

Dragons' winning streak extends to six

Kai Wade and Scout Brockman named Mr. and Miss Basketball

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The Dragons won three games last week, defeating Bardstown, Cumberland County and Mercer County to extend their winning streak to six, even though their final regular season record is 11-14. The win over Mercer on Friday night was without Paxton Bloyd who was injured in Thursday night's game against Cumberland County.

Green County 65 Bardstown 57

The Tigers have typically been a difficult team for Green County to beat. The last time they played was in the first round of the 5th Region Tournament in 2023 when Bardstown won 55-53 in a heartbreaking loss for the Dragons. Prior to this game and since 1999, the Dragons had won just four games while losing 14 to the Tigers.

The game was close for the whole 32 minutes. Bardstown scored the first bucket but that was their only lead until there was nine seconds remaining in the third quarter when they took an-

other two-point lead. The Dragons scored again before the end of the period to tie the game heading into the fourth quarter.

Green County made 10 of 14 free throws in the final quarter to take the win over the Tigers.

Scoring by quarters: GC 20 9 14 22 65 B 13 10 20 14 57
Individual scoring: Deacon James 19, Kai Wade 13, Bloyd 12, Caleb Corbin 8, Demetrius Hancock 7, Uthay Laws 4, Mas-siah Shively 2.

Rebounds: Braxton Judd 6, Bloyd 5, Hancock 2, Laws 2, Corbin 1, James 1, Wade 1.

Green County 74 Cumberland County 52

The first quarter was very close with two ties and five lead changes before the Dragons began to open up a lead in the second quarter.

An 11-0 run mid-way through the second period helped the Dragon fans relax a little bit. Another 11-0 run toward the start of the third period gave the Dragons a 21-point lead, which was the biggest lead of

the game until Judd hit a two-point shot to end the scoring and give the Dragons a 22-point victory over the Panthers.

During the fourth quarter, Green County slowed down the game, eating up minutes on the clock to put the game away.

Scoring by quarters: GC 24 24 17 9 74 CC 23 11 14 4 52
Individual scoring: Laws 30, Wade 15, Hancock 8, James 6, Bloyd 5, Corbin 4, Judd 3, Shively 3.

Rebounds: Wade 5, Hancock 4, Judd 4, Corbin 3, James 3, Laws 2, Bloyd 1.

Green County 69 Mercer County 41

The Dragons again got off to a quick start, scoring the first seven points of the game. The Titans tied the game at 10 and 12 points apiece but never took the lead in the entire game.

A huge second quarter for the Dragons, along with good defense, stretched the lead to 18 at halftime.

Very early in the third quarter, Deacon James gave the Dragons a 20-point lead and Mercer County

could not cut into that big lead.

The Dragons, who have struggled most of the year to hit threes, connected on 10 shots Friday night. During their winning streak, they have been hitting close to 42% of their long shots, even hitting almost 50% in three of those games.

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Individual scoring: Wade 19, James 14, Corbin 13, Hancock 10, Laws 8, Rajon Taylor 3, Shively 2.

The Dragons begin district tournament play tomorrow night against LaRue County in the first round of the 18th District Tournament being played at Caverna High School. The Dragons have lost twice to LaRue this year, 70-61 at LaRue and 73-44 at Green County. But since that home loss to LaRue, the Dragons have reeled off six straight wins. The winner of tomorrow night's game moves on to the championship game Saturday night at Caverna against the winner of the Caverna and Hart County game that was played last night.



Kai Wade and Scout Brockman were selected as Mr. and Miss Basketball for Green County High School. Wade averages just over 12 points per game for the Dragons. Brockman averages 18 points per game while pulling down 10 rebounds per contest. During Thursday night's game against Cumberland County, during the second quarter, she became the leading rebounder in GCHS girls basketball history. Brockman, just a sophomore, has accumulated 959 rebounds, passing the previous record set by Shelby Howell.



Demetrius Hancock goes toe to toe and hand to hand against the Bardstown player during a game last week at GCHS.



Caleb Corbin lays in two of his eight points against Bardstown last week. Green County defeated the Tigers 65-57.



Levi Choate has sneaked behind the defense and is wide open under the basket for two points in the JV game against Bardstown.



Isaac Moss scored two points in the JV game against Bardstown last week.



Deacon James fires up a three-point shot against Cumberland County Thursday night. The Dragons won 74-52 to move to 10-14 on the year.



Uthay Laws scored 30 points in the Dragons' win over Cumberland County last week in their last regular season home game.

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