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Dexter, Missouri - Lady Cats struck first with Melanie McKuin scoring the first bucket against the Notre Dame Lady Dogs. Dakota Reynolds hits a 2-pointer in under a minute to put the Bearcats up by four and on their way to a 70-62 victory at the Bearcat Event Center on Monday evening.

This was the second match-up this season for the Bearcats and Bulldogs. In the first game Dexter defeated Notre Dame 82-51.

“We knew Notre Dame would get better throughout the course of the year and it definitely showed tonight,” stated Dexter head basketball coach Chad Allen. “I thought they shot the ball really well from the perimeter. With that said, we had to grind this one out again like some of the other games we have had.”

Krysten Garrison, freshman for the Lady Cats, finished with a game-high 31 points!

Melanie McKuin tallied 16 points for the Bearcats.

Dexter’s freshman athlete Hannah Thurmon had an awesome night recording 12 points, 15 rebounds, and 10 blocks against the Bulldogs.

Dakota Reynolds added 9 points and six assists and hit the Bearcats’ only trey.

“Coming out of halftime I thought we did a great job of getting the ball inside and keeping our heads up to find the open man,” continued Allen. “Krysten Garrison was on the receiving end of that a lot. She has good court awareness and finds gaps. We found her and she attacked the rim finishing very well!”

Brooke Blankenship recorded a team-high 13 points for Notre Dame. Hayli Chapman tallied 12 points. Both hit a pair of treys.

“Both teams really wanted to press and push the ball up the floor,” stated Allen. “It was a fast-paced game. Both teams got to the rim quite a bit. I didn’t think we finished as well as we have in the past, but it was great to be able to pull away in the third quarter.”

Dexter (13-8) will travel to Cape Central on Thursday, February 12th. Game time 6:00 p.m.

In Junior Varsity action the Lady Bearcats defeated Notre Dame 38 – 17.

Krysten Garrison tallied a game-high 16 points for Dexter in the second period.

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