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Wildcats Win One on the Road in Holcomb

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Holcomb, Missouri – The Wildcats traveled to Holcomb on Thursday night winning one on the road! The Bloomfield boys basketball team defeated the Hornets 49-41.

Holcomb jumped out to a 16-14 lead at the end of the first period. The Wildcats shut them down defensively only allowing 8 points in the second quarter while offensively they were able to score in double digits adding 15 points to the board.

"We have struggled playing on the road this year so it feels good to finally win one away from home," commented Bloomfield coach Jason Karnes in a press release to the ShowMe Times.

Noah Vandiver recorded a team-high 20 points for Bloomfield including two 3-pointers.

Alex Gibbs tallied 12 points and Tyler Battles finished with 10 points for the Wildcats.

Nathan Newell hit one trey.

"We were able to grind out stops down the stretch and I hope we are starting to understand how important each possession and defensive stop is," continued Karnes. "Our next three games are all on the road and will be a good test for us as we head into the district." Chance Davis paced the Hornets with 11 points. Skyler Johnson, Preston Sikes, and Ben Vance each contributed a trey for Holcomb.

Bloomfield (14-9) returns to action on Saturday at 3:15 p.m. at the Three Rivers College in Poplar Bluff. They take on Gideon.

Final Score Bloomfield 49, Holcomb 41

Bloomfield 14 15 16 6 - 49 Holcomb 16 8 7 10 - 41

Bloomfield (49) – Nathan Newell 3, Austin Bond 4, Tyler Battles 10, Noah Vandiver 20, Alex Gibbs 12. FG 18, FT 10/15, F 13. (3-pointers: Newell 1, Vandiver 2. Fouled Out: None).

Holcomb (41) – Skyler Johnson 3, Jorden Massey 7, Zach Bridges 4, Preston Sikes 5, Jacob Adkins 2, Colton Dunbar 4, Chance Davis 11, Ben Vance 5. FG 18, FT 2/4, F 18. (#-pointers: Johnson 1, Sikes 1, Vance 1. Fouled Out: None).

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Wildcats Take Down Eagles on Senior Night

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Bloomfield, Missouri – The Bloomfield Wildcats defeated the Oran Eagles 60-47 on Tuesday. It was Senior Night for the Wildcats!

"This is as good of a win as we have had all year," commented Bloomfield head basketball coach Jason Karnes. "Oran has really been playing well as of late, and coach Shoemaker does a great job with his teams."

Bloomfield scored double digits in each of the four quarters.

Noah Vandiver paced the Wildcats with a game-high 23 points.

Tyler Battles finished with 10 points.

Peyton Bell and Nathan Newell each contributed 8 points with Bell hitting the only 3-pointer for Bloomfield.

"It was one of our best efforts of the year defensively, and hopefully this will point us in the right direction and give us some momentum as we head into the final stretch of the regular season," continued Karnes.

Jacob Priggel tallied a game-high 23 points as well before fouling out in the fourth period.

Bloomfield (13-9) travels to Holcomb on Thursday. Game time is 6:00 p.m.

Final Score Bloomfield 60, Oran 47

Oran 15 9 15 8 - 47

Bloomfield 13 17 11 19 - 60

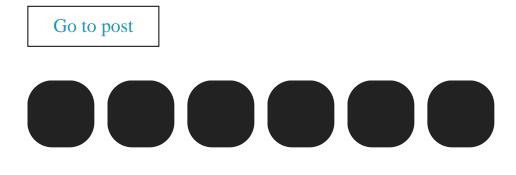
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Oran (47) – Blake Overfield 2, Thomas Trankler 7, max Priggel 6, Jacob Priggel 23, Hunter Schlosser 6, Jason Bennett. FG 22, FT 2/7, F 24. (3-pointers: Trankler 1. Fouled Out: Jacob Priggel, Max Priggel.)

Bloomfield (60) – Peyton Bell 8, Nathan Newell 8, Austin Bond 7, Tyler Battles 10, Noah Vandiver 23, Alex Gibbs 4, FG 20, FT 19/31, F 10. (3-pointers: Peyton Bell 1. Fouled Out: None).

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Bloomfield Celebrates 1965 and 1966 Final 4 Basketball Seasons

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Bloomfield Celebrates 1965 and 1966 Final 4 Basketball Seasons

Bloomfield, Missouri – Bloomfield High School celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the back-to-back Final 4 Basketball seasons of 1965 and 1966 on Friday evening at their Homecoming festivities.

They honored cheerleaders Bonnie Blue, Carolyn Whitledge Brown, Janice Asbell Aslin, and Brenda Graham Johnson. From the 1964-1965 basketball team Mick Aslin, Rodney Bullinger, Danny Gaines, Dennis Gillespie, Phil Johnson, Allen Lafferty, Ron McAdoo, Mike McCollum, David Pounds, Dale Underwood, Ron Underwood, Bill White, Ron White, Mike Wise, Head Coach Tom Hewgley, Assistant Coach Charlie Spoonhour, and scorekeeper Lonnie Hutchison.

This season, the Bloomfield Wildcats finished first in the Bernie Tournament, Bloomfield Christmas Tournament, and the Stoddard County Tournament. In the regional Tournament, they defeated Risco, Bernie, Doniphan, and Richland by an average of 64 points to advance to the Class M State Tournament.

At State, they defeated Ester 77-50, Advance 53-47, before losing to eventual state champion Buffalo by just 3 points 52-55.

The Wildcats responded by defeating Owensville 76-44 to capture 3rd place in State and completing the greatest season in wildcat Basketball History with 34 wins and 2 losses.

Individual honors for the 1964-1965 season went to Dennis Gillespie – All County, Ron Underwood – All County, Mike Wise – All County, Ron White – All-County and 1st Wildcat to be selected to the All-State Team.

The following 1965-1966 roster saw a blend of new and familiar faces. Those honored were Lanny Bell, Andy Bullinger, Terry Chasteen, Phil Johnson, Mike McCollum, David Pounds, Tom Rainwater, Dave Swindell, Doyle Swindell, Dennis Underwood, Don Underwood, Bill White, Don Williams, Glen Williamson, Mike Wise, Head Coach Tom Hewgley, Assistant Coach Charlie Spoonhour, and scorekeeper Lonnie Hutchison.

This season the Wildcats repeated with winning the Bernie Tournament, the Bloomfield Christmas Tournament and the Stoddard County Tournament.

In Regional Tournament they defeated Doniphan, Quilin, Malden, and Greenville to secure back-to-back trips to the Class M State Tournament. Mike Wise also set a 4 game regional record scoring 122 points for an average of 30.5 points per game.

At state they found themselves again in the 3rd place game, eventually losing to Booneville 51-52 to place 4th. They finished the season with 32 wins and 3 losses capping off the greatest 2-year run in Wildcat Basketball history.

Individual honors for the 1965-1966 season went to Phillip Johnson – All District, Andy Bullinger – All District, Donnie Underwood – All County, and Mike Wise – All County, All District and the second Wildcat selected to the All-State Team.

The Wildcats were guided from 1963-1967 by Coach Tom Hewgley and Assistant Coach Charlie Spoonhour. During their tenure the Wildcats complied a record of 112 wins and 19 losses, a winning percentage of .855. They are still the winningest coaches in school history to date.

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Bloomfield Wildcats Defeat Bell City Cubs

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Bloomfield, Missouri – The Wildcats hosted the Bell City Cubs Tuesday evening and improved their record to 12-8 with a 59-36 victory!

Bloomfield led by 11 points at the end of the first quarter. Their biggest lead in the game in the 3rd quarter when they outscored the Cubs 23 - 5.

"We were able to catch Bell City at a good time," commented Bloomfield coach Jason Karnes. "They were short a few kids, but they came in here and played really hard. We had a sluggish first half, but were able to pick it up defensively the second half and that led to some good possessions the other way for us."

Tyler Battles paced the Wildcats with a team-high 14 points including one trey.

Austin Bond and Noah Vandiver each added 11 points for Bloomfield. Caleb Pulley hit one 3-pointer!

Cole Nichols hit three treys for the Cubs. He finished with a game-high 18 points. Nate Finney finished with 12 points including two 3-pointers.

"We have a big conference game on Friday against a good Puxico team," stated Karnes. Bloomfield (12-8) will host the Puxico Indians. Game time 6:00 p.m.

Final Score Bloomfield 59, Bell City 36

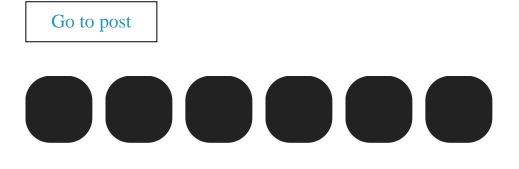
Bell City 5 13 5 13 - 36

Bloomfield 16 8 23 12 - 59

Bell City (36) – Nate Finney 12, Cole Nichols 18, Logan Yates 3, Jesse Smith 2, Peyton Maddox 1. FG 12, FT 7/15, F 21. (3-pointers: Finney 2, Nichols 3. Fouled Out: Brandon Abner).

Bloomfield (59) – Caleb Pulley 5, Peyton Bell 2, Nathan Newell 8, Austin Bond 11, Tyler Battles 14, Noah Vandiver 11, Alex Gibbs 6, Nate Cazee 2. FG 18, FT 21/28, F 19. (3-pointers: Pulley 1, Battles 1. Fouled Out: Gibbs).

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Kennett Defeats Bloomfield to Earn Repeat Trip to the Christmas Tournament Championship Game

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Kennett Defeats Bloomfield to Earn Repeat Trip to the Christmas Tournament Championship Gan

Bloomfield, Missouri – The #3 seeded Kennett seemed to be unstoppable against the #7 seeded Bloomfield Wildcats on Monday evening the second match of the semifinals of the 58th Annual Bloomfield Christmas Tournament.

Late in the 3rd quarter Tyler Battles rallied and hit three straight 3-pointers for Bloomfield.

"The option we had was to start shooting as quick as we could, hope a couple fall and hope they miss some free throws on the other end," commented Bloomfield's head coach Jason Karnes. "I thought in that stretch we competed a lot harder than what we did for a lot of the game. And again, a lot of that has to do with Kennett. They are a great program and are well coached." "Those last few minutes we played really well," continued Karnes. "I wish we could have found a way to do that a few more minutes though."

Noah Vandiver tallied a game-high 22 points for the Wildcats and hit one trey. Tyler Battles finished with 16 points. Nathan Newel hit one trey.

Kennett scored double digits in each of the four quarters.

Andre Oliver tallied a team-high 16 points for Kennett. Rantrell Caruthers tallied 13 points including one trey.

Final Score #3 Kennett 59, #7 Bloomfield 53

Bloomfield 7 10 12 24 - 53

Kennett 13 13 16 17 - 59

Bloomfield (53) – Tim Hector 1, Peyton Bell 3, Nathan Newell 5, Austin Bond 3, Tyler Battles 16, Noah Vandiver 22, Alex Gibbs 3. FG 15, FT 18/28, F 14. (3-pointers: Newell 1, Battles 3, Vandiver 1. Fouled Out: Vandiver)

Kennett (59) – Rantrell Caruthers 13, Carlos Turner 5, Landon Vaughan 2, Fred Gooden 3, Jarvis Stewart 5, Andre Oliver 16, Jaylean Kinnon 6, Jad Kenny 4. FG 24, FT 9/16, F 21. (3-pointers: Caruthers 1, Stewart 1. Fouled Out: None)

Bloomfield will play for 3rd place at 7:00 p.m. against Hayti at the 58th Annual Bloomfield Christmas Tournament slated for Tuesday, December 30, 2014.

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