

Tigers Hold Off Yankton 67-57

Carr, Decker Combine For 44 Points

HURON — Caleb Carr and Justin Decker combined for 44 points and 14 rebounds to lead top-ranked Huron past the Yankton Bucks 67-57 in boys' basketball action Tuesday night at Huron Arena.

Carr scored a game-high 25 points on 9-of-14 shooting with seven rebounds, while Decker added 19 points and seven rebounds.

"They're ranked number one for a reason, they're big and they're experienced," Yankton head coach Chris Haynes said. "They can 6-7 and 6-7 and shoot the three and drive to the hoop. That's tough."

Yankton didn't help itself by

shooting 39 percent from the field, while Huron out-rebounded the Bucks 31-24 and shot 55 percent.

"We're disappointed with the outcome, but we're proud of how our kids fought," Haynes said. "We just didn't play all that well."

Brady Hale led Yankton (1-1) with 18 points, while Reid Swatzke added 17 points. The duo combined to go 11-of-31 from the field, while the next highest scorer was Ryan Olson with eight points.

Evan Greenway was the top reserve with five points, three assists and seven rebounds.

Yankton travels to Sioux

Falls Washington on Friday, as part of a girls/boys double-header. Haynes said he believes the Warriors are perhaps bigger than Huron.

"We thought Huron was a big team, Washington might be bigger," he said. "They're similar to us in that they've got a chip on their shoulder. They have something to prove, too."

The Bucks won the junior varsity game 51-38 behind 13 points from Tanner Frick. Austin Johnson and Nick Raab both added eight points.

Yankton won the sophomore game 51-42 behind 13 points from Keenan LaCroix and nine points from Alex Withrow.

In freshman action, Huron won the 'A' game 52-40. Nate Stephenson led Yankton with 11

points. In the 'B' showdown, Yankton won 47-43 in overtime behind 14 points from Cole Lewno and nine points from A.J. Fernandez.

YANKTON (1-1, 1-1)

Ryan Olson 3 0-0 8; Reid Swatzke 6 2-3 17; Chipper Granflaten 1 2-2 4; Brady Hale 5 7-8 18; Tanner Frick 2 0-0 5; Evan Greenway 2 1-2 5. TOTALS: 19 12-15 57.

HURON (2-0, 2-0)

JP Noonan 1 2-2 5; Will Carr 1 4-4 6; Lucas Morrison 3 0-0 6; Caleb Carr 9 3-6 25; Justin Decker 8 2-4 19; Tre Henderson 2 2-3 6. TOTALS: 24 13-19 67.

YANKTON.....11 25 36 57
HURON.....20 32 45 67

Three-Pointers: YHS 7-18 (R. Swatzke 3, Olson 2, Hale 1, Frick 1); Huron 6-12 (C. Carr 4, Noonan 1, Decker 1). Total Rebounds: YHS 24 (Greenway 7); Huron 31 (C. Carr 7, Decker 7). Turnovers: YHS 13; Huron 13. Assists: YHS 8 (Greenway 3); Huron 9 (Noonan 4). Steals: YHS 6 (Greenway 2); Huron 9 (C. Carr 3). Fouls: YHS 16; Huron 14.



JAMES D. CIMBUREK/P&D
Yankton's Andi Sprakel brings the ball upcourt during the Gazelles' 59-46 home victory over Huron on Tuesday at the Summit Center.

MMC Earns First Win

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The Mount Marty College men's basketball team finally got head coach Andrew Baker his first win.

The Lancers were able to gain a quick lead and held on to beat the Oglala Lakota College Bravehearts 96-69 on Tuesday night at Cimpr Arena.

"It's a win for us," Baker said. "First time we've felt that this year, so it feels good. I think its one of those things where we're against a team that we should beat and we continue to bring the energy every play and every possession."

In the win for the Lancers, Tyler Payer led the team with 20 points. Payer also had seven rebounds and three steals. Patrick Ciganovic had 16 points and Chris Richardson and Ben Hegge both had 13 points.

Also for the Lancers, Bud Smith had seven assists and three steals.

For Oglala Lakota, Willis Zephier had 22 points, Eric long scored 12 points and Brice Hornbeck had five rebounds.

In the first half, the Lancers were able to get out quickly with efforts by Payer, Richardson and Smith quickly scoring a 12-0 lead over the Bravehearts.

Oglala Lakota allowed too many opportunities in the first half that the Lancers were able capitalize on, out scoring the Bravehearts 59-33 by the half.

In the second half, the Lancers did not receive the same opportunities, only scoring 37 points as compared to the first half 59 points.

Payer was key to the Lancers' second half scoring 11 points with two steals.

"Tyler and Bud have been kind of leading us all year, and it was nice to see a couple of bench freshman, Ben and Patrick Ciganovic, come and did a good job at the free throw lines and made some shots," Baker said.

The Lancers were able to distance themselves from the Bravehearts during the game



JAMES D. CIMBUREK/P&D
Mount Marty's Bud Smith goes in for a layup during the Lancers' victory over Oglala Lakota College in men's basketball action on Tuesday.

Gazelles Tame Tigers 59-46

BY VANCE JANAK
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The Yankton Gazelles took what looked to be a game headed for a close finish and turned it into a comfortable victory Tuesday night.

In their home opener at the Summit Center this season, the Gazelles increased the pressure of their 2-3 zone defense to smother the Huron Tigers en route to a 59-46 victory.

Yankton improved to 2-0 by making enough shots from the field (17-of-42) while running its offense effective enough to get multiple chances at the free-throw line. And the Gazelles cashed in those tries, making 24-of-31 attempts.

Free throws were one of the biggest differences in this early-season Eastern South Dakota Conference contest. Huron (0-2) shot a similar percentage from the field (16-of-43) but couldn't match the Gazelles at the line, as the Tigers were 8-of-17.

"A lot of times in games like this, the free-throw line is where games like this are won," Yankton coach Doug Pesicka said. "Not only did we make them — and I'm happy about that — but we got there 31 times. That's a good sign for us. To me, when we get to the free-throw line, good things are going to happen."

Good things will happen if the Gazelles can continue to run their 2-3 zone defense like they did in the final quarter. Huron's Jazmin Newton (10 points) hit a 3 to get the Tigers within 43-39 with 7 minutes and 48 seconds to play in the game.

Huron's next made shot came with 45.7 seconds left. Furthermore, the Tigers scored only four points during that stretch after being within 43-41 with 6:36 to play.

"Our coaches told us to work really hard on defense," Yankton sophomore Becky Frick said. "At the end of the game, we finally got it down and got some steals and some baskets at the other end. We got our rotation down and we pretty much had our defense down."

Yankton's offense came through when it mattered. Up 47-43 with 4:32 to play, the Gazelles scored 10 straight points to take their largest lead of 57-43 on a Frick free throw with 58.2 seconds left.

All of the points scored during that game-deciding spurt came from junior Andi Sprakel (15 points), sophomore Sophie Drotzmann (12 points) and Frick (14 points).

"We know that we can play together and we have a lot of contributors," Frick said. "Sophie and Andi got going and we have a lot of players

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Freshmen Lead Lancer Women Past AIB 69-54

WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis. — Keyed by three freshmen, the Mount Marty College women's basketball team picked up a 69-54 victory Tuesday afternoon over AIB College of Business in Wisconsin Dells.

The freshman trio of Logan Wagner (15), Kieran O'Malley (15) and Kellie Winckler (10) combined for 40 points. Cassidy Gebhart added nine points, while Raquel Sutera contributed seven points and eight rebounds.

Each team made 13 free throws, but the Lancers were 8-of-27 on three-pointers, while AIB was 1-of-6 from long range.

Mount Marty used a 17-3 run midway through the second half to turn a 37-36 cushion into a 54-39 lead with 9:16 remaining. The Lancers then led by as many as 19 points with under four minutes to play.

AIB (3-10), located in Des Moines, Iowa, got 12 points and nine rebounds from

Johnikka Nash. Arriel Hunter and Morgan Hansen each scored 11 points.

Mount Marty (5-7) returns to action today (Wednesday) in Wisconsin Dells against Clarke University at 3:30 p.m.

MT MOUNT MARTY (5-7)
Cassidy Gebhart 3-7 2-2 9; Logan Wagner 6-13 0-0 15; Kieran O'Malley 5-15 1-2 15; Erica Dreckman 0-1 1-2 3; Denae Veldkamp 0-1 2-4 2; Haley Froelich 1-2 1-2 3; Kellie Winckler 5-9 0-2 10; Raquel Sutera 2-8 3-4 7; Kelsey Schmidt 0-1 3-5 3; Allison De Kam 2-8 0-0 4; Samantha Blake 0-1 0-0 0. TOTALS 24-66 13-23 69. AIB (3-10)

Mary Mack 0-3 0-0 0; Jessica Davis 0-2 1-1 1; Gelina Webb 1-4 0-0 2; Lexi Burkhardtmeier 0-1 0-0 0; Tanya Kaufman 4-7 0-0 8; Johnikka Nash 5-15 1-1 12; Megan Howard 2-7 3-4 7; Shelby Cooper 0-1 0-0 0; Christian Jones 0-2 2-2 2; Taylor Burdette 0-0 0-0 0; Arriel Hunter 5-13 1-2 11; Morgan Hansen 3-9 5-7 11. TOTALS 20-64 13-17 54.

Halftime: MMC 32-30. Three-Pointers: MMC 8-27 (O'Malley 4-11, Wagner 3-8, Gebhart 1-3, Dreckman 0-1, Winckler 0-1, Schmidt 0-1, Sutera 0-2), AIB 1-6 (Nash 1-2, Davis 0-1, Burkhardtmeier 0-1, Howard 0-1, Hansen 0-1). Total Rebounds: MMC 45 (Sutera 8), AIB 37 (Nash 9). Assists: MMC 9 (De Kam 3), AIB 3 (Nash 3). Turnovers: MMC 11, AIB 11. Personal Fouls: MMC 19, AIB 18. Fouled Out: Nash.

S.D. STATE 67, NORTHERN ILLINOIS 50: BROOKINGS — Junior Megan Waytashek led four Jackrabbits in scoring as the South Dakota State women's basketball team (9-4) defeated Northern Illinois (4-4) Tuesday in front of 1,511 fans at Frost Arena.

The win was SDSU's 200th Division I win while extending the Jackrabbits'

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Girls' Basketball: Scotland Powers Past Menno

MENNO — Scotland held a lead the whole contest over Menno in their "White Out Cancer Night" on Tuesday evening. Scotland was able to knock off Menno 55-32.

Carley Skorepa led Scotland (1-1) with 15 points and four assists. Jessica Thum and Alexis DeBoer combined for 15 points in the victory.

Abby Herrbolt led Menno (0-3) with 12 points and seven rebounds. Madison Huber posted six points in the loss.

Scotland will host Bon Homme on Friday. Menno will travel to Alexandria on Friday to take on Hanson.

SCOTLAND (1-1).....14 29 44 55
MENNO (0-3).....4 9 19 32

Allen 40, Hartington 39
ALLEN, Neb. — Lindsey Sullivan scored 14 points to lead Allen past Hartington 40-39 in girls' action Tuesday night.

Rachel Kneiff added 11 points and Lindsey Jones hauled in nine rebounds for the Eagles (2-4).

No stats were reported for Hartington (1-4), which hosts Wakefield on Saturday. Allen next plays in the Niobrara-Vermilion Holiday Tournament on Dec. 27-28. HARTINGTON (1-4).....10 14 27 39
ALLEN (2-4).....8 19 31 40

Avon 46, Corsica-Stickney 36

CORSICA — Avon and Corsica-Stickney were tied at the half 21-21, Avon took control the second half and downed Corsica-Stickney 46-36 on Tuesday night at Corsica.

Chelsy Nagel of Avon put up 16 points and had six steals. Ariana Orlong netted 11 points and Heidi Cap grabbed nine rebounds.

For Corsica-Stickney, Hope Menning scored a game high 19 points. Brianna Kuyper added 12 points and Micayla grabbed 5 rebounds.

Avon won the JV game as well 27-12. Corsica-Stickney travels to PLankinton to play Mt. Vernon-Plankinton Thursday.

Avon heads across the state line to play Hartington Cedar Catholic Thursday. AVON (2-0).....13 21 34 46
CORSICA-STICKNEY (1-2).....6 21 26 36

Viborg-Hurley 44, Bridgewater-Emery 36

HURLEY — The Viborg-Hurley Cougars topped the Bridgewater-Emery Huskies 44-36 Tuesday night in Hurley.

Bridgewater-Emery lead the first quarter 9-5 but Viborg-Hurley pulled it together and ended the half leading 26-13. The Cougars kept their lead the third quarter 36-24.

Valerie Sunderland lead the Cougars in scoring with 14 points. Sunderland also lead in roudabouts, grabbing 12. Angie Lee put up nine points and Abby Hora added eight.

Dakota Valley 43, Beresford 40

BERESFORD — Dakota Valley edged out Beresford 43-40 on Tuesday night.

There were no stats available for Dakota Valley (3-0) in the victory.

Jennifer Swanson led Beresford (3-1) with seven points. Hannah Hepler added six points in the loss.

Dakota Valley will host Canistota on Friday. Beresford hosts Sioux City North on Friday, as well. DAKOTA VALLEY (3-0).....8 25 34 43
BERESFORD (3-1).....8 21 29 40

Dell Rapids St. Mary 68, Centerville 51

DELL RAPIDS — Kelly Michel scored 21 points and Ally Mullaney had a double-double to guide Dell Rapids St. Mary past Centerville 68-51 on Tuesday night.

Mullaney had 10 points and 11 rebounds for the Cardinals (1-1), who out-rebounded Centerville 43-27.

In the loss for the Tornados (0-3), Shannon O'Malley scored 16 points and Gabrielle Larson added 12 points. Carleigh Oster chipped in with five points and five rebounds.

Centerville visits Baltic on Friday. CENTERVILLE (0-3).....7 25 42 51
DELL RAPIDS ST. MARY (1-1).....13 32 48 68

Laurel-Concord-Coleridge 56, Ponca 36

COLERIDGE, Neb. — Laurel-Concord-Coleridge defeated Ponca 56-36 behind 21 points from Cameron Eddie.

Audra Corbit led LCC (2-2) with 19 points and nine rebounds. Ellie Arduser added 11 points in the victory.

Kianna Kramer led Ponca (0-3) with 13 points. Alexis Markworth and MacKenzie Boyle each added seven points in the loss.

LCC will host Plainview on Friday. Ponca will travel to Osmond on Thursday. LAUREL-CONCORD-COLERIDGE (2-2) 9 27 46 56
PONCA (0-3).....9 16 29 37

Creighton 54, Osmond 6

OSMOND, Neb. — Rebecca Eggerling scored 23 points and grabbed 11 rebounds to lead the Creight Lady Bulldogs past Osmond 54-6 on Tuesday night.

Emily Boyle added 10 points for Creighton, which led 28-0 after one quarter and 42-2 at halftime.

No stats were reported for Osmond, which was in the Class D2 state title game last season. OSMOND.....0 2 6 6
CREIGHTON.....28 42 49 54

Kimball/White Lake 39, Platte/Geddes 37

KIMBALL — Kimball/White Lake edged out Platte/Geddes 39-37 on Tuesday evening.

Jasmine Hinker led Kimball/White

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