

Louisburg girls lose to Hayden in final game of Top Gun tourney



Louisburg junior Alyse Moore pulls down a rebound during a game at Wellsville earlier last week. Moore pulled down a team-high 16 rebounds in a loss to Hayden on Saturday.

WELLSVILLE – When it was all said and done, the end result of the Top Gun Tournament was not what the Louisburg girls basketball team was hoping for.

After an overtime loss in the first round, and then a loss to Spring Hill in the consolation semifinals, Louisburg had to face a tough Topeka-Hayden team in its final game Saturday in Wellsville.

The Lady Cats took a nine-point lead at halftime, but Hayden used a second half rally to pull away for a 44-38 victory over Louisburg.

The game was tied at 10-all going into the second quarter, but Louisburg (6-6) had a big second quarter to take the halftime lead. The Lady Cats outscored Hayden 14-5 before the break and

took a 24-15 advantage.

It didn't stay that way as Hayden cut into the Lady Cat lead in the third quarter, then early in the fourth, Hayden took it back for good as it outscored Louisburg 15-7 in the final frame to pull away.

Junior Alyse Moore was all over the floor for the Lady Cats as she recorded a double-double to lead her team. Moore had 12 points to go along with 16 rebounds and three steals.

Another junior, Madilyn Melton, almost nearly had a double-double herself as she had 11 points and eight rebounds. Junior Brooklyn Diederich had six points and a team-high seven steals and seven deflections.

Neither team was able to get in a rhythm offensively as both Louisburg and Hayden shot 27 percent from the field, but Hayden was able to take advantage of some Louisburg mistakes. The Lady Cats gave up 18 points on turnovers, which turned out to be one of the differences in the game.

Louisburg will try and stop its four-game losing streak tonight when it travels to Eudora in a makeup game from earlier in the year. Varsity tipoff is scheduled for around 7:30 p.m.

It is the first of another three-game week for the Lady Cats. They will host Paola tomorrow and then

travel to Ottawa on Friday to finish out the week.

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LOUISBURG (6-6): Alyse Moore 4-11

4-7 12; Madilyn Melton 3-9 5-5 11; Brooklyn Diederich 2-8 0-1 6; Haley Cain 2-5

0-0 5; Megan Foote 1-7 0-0 2; Adyson Ross 0-0 2-2 2. Totals: 12-43 11-15 38.

3-point field goals: 3, (Diederich 2, Cain)

Slow start costs Louisburg against Spring Hill

Just a week earlier, Louisburg

went on the road and handed Spring Hill a double-digit loss.

On Thursday in the consolation

semifinals of the Top Gun Tournament, Spring Hill returned the favor.

Louisburg scored 10 points in the first

half and struggled to overcome its slow start in a 42-25 loss to the Broncos.

Spring Hill jumped out to a 22-10 halftime lead and never looked back.

Alyse Moore led the Lady Cats in

scoring with eight points, while Brooklyn Diederich added five in the loss.

Megan Foote pulled down a team-high six rebounds to go along with four steals.

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LOUISBURG: Alyse Moore 3-7 0-1 8;

Brooklyn Diederich 1-13 2-2 5; Madilyn Melton 2-5 0-2 4; Megan Foote 1-5 1-2 4;

Delaney Wright 1-6 0-3 2; Haley Cain 1-3 0-2 2. Totals: 9-42
3-9 25. 3-point field

goals: 4, (Moore 2, Diederich, Foote)