

Lady Cards take wins at home

The Lone Lady Cardinals started their final week of basketball strongly, downing Echo on Monday night in a physical match and shaking off Central Christian on Tuesday. Both games were played in Ione.

Against Echo, Ione shot out to an early lead of 9-0 before Echo got on the board. The first quarter ended with the Lady Cards leading 11-3. Echo scratched their way back into the game in the second quarter, outscoring Ione 14-9. Ione held a 20-17 first half lead.

Echo erased the first half lead and briefly led the game in the third quarter, 26-23. The Lady Cards responded with an 11-1 run, seven of those points coming from Brenna Rietmann, to open up a 34-27 lead at the end of three. Echo kept coming, opening the fourth quarter with a 9-4 run to tie the game at 36. However, the Lady Cards dug in and did not relinquish the lead, holding on for the 47-43 win.

Kylee Svetich led the team in scoring with 10 points. Emily Rietmann added nine, Brenna Rietmann had eight and Beth Morter had seven. Kylee Svetich led the team on the

boards with 11 rebounds and Emily Rietmann had eight assists.

"This was a nice win for our team," said Coach Ryan Rudolf. "Getting off to a strong start and the big advantage at the free throw line were the two differences in the game." He noted that the girls played good team defense with 18 steals and forced Echo into 27 turnovers. "We took care of the ball with only 11 turnovers. It was nice to bounce back after getting beat by Nixyaawii in our last game."

Against Central Christian of Prineville on Tuesday, again the Lady Cards got off to a fast start, leading 15-1 at the end of one. Kylee Svetich had five of those points. The Warriors turned the tables a bit in the second, hitting a three pointer with 2:00 to go in the quarter to narrow the lead to just four. Emily Rietmann hit two free throws and Kaylee Palmateer laid up a basket to make the score 22-15 in favor of the Cardinals at the half.

The Lady Cards built on that lead to take a 14 point lead at the end of three, 34-22 and finished off the Warriors in the fourth for

the final score of 47-33.

Kylee Svetich led all scorers with a career high 20 points. Tiana Camarillo added six and Emily Rietmann and Kaylee Palmateer had five each. Eight Cardinals scored in the game.

"I was very pleased with our overall effort. Once again, we came out very strong at the start of the game and continued to be aggressive offensively," said Coach Ryan Rudolf. He noted that the team played good team defense that disrupted Central Christian from their offensive game plan.

"Kylee Svetich had a dominate performance in the paint with 20 points and 10 rebounds and Emily Rietmann had a good all-around game," he said.

Ione 11 9 14 13 = 47

Echo 3 14 10 16 = 43

Free throws: Echo 5-20, Ione 20-42

Kylee Svetich 10, Emily Rietmann 9, Brenna Rietmann 8, Beth Morter 7, Tiana Camarillo 5, Kaylee Palmateer 5, Teonna Vandever 3.

Ione 15 7 12 13 = 47

CC 1 14 7 11 = 33

Free throws CC 5-10, Ione 15-28

Ione (9-13 overall, 6-8 Big Sky) Kylee Svetich 20, Tiana Camarillo 6, Emily Rietmann 5, Kaylee Palmateer 5, Beth Morter 4, Teonna Vandever 3, Tori Heagy 2, Brenna Rietmann 2.

Ione boys take hard fought win over Echo

The Ione boys might not have chosen a hard fought dog fight to start their marathon week of basketball but that's what they got when Echo came to town Monday, February 4, to play a game rescheduled due to a weather cancellation.

Ione trailed 15-8 at the end of one, thanks to some red-hot shooting by Echo's Dustin Christensen, who hit three treys in a row in the last two minutes in the quarter. The Cougars started out the second quarter with five unanswered points before the Cardinals woke up to find themselves 10 down. Six Cards put up points as the team narrowed the lead. With 1:05 to go, a goal tending call on Echo tied the score at 25. Echo responded with a three-point play before Alan Rietmann nailed a three pointer with 13 seconds remaining. Echo drove a lay in up the middle at the buzzer to take the lead at the half, 30-28.

It was the Alan Rietmann show in the third quarter as he put up 12 of the Card's 18 points in the period. The Cards turned up the hustle a notch, diving after loose balls. On one particular loose ball melee, the ball shot like a pinball before Paul Hams emerged out the other end taking the ball the length of the court for a lay in, tying the game at 42. Ione finished the quarter with a 6-0 run to lead the game 46-42.

An 8-2 Cardinal run opened the fourth quarter as Ione worked their way to their biggest lead of the game, 54-44 with four minutes to go. With 3:24 left in the game, Clay Morter was whistled for his fourth foul

and subsequently a technical foul, putting him out of the game and sending Echo to the free throw line where they made three of four closing the gap to seven. Two more Echo buckets made the score 54-51. With 1:17 remaining, Echo made two free throws as Ione clung to one point lead. Echo trooped to the line two more times in the last 30 seconds of the game but connected on just one of their four attempts. That final successful free throw tied up the game with 17.3 seconds remaining. The Cards brought the ball down the court and timed a pass inside to Kip Krebs, who hit a little shot under the basket with around 3 seconds to go. Echo scooted the ball down the court and got off a shot that hit the backboard but didn't fall, giving Ione the 56-54 win.

"We struggled the whole game," said Coach Dennis Stefani. "I think the lack of practice (due to weather conditions) and overlooking Echo a bit almost came back to bite us." He did find a silver lining in the tight win though. "We have had trouble with close games this season so it was good to come through in the clutch. It was an important win we had to have."

Alan Rietmann led the team in scoring with 20 points, Kip Krebs added 12 and Paul Hams had 10. Paul Hams had nine assists and Clay Morter had 11 rebounds to lead the team.

After winning a squeaker Monday night, the Cards were ready to put some distance between them and their Tuesday night opponent, Central Christian. In a game where

the Cards trailed only once in the opening moments of the game, Ione put up 20 or more points in three quarters and ran away with the 79-59 win.

Paul Hams led the team in scoring with 19 points and reserve Cory Peterson added 13, 11 of those coming in the fourth quarter. All but one Cardinal player made it into the scorebook in the contest. Paul Hams recorded 11 assists and Clay Morter again tallied 11 rebounds. Justin Archer added nine boards as the Cards posted a 37-28 rebounding advantage over the Warriors. Ione had one of its best shooting nights of the season, shooting a sizzling 59% from the floor and 67% from the three point line. The Cardinals played their second game without key player, Matt Hams, who was out with the flu.

"Central Christian has been playing all the teams in the league close so it was nice to take control early and be able to achieve an easy victory," said Coach Dennis Stefani. "I thought our bench played very well, led by Cory Peterson with 13 points and five assists."

Ione JV boys fall to Echo

The Ione JV boys looked rusty when they took the court against Echo on February 4 in Ione. With only one practice since their last game 10 days prior, the Cardinals looked a half step behind from the get-go, trailing 19-11 at the end of one quarter.

With both teams scoring eight in the second quarter, the Cards still trailed by eight at the half, 27-18. Echo started to pull away in the third, outscoring Ione 16-8. Marco Juarez put in seven points in the fourth quarter but it just wasn't enough as the Cards fell to the Cougars, 58-38.

"We played at about 80%," said Coach Jim Swanson. "We got behind and never could catch up. It was too bad as I think the team really wanted this one."


Tanner Rietmann led the Cardinals in scoring with 12 points. RJ Ramos had 11, Marco Juarez had seven, Cory Peterson had four, and Alex Rietmann and Kevin LaRue each had two. Alex Rietmann dished out four assists and both he and RJ Ramos had six rebounds to lead the team. Tanner Rietmann had three steals to lead that category.

"We had some good spurts and played hard but then we went backwards," said Coach Swanson.

Ione JV boys finish season with wins

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"RJ and Gunner had great overall games with points, steals, rebounds and assists," said Coach Jim Swanson. "Playing sometimes completely out of control and sometimes as perfect as you can, it was still a fun game to watch." He was pleased that the team put up 52 points on 21-42 (50%) shooting and combined for 39 rebounds. "I was very happy with the effort," said Swanson.



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- Feb. 27-March 1 - State Tournament at Baker City, TBA

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- March 11 - Pendleton JV in Pendleton, 4 p.m.
- March 14 - Grant Union Tourney, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.
- March 18 - at Baker, 2 p.m.
- March 21 - Dufur at home, 2 p.m.
- March 25 - Santiam at home, 1 p.m.
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