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Ice-cold shooting, error cost Cardinals game



Photo by Wayne Hams

Mary Cupps goes up for shot against Falcons.

By Ann Morter

Ice-cold shooting and a critical error in overtime cost the lone Lady Cardinals the win against the Wheeler Falcons in a non-league game on Dec. 15. The previously undefeated Cards struggled with their shooting and ended up losing to a tough league rival, 44-47, in overtime. Lone's season record goes to 4-1.

While Lone was always close, Wheeler led most of the game. Twin sisters, Stacy and Tracy Geer, led the Falcon attack. Wheeler took a six-point advantage to the locker

room at half-time 20-14.

Lone came back ready to fight for the win in the second half. The two teams played almost even through the third quarter. In the fourth quarter, Lone outscored Wheeler, 18-10, to tie the game at the end of regulation. Linda Morter made a critical three-pointer with six seconds left in the game to tie the score. The Cards gave Wheeler one last opportunity by fouling but the Falcons missed the front end of a one and one and regulation play ended with the score tied at 40.



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Ione Cardinals fall to Wheeler Falcons



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Ione boys fight for rebound in Wheeler game

By Ann Morter

The Ione Cardinals fell to the Wheeler Falcons in a non-league contest on Friday, Dec. 15. Inexperience and awkwardness with a new offense contributed to the 48-75 loss. The Cards record fell to 2-3.

The young Cardinals got down in the first quarter and were never able to recover. They were outscored by the Falcons, 23 to 10, in the first quarter and Wheeler held a 39-22 lead at halftime. Ione finally pulled together and started playing well in the fourth quarter but by then it was too little and too late.

Gabe Garcia and Jim Davison led Ione with 13 points each. Wheeler's Joe Reyes scored a game-high 23 points. Ryan Halvorsen led the Cardinals with six assists.

Rebounding for the two teams was fairly even with Wheeler having just a slight edge, 34-30. Davison pulled down 11 boards for the Cards.


Cardinal coach Del LaRue, did find some promise in his team's performance. The team got their new offense working in the fourth quarter and found it to be effective. They had just started using it last Tuesday. Coach LaRue has a young team and he says they are still learning the game. He starts two seniors, two sophomores and one freshman.

The Cardinals are looking for 6'4" sophomore Mike Garrett to return after the first of the year. Garrett, who has been out due to illness, should help the team in league play which starts in January.

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The overtime period saw the Cardinals commit a costly five-point mistake. Wheeler scored a basket and then regained possession under their own basket. A Wheeler player shot made the basket and was fouled in the process. She added the free throw and Ione suddenly found themselves down by five points. The Cardinals never had a chance to recover.

Coach Dana Heideman says his team should have and could have won the game if their shooting accuracy was improved. Ione shot only 19 out of 78 from the floor and five out of 23 from the free throw line. The difference in the game was Wheeler shooting 18 out of 48 from the floor and 11 out of 11 from the line. Ione had a narrow advantage in rebounding 41-40.

Jo Cupps led the Cardinals in scoring with 10 points. Mary Cupps, Nancy Morter and Darcy Padberg each added eight. Tracy Geer of Wheeler had a game high 16 points, followed by her sister, Stacy with 15.

Coach Heideman commented that his team had actually outplayed the Falcons but just didn't shoot well enough to win. The Cardinals kick off their home season this week and they are looking forward to the home-court advantage. Says Heideman, "we've played five games on the road and we're a little tired."

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