

Bison over Tigers in JV action

by Vanessa Goodwyn

Buffalo's JV men grabbed the lead early and went on to post a solid win in district play against the Centerville Tigers on Tuesday night.

The game was tight in the first half. Dylan Laningham put BHS on the board first and he and Austin Rayborn anchored the Bison effort in the early quarters. Buffalo held a one-point lead after one period but CHS held the advantage, 17-19, after two.

BHS' Ryan Read had a big three-pointer and several steals in the third which sparked the Bison back into the lead, 28-23. The Bison nailed down the lid with a 14-point final quarter to take the win, 42-27.

Read led all scorers with 15 points, included three treys. Rayborn had 12 points and led his team in rebounds. Laningham contributed 8, Creagor Elsom and Ethan Lansford 3 apiece, and Colton Mormon tacked on a free-throw.

Wes Stutzman led the Tigers with 7 points. Trey Scarborough and Rashad Hopkins had 6 each, T.J. Robinson added 3, Brandon Pickens 2, and David Roach, Josh Wright and Zack Buckner each contributed a free-throw.



BHS Freshman Creagor Elsom looks for his shot. Van'Go photo



Taylor Rutledge goes to the basket in the BJHS 7th grade girls victory. Photo by Becca Dolling

Junior High Lady Bison post big wins

The junior high Lady Bison returned to action on Thursday and scored big wins over Trinity. The seventh grade won 54-6 while the eighth grade picked up a 48-15 victory.

THE 7TH GRADE Lady Bison rolled off 30 unanswered points in the first quarter relying heavily on a death-trap press that resulted in lay up after lay up. The Lady Bison scored another eight in the second quarter while giving up one basket to lead 38-2 at the half. Buffalo poured in ten points in the third period while playing shut out defense to lead 40-2. Trinity managed four points in the fourth period to Buffalo's six for the 54-6 final.

Hannah Laningham led the Lady Bison with eighteen points. Hailey Laningham netted twelve points. Taylor Rutledge and Shelby Ballard

both bucketed eight. Mickie Chitwood tallied six points and Chelsea Brewer added two.

THE 8TH GRADE Lady Bison capitalized on turnovers by the Lady Tigers as they rolled to a 48-15 victory. Buffalo outscored Trinity eleven to four in the first quarter. The Lady Bison exploded for nineteen points in the second quarter to lead 30-9 at the break. Ten more points by the Lady Bison in the third period upped the score to 40-9 with six minutes left to play. The fourth period was about even with Buffalo outscoring Trinity eight to six for the 48-15 final.

Raven Lott scored a career high 28 points in the win. Kylan Ferguson squeezed the nets for eight points while dishing numerous assists. Zelneisha Lockett contributed six points, and Ana Lopez added four. Shelby Reeder tacked on two points.

Groveton remains at the top of 21AA Maidens skin the Lady Bison

The Lady Bison took on the district leaders on Friday. Groveton rolled to 5-0 with a 43-33 victory over the varsity Lady Bison. The JV team fell 17-7 in a low scoring affair.

The Lady Indians used an aggressive press and several different traps to plague the Lady Bison throughout the game. Buffalo committed twenty-six turnovers during the contest as they fell to the Lady Indians. Groveton scored the first ten points of the game on near perfect shooting. The Lady Bison fell behind early 16-6. During the second period, the Lady Bison scored eight to Groveton's six to trail 14-22 at the half. The Lady Bison scored the first five points of the second half to close to within three at 19-22, but Groveton pulled ahead once more with an eleven-four run to lead 33-23 going into the final eight minutes. The Lady Bison closed to within six in the fourth quarter before the Lady Indians started running a delay. With precious seconds slipping away, Buffalo was forced to foul to regain possession. The Lady Indians did not fare well at the line, but held on to win 43-33.

Senior Jami Davis scored thirteen points to pace the Lady Bison. Kaila Grissett netted eight points. Ashley Elsom and Karlee Ferguson each bucketed four points while Meredith Shaw and Erica Jones added two each.

Groveton converted fourteen two point attempts while Buffalo connected for twelve. The Lady Bison dropped three shots from beyond the arc compared to the Lady Indians two. As far as field goals went, it was a one point difference. The primary difference came at the free throw line. The Lady Indians scored on ten of thirty-four attempts. The Lady Bison shot only five free throws during the thirty-two minute contest.

Neither team was able to connect early in the junior varsity contest. Buffalo led 3-0 after the first six minutes. Groveton outscored the Lady Bison thirteen to two in the middle of the game to lead 13-5 after three. Buffalo managed another two points in the final stanza while the Lady Indians dropped in four for the 17-7 final.

Lindsey McGill, Samantha Atkinson and Heather Egan all scored field goals for the Lady Bison. Reagan Read banked in a free throw.

Junior High Bison keep streaks alive

BJHS' boys teams came back from the winter break right where they left off: Winning. Big. Both team dominated the Trinity Tigers on the road Thursday.

EIGHTH GRADE

The eighth grade Bison doubled up on the Trinity team, 50-25. Travis Cunningham had the hot hand for BJHS and led all scorers with 21 points. Cain Hays had a ten-point game and Dominic Jackson and Ty Tollett each contributed 5 points. Jose Dominguez added 3, and Dakota Lewis, Ivan Rivas, and Tate Hartley scored a basket

apiece. (Hartley's layup came at a high price -- he suffered a broken arm on the play.)

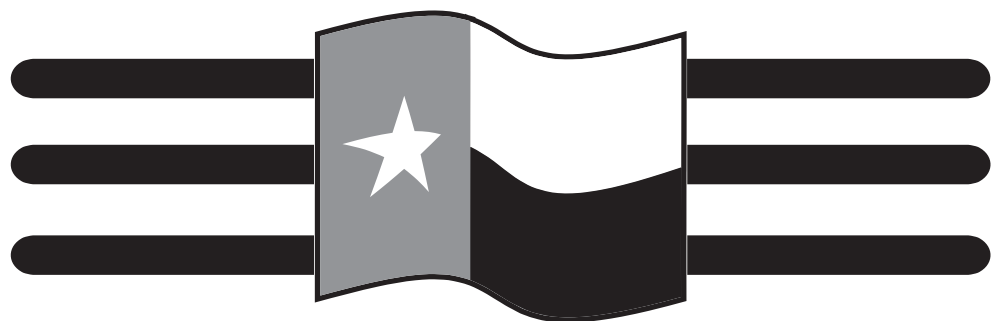
SEVENTH GRADE

Brendon Smith and Tyler Adams led charge with 16 and 15 points, respectively, as the younger Bison defeated the Tigers, 57-21. Mason Allen had a big game, as well, with 10 points. Trent Martin and Kyle Read scored 7 each and Bobby Dorman added a bucket.

THIS WEEK the Jr. High Bison host New Waverly on Monday and they will see tournament action this weekend at Centerville.

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