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Dexter Bearcats Upset #1 Seed Bloomfield Wildcats in Game #13

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Bloomfield, Missouri - Game #13 was not so lucky for the #1 seeded Bloomfield Wildcats. Their chances of a Christmas Tournament Championship ended Monday evening when the #8 seeded Dexter Bearcats defeated them 43-35 at the 59th Annual Bloomfield Christmas Tournament. They also suffered their first loss of the season.

"It's a big win for our program. These seniors are a good bunch and they haven't had a ton of big wins over their tenure." stated Dexter head basketball coach Josh Dowdy. "This is something they are going to remember and they don't feel like they are done yet."

Dexter outscored Bloomfield by 8 points in the last three minutes of the 4th quarter to secure their 43 - 35 win.

"Really what separated it was the free throws," stated Dowdy. "We were able to chase some and get some penetration at the rim and they were calling quite a few fouls. We were able to capitalize on them. We have been shooting 51% from the free throw line so to make 8 of our 9 in the 4th quarter was great for us. I thought that was the difference down the stretch."

Bloomfield jumped out to a 10 - 4 lead in the first period. Tyler Battles was first to score with a 3-pointer three minutes into the game followed by two free throws. Tim Hector shot a 3-pointer and a bucket to propel the Wildcats to 10 points.

Senior Bearcat Jacob Pedigo scored the first two points of the game for Dexter with just 48 seconds left in the first quarter. Jason Jarrell, a 5'11" junior recorded two with seconds remaining in the first.

"It was a defensive struggle," continued Dowdy. "It was a tribute to Bloomfield's defense. They packed it in and tried to take Gabe away."

Bloomfield scored only 8 points in the second period. Tim Hector recorded a 3-pointer, Nathan Newell hit one for two, Noah Vandiver tallied a couple of free throws, and Tyler Battles recorded a free throw.

Dexter answered with two 3-pointers by Ethan Flowers and four field goals from Jacob Pedigo, Gabe Jackson, and Jason Jarrell to tie the game 18 - 18 at the half.

"That was a scary moment needless to say," stated Dowdy about the first half of the game. "Gabe Jackson picked up two early fouls and we had to take him out, but we weathered the storm and were able to withstand that. We were down 10 - 4 at the end of the first quarter. I thought it was a win being down six. We knew there were going to be some punches thrown left and right, and we were able to throw the last punch."

The Bearcats opened the final period with an old fashioned three-pointer by Jacob Pedigo. Gabe Jackson followed with a bucket giving them the lead for the first time in the second half 32-30.

Bloomfield's only field goal in the 4th quarter came from Noah Vandiver, his only one of the game, with a little over five minutes remaining. The Wildcats capitalized on a few free throws, one each by Vandiver, Alex Gibbs, Peyton Bell, and Nathan Newell.

Dexter held Bloomfield to 11 field goals throughout the game.

"We played three different defenses to try and keep them off balance," commented Dowdy about their defensive strategy. Tyler Heil did a tremendous job tonight on Noah Vandiver. He only had one field goal for Bloomfield. To hold a talent like that and hold Noah to one field goal was a feather in Tyler's cap and was just unbelievable."

Ethan Flowers had a game-high 13 points for Dexter including his two 3-pointers. Jason Jarrell recorded 12 points. Jacob Pedigo and Gabe Jackson each contributed 9 points.

Bloomfield's Tim Hector was the only Wildcat in double digits. He tallied 11 points with 3 treys and a bucket.

These kids know each other and they play each other throughout the season, sometimes three games per year," commented Dowdy. "We weren't fearful of the game, but we had a lot of respect for Bloomfield. They are senior loaded team with nice juniors. They are

well-coached and we are thrilled to escape with a victory and move onto Round 3."

Final Score Bloomfield 35, Dexter 43

Bloomfield 10 8 1 6 - 35

Dexter 4 14 9 16 - 43

Bloomfield (35) - Tim Hector 11, Peyton Bell 3, Nate Newell 5, Tyler Battles 9, Noah Vandiver 6, Alex Gibbs 1. FG 11, FT 10/19, F 16. (3-pointers: Tim Hector 3, Tyler Battles 2. Fouled Out: None).

Dexter (43) - Jason Jarrell 12, Jacob Pedigo 9, Ethan Flowers 13, Gabe Jackson 9. FG 16, FT 9/10, F 19. (3-pointers: Ethan Flowers 2. Fouled Out: None).

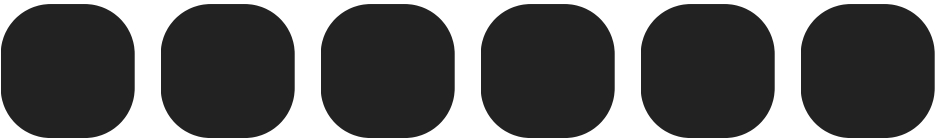
Dexter (3-5) will be back in action on Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in Game #21 of the 59th Annual Bloomfield Christmas Tournament. They will play the Malden Green Wave. Malden defeated Doniphan 59-47 in Game #14 on Monday.

The Bloomfield Wildcats (7-1) will play at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 29th against Doniphan.

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Malden Green Wave Washes Bulldogs for the Win

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Malden Green Wave Washes Bulldogs for the Win

Bloomfield, Missouri - The Malden Green Wave kept their chances alive Saturday beating Portageville 55 - 43 in Game #5 of the 59th Annual Bloomfield Christmas Tournament.

Portageville led in the first quarter 13 - 9 before the Green Wave recorded 26 points in the second period to lead 35 - 24 at the half.

Malden's powerhouse Trevor Ison tallied 16 points for the Green Wave.

Chris Garmon recorded a game-high 17 points for the Bulldogs. Ian Torrey tallied 16 points including two 3-pointers.

Final Score Malden 55, Portageville 43

Malden 9 26 10 10 - 55

Portageville 13 11 8 11 - 43

Malden (55) - Nikylus Thompson 5, Tyler Ison 8, Malcom McBride 4, Reggie Reed 4, Ned Lee 8, Shamaudre Barber 6, Trevor Ison 16. FG 22, FT 7/16, F 14. (3-pointers: None. Fouled Out: None).

Portageville (43) - Romez Mosby 2, Ian Rorrey 16, Chris Garmon 17, Tony Smith 8. FG 17, FT 6/13, F 12. (3-pointers: Ian Torrey 2, Tony Smith 1. Fouled Out: None).

Malden will play Doniphan on Monday, December 28th at 5:30 p.m. in Game #14 of the Bloomfield Christmas Tournament. Portageville was eliminated by Bernie in Game #9 on Monday morning.

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East Prairie Eliminates Holcomb from Bloomfield Christmas Tournament

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East Prairie Eliminates Holcomb from Bloomfield Christmas Tournament

Bloomfield, Missouri - The East Prairie Eagles eliminated the Holcomb Hornets in Game #10 of the 59th Annual Bloomfield Christmas Tournament by a score of 79-59.

Powerhouse Eagles freshman, Derez Tipler, recorded a game-high and so far a tournament-high 32 points.

Jordan Massey, a senior from Holcomb, tallied a team-high 19 points.

Holcomb led in the first quarter by one point 19 - 18 later falling behind at the half 37 - 33. East Prairie came alive after the half-time break holding the Hornets to just 8 points in the third quarter.

Final Score East Prairie 79, Holcomb 59

East Prairie 18 19 22 20 - 79

Holcomb 19 14 8 18 - 59

East Prairie (79) - Luke Marcum 7, Deverence Jones 8, Dylan Lingle 3, Derez Tipler 32, Brett Ellis 8, Jon Ross Slayden 7, Cade Douglas 8, Alex Cowgill 7, Brian Shoffner 2. FG 24, FT 31/62, F 21 (3-pointers: None. Fouled Out: None).

Holcomb (59) - Alec McDaniel 2, Pearson McClendon 4, Zach Bridges 10, Paden McCormick 2, Colton Dunbar 5, Nate Roso 8, Johnny Maynard 9, Jordan Massey 19. FG 23, FT 10/30, F 40 (3-pointers: Nate Roso 2. Fouled Out: Alex McDaniel, Zach Bridges, Paden McCormick, Colton Dunbar, Nate Roso).

East Prairie will play Van Buren Bulldogs or the Puxico Indians in Game #18 on Tuesday, December 29th at 2:30 p.m.

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Doniphan Dons Dominate Bernie in Game #4 of the Bloomfield Christmas Tournament

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Doniphan Dominates Bernie in Basketball

Bloomfield, Missouri - Lucas Moe led the Doniphan Dons with 22 points to defeat the Bernie Mules in Game #4 of the 59th Annual Bloomfield Christmas Tournament. As of posting time this evening Moe leads the all time high scorer for this year's tournament.

An electrified Lucas Moe tallied a game-high 22 points. Tanner Buck recorded four 3-pointers and one bucket for 14 points for the Dons. Klay Barton tallied two treys and Brad Eddens and Lucas Moe contributed one trey each.

The Dons jumped out to a 21 - 7 lead in the first quarter to secure their win over the Mules 72 - 41. They recorded double digits in each of the four periods.

Dalton Hobgood tallied a team-high 11 points including three 3-pointers. Jayce Burk and Alan Pippins each contributed 2 treys.

Final Score Bernie 41, Doniphan 72

Bernie 7 10 9 15 - 41

Doniphan 21 22 13 16 - 72

Bernie (41) - Jayce Burk 8, Alan Pippins 6, Nate Dillinger 9, Riley Wells 1, Gavin Brown 6, Dalton Hobgood 11. FG 13, FT 8/16, F 11. (3-pointers: Jayce Burk 2, Alan Pippins 2, Dalton Hobgood 3. Fouled Out: None).

Doniphan (72) - Tanner Buck 14, Bryce Hale 2, Klay Barton 8, Brad Eddens 4, Justin Harder 10, mason Aden 4, Lucas Moe 22, Brandon Patterson 4, Jordan Leroux 2, Trent Lippoldt 2. FG 28, FG 8/11, F 16. (3-pointers: Tanner Buck 4, Klay Barton 2, Brad Eddens 1, Lucas Moe 1. Fouled Out: None).

The Bernie Mules will be back in action at the Bloomfield Christmas Tournament at 10:00 a.m. Monday morning when they take on the Portageville Bulldogs in Game #9.

Doniphan will play Malden Green Wave on Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. in Game #14 of the Bloomfield Christmas Tournament.

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South Pemiscot Defeated Van Buren in Game #3 of the Bloomfield Christmas Tournament

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South Pemiscot Defeated Van Buren in Game #3 of the Bloomfield Christmas Tournament

Bloomfield, Missouri - South Pemiscot defeated Van Buren 62 – 34 in Game #3 of the 59th Annual Bloomfield Christmas Tournament.

The South Pemiscot Bulldogs jumped to a 22 – 5 lead at the end of the first quarter holding Van Buren Bulldogs to single digits in the first two periods of the game. Half-time score was S. Pemiscot over Van Buren 36 – 13.

Dominique Hardimon recorded a game-high 18 points for South Pemiscot. He was the only player in double digits as 11 other players contributed points to secure their win.

Matthew Shrontz tallied a team-high 15 points including 1 trey for Van Buren. Todd Wilcoxon also contributed a 3-pointer.

Final Score South Pemiscot 62, Van Buren 34

South Pemiscot 22 14 16 10 - 62

Van Buren 5 8 13 18 - 34

South Pemiscot (62) - Darion Jones 2, Riley Cain 2, Logan Damesworth 4, Mike Smith 6, Kevin Burton 4, Steven Wilbourn 7, Andreas Gonzalez 4, Dominique Hardimon 18, Lasilis Smith 1, Jabari Herron 6. FG 25, FG 11/18, F 9. (3-pointers: Jamarea Rogers 1. Fouled Out: None).

Van Buren (34) - Eli Dameworth 2, Todd Wilcoxon 6, Spencer Burnham 7, Matthew Shrontz 15, Zach Griffin. FG 15, FT 2/7, F 19. (3-pointers: Matthew Shrontz 1, Fouled Out: None).

South Pemiscot will play the winner of Game #6 (Saxony Lutheran vs Puxico) at 8:30 p.m. on Monday, December 28th.

Van Buren will play the losing team of Game #6 (Saxony Lutheran vs Puxico) at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, December 28th.

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