



OWEN-GAGE VARSITY basketball team for 1980-81 is, front row, from left, Terry Muntz, Vince Salcido, Mark Furness, Scott Howard, Chris Huizar. Second row, Jim Ashmore, Jim Kuhr, Lennie Hallock, Scott Gaeth, Dan Glidden. Third row, manager Kellin Kretschmer, Craig Gettel, Robert LaFave, Jim Glidden, Randy Radabaugh. Back row, assistant coach John Osterland and head coach Phil Gray.

Bulldogs to depend on quickness

O-G optimistic despite lack of experience, height

Lack of size and experience are two big handicaps facing the Owen-Gage basketball team as it prepares for its season opener Dec. 5.

Coach Phil Gray, beginning his fifth year at the helm, has only one starter back from last year's squad, 6-1 senior forward Jim Glidden.

Gone from the 1979-80 starting lineup are Brad Erickson, who averaged 15 points per game, and Kirk Carolan, both named to the all-conference team, 6-6 center Pete Klemkowsky, and Alan Haag.

Last season's squad finished 11-10 overall and 9-5 in the North Central D League, good for a tie for third place.

Expected to join Glidden on this year's starting five will be his brother Dan, a 6-1 freshman, and 5-10 junior Craig Gettel, who was on the varsity last year.

With the majority of pre-season practice still ahead, contending for the other two starting jobs were Jim Kuhr and Scott Gaeth, both seniors and the only other players who were on the varsity last year, and juniors Terry Muntz, the team's tallest player at 6-2, and Chris Huizar.

"Not much game experience is one of our weaknesses," said Gray, who has a 49-34 win-loss record in his past four years as coach. The other handicaps are lack of size and

team depth.

Countering that will be the quickness, hustle and good attitude.

Realistically, the coach expects North Huron and Peck to be battling for top spot in the league, but adds, "Anything can happen."

He expects his team to finish, at a minimum, close to the top, with the other teams finishing in the order of Kingston, Port Hope, Carsonville-Port Sanilac, Akron-Fairgrove and, at the bottom, Caseville.

The schedule is as follows, with junior varsity games starting at 6:30, followed by the varsity contest:

Dec. 9	at Kingston
Dec. 12	at Peck
Dec. 16	North Huron
Dec. 23	at Ubyly (non-league)
Dec. 29-30, Jan. 2-3	Christmas tournament at Owen-Gage
Jan. 6	at Harbor Beach (non-league)
Jan. 13	at Port Hope
Jan. 16	at Akron-Fairgrove
Jan. 20	Caseville
Jan. 23	Carsonville-PS
Jan. 27	Peck
Jan. 30	Kingston
Feb. 6	at North Huron
Feb. 10	at Carsonville-PS
Feb. 17	Ubyly (non-league)
Feb. 20	at Caseville
Feb. 24	at Akron-Fairgrove
Feb. 27	Port Hope

Dec. 5 at Freeland (non-league)

O-G roars to finals of cage tourney

Owen-Gage moved into the finals of the Class D girls' basketball district tournament at Carsonville-Port Sanilac with a 61-29 win Saturday evening over Peck.

The Bulldogs were to play Port Hope in the finals Tuesday evening, with the winner advancing to the regionals next week at Peck. The Blue Stars defeated Owen-Gage once during the regular season, the only North Central D League team to do so.

The game against Peck never was close, as the most points the Pirates managed to score in a quarter was nine. Coach Judy Campbell's squad led at the half, 33-14.

Becky Howard paced the victors with 27 points, with Terry Sontag and Joan Mosack each contributing 12.

Only Pirate in double figures was Diane Seddon with 10.

Port Hope moved into the finals with a 44-36 win Saturday afternoon over Caseville, last year's district tournament winner. Port Hope defeated Kingston in the opening round last Thursday, 51-41.

Score by quarters:
O-G 18 15 10 18 61
Peck 7 7 9 6 29

CARSONVILLE

Carsonville-Port Sanilac coach Paula Cole had predicted her team would beat Owen-Gage once last week. She was wrong.

The Bulldogs, having beaten C-PS in the final game of the regular season Tuesday of last week, cruised past the Tigers Thursday, 52-31, to win the opening round of the Class D district tournament at Carsonville.

Judy Campbell's Bulldogs had an easy time of it,

leading at the half by eight points and by 19 at the three-quarter mark.

Becky Howard pumped in 23 points, Julie Andrakowicz added 15 and snared 14 rebounds. Joan Mosack grabbed 10 rebounds.

Mary Ann Willis was the only Tiger in double figures with 15.

Score by quarters:

O-G	13	6	19	14	52
C-PS	4	7	8	12	31

Buck Luck



Roger Nicholas of Kaw-kawlin shot a four-point buck last Wednesday, northeast of Cass City.

Ken Marker of Bay City downed an eight-point buck in the same area last Saturday.

Jack Wallace of Woodland Street, Cass City, shot a six-point buck the morning of Nov. 18 in the Cass City area. It weighed about 160 pounds.

Rick Hover of Detroit downed an eight-point buck, weighing about 150 pounds, Sunday in the Cass City area.

John Young of Clarkston shot an 11-point buck Saturday morning, east of Cass City. He is the nephew of Bette Berridge of Cass City Road, Ubyly.

Gary Spencer shot a 10-point buck Friday morning behind his home on Seeger Road. It weighed about 250 pounds. It was his first buck in the last five or six years of hunting. The first five days of deer season, he was hunting near Beaverton but all he saw was two does.

Tom Coleman of 5425 F Cumber Road, Ubyly, shot a seven-point, 175-pound buck, his first ever, at 10 a.m. Nov. 18 in the Cumber Road area.

Marty Zawilinski of Garfield Street shot his first buck ever, a six-point, weighing about 180 pounds, Nov. 18, four miles east of Cass City.

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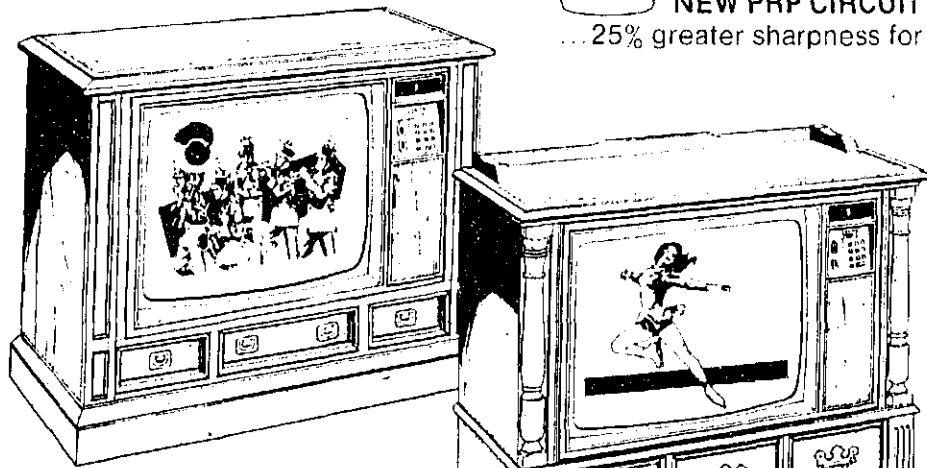
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