

Lady Outlaws log two wins on hardwood

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The Outlaws logged two wins last week to push their league record to 2-1. Sisters defeated Cascade 34-26 and brought down Woodburn 47-30.

Sisters' home game on Tuesday, January 8, against Cascade was rescheduled to Thursday due to poor weather conditions. The Lady Outlaws were ready for action, and defeated the Cougars by eight.

It was a tight first quarter and Sisters was up by just one, 8-7, at the close of the period. At the half, the Outlaws were on top by four, 20-16.

Sisters continued to extend their lead in the second half. In the final period, Kaylee Huber came off the bench and hit a three-point shot with approximately two minutes left on the clock, and stretched the Outlaws lead from four to seven. That cushion helped the Outlaws as they held on for the win.

"I thought this was a really great win for the program," said Coach Brittaney Niebergall-Brown. "I was really happy with the girls' play because they have continued to really work hard. I felt that their efforts were rewarded with winning this game."

Isabelle Spitler led the team with 14 points. Payden Petterson, Gracen Sundstrom, Kaylee Huber, and Olivia Hougham each contributed five points.

Inside players Spitler and Petterson attacked the glass and did a tremendous job in the rebounding effort. Both girls had six boards in the contest. Coach Niebergall-Brown told that the team continues to improve in that area.

A day later, Sisters posted a 47-30 victory at Woodburn. The Outlaws held the Bulldogs to just two points in the first period, and at the half were on top 20-9.

Sisters continued to control the pace of the game in the second half. They steadily scored points, played great defense, outscored Woodburn 27-11, and walked off the court with the win.

Spitler and RylieReece Morgan each had 10 points in the contest. Sundstrom scored seven points, Meaghan Greaney tallied six, Petterson had five, and Hougham and Sydney Head added four points each.

Petterson, Greaney, Sundstrom, Head, and Morgan all put forth an excellent effort on the boards.

"We had a lot of girls put points on the board continuously throughout the game," said Niebergall-Brown. "I



PHOTO BY JERRY BALDOCK

RylieReece Morgan grabs the tip-off in action against Cascade.

thought we started the game a little bit slow, but I think the second half the girls did a great job of sticking to our game plan, executing, and converting offensively and defensively. The girls are continuing to come together as a team and learning to work as one unit. We are very happy about this week, and are

looking forward to getting back in the gym and getting prepared for the following week of league play."

The Outlaws were to play at home against Philomath on Tuesday, January 15. They will travel to Stayton on Friday for a match-up against the Eagles. The Outlaws are currently 4-11 overall.

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Street Distillery came in first place with more than \$750

donated. Coming in second was First Interstate Bank and US Bank placed third.

"We want to say thank you to the community and congratulations to the winners. The houses at each business are so creative and distinctive," Clasen said.



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First Interstate Bank took Best in Show (second place in donations) on the Gingerbread Trail.

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