night. This will also be our autograph night. We will have 100 autograph books printed. The players will hang around after the game to sign them for any elementary student or fan that would like it signed.

Then on Friday we travel to Upsala to take on the Cardinals. We lost 70-75 in our first meeting. Their record is also 12-6.

Tigers defeat Bulldogs

by Jim Roberts

The shot chart for this game looked like a large donut with the hoop being the center and a few crumbs outside of that. Browerville used their size advantage on the inside with Seth Christensen and Kyle Petermeier broke down the defense taking the ball inside against Swanville. Mitch Heid (4) and Seth Kellen (3) mixed in some layups with seven 3-pointers to open up the scoring for the Tigers.

"We were not on top of our defensive game tonight, but the offense performed well getting good looks inside and knocking down some outside shots with some good passing," said Coach Schueller.

Four of Browerville's players scored in double digits with senior Seth Christensen leading the way with 32 points. Senior Seth Kellen dropped in 20 points and junior Mitch Heid added 18. Petermeier finished with 11 on the night.

The Bulldogs from Swanville didn't go away easily in this one. Browerville scored 47 first half points, while Swanville trailed by just 10 at the half. Christensen scored 18 in the opening half as the Tigers showed they were not going to be stopped offensively.

With the score tied at 15, Heid hit back-to-back 3s. The Bull-

dogs would again tie the score at 23 before Kellen connected on his only 3-pointer of the half. The Tigers then settled in, scoring their next nine baskets from inside the paint.

The first three minutes of the second half was all Browerville as they pushed their lead to 15 points. After Kellen connected on his second 3-pointer of the half, Browerville was up 60-41. Browerville would push their lead to as much as 24 points in the second half.

Heid again connected on back-to-back 3-pointers in a 20 second span and with five minutes remaining both teams pulled the starters and finished the game with mostly bench players.

Seth Christensen—32 points, 7 rebounds and 4 blocked shots.

Seth Kellen—20 points, 3 steals and 10 assists.

Mitch Heid—18 points, 4 steals and 5 assists.

Kyle Petermeier—11 points, 5 rebounds, 4 steals and 8 assists.

This week is the Coaches vs Cancer week at all the home games for both the girl's and boy's teams. The Tigers girls' team is home Thursday and Saturday against Osakis and Nevis. The boys' team is home Monday, Friday and Saturday against Menahga, Royalton and Nevis.

Elementary Broncos win Staples Open for second year

The Browerville/Eagle Valley Broncos youth wrestling team captured the Staples Open championship for the second consecutive year on January 22.

The Broncos came home in first place in the overall standings with 94 points. Host Staples-Motley came in second place with 88 points and Big Lake rounded out the trophy teams with 85 points, for third place. Fifteen teams competed from the surrounding area.

Over twenty Broncos competed in the tournament and we came away with ten individual champions: Garret Christian, Isaiah Wagner, Nate Benning, Landon Gode, Carter Meiners, Cael Lorentz, Mason Gode, Austin Carr, Levi Line and Paul Wagner.

On January 28, Long Prairie was the site of the first area Jaycees Regional Qualifier for youth wrestlers. The Broncos did extremely well, and have fourteen wrestlers who are qualified for the Jaycees State Tourney in Albany on March 31 or Grand Rapids on April 14.

The Broncos Tourney is coming up on Sunday, February 19. Weigh-in begins at 9:30 a.m. and wrestling is slated to start at 11 a.m. Over the last three years this

event has averaged 200 wrestlers throughout Minnesota. This year should be no different.

Numerous Broncos wrestlers have been competing all over the area and across Minnesota. Here are the results from area tournaments.

Thief River Falls: January 20

Third grade: Cael Lorentz, 1st place

Bertha-Hewitt: January 21

Kindergarten: Alex Line, 2nd place; Kobe Hinzmann, 2nd place

First grade: Nate Benning, 1st place

Third grade: Brendan Johnson, 2nd place

Fourth grade: Levi Line, 1st place

Little Falls: January 21

Second grade: Landon Gode, 1st place

Third grade: Mason Gode, 1st place

Staples: January 22

Pre-K: Jackson DeFoe, 3rd place

Kindergarten: Garret Christian, 1st place; Isaiah Wagner, 1st place; Alex Line, 2nd place

First grade: Nate Benning, 1st place; Elijah Hodge, 2nd place; Parker Duncan, 3rd place; Evan Vearrier, 4th place

Second grade: Landon Gode,

1st place; Eli Butler, 2nd place

Third grade: Cael Lorentz, 1st place; Carter Meiners, 1st place; Mason Gode, 1st place; Brendan Johnson, 2nd place

Fourth grade: Austin Carr, 1st place; Levi Line, 1st place; Paul Wagner, 1st place; Nye Becker, 2nd place

Sixth grade: Dalton Butler, 2nd place; Bryce Carr, 3rd place

New York Mills: January 27

Second grade: Landon Gode, 1st place

Third grade: Mason Gode, 1st place

Long Prairie Jaycees Regional Qualifier: January 28

Pre-K: Conner Donovan, 2nd place-State Qualifier; Chace Lorentz, 3rd place

Kindergarten: Alex Line, 1st place-State Qualifier; Isaiah Wagner, 2nd place-State Qualifier; Andrew Salcido, 2nd place-State Qualifier; Kobe Hinzmann, 3rd place

First grade: Nate Benning, 1st place-State Qualifier; Elijah Hodge, 3rd place; Parker Duncan, 3rd place; Reed Webster, 3rd place; Evan Vearrier, 4th place

Second grade: Landon Gode, 1st place-State Qualifier; Eli Butler, 2nd place-State Qualifier; Jacob Buhl, 3rd place

Third grade: Brendan Johnson, 1st place-State Qualifier; Carter Meiners, 1st place-State Qualifier; Mason Gode, 1st place-State Qualifier; Cael Lorentz, 2nd place-State Qualifier

Fourth grade: Levi Line, 1st place-State Qualifier; Paul Wagner, 2nd place-State Qualifier; Nye Becker, 3rd place

Fifth grade: Nic Nelson, 4th place

Sixth Grade: Dalton Butler, 1st place-State Qualifier; Donny Decker, 4th place

Dawson/Boyd: January 29

Third grade: Cael Lorentz, 1st place

Annandale: January 29

Kindergarten: Garret Christian, 3rd place

Sauk Rapids: February 4

Second grade: Landon Gode, 1st place

Third grade: Mason Gode, 1st place

Brainerd: February 5

First grade: Nate Benning, 1st place; Reed Webster, 4th place

Second grade: Landon Gode, 1st place

Third grade: Cael Lorentz, 1st place; Mason Gode, 2nd place

Congrats to all the Broncos who represented our communities so well.

Moske is wrestling super fan



The B-H/V Raiders wrestling team recognized their Super Fan Roger Moske at a recent home event. Roger received a sweatshirt with B-H/V wrestling Super Fan on it which the team hopes he will wear with pride! Roger has been to nearly every dual meet this season home or away. He has taken vacation days so he would be able to attend some of the wrestling events. The team hopes they continue to give Roger something to cheer about the remainder of the season and for many seasons to come.

Golden Gloves boxers bring crowds to their feet

A capacity crowd witnessed 12 exciting Golden Gloves boxing matches at the Wadena Armory on Saturday, February 11.

The main event had people on their feet all three rounds as Wadena's Jose Perez faced Duluth's Chris Egger. The bout was non-stop with both boxers landing solid combinations. Perez finished strong, but lost a split decision.

Cody McManigle faced a veteran boxer in Jacob Fox of McLaughlin, South Dakota. The bout was hard fought with McManigle winning by decision.

John Johnson of Wadena had a tough three round battle with Lupe Hernandez of Grand Forks, with Johnson winning by decision.

Cole Cottrell of Wadena just couldn't get started and lost by decision in a close bout with Patrick Bresnahan of Fargo.

Neil Janson faced Caesar Vasquez of Fargo. Both boxers were busy. Janson landed better

combinations, but came up short losing a split decision.

Kira Ollila went non-stop with Andrea of St. Cloud. Ollila scored with good jabs and solid combinations to win a decision in a real crowd pleaser.

Other bouts saw Christian Andvik win in a third round RSC over Tanner Hultin of Fergus Falls. Daniel Sardina of St. Cloud won the super heavyweight division in a hard fought contest against Ernesto Mendoza of Fergus Falls.

Dakota Johnson of Fargo scored a 1st round RSC over David Mishesky of Detroit Lakes and a tough super heavyweight battle saw Dan Sardina of St. Cloud defeat Ernesto Mendoza in a close decision.

Wadena boxers could see action in Cass Lake this Saturday.

The next home card will be Saturday, March 3, and the Region IV Tournament will be held in Wadena on Friday and Saturday, March 30-31.

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