

# Panther boys wrangle Bulls

PC team loses nailbiter in Adrian

By Angel Carpenter  
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PRAIRIE CITY — Prairie City's Dorran Wilson led the Panthers last weekend in double digits, earning 26 points against Adrian and 28 against Burnt River.

The Panthers suffered a 55-57 heartbreaker to Adrian on the road Friday, but came back for a 79-46 win, hosting the Burnt River Bulls.

"We came up a little short last night, but the kids fought really hard," said head coach Jonathon Gill after Saturday's game. "They came together as a team, and it rolled into today. We're right where we want to be at this point in the season. It was a good team win tonight."

Prairie City came out charging the Bulls in the first quarter.

Garrett Hitz tipped the ball



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**Prairie City's Brandon Gillihan (25) scores for the Panthers, his teammate Wyatt Williams (15) in the action against the Burnt River Bulls, including Jannis Weinkopf (2), Kenny Lien (30) and Tyler Belveal (20).**

to Wilson, and Ethan Camarena scored off the assist.

Camarena scored again with a pass from Wilson, then Wilson got on the board, landing two three-point shots.

Burnt River's Jannis Weinkopf scored the Bulls' first

five points of the game, shooting from the inside then the outside.

The game got physical under the Panther basket when Hitz got on the board, and a technical was called on the Bulls.

The Panthers outscored the Bulls 24-9 in the first quarter, and ended the half 45-17.

The Panthers had their best scoring in the third quarter with Wilson gaining 10 points in the period, including two free throws; Camarena had five points; Hitz had four, including two free throws; and Brandon Gillihan and Jonathon Lawrence each had two points.

Prairie City faces Dayville/Monument in Dayville on Friday with the girls game beginning at 6 p.m.

"We worked hard and played hard," Gillihan said of the game. "Everybody tried to work together and came together. Hopefully it will be where we want it on Friday. We'll work hard in practice."

Wilson added, "We did a good job moving the ball and got the open looks."

He said, after the Adrian game, they know they have room for improvement.

"We know what we need to work on in practice," he said.

"I think we're at a really pivotal point in our season," Camarena said. "Hopefully, we build off of this weekend and carry it over to the rest of league and hopefully to districts."

# Tiger boys top High Desert League

Teams will host Prairie City and Crane

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JORDAN VALLEY — The Dayville/Monument boys basketball team is at the top of High Desert League, with a sixth-place OSAA ranking.

The Tigers have an overall record of 13-3 and are 4-0 in league.

When asked what is giving his team an edge this year, head coach Jeff Schafer pointed to the team's unity.

"They're unselfish, they care more about team than individual and they trust each other," Schafer said. "Even if they're having a bad game, they're willing to give it to the team. They work hard for each other."

The Dayville/Monument boys and girls teams were on the road for league games last weekend, facing Jordan Valley, then Adrian.

**Dayville/Monument boys**  
Jordan Valley, ranked No. 21 (10-4, 3-1), presented the Tigers with a challenge to keep the top spot in league.

Dayville/Monument fell behind in the first half, trailing by eight points.

"We stayed the course and ended up winning," Schafer said. "We had some guys step up, and Hayden Schafer was high-point scorer with 17."

He added, "The boys played really good defense. Jordan Valley is a tough team, and it was a good game to coach."

Against Adrian the following day, the Tigers jumped out to a 15-point lead.



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**The Tigers host the Prairie City Panthers on Friday at 6 p.m. beginning with girls varsity. In photo: Dayville/Monument Tiger Tanner Walczyk throws a three-pointer last week.**

Four Tiger starters scored in the double-digit range, and the team had well-rounded scoring, Schafer said.

He noted the Antelopes have a young team this year, but said they have a good coach, Nolan Shira, who will lead the team to success.

"They're always tough," Schafer said.

**Dayville/Monument girls**  
The Lady Tigers (7-9,

2-2), coming off three consecutive wins, took losses in last weekend's games.

They fell 54-62 to Jordan Valley, currently ranked No. 11, and 29-53 to No. 8 Adrian.

Looking ahead, the Tigers will host the Prairie City Panthers in Dayville on Friday with girls games starting at 6 p.m., and they host Crane in Monument on Saturday with the girls games starting at 2 p.m.

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