

Lady Rockets lose to top ranked Clay County, 64-50, Monday

By: Doug Ponder

The Lady Rockets varsity basketball team is now 12-5 on the season after a 64-50 loss against the top ranked Clay County Lady Tigers Monday night.

Clay County is ranked number one in the 13th region and 43rd in the state.

Stellar defense and matchup problems in the paint would be the deciding factors in the Lady Rockets loss as they were dominated by the Lady Tigers who pulled in 31 rebounds compared to the Lady Rockets 23.

The Lady Rockets were led in scoring by all-state se-

nior guard Michaela Hunter with 16 points, senior forward Emily Miller was next with 15, senior guard Alexis Chasteen scored 8, senior guard Sara Adams 7, sophomore Amelia Eversole 4, sophomore guard Alaina Coguer 3 and junior guard Brianna Hansel 4.

The Clay County loss came after a 70-57 win at home last Friday night against a tough Pulaski County Lady Maroons team.

Last Friday night's game against the Maroons would feature five lead changes and two ties as both teams battled it out on the court.

The Lady Rockets led 17-13 at the end of the first quarter and 32-28 at the half. Their momentum continued after halftime as they led 54-42 at the end of the third quarter and they would put the game away in the fourth quarter with a final score of 70-57.

The Lady Rockets were once again led by Michaela Hunter with 31 points, Alexis Chasteen was next with 16, Emily Miller scored 10, Amelia Eversole 6, Sara Adams 5 and Kayla Reynolds 2.

Head Coach Chrysti Noble said she is pleased with her team's rebounding win against Pulaski County after a lackluster performance against Somerset on New Year's Day.

"We came out here on New Year's Day and put up a lackluster performance against Somerset at home," Noble said. "I believe we were still tired from the holiday tournaments. But the win against Pulaski County was what we needed to get ourselves back on track."

However, Noble said the loss on Monday night at Clay County was demoralizing for her squad.

"They are ranked number one in the 13th region and they are a tough, physical team," Noble said "They

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All-state senior guard Michaela Hunter was presented her 1,000 point ball before last Friday night's game against Pulaski County. Shown from left is Hunter's parents Steve and Kim Hunter, head coach Chrysti Noble and Hunter.

Rockets lose to Pulaski, 81-43

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The Rockcastle County Rockets basketball team is now 4-12 on the season and 0-3 in the district after a disappointing 81-43 district loss to Pulaski County last Friday night.

The Rockets trailed the Pulaski County Maroons throughout the entire game.

The Maroons led 19-7 at the end of the first quarter and 41-18 at the half. The Maroons finished the game in the second half extending the lead to 59-31 at the end of the third quarter. They would pull away from the Rockets in the fourth quarter for a final score of 81-43.

The Rockets were led in scoring by senior center Ben Allen with 11, junior guard Corey McPhetridge and

sophomore guard Sam Pensol were both credited with 7 each, senior guard Ashton Arvin and sophomore guard Dakota Hasty both got 6, junior forward Josh Mason scored 4 and

junior guard Gage Reynolds got 2.

Head Coach Benny Blanton said the 38 point loss to Pulaski County was

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Player, coach selected for 6th Annual National Border Bowl All-Stars

6th Annual National Guard Border Bowl All-Star Football Game Features 2 from the Rock

The University of the Cumberland in Williamsburg will once again be hosting the 2013 National Guard Border Bowl. The All-Star Football game matches players from Kentucky against those from Tennessee. The game first started as a way to highlight those players from the "border" areas of the two states, but has rapidly in-

creased in popularity to include players representing all parts of each. The game will be played this Saturday, January 12, at Noon on the University of the Cumberland's Football Field. Admission is \$5 for students and \$10 for adults.

Rockcastle County High School will be well represented in this year's National Guard Border Bowl. The Rocket's Defensive End, Boone Saylor was se-

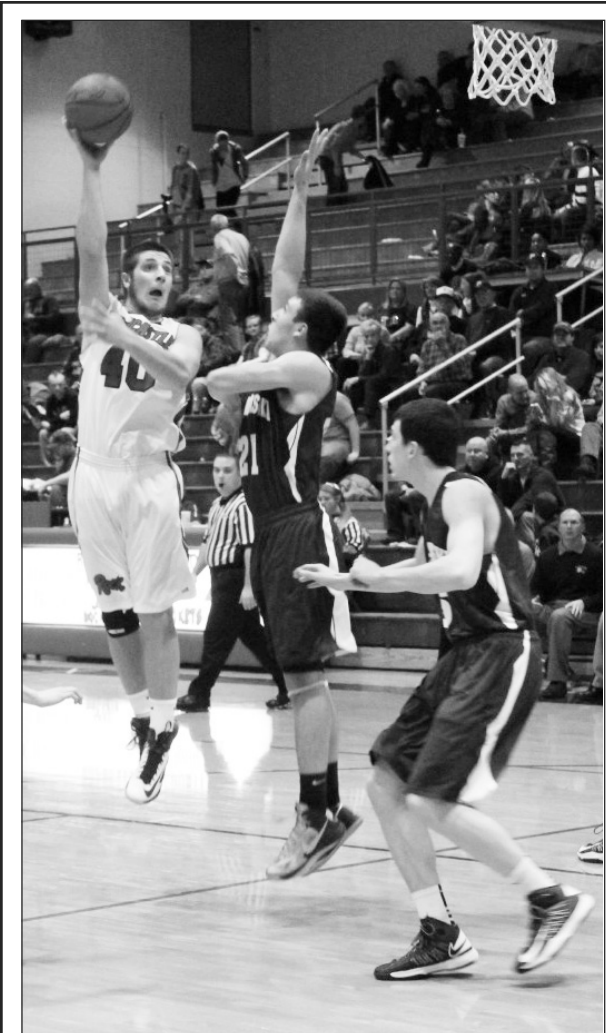
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Junior guard Brianna Hansel looks for help along the baseline during last Friday night's 70-57 win over Pulaski County. The Lady Rockets lost to the Clay County Lady Tigers Monday night 64-50.



All-state senior guard Michaela Hunter dribbles through a Marroon trap against Pulaski County last Friday night. The Lady Rockets were led by Hunter with 31 points.



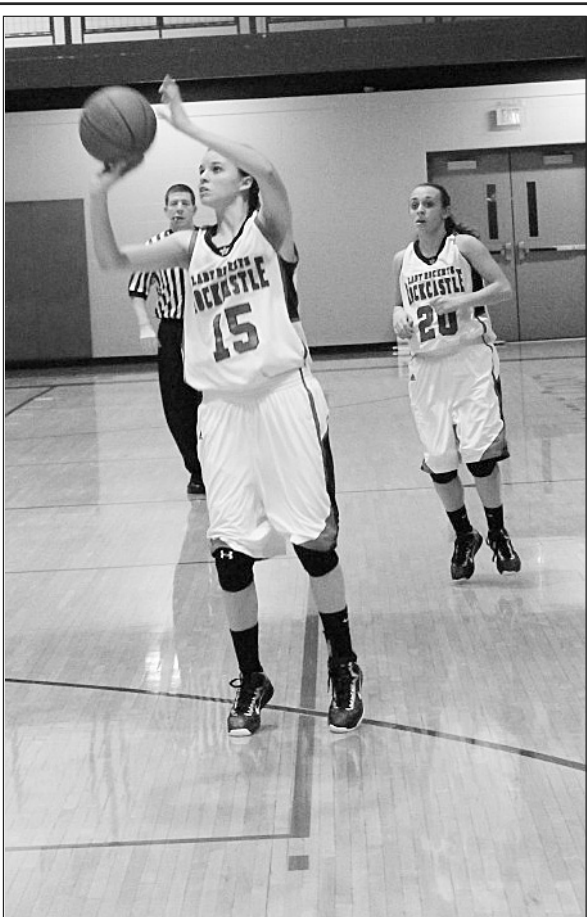
Rocket senior Ben Allen attempa a hook shot during last Friday night's 81-43 loss to Pulaski County. The Rockets were led by Allen with 11 points.



Rocket junior forward Josh Mason and sophomore guard Dakota Hasty attempt to trap a Maroon during last Friday night's 81-43 loss to Pulaski County.



Senior forward Zach Poynter attempts a block against Pulaski County during last Friday night's game. The Rockets will join the Lady Rockets in a double header on Friday night as they both travel to Casey County. Tip-off for the Rockets game is at 8 p.m.



Junior forward Kayla Reynolds attempts a three-point basket against Pulaski County last Friday night. The Lady Rockets pulled away from the Lady Maroons in the second half outscoring them 38-29



Rocket senior guard Emily Miller attempts a jumpshot during last Friday night's 70-57 win at home against Pulaski County. The Lady Rockets will join the Rockets in a double header on Friday night as they both travel to Casey County. Tip-off for the Lady Rockets game is at 6:30 p.m.