

# Mustangs Shut Down MMC

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The Morningside College Mustangs women's basketball team shut down the Mount Marty College Lancers holding a 30-point lead to win 79-51 Wednesday.

The young Mount Marty College team was unable to overcome the play pressure that Morningside created. After making too many mistakes on possessions in the first half the Lancers could not recover from the 30-point deficit and the Mustangs took the win.

"We had a lot of kids that didn't handle pressure well, we had a lot of kids that didn't make themselves available, getting themselves open," Mount Marty coach Tom Schlinggen said. "(Morningside's) scheme is different than what we've seen so far and we tried to prepare them for that, but obviously we didn't do a very good job of being available for passes and moving the basketball."

In the win for the Mustangs, MaKayla Augustine led the team with 13 points. Jessica Tietz had 12 points and made seven rebounds. Mandy Osborne was also a lead scorer for the Mustangs with 10 points.

Also for the Mustangs, Lexi Ackerman had six assists. Leann Osten and Ashlynn Muhl both grabbed five rebounds.

For the Lancers, Logan Wagner was the lead scorer with 12 points, Cassidy Gebhart had five assists and Allison De Kam had five rebounds.

In the first half Morningside quickly applied pressure with man-on-man defense keeping the Lancers from scoring in the first four minutes of the game 4-2.

"We knew that we had a little bit of size on them and we were hoping that they would struggle a little, and to be honest the lid was on the basket for them," Morningside coach Jamie Sale said.

The Lancers were unable to capitalize on possessions in the fast-paced game as a

steal by Morningside's Muhl allowed for a three increasing the Mustangs lead 19-6.

After a quick Mount Marty time out, both teams had two consecutive three-point baskets. Efforts by Morningside's Augustine, Tietz and Osborne ended the first half with the Mustangs leading the Lancers by 26 points 46-20.

"We were 4-26 (in shooting) in the first half and that's junior high stuff," Schlinggen said. "I know we didn't get a lot of good shots but we had some shots that were pretty good and we didn't do a good job at the free throw line."

The second half was nearly the same as the first half as the Mustangs increased their advantage to a 30 point lead with a shot by Tietz 52-22.

Mount Marty's Raquel Suter was influential in getting some points on the board for the Lancers as she drew two fouls going 3-4 for free throws and had a couple offensive rebounds. Also Mount Marty's Wagner hit two big threes for the Lancers, but the efforts would not be enough as the game closed with Mustangs ahead 79-51.

Next the Lancers will play at Concordia Saturday.

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**MORNINGSIDE (8-3)**

Lexi Ackerman 2-5 0-0 5, Leann Osten 3-7 1-2 7, Jessica Tietz 5-8 2-3 12, Lacey Lehmann 1-2 0-0 2, Ashlynn Muhl 3-9 1-1 7, Sara Heywood 1-1 0-0 2, Molly Fischer 0-3 0-0 0, Jordyn Wollenburg 1-2 0-0 3, Mandy Osborne 3-7 2-3 10, Allison Bachman 3-6 0-0 6, MaKayla Augustine 5-8 0-0 13, Kalene Anderson 3-4 0-0 6, Ashley Schroeder 3-4 0-0 6. TOTALS: 33-66 6-9 79.

**MOUNT MARTY (4-6)**

Cassidy Gebhart 1-3 0-1 2, Logan Wagner 4-12 0-12, Kieran O'Malley 3-13 0-9, Raquel Suter 0-3 6-8, Allison De Kam 3-12 2-4 8, Erica Dreckman 1-2 0-0 3, Denae Veldkamp 1-2 2-3 4, Cheyenne Lambley 1-3 2-4 4, Haley Froelich 0-2 0-0 0, Kellie Winckler 0-0 1-2 1, Kelly Amundson 1-2 0-0 2, Kelsey Schmidt 0-1 0-0 0. TOTALS: 15-58 13-22 51.

At the half: MC 46, MMC 20. Three-Pointers: MMC 8-25 (Wagner 4-8, O'Malley 3-10, Dreckman 1-1, Gebhart 0-1, Veldkamp 0-1, Schmidt 0-1, De Kam 0-3), MC 7-24 (Augustine 3-5, Osborne 2-4, Wollenburg 1-2, Ackerman 1-3, Osten 0-3, Lehmann 0-1, Muhl 0-1, Fischer 0-2, Bachman 0-2, Anderson 0-1). Rebounds: MC 43 (Tietz 7), MMC 37 (De Kam 5). Personal Fouls: MC 15, MMC 11. Fouled Out: None. Assists: MC 17 (Ackerman 6), MMC 12 (Gebhart 5). Blocks: MC 5 (Tietz 2, Schroeder 2), MMC 3 (De Kam 2). Steals: MC 7 (Fischer 2), MMC 2 (Lambley 1, Amundson 1). Attendance: 437.



JAMES D. CIMBUREK/P&D  
Mount Marty's Allison De Kam tries to get a shot up through a swarm of Morningside players during their Great Plains Athletic Conference women's basketball action on Wednesday at Laddie E. Cimpl Arena.

# AA All-State Team Includes 5 D-I Recruits

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SIoux FALLS (AP) — Of the seven girls chosen for the Class AA all-state volleyball first team, five are going on to play at the Division I level. Of those seven, six are also from Sioux Falls, which sent three teams to the state tournament, including the last two standing for the title.

Each of the four city schools were represented at positions all around the court with Roosevelt's lethal duo of Maggie DeJong and Tagyn Larson highlighting the list selected by the South Dakota Volleyball Coaches Association.

DeJong, who will move on to Louisville next season, proved to be the most difficult hitter to slow down as she led 'AA' hitters with 528 kills and a .416 hitting percentage. She also had 223 digs and 129 blocks to round out an impressive senior campaign.

Larson, an Iowa basketball recruit, added 315 kills, 193 digs and 62 blocks despite playing the final stretch of the season with a stress fracture in her foot that will sideline her for the beginning of the basketball season.

The tandem caused headaches for opponents both offensively and defensively all season as the Rough Riders cruised past teams not named O'Gorman.

"Tagyn is so athletic. She's able to see the court very well and jumps high," said Roosevelt coach Holly Lynch. "The same goes for Maggie. She jumps between 10-6 and 10-8 and that's hard to block. They're both so versatile."

While DeJong and Larson were the most dangerous combination in the state, it was the play of O'Gorman outside hitter Taryn Kloth that earned the Knights their first state championship since 2002.

The Creighton recruit stepped on biggest stage with 55 kills over the three-day tournament, guiding O'Gorman to a trio of sweeps while finishing the season with 311 kills and a .360 hitting percentage. The 6-3 junior was also solid defensively, tallying 167 digs and 31 blocks.

"She's just an amazing player," said O'Gorman coach Julie Kolbeck. "With her height and her physical ability, it's amazing some of the things she's able to do. Then to add the mental aspect and the knowledge that she brings to the game, she really is the complete package."

The only non-hitters on the first team belonged to Washington, which put together a solid season despite graduating its top two hitters from a year ago.

Senior libero Ellie Benson, who will walk on at South Dakota State next fall, paced the Warrior defense with 625 digs, while senior setter Hannah Nieman was an all-around weapon, guiding the offense with 726 assists along with tallying 222 digs, 70 kills and 34 blocks.

"They're certainly the nucleus of our program and have been for three years," said Washington coach LaDan Nesje. "They're incredible athletes. It's unique to have what I think are the best setter and the best libero in the state on one team, so we were very fortunate for the last three years."

Lincoln and Mitchell missed out on the state tournament this season, but their

# SDSU Women, NDSU Men Pull Off Big-Time Wins

BROOKINGS (AP) — Megan Waytashek and Steph Paluch scored 18 points apiece as South Dakota State defeated No. 12 Penn State 83-79 despite squandering a 20-point halftime lead Wednesday night.

The Jackrabbits (7-4) had a 23-point lead when Paluch opened the

second half with a 3 and were up 21 with 14:39 left when a Dara Taylor three-point play started a 10-0 for Penn State. The lead was still in double figures at the 5-minute mark before the Nittany Lions stormed back.

Ariel Edwards, who scored 5 straight points to pull Penn State

within 78-77 with 1:19, finished with 24 points, 7 rebounds, 5 blocks, 4 steals and 3 assists. Maggie Lucas added 20 and Taylor had a career-high 19.

Mariah Clarin had 13 points for SDSU and helped the Jackrabbits, now 3-13 vs. ranked teams, out-

bound Penn St. 53-42. This was the highest-ranked team SDSU has beaten.

S. DAKOTA ST. 83, No. 12 PENN ST. 79  
PENN ST. (6-3)  
Taylor 8-14 3-4 19, East 0-4 0-0 0, Edwards 9-12 6-6 24, Lucas 7-21 4-4 20, Waldner 3-8 2-2 8, Agee 0-1 0-0 0, Sevillian 0-3 0-0 0.

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JAMES D. CIMBUREK/P&D  
Mount Marty's Patrick Ciganovic, center, dives for a loose ball between a pair of Morningside players during their Great Plains Athletic Conference men's basketball game on Wednesday at Laddie E. Cimpl Arena.

# Morningside Men Outgun Lancers

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Offense wasn't the issue Wednesday night for the Mount Marty College men's basketball team.

In the first half, at least, Morningside, on the other hand, started strong and never really slowed down in a 102-77 Great Plains Athletic Conference victory over the Lancers.

The visiting Mustangs shot 77 percent in the first half, helping to overcome a 50-percent effort by the hometown Lancers.

Handed another loss in what has already been a frustrating season, the Lancers (0-9, 0-5) weren't able to take much solace from a strong offensive start.

Not when Morningside (6-4, 3-2) did just about anything it wanted with the ball.

With a previous season high of 77 points, the Lancers appeared ready to threaten that number by halftime.

The only issue was, Morningside was just a step and a half better.

The Mustangs built a double-digit lead within the first seven minutes of the fast-paced first half, but MMC cut the deficit to 32-28 at the 8:57 mark.

Morningside, though, used a 77-percent shooting effort to lead 58-43 by halftime — which could have been a final score a season ago.

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# Gazelles Score 138.8 At Triangular

MITCHELL — The Yankton-Bon Homme gymnastics team posted a season high of 138.8 to finish second in a triangular at Mitchell on Tuesday.

Mitchell won the event with a 146.8. Sioux Falls Lincoln finished at 129.2.

Mitchell's Rebecca Sadler won the all-around with a score of 37.1, as the Kernels took the top five all-around spots. YBH's Elsie Kotalik was sixth at 34.95, with teammate Emily Duffek seventh at 34.35. Ashtyn Haak scored a 32.7, Chelsey Hisek scored a 32.7 and Sophie Bisgaard scored a 31.2 for the Gazelles.

Sadler also earned top honors on the floor (9.55), beam (9.5) and bars (9.05). Teammate Quinci Heril posted the top vault score (9.4).

Yankton-Bon Homme had two top-five finishes on the night. Kaitlin Guthmiller (9.05) placed fourth on the vault. Duffek was fifth on the balance beam (9.0).

Also for the Gazelles, Hisek tied for sixth on the bars (8.35), and Duffek tied for sixth on the floor (8.95).

The Gazelles are home today (Thursday), facing Roosevelt and O'Gorman in a triangular. Start time is set for 6:30 p.m.

Mitchell also won JV honors, posting a team score of 130. Yankton-Bon Homme finished at 113.25, led by all-arounder Sam Kortan's 29.6. Alexa Griffith won the vault with a score of 8.45 for the Gazelles.

TEAM SCORES: Mitchell 146.8, Yankton-Bon Homme 138.8, Sioux Falls Lincoln 129.2  
ALL-AROUND: Rebecca Sadler M 37.1, Ellie Rew M 36.7, Quinci Heril M 36.15, Emily Prill M 35.7, Josie Dierks M 35.05; YBH — Elsie Kotalik 34.95, Emily Duf-

kek 34.35, Ashtyn Haak 33.65, Chelsey Hisek 32.7, Sophie Bisgaard 31.2  
FLOOR: Sadler M 9.55, Prill M 9.35, Maria Krall M 9.25, Rew M 9.2, Dierks M 9.1; YBH — Duffek 8.95, Kotalik 8.9, Bisgaard 8.8, Kaitlin Guthmiller 8.45, Haak 8.1, Hisek 7.9  
BEAM: Sadler M 9.5, Rew M 9.4, Prill M 9.2, Heril M 9.1, Duffek YBH 9.0; OTHER YBH — Guthmiller 8.9, Haak 8.85, Cameryn Specht 8.4, Bisgaard 8.15, Hisek 7.9  
BARS: Sadler M 9.05, Bailey Roden M 8.85, Rew M 8.85, Heril M 8.7, Dierks M 8.55; YBH — Hisek 8.35, Kotalik 8.2, Duffek 8.2, Haak 8.15, Morgan Mason 7.4, Bisgaard 6.15  
VAULT: Heril M 9.4, Rew M 9.25, Dierks M 9.15, Guthmiller YBH 9.05, Kayla Kerr M 9.0, Krall M 9.90, Sadler M 9.0; OTHER YBH — Kotalik 8.9, Lauren Vik 8.6, Haak 8.55, Hisek 8.55; Duffek 8.2, Bisgaard 8.1  
JUNIOR VARSITY  
TEAM SCORES: Mitchell 130.0, Yankton 113.25, Sioux Falls Lincoln 89.2  
ALL-AROUND: Mackenzie Gauger M 31.3, Mercedes Dufek M Sam Kortan YBH 29.6, Kallee Henglefeldt M 29.05, Madison Arnold M 28.65; OTHER YBH — McKeeley Merkwon 28.45, Cheyenne Crisman 25.7  
BARS: Krall M 8.55, Kerr M 8.15, Henglefeldt M 7.7, Kortan YBH 7.6, Gauger M 7.55; OTHER YBH — Vik 5.9, Griffith 4.75, Crisman 4.35, Merkwon 4.25  
VAULT: Griffith YBH 8.45, Gauger M 8.4, Roden M 8.3, Specht YBH 8.3, Kortan YBH 8.2; OTHER YBH — Mason 8.0, Crisman 7.7, Merkwon 7.5

# Hoops: Bertram Powers EPJ Past Tanager

ELK POINT — Keely Bertram posted 18 points and 10 rebounds to lead Elk Point-Jefferson to a 50-40 victory over Vermillion in the season and Dakota XII Conference opener for both squads.

Skylore Curry scored 10 points and Amy Zeller had nine rebounds for EPJ, which pulled away with a 16-4 edge in the second quarter. Britany Hansen added eight points in the win.

For Vermillion, Josie Huber led the way with 16 points and seven rebounds. EPJ hosts Canton on Friday. Vermillion travels to Bon Homme on Friday.

VERMILLION (0-1).....9 13 30 40  
ELK POINT-JEFFERSON (1-0).....9 25 40 50

FREEMAN 60, Parkston 46  
FREEMAN — Freeman took an early lead and never let it go to win 60-46 against Parkston in the first game of the season for both teams.

For Freeman, Nicole Saarie tallied 22 points and had five steals. Erika Sage put up 15 points and had six rebounds. Taylor Hermens scored 12 points. Haley Glanzer and Mady Pranacek each grabbed seven rebounds. Shelby Jensen stole seven times and had six assists.

Sam Herrold put up 13 points and Justine Ally scored six for Parkston.

Parkston travels to Tea on Friday and Freeman plays Parker at home on Thursday.

PARKSTON (0-1).....9 21 34 46  
FREEMAN (1-0).....23 40 54 60

HARTINGTON Cedar Cath. 45, Bloomfield 21  
HARTINGTON, Neb. — Bailey Steffen and Allie Walter combined for 26 points, five more than Hartington Cedar Catholic allowed in a 45-21 girls' victory Tuesday night in Hartington.

Steffen recorded 15 points, while Walter had 11. Karly Noecker chipped in with seven points for the Trojans, who led 22-8 at halftime.

# Past Tanagers

BLOOMFIELD.....0 8 12 21  
HARTINGTON CEDAR CATHOLIC.....13 22 34 45

# Homer 75, Laurel-Concord-Col. 48

LAUREL, Neb. — Thanks to a 45-21 edge between the second and third quarters, Homer rolled past Laurel-Concord-Coleride 75-48 in girls' action from Tuesday night.

No stats were reported for the winning Knights.

For the Bears (0-2), Audra Corbit scored 12 points and grabbed six rebounds, while Cameron Eddie had 13 points and Ellie Ardruser added 11 points. Erin Gubbels hauled in 12 rebounds.

HOMER.....17 39 62 75  
LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDE (0-2) 23 34 48

# Dakota Valley 53, Tea 38

TEA — Jenna Kittler scored 11 points thanks to a 9-of-14 effort at the free throw line as Dakota Valley beat Tea Area 53-38 in Tuesday night's season opener.

The Panthers as a team were 21-of-36 at the charity stripe, while the hometown Titans were 10-of-27 and committed

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