

Rockets get big win over Lincoln

The Rockcastle County Rockets pulled out a 54-52 victory over Lincoln County last Thursday night, when senior Jeremy Neeley hit a shot from the foul line as time ran out.

The win was the Rockets' 17th of the season against only seven losses and came on senior night at RCHS. The game was tied at the end of the first quarter at 16.

Rockcastle led by six at halftime and again by six at the end of the third quarter.

Lincoln tied the game with eight seconds on the clock and after a Rocket-time-out to set up a play, Neeley hit the winning shot. Besides his 13 points, Neeley had three assists and three steals.

Andrew Hammond had 15 points

and grabbed six rebounds.

Aaron Anderkin also added 15 points, ten of those in the first period.

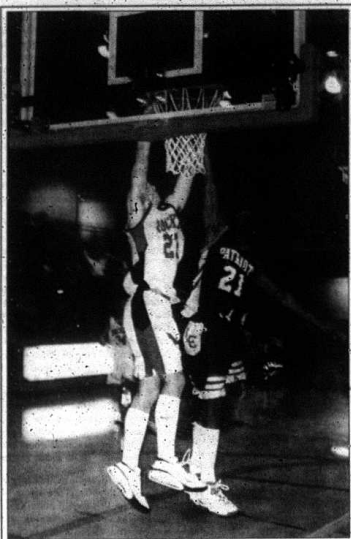
Aaron Cash had seven points, four assists and six steals. Josh Rowland added four points.

Thomas Coffey, Chris Settles and Jason Reynolds all saw action in the contest.

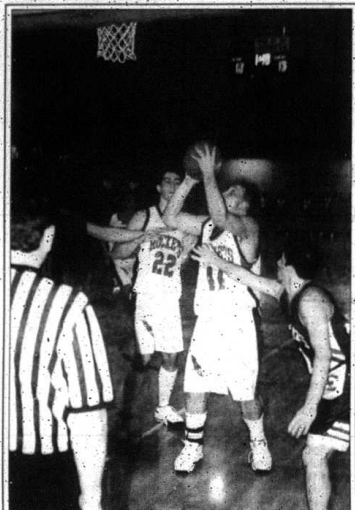
The Rockets will play their final game of the regular season on Friday night when they travel to McCreary Central.

The Rockets and the Lady Rockets will both play in the district at Jackson County next Tuesday night.

The Lady Rockets will face Clay County in the first game at 6 p.m. and the boys will take on Jackson County in the second game of the night.



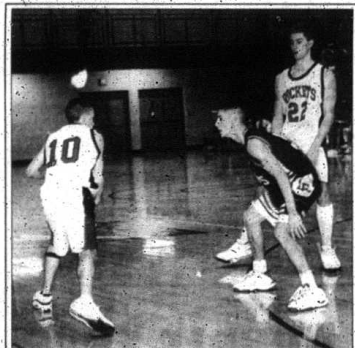
Andrew Hammond had 15 points and six rebounds in the Rockets win over Lincoln County on Thursday night.



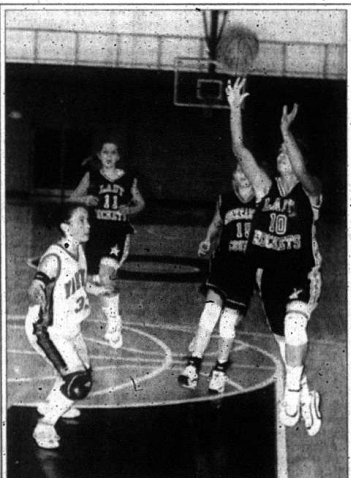
Ipsh Rowland scores two of his four points in the Rockets win over Lincoln County. The Rockets play at McCreary Central on Friday and in the district on Tuesday night at Jackson County.



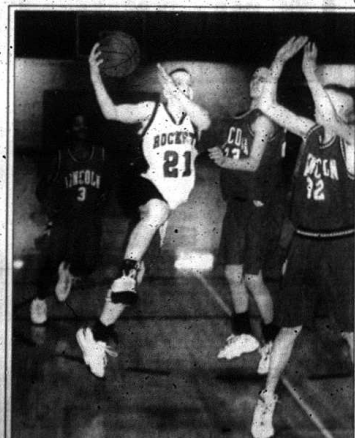
Rachelle Hammond drives to the hole in the Lady Rockets 57-47 win over Southwestern Pulaski Monday night. Hammond led the Lady Rockets in scoring with 15.



Jeremy Neeley, left, scored the winning basket against Lincoln County on Thursday night. The Rockets play at McCreary Central on Friday night.



Allison Anderkin goes for two points in Jayvee action Monday night. The Jayvees lost only their fourth game of the season to Southwestern Pulaski with a 38-29 loss. Also in the photo are Jessica Carpenter and Tara Rowe.



Chris Settles drives for the basket in junior varsity game against Lincoln County. The Rockets lost, but for the season the junior varsity has been very successful.

Lady Rockets get 20th with win over Warriors

Coach Chrissy Noble racked up another 20 win season Monday night with a 57-47 win at Pulaski Southwestern Warriors.

The Lady Rockets soared to an early 9-0 lead in the first quarter behind two buckets by Amber Denney, along with 6 first quarter rebounds, two baskets by Rachelle Hammond and a free throw by Amber Falin before the Warriors came roaring back with an 11-0 run to take the lead. Coach Noble called a time out and it helped as Hammond put in five points and Denney added a basket to give the Rockets a 16-14 first quarter lead.

In the second quarter, Hammond drew first blood with a goal and Jessie Rickles followed with a three point basket for a 20-14 Rocket lead. Falin, who played from the opening minutes of the game with two fouls, added a basket. Denney got a free throw and Jessie Hayes put in two quick baskets; and a goal by Hammond at the end of the quarter put the Rockets up 29-22 at the half. However, in the third quarter, the Rockets again hit upon lean times, offensively with Rickles two three point baskets and a goal by Denney accounting for the only scoring of the period for the Rockets and the Warriors took the lead 38-37 at the end of the third quarter.

The Rockets got the ball to begin the fourth period but an immediate

turnover gave the ball to the Warriors and they scored the first 5 points of the quarter to go up 43-37. Coach Noble again had to call a time out to steady her team and they again responded. Hammond put in two quick goals, Falin got four free throws and a bucket; Rickles sank a three and three free throws and Johnna Abney came off the bench to score a field goal and hit two free throws all this while the Rocket defense was limiting the Warriors to four points for the

final 57-47.

Hammond led the scoring for her team with 15 points; Rickles was close behind with 14; Denney, who ended the game with 16 rebounds, and Falin got 9 points each and Hayes and Abney each scored 4.

This Friday night, the Rockets will host Middlesboro for their final game of the season and the senior members of the team will be honored.

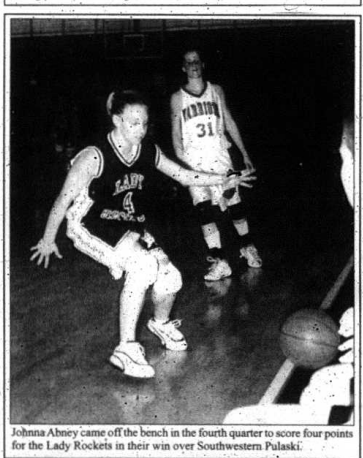
Jayvees lose to PSW

The Lady Rocket Jayvee lost their fourth game of the season, and two of the losses were to Pulaski Southwestern.

The Jayvee Warriors won Monday night's game 36-29 with Jessie Hayes leading the scoring for the Rockets with 11 points. Bryanna Bussell and Amy Barnett each scored 7 points and Ashley Mink and Allison Anderkin got 2 each.



Senior Jessie Rickles looks over the floor in the Lady Rockets 57-47 win over Southwestern Pulaski Monday night. Rickles had 14 points in the victory. The win also was the Lady Rockets 20th of the season. The girls will have Senior Night Friday night as they take on Middlesboro. There will be a Jayvee game, varsity game is set at 6:30 with senior festivities taking place before the game.



Johnna Abney came off the bench in the fourth quarter to score four points for the Lady Rockets in their win over Southwestern Pulaski.

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This tournament will feature ten different brackets. They include 5th-6th grade boys; 5th-6th grade girls; 7th grade boys; 7th grade girls; 8th grade boys; 8th grade girls; 9th-10th grade boys; 9th-10th grade girls; 11th-12th grade boys; 11th-12th grade girls. All grades are based on the

grade in which a student is currently enrolled.

The entry fee for this tournament is \$95 and guarantees each team a minimum of two games. There will be awards presented in each bracket.

The entry deadline is March 16, 2001. For additional information or an entry form, please call Mark Garrigan at the toll free, NAYS spring tournament hotline at 1-800-787-3265 or tournament director Danny Haney at 606-223-7049.