

In Last Two outings

The Rocket girls basketball team picked up two more wins, both at the expense of Laurel County teams in their last two outings -- defeating North Laurel 57-53 last Friday night and South Laurel Monday night, 70-57.

The Lady Rockets were cruising at North Laurel last Friday night, ahead 45-29 at the third quarter stop but Sara Hughes for N. Laurel took over the cause personally and brought her team back to within four in the final period.

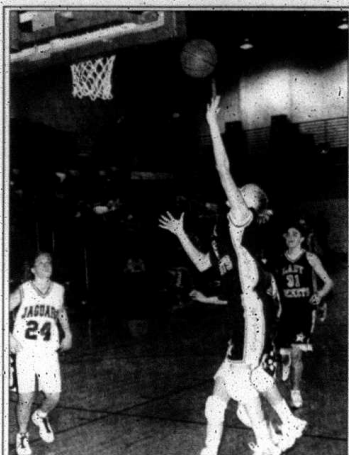
Johnna Abney led the scoring for the Lady Rockets with 18 points;

Tara Rowe had 14; Jessie Hayes got 10; Heather Hammond, Amy Barnett and Ashley Mink had 4 each and Lauren Clontz 3.

Monday night against South Laurel, the Rockets led by two at the first quarter stop, by one at half time, 29-28 and by three at the end of the third quarter but pulled away in the fourth for the 13 point win.

Ashley Mink turned in a big game for her team with 16 points to lead the scoring, followed closely by Rowe with 15; Hammond got 11, Abney 10; Hayes 8 and Barnett 3.

The Lady Rockets are now 7-18 on the season.



Jessie Hayes goes for two of her 10 points against North Laurel last Friday night. The Lady Rockets came away with a 57-53 win over the Jaguars.



Devon Taylor and the Rockets tried to force North Laurel's hand with a full court press Friday night but it was to no avail as the Rockets dropped their sixth loss of the season, 74-67.

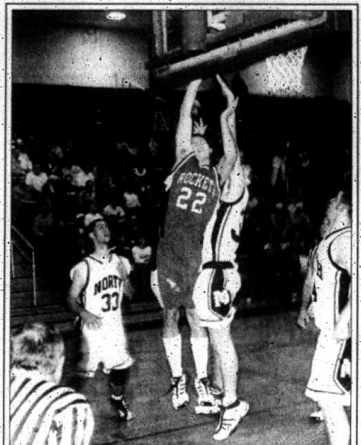
8th Grade		Baldwin and Pigg, 9 each; McQueary, Childress, Payne and Brandon Barnes, 5 each and Jake Harding 3.
David Perkins, Coach RCMS 35 - Corbin 50		RCMS 21 - S. Laurel 55
RCMS 4 12 11 8 35	Corbin 18 14 9 9 50	RCMS 3 3 6 9 21
Terry Miller 11; Kyle Mullins 9;	Cody Brown 7; Gabe Stallworth 4;	S. Laurel 8 16 15 16 55
Weston Riddle 3; J.G. McClure 1.		Childress 8; Baldwin 7 and McQueary, Pigg and Harding, 2 each.
RCMS 42 - N. Pulaski 17		
RCMS 9 14 8 11 42	N. Pulaski 8 3 4 2 17	Consolation Game
Brown 12; Stallworth 8; Mullins 6;	McClure 5; Justin Albright and Riddle 4 each; Miller 2.	RCMS 39 - N. Pulaski 27
Conference Tournament		RCMS 3 8 8 20 39
RCMS 55 - N. Laurel 49		N. Pulaski 13 2 7 5 27
RCMS 12 9 14 20 55	N. Laurel 10 20 6 13 49	Hasty 12; Smith and Woodall each; Poynter 5 and Chris Carpenter 2.
Brown 26; Mullins 8; Miller 7;	McClure 5; Albright 4; Stallworth 3; Riddle 2.	
RCMS 58 - S. Laurel 60		6th Grade
RCMS 11 8 16 23 58	S. Laurel 8 19 16 17 60	Chris Hendrickson, Coach
Cody Childress 6; Izak McQuary;	Donovan Pigg, Jake Harding and Lynn Miracle 4 each; Lance Baldwin and Dusty Miller, 2 each.	RCMS 8 6 9 14 37
7th Grade		Corbin 10 8 13 11 42
Steve Phelps, Coach		Cody Smith 15; Jake Woodall 7; Dustin Poynter 6; Brian Mize and J.J. Barrister 3 each; Kyle Lear 2 and Devin Hasty 4.
RCMS 2 12 11 9 35		RCMS 31 - N. Pulaski 23
N. Pulaski 5 9 12 7 34	Paul Payne 9; Baldwin, Chandler Hunter and Harding, 6 each; Pigg and Childress 3 each and McQueary 2.	RCMS 12 9 4 6 31
Conference Tournament		N. Pulaski 4 2 5 12 23
RCMS 43 - N. Laurel 30		Hasty 12; Smith and Woodall each; Poynter 5 and Chris Carpenter 2.
RCMS 5 16 8 14 43	N. Laurel 7 11 8 4 30	RCMS 27 - South Laurel 31
		RCMS 2 10 5 10 27
		S. Laurel 7 10 8 6 31
		Poynter 9; Hasty 8; Smith 6; Woodall 4.

It was a nip-and-tuck battle for the Rockets at North Laurel last Friday night until a bad start in the fourth quarter for the Rockets gave the North Laurel Jaguars a 54-45 lead that the Rockets could never take away.

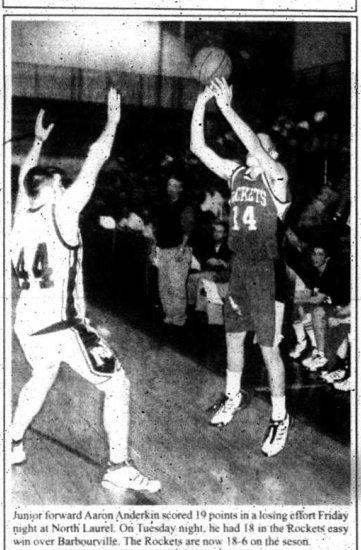
Senior Andrew Hammond was high point man for the Rockets with 22 points -- 11 in the first half and 11 in the second and Anderkin followed closely with 19, 14 in the second half but the Rockets just couldn't get over the hump after getting down in the third quarter and North Laurel did nothing to hurt their cause, hitting 12 of 16 free throws in the fourth quarter to seal the 74-67 win.

Tuesday night against Barbourville, Coach Clayton Cash got to clear his bench and 11 Rockets got into the scoring column in the 69-29 rout.

Hammond again led all scorers with 22 points; Anderkin had 18; Chris Settles 8; Cash 4; Reynolds 3 and Stephen Boreing, Austin Miller, Taylor, Cody Reatis, Chris Childress and Blake Roberts all had 2 each.



Andrew Hammond goes for two of his 22 points in the Rockets 74-67 loss to North Laurel last Friday night. Hammond also led the Rockets in scoring Tuesday night with 22 points in the Rockets easy 69-29 win over Barbourville.



Junior forward Aaron Anderkin scored 19 points in a losing effort Friday night at North Laurel. On Tuesday night, he had 18 in the Rockets easy win over Barbourville. The Rockets are now 18-6 on the season.

First time ever

For the first time in school history, the Rockcastle County boys' varsity basketball team will head into the 49th district tournament with a number one seed.

The district tournament is being held at Clay County High School. The Rockets finished regular season district play with a five and one record, tops in the district.

Last Saturday night the Clay County Tigers defeated Jackson County, at Clay, to assure Rockcastle of the number one seed.

If Jackson County had beaten Clay they would have finished district play with a five and one record and there would have been a coin toss for the number one seed.

As it stands now, the boys will play Oneida Baptist, a team they have defeated twice, in the first round.

That game is scheduled for 7:45 p.m. on February 25th.

The Lady Generals of Jackson

County will take on Oneida in the first game at 6:00 p.m.

The Rockcastle varsity boys have never won the 49th district tournament.

Rockcastle's Lady Rockets will play Clay County in the district tournament on Tuesday, February 26th at 6:00 p.m.

The Lady Rockets have lost both regular season games to the Lady Tigers this season, although both games were very close.

The Lady Rockets won the district in 1999 and won the 13th region in 1997 to advance to the state tournament.

The 13th regional tournament will be held at Rockcastle County High School for the first time ever, beginning on March 4th.

Homecoming at RCHS is Saturday night and Senior night for both girls and boys will be next Tuesday.

ELECT

William



It's the political season in Rockcastle Co. Many people in the 5th District feel their interests have been neglected and overlooked for several years.

It would not be wise to promise results at this time, not knowing the makeup of the next Fiscal Court.

But if elected, I will contend for every dollar and every benefit that is due the 5th District.

If you feel your road has been overlooked for political reasons (not enough votes for concern), we'll take another look at it. Many of our roads need to be re-evaluated for blacktop.

I will cooperate with the Fiscal Court always putting the interests of the 5th District first.

I would appreciate your support!

Subject to May 28, 2002 Republican Primary

Paid for by William Mullins