CCMS HOOPERS DROP TWIN BILLS TO MARTIN MIDDLE



Above: Max Woods was Crockett's leading scorer in the boys' game last night against Martin Middle with 11 points. (Photo by Ron Barry)

By Ron Barry

In middle school basketball, sometimes all it takes to do you in is one bad quarter.

That was certainly the case in Martin Thursday night when Crockett County Middle School played a doubleheader there against Martin Middle. In the boys game, a third-quarter 29-12 blitz was the difference. In the girls game, a scoreless first period didn't help the cause.

Consequently, CCMS dropped both ends of the twin bill. The Cavs fell 61-36 despite leading 9-7 after the first quarter and hanging with in six (24-18) at halftime. The Lady Cavs – shut out 9-0 in the first period and trailing 22-6 at the intermission – had their three-game win streak snapped by Martin 36-26.

Crockett's boys fell victim to an unbelievable offensive explosion by the hosts in the third quarter, when Graham Simpson scored 11 of his 19 points as Martin crammed 29 points into the sixminute stanza. Keylan Thomas matched his 19 for the game, and Casen Spaulding added 10 as the Cavs dropped to 5-6 for the season

Max Woods was Crockett's top scorer with 11. George Randall netted seven, DJ Forrest five, and Trevor Willis and Cason Reynolds four apiece for Coach Tyler Gadlen.



Above: Crockett's Jentry Maddox splits the Martin Middle defense to score two of her game-high 10 for the Lady Cavs in Thursday night's loss to the Lady Chargers. (Photo by Ashley Owens)

In the night's opener, Crockett's girls made it difficult when they didn't score in the first period, didn't make a three-pointer in the entire game, and missed 14 of their 24 free throws. Their season record slipped to 4-7.

Jentry Maddox connected for 10 points and Ruth Gourley nine to pace the Lady Cav scoring, followed by Sydney Smith with three and Wesley Thornton and Lola Bailey with two apiece. Presley Snider was Martin's only double-figure scorer with 11. Ruby Hayes added nine for the winners.

Both Crockett teams return home Monday night to battle South Gibson. The girls tip off at 6:00.



Left: George Randall scored seven points for Crockett against Martin Middle, including two threepointers. (Photo by Ron Barry)

Thursday, Nov. 30 at Martin

CC Girls (26): Jentry Maddox 10, Ruth Gourley 9, Sydney Smith 3, Wesley Thornton 2, Lola Bailey 2, Callie Freeman 0, Addie Hoover 0, Blakelyn Edwards 0, Haley Leforgee 0, 8 FG, 0 3-P, 10-24 FT. 3-Ptrs: None. Record: 4-7.

Martin (36): Presley Snider 11, Ruby Hayes 9, Brea McGuffin 4, Kaydence Papich 4, Chloe Davidson 4, Avery Stockton 4, Anna Kate Rhodes 0, Rylan Diehl 0, Zoey Malte 0, 13 FG, 3 3-P, 7-12 FT. 3-Ptrs: Hayes 2, Snider 1.

CC Boys (36): Max Woods 11, George Randall 7, DJ Forrest 5, Trevor Willis 4, Cason Reynolds 4, Carter Wren 3, Davis Porter 2, Jeremiah Young 0, Carson Webb 0, Daniel Morgan 0, Whit O'Quin 0, Brody Haley 0, Christian Buchanan 0, Jett Johnson 0, Cole Summar 0, Tabyn Lewis 0, Jameson Bushart 0, Ittai Fry 0, 13 FG, 4 3-P, 6-9 FT. 3-Ptrs: Randall 2, Wren 1, Woods 1. Record: 5-6.

Martin (61): Keylan Thomas 19, Graham Simpson 19, Casen Spaulding 10, Kohen McWherter 6, Drake Hickman 5, Colin Haskins 2, Bryson Connell 0, Riley Smith 0, Kingston McClure 0, Wesley Hatler 0, William Baker 0, Charlie Sutherland 0, Grayson Allen 0, Londen Cook 0, 25 FG, 4 3-P, 7-11 FT. 3-Ptrs: Thomas 2, Spaulding 1, Simpson 1.



Left: Ruth Gourley (3) puts up a shot as Callie Freeman (21) watches from the top of the key and Blakelyn Edwards (15) jockeys for rebound position. (Photo by Ashley Owens)

Below: Wesley Thornton (20) races upcourt to beat the Martin Middle press during last night's CCMS game. (Photo by Ashley Owens)





Above: Lady Cav Lola Bailey races the ball upcourt to beat a halfcourt violation in Crockett's game with Martin Middle last night. (Photo by Ashley Owens)



Above: Crockett's DJ Forrest, shown here earlier in the week against Union City, tallied five points for the Cavs last night. (Photo by Ron Barry)