

# Lady Jackets down Paris in tourney

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## SPORTS EXTRA

**CYNTHIANA** — The Nicholas County Lady Jackets won their opening game against the Paris Lady Hounds, 64-52, in the Harrison County Girls' Basketball Tournament December 27.

For the first quarter, the Lady Hounds took initial control with Megan May shooting from mid-range for two points at a minute and a half into the game.

Paris put pressure on the Jackets with a full-court press that kept the Jackets from making it to the inside for a shot.

However, the Jackets, in a 2-3 zone, held the inside as well, but several of the Paris players proved good outside shooters as May brought in another two from outside the key for a 4-0 Paris lead.

At 4:20 Chris Auxier went for a long shot which missed but Kim Denkins was inside for the rebound and laid the ball back in for two.

Nikki Smoot found herself open and ran down court for a layup, but Ashley Allen kept in tight and blocked the shot.

Michelle Chenuault took the ball back down for the score and at 3:44, Paris maintained a slim 4-point lead.

Even though the Paris defense came out tough on the inside, Smoot, off balance and falling, launched the ball in to cut the Paris lead to two points, 6-4.

Ashley Allen, declining a chance for an inside shot, took to the outside and from near the 3-point line rifled one through the net.

Christy Hutton arched in two foul shots with 2:50 left in the quarter.

The Hounds managed two more when Allen cleaned the net with a field goal.

Hutton sent the ball to Denkins at 1:52 for a quick layup followed by a similar shot from Yolanda Brown, keeping the Jackets trailing 12-8.

However, on the next play the Jackets cut the lead to one as Smoot came up to the line for foul shots, made one but missed the other. Tacy Earlywine rebounded

the ball and floated it back through the hoop for a 3-point play, making the score 12-11.

At the Hounds prepared to take the ball back out, it was stolen and the Jackets emerged to take a one-point lead at the end of the first quarter, 13-12.

For a short time in the second quarter, the lead changed hands with each shot. Brown opened up scoring in the quarter, rebounding a shot from May and sinking the layup, but Earlywine brought to the line off a foul from Allen, sank both shots to regain the lead for Nicholas.

Denkins, attempting to wrest the ball from Maya's hands, was fouled and brought to the line. She made one shot, increasing the Jackets' lead to two, but as Allen went to triple team on the Paris side of the court, Kristi Barton fouled her.

Allen tied her game with two easy foul shots, but Denkins, at 6:44, found herself at the other end shooting foul shots, sinking both.

From this point, the Jackets mounted a rally, which eventually put them on top by eight points.

After Denkins' foul shots, Paris lost the ball out of bounds, giving control to the Jackets. Earlywine slid in through the inside defense and sank a jumper from under the basket to make the score 20-16.

Before Paris could make it across the line, Hutton got fouled at 6:08 and brought in her foul shot. As Paris took the ball out, Earlywine slipped the ball away from McCarty and stripped the net to launch the Jackets to an 8-point lead with 6:01 left in the first half.

The rally continued with Hutton arching in an underhanded layup with 4:52.

Angie Fields was fouled and went to the line for two foul shots, neither of which made it through the net.

At 4:08, Earlywine cut the ball in followed by a Denkins' layup for a 30-16 lead with 3:45 left.

Allen brought in two points for Paris with 2:50 left in the half.

Hutton took a jumper shot and then rebounded a shot from Smoot for four points, making the score 34-18 for the Jackets.

Following a score from Paris, Smoot sank one, and May made one foul shot.

The rest of the half consisted of running the ball up and down the court, the Jackets enjoying their lead, but stifled a bit in the last minute. Auxier came up with one hit on a foul shot to end the half with the Jackets on top 37-21.

The Hounds took off in the second half with a score seconds into the third quarter and though the Jackets managed one shot, scores were few and far between for Nicholas.

McCarty started the Hounds rally off with a jumper from the side of the key followed by a layup from Chenuault.

However, the Jackets lead remained firm until two shots stripped the net from Fields and Allen that suddenly put the Hounds within eight at 29-31.

McCarty was inches from the 3-point line when she sank a 2-point shot with 3:25 left in the third for a score of 29-33.

Denkins managed a layup to edge the Jackets back up, but the gain was short-lived as May went to the line and brought in two foul shots.

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However, Nicholas County retains two points behind Bourbon County for the tournament championship.

Christy Hutton opened scoring 30 seconds into the game, sliding in for a layup off a pick by Kim Denkins, and dropping the ball in.

Though Cathy Barnes put in two free throws off a foul from Chris Auxier to tie the game, Tacy Earlywine lobbed in a jump shot at 6:15.

Kim Denkins made two steals. The first she passed off to Nikki Smoot, who was fouled and slugged in one foul shot. The second steal was an interception of a slow pass and Denkins ran in for a layup to pull the Lady Jackets ahead 7-2.

Barnes rebounded a missed Jacket shot and ran down court for the score to cut the Jackets' lead to three, but by 4:27, Smoot was brought to the line, this time sinking both foul shots.

As Hutton stole the ball from the Fillyies' end of the court, she set up a play in which Earlywine brought in the score.

Earlywine scored once more seconds after her previous shot and by 3:20, the Jackets moved to a 9-point lead, 13-4.

However, a full minute passed as the Fillyies' Shelly Lier fell for in bringing in two points the line and Hutton's drive to the goal came out pointless.

Denkins temporarily broke the scoring slide with a layup at 2:20, followed immediately by another Fillyies' score.

After Harrison County coaches stepped on the court to tend to Cathy Barnes, who complained of an injury to her shin, referees called a technical foul and Earlywine was sent to the line for shots. She made one.

Earlywine also ended scoring with a 2-point jump shot in the final seconds of the first quarter. The score at the end of the period

was 19-8, Jackets.

The second quarter started quickly, with Smoot rough to the line again on a foul to make both shots.

Crystal Hedges blocked an attempted shot from Kristi Barton and brought the ball down for an easy layup. Hutton returned the favor, the Jackets taking time to set up plays, with a jumper from mid key at 6:29 for the score, 23-10.

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At the start of the second half, Barnes took ball control away from the Jackets as the intercepted a pass intended for Smoot. Smoot, however, was fouled again and went to the line. Her shot failed to clean the net and Humphries rebounded and ran down the court to set up a jumper for 23-17.

Hutton pulled in an overhead jumper, but Lier returned for a layup to keep the Jackets away in 30 seconds of the fourth quarter before Barnes could score two for the Fillyies.

Throughout the fourth period, the Jackets dominated the boards with Amy Simons, Tina Pryman, Barton and Auxier scoring points for the Lady Jackets, as well as one last score for Hutton before she took the court.



Tacy Earlywine looks for a basket against Harrison County in the Lady Fillyies' Christmas Tournament. The Jackets claimed first place in the three day event, with wins over Paris, Harrison County and Fleming County.

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