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Dean Bochar of Glendive, who just began donating blood last year, relaxes his arm at the EPEC Wednesday afternoon as Melissa Gilbertson of Bozeman prepares to take the needle out. .

Following are abbreviated versions of the week's top stories. This digest is updated once a week, usually on Thursday.

Rainbow Estates discussion takes new turn

By Melissa Smith
Ranger-Review Staff Writer

The Dawson County Commissioners announced during a public hearing Monday night that they will begin the process of taking over land in the Rainbow Estates area that has been accumulating back taxes for 20 years and are researching whether the lots can be sold individually to interested buyers.

The public hearing originally was called to discuss a request by developer Michael Blend of Kalispell, who was asking the county to forgive the back taxes, totaled at about \$100,000, so he could purchase the lots from the bank and turn them into saleable property.

While the commissioners have been communicating with Blend about the request since last summer, they said Monday for the first time publicly they are not considering the option of forgiving the taxes, something Blend earlier told them was the only way he could pursue development of the lots abandoned by the original developer.

Though Blend had been expected to attend Monday's meeting to outline his plans for the property, Commissioner Adam Gartner said the developer changed his mind after hearing that the county is pursuing other options.

"If we aren't going to forgive the taxes, there is no point in him coming," Gartner said.

Several Rainbow Estates landowners testified during the hearing, stating they do not believe the county should grant Blend's request.

Dennis Byron said he is an original Rainbow Estates landowner and has lived in the subdivision since the early 1980s.

"I've paid my taxes every year," he said. "No one forgave anything I put in."

Byron, along with others, said they have been trying to gain permission to purchase lots adjoining their properties for years and feel they have been getting the run-around.

"Whenever we confronted the county or the bank, the county commissioners said the bank owned it and the bank said the county owned it," he said, adding that no one took responsibility for the roads or a park in the subdivision and landowners have had to do the maintenance themselves.

Others echoed a feeling of ownership in the area.

"We've put up our own street signs," said Geri Kirkpatrick, also a resident since the 1980s. "We've done our own mowing. We do have a board. We are an organized group."

Gartner and chairman Doug Buxbaum said they are going to work to ensure the land is legally acquired by the county and then sold following Montana state code.

"We'll try to keep everyone informed," Buxbaum said.

"Our concern right now is getting ownership of the property to stop the accumulation of taxes," Gartner said. "We don't know what all it's going to entail and it's going to take a while."

The county will be working to research the facts on Rainbow Estates, including exactly which lots are designated as part of which phase of the project. While Gartner said the county believed all remaining lots were part of phase two, landowners indicated during the hearing that some were part of phase one.

Gartner added that, if possible, the current Rainbow Estates property owners will be given preference in purchasing lots if individual sales are a legal option.

"They're number one," he said. "They've been in to see us and they want that. Right now, we just don't know if we can sell the lots individually or if it has to be in a lump. We're going to be researching that."

Gartner said the commissioners will have to vote to officially deny Blend's request for tax forgiveness during a regular session meeting.

The next commission meeting is set for 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 21. This week's regular meeting was cancelled due to expected absences by the commissioners. Reach Melissa Smith at rrreporter@rangerreview.com. City to residents:

Don't shovel snow into the road

By Melissa Smith
Ranger-Review Staff Writer

The City of Glendive is asking residents to refrain from shoveling snow out of their driveways and into the roadways, which is something that has become a problem for motorists after the recent heavy snowfall.

Public Works Director Gary Zuroff said some residents have shoveled snow into the driving lanes in front of their homes.

"It just compounds the problem of the existing snow that is there," he said.

Glendive Police Chief Alan Michaels said he has received some complaints and has spoken with the homeowners about the problem.

Zuroff said city crews have been busy, working overtime and weekend hours to keep the streets safe for travel.

The city follows a winter street maintenance policy, outlining priority routes for sanding and snow removal. The priority routes includes major and arterial streets and streets that can be plowed to one side, along with major drainage areas.

Zuroff said areas around the schools and Glendive Medical Center also are given high priority.

"We can't get to every street in town," Zuroff said, noting that most side streets do not receive much attention from road crews.

Despite this, he added, residents seem to be understanding of the constraints the department is working under.

"As much snow as we had, people have been great," he said. "There have been very few complaints. Most people are pretty understanding."

Rex Morgan, a hydrometeorological technician for the National Weather Service in Glasgow, said Glendive received 11 inches of snowfall in December, compared to an average December value of 4.8 inches.

The highest cumulative December snowfall recorded in Glendive was 15.5 inches in 1968.

While January's current figures were not available, Morgan said the average monthly snowfall for this month is 5.2 inches. The highest recorded was 17 inches in 1897.

Zuroff said Glendive has seen more snow this year than in recent years, when the city typically does not use up its snow and ice removal fund.

This year, however, Zuroff said he will be reviewing the budget, with almost half of the city's sand already used up.

In addition to concerns about snow in the streets, the city also is asking residents not to pile snow around fire hydrants. Reach Melissa Smith at rrreporter@rangerreview.com.

DUI citations up in Glendive

By Justin Joiner
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The number of people charged with driving under the influence in Glendive rose 54 percent in 2009.

According to a yearly report from the Glendive City Court, the number of people charged with DUI increased from 35 in 2008 to 54 in 2009.

Glendive Police Chief Alan Michaels said he attributes the numbers to better enforcement. He said more people were not necessarily driving under the influence.

Kathy Ackerman, program officer for the Dawson County Montana Community Change Project, said she also attributes the numbers to increased enforcement.

"That is what I see it as, better enforcement. I don't think there are more people out there drinking and driving," Ackerman said.

Michaels said all of the Glendive officers go through specific training for recognizing drivers who are under the influence.

"There is very specific work at the [Montana Law Enforcement] Academy on that," he said.

The police department also does DUI field training.

"It is really important that we support them, because getting drunk drivers off of the streets will save lives," Ackerman said.

Any increased enforcement, she said, will make Glendive's streets safer.

There is a direct correlation between the worry of getting caught driving under the influence and people making the choice not to drive, she said.

Ackerman said she is hopeful DUIs will fall next year, but said people may be on a learning curve.

"If we continue with the good enforcement, people will say, 'OK this is for real, I'd better not drive tonight.' So hopefully they will be quick learners and not have to learn the hard way," she said.

No numbers were available as to how many people were found guilty of DUI.

People charged with all offenses are innocent until proven guilty.

Insurance

The number of people cited for not having insurance also increased.

Nearly twice as many people were cited for the offense, jumping from 41 in 2008 to 79 in 2009, according to the report.

Michaels said he thought the increase in citations could be part of the faltering economy.

“That is an interesting part of the economy, I would guess. You are seeing more of that because they just don't have the money to buy the insurance,” he said. Proof of insurance should be in your vehicle at all times, he said.

Drug offenses

Drug offenses also rose last year from nine to 32, according to the report.

Michaels said this could be attributed to increased enforcement as well.

He said when an officer makes a stop for anything they look for other problems.

Speeding

The number of people issued citations for speeding and failure to use seatbelts declined.

Speeding saw the biggest decline, dropping from 107 in 2008 to 47 in 2009, according to the report.

Michaels said the decline was because of focused enforcement.

“I think the basic traffic downtown has slowed down. We worked it pretty hard and I think that has to do with enforcement. There is not a need to write as many tickets,” he said.

The total number of people cited for all offenses for the year only increased by one. Reach Justin Joiner at rreditor@rangerreview.com.

Obituaries

The following obituaries appeared in The Ranger-Review the week of January 10, 2010.

Boyd Kenneth , 93, of Terry died January 10, 2010.

Margaretha “Margaret or Marge” B. Pulse, age 83, of Glendive, died at her home on Friday, January 8, 2010.

Ruth M. Lillejord, 81, of Glendive, passed away after a long battle with Alzheimer's on Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2010 at the Glendive Medical Center Extended Care in Glendive.

David (Chris) Northrup was born on Feb. 27, 1959 at Redstone

Arsenal, Ala., to Charles and Angie Northrup.

Rudolph “Rudy” Orren Lindstrom, 57, of Terry passed away on Saturday, Jan. 2, 2010 in Roundup.

E. Mary Wirtzfeld, 88, of Fargo, North Dakota, formerly of Sentinel Butte, N.D., passed away peacefully on Sunday, Jan. 3, 2010, at Bethany Homes in Fargo in the presence of her husband and family.

John Pierre Chouinard, 81, passed away on Jan. 3, 2010 at the St. Vincent Healthcare in Billings.

Esther Lillian Doyle-Hampton, 86, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2010 at her home in Glendive.

Bob E. Whitmer, 78 of Billings, passed away on Thursday morning at Valley Health Care Center in Billings.

Gladys Marie Mohl, 84, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2010 at the Eastern Montana Veterans Home in Glendive.

Dorothy Arlene Paulson, 78, passed away on Jan. 7, 2010 at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive surrounded by family and friends.

SPORTS

Bucs defeat UTTC, lose two

By Kevin Miller
Ranger-Review Staff Writer

The Dawson Community College Buccaneers finished a three-day swing through North Dakota. The Bucs picked up one win against two defeats on this trip and now stand with a 10-4 overall mark for the 2009-2010 season.

DCC opened up the road trip in Bismarck with a 91-82 loss to Bismarck State College. This game saw eight ties and nine lead changes. The Mystics held a 42-37 lead at the half.

Stefan Dinkel led the Bucs in scoring with 18 points. Four other DCC players reached double-figures. Mike Chinn chipped in with 17 points and Chris Davenport added 15. Mike Black and Karlton Brown had 10 points apiece for the Bucs. Brown also hauled down 10 rebounds.

The Bucs shot 43 percent from the floor and went 10 of 14 from the line. Stephone Myricks had five assists for DCC.

Coach Don Mast said: "We came out and built a small lead then thought we could coast. They got hot and we had trouble stopping them. We played pretty equal but they scored 12 more from the free throw line and that hurt. When you are on the road you have to play a complete game to give yourself a chance to win."

Dawson struggled offensively on Friday against the Wildcats. The Bucs could only manage 49 points for the game as NDSCS posted a 20-point win, 69-49.

Nearly half of the Buccaneers points came from the free-throw line in this game against the Wildcats. DCC finished the game converting 20 of their 26 free throw attempts. On the other hand, the Bucs were just 14 of 56 from the field including just 1 of 10 from behind the arc.

Dinkel again led Dawson in scoring. Dinkel finished with 9 points. Dino Gutesa collected 7 rebounds for the Bucs.

"They played very physical from the beginning and we did not handle it very well. We did cut the lead to 8 midway through the second half but had two straight turnovers and never really threatened again," Mast said.

On their return to Bismarck, the Buccaneers were able to pick up a win over United Tribes Technical College. Dawson jumped out to a 37-27 halftime lead on their way to posting an 84-72 win over the Thunderbirds.

Chris Davenport exploded in this contest for 33 points. Davenport shot 60 percent from the floor, was nine for 13 from the free-throw line and he also hauled down 10 rebounds.

Mike Black helped the winning cause with 17 points. Dinkel contributed with 14. Black also had 6 assists. For the game the Bucs shot 56 percent from the floor and were 19 of 36 from the stripe.

Mast said: "It was the last game of a three day road trip. We played very slow but made some plays when we needed to. We just need to do the little things if we want to be a competitive team." Reach Kevin Miller at rrsports@rangerreview.com.

Tough road trip for DCC women

By Kevin Miller
Ranger-Review Staff Writer

The Dawson Community College women's basketball team returned home after a three-game, three-day road trip to North Dakota. It was a tough trip for the Buccaneers as they fell in all three contests.

Thursday the Bucs dropped a 98 to 37 decision at the hands of Bismarck State College. Friday DCC traveled to Wahpeton for a contest with NDSCS. They lost in this game by the final of 77-64. Saturday they returned to Bismarck to face United Tribes. The Thunderbirds prevailed in this one by a score of 74-65.

The Bismarck State women jumped out to a 49-24 lead by halftime in Thursday's contest. The Bucs' struggles continued in the second half as

BSC outscored them 49-13. Brittney Ceaser led Dawson in scoring with eight points. The Buccaneers shot just less than 20 percent from the floor compared to the mystics' 49 percent. DCC went seven for 10 from the charity stripe.

Friday DCC fell behind NDSCS by 12, 33-21, by the end of the first 20 minutes of play. But the Bucs never gave up. They battled the home team throughout the second half and were only outscored by one, 44-43.

Ceaser once again paced the Buccaneer women in scoring. This time Ceaser finished with 19 points. Juliane Faltus and Tia Emerson also reached double figures in the score column. Faltus finished with 11 points while Emerson added 10.

The Bucs shooting percentage improved to 42 percent against NDSCS. DCC was also 18 for 24 from the line for 75 percent. There were three ties and 10 lead changes in this game.

Dawson let one slip away in the second half against UTTC. The Bucs trailed by just one at the break, 33-32, but the Thunderbirds went on to outscore DCC by eight in the second half to post the nine-point win.

Emerson had the hot hand in this contest for the Lady Buccaneers. Emerson hit on six attempts from 3-point range on her way to a game-high 23 points. Ceaser and Faltus had 12 and 11 points respectively.

The Buccaneers had another solid game from the free throw line. As a team, the Bucs converted 23 of their 29 attempts from the line. Ceaser was six for six from the stripe and Terin Old Elk made all four of her charity shots.

Coach Tracey Clingingsmith said: "We had been making progress most of the first semester and had a terrible setback against Bismarck State. After a loss like that the girls could have given up but they came back and competed hard the next two nights.

Clingingsmith added: "Brittney Ceaser and Tia Emerson played well on both the offensive and defensive end Friday and Saturday. Janelle Sheeran, who has been fighting injuries most of the season, cleaned up the boards with 24 on the weekend. If we just limit our turnovers and get consistent contributions we can have a different outcome next week."

DCC 24 13 - 37
BSC 49 49 - 98

Bucs scoring: Ceaser 8, Old Elk 2, Emerson 5, Faltus 5, Fedler 2, Rummel 7, Sheeran 4, Williams 4

DCC 21 43 - 64
NDSCS 33 44 - 77

Bucs scoring: Ceaser 19, Old Coyote 6, Old Elk 3, Emerson 10, Faltus 11, Rummel 2, Sheeran 4, Talerico 7, Williams 2

DCC 32 33 - 65
UTTC 33 41 - 74

Bucs scoring: Ceaser 12, Old Elk 4, Emerson 23, Faltus 11, Fedler 1, Rummel 2, Sheeran 6, Talerico 2, Williams 4 Reach Kevin Miller at rrsports@rangerreview.com.

Glendive to face tough competition in Miles City

By Jamie Ausk Crisafulli
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The Glendive wrestlers face another weekend of tough competition with the Cowboy Invitational in Miles City Friday and Saturday.

"How it compares to Bismarck, I can't really say, I just know that there will be several tough teams from not only Montana, but North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming," said Coach Tim Zody.

Top ranked Class B defending state champions Glasgow, defending state champs Havre in Class A and AA Billings Skyview are always contenders in the tournament, added the coach.

Other teams Zody expects to be tough are Forsyth; Bismarck Century; Gillette, Wyo.; Casper; Powell; and Belgrade another top ranked team in Class A.

"This should be excellent tournament not only for the wrestlers but for spectators as well," he added.

Some of the best wrestling will be Friday night from 6:30-8:30 p.m. with the semi-final rounds, according to Zody.

The tournament schedule is as follows:

Friday
Rounds 1,2 & 3: 9 a.m. -12:30 p.m.
Round 4: 12:30-2 p.m.
Rounds 5 and 6: 2-4 p.m.
Rounds 7 and 8: 6:30-8:30 p.m. (semis)

Saturday
Rounds 9 & 10: 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
5th & 6th Place: 12-1 p.m.
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th: 2-4 p.m.
A junior varsity tournament will also be run at the same time as the varsity tourney.

Wrestlers place 10th in Bismarck

By Jamie Ausk Crisafulli
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The Dawson County High School wrestling team placed 10th out of 26 team at the Bismarck Rotary tournament Jan. 8-9.

Four members of the team placed in the tournament, with senior Garret Tennant placing highest with second place in his 135 pound weight class.

Jesse Griffith placed third at 112 pounds, Tyler Kinn fifth at 103 pounds

and Trevor Conrad 8th at 215 pounds.

The DCHS wrestling team has been going to the Bismarck Rotary since 1992. The 1992-93 team took 8th out of 20 teams and the 1995-96 team tied for 8th in 1995-96 out of 23 teams.

"I believe the tournament has become more competitive over the years and the number of teams competing has increased," said Coach Tim Zody. "Just to give you an idea of the quality of wrestlers in this tournament, many have signed letters of intent to Division 1 teams, one being Bismarck's 171 lber who is planning on wrestling at Iowa, traditionally one of the top teams in the nation in wrestling."

In the championship match for 135 pounds, Garret Tennant lost a close match to Brock Krumm of Bismarck St. Mary's 8-5. Tennant beat Hanging, Dickinson, by a pin in 1:11, pinned Homme, Williston, 3:05, decisioned Koppy Mandan 4-0, decisioned Koehnen, Frazee 10.2 in the semis to get to the championship match.

Tennant is now 20-2 for the year.

Griffith finished 3rd at 112, losing only one match 9-7 to West of Bismarck Century. West won the Rotary at 112 pinning his opponent, Shepherd of Fargo North. Griffith defeated Ketter, Frazee with a pin 0:35, won by a technical Fall over Hangen of Minot 17-1, and beat Michaelson, Williston 9-8 for 3rd. Griffith is now 17-3 for the year.

Kinn beat Crissler, Belcourt 8-2, Walt of Fargo North in 2:23 lost to Neer of Bismarck Century 10-2 lost to Stilke, Frazee 10-2 and beat Kringlie, West Fargo 11-2 for 5th place. Kinn is now 19-3 for the year.

At 215 Trevor Conrad placed 8th. He beat Czizotski, Fargo South 1:32, beat Herold, Bismarck, St. Mary's 5:04, lost to DeCoteau 1:21, beat Moltzan, Frazee 4:17, lost to Yates, Dickinson 5-2 and lost to Beine, Napoleon, 4:22. Conrad's record for the year is 17-7.

Other wrestlers winning matches but not placing were Travis Kaufman 1-2, Layne Lantis 1-2, Luke Robinson 1-2, Brett Stinnett 1-2.

Cole Bilbrey and Garrett Ceynar were one win away from placing, as they both went 3-2 for the weekend.

While the weekend brought individual success, Zody said he is concerned about overall team effort.

"Some of the boys need to start contributing. We should be doing better as a team," he said. "Our best performances need to be in the meets not at practice."

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Lady Devils knock out Fillies

By Kevin Miller
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The girls' basketball team from Dawson County High School picked up a convincing win Saturday against the Fillies from Colstrip, but fell to the Eagles from Sidney on Friday. The Lady Red Devils dropped their second conference game of the season to the Eagles in Sidney by the final of 51-30. The Lady Devils rebounded from that loss to crush the Fillies the following night by 37 points, 59-22.

Against the Eagles, the Red Devils offense struggled throughout most of the contest. Sidney jumped out quickly and held a 17-6 lead after the first quarter. Neither team was able to generate much offense in the second frame. Glendive outscore Sidney by just one, eight to seven, in the second but trailed at the break 24-14.

Sidney came out strong again to start the second half of play. The Eagles defense again kept the Devils offense in check. Sidney had the game in control after the period, leading 38-21. The Lady Red Devils continued to struggle on offense in the final eight minutes. The Eagles also won this quarter 13 to 9, as they went on to post the 21-point win.

DCHS got their first two points of the game on a pair of free throws from Sadie Sampson to tie the score at 2-2. This was the only tie of the contest and the Red Devils would never lead.

Glendive made a run to start the second quarter. The Devils got buckets from Carly Selvig, Jessica Zander and Ashley Skillestad to open the quarter. At this point, Glendive got within five at 17-12. They would again cut the Eagles' lead to five, 19-14, on a hoop by Devyn Asche. The

Red Devils could get no closer the rest of the contest. Sampson scored five of the seven points the Lady Devils put on the board in the third period. Sampson finished with a team-high nine points and had five assists. Selvig finished the night with eight points, 10 rebounds and three blocked shots.

Coach Richy Powell said: "We are still struggling to find an offensive identity. We did not shoot well from the floor (24 percent) or the line (37 percent)."

He also added: "We ran into a team playing well and with our offensive performance we were unable to compete."

Saturday the Lady Devils returned home for a match up with Colstrip. Despite playing without Blair Milne, the Devils started quickly en route to a 37-point thrashing of the Fillies.

The Red Devils scored the first seven points of the contest. By the end of the 1st period they were up 15 to 4. Glendive continued their dominance in the second quarter. They outscored Colstrip 18-5 in the quarter, including a 9-0 run to end the quarter. At the half the Lady Devils held a 33-9 lead.

The most competitive quarter of the game was the third period. The Fillies had their highest offensive output in the third when they scored eight points. However, Glendive still won the quarter by putting up 11 points on the board. Entering the final eight minutes of action Glendive was up 44-

17.

The Red Devils continued their strong defensive effort through the final period. The Fillies were once again held to single digits in scoring. Glendive held Colstrip to just five points in the fourth while putting up 15 points of their own.

"I was real pleased with our defense as Colstrip had scored over 70 points three or four times this season," Powell said.

Selvig paced the Lady Devils in scoring with 16 points. Sophomore Devyn Asche added 10 for the Devils including a six-for-six performance at the free throw line. Senior Kallie Madler was also perfect from the line (three for three) and finished with nine points.

Powell said: "The girls rebounded well from a difficult loss the night before to get a nice win. We still have work ahead of us to get to where we believe we can be but this was a good step in that direction."

This weekend the Lady Red Devils travel to Billings and Laurel for two tough Eastern A conference games against the Rams and the Locomotives.

DCHS 6 8 7 9 - 30
Sidney 17 7 14 13 - 51

Red Devils scoring: Asche 3, Sampson 9, Zander 2, Skillestad 4, Selvig 8, Milne 4
Eagles scoring: Lake 6, Hammer 2, Sullivan 20, Moore 10, Johnson 2, Thiel 11

DCHS 15 18 11 15 - 59
Colstrip 4 5 8 5 - 22

Red Devils scoring: Asche 10, Turner 3, Sampson 7, Zander 4, Skillestad 7, Selvig 16, Lystad 3, Madler 9
Fillies scoring: A. Crippen 6, Spieler 3, F. Crippen 5, Goodwin 3, Baish 3, Holcomb 2
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Red Devils cruise to win over Colts

By Kevin Miller
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The Dawson County High School boys' basketball team hosted the Colts from Colstrip Saturday in a non-conference affair. The Red Devils jumped all over the visitors in the first quarter. The Devils outscored the Colts in the first eight minutes 24-5. From that point Glendive cruised to a 63-35 triumph.

Christian Hannesson led the first-quarter assault with 10 of the Red Devils' 24 points. In all, six Red Devils scored in the opening frame. The Devils also closed out the first quarter on a 9-0 run.

Glendive kept up the pressure in the second quarter and outscored Colstrip 17 to 7 in the frame. As the two teams went to intermission,

DCHS was in command 41-12. Hannesson again led the way for the Devils. Hannesson had 19 of his game-high 23 points before the break. Scott Athas chipped in with eight points before the intermission. Athas finished with 11.

Neither team could get much offense going in the third period. The Devils limited Colstrip to just six points in the quarter but could only manage eight points of their own. Hannesson and Cooper Fink each had 4 for Glendive. Fink finished the night with 12 points.

Colstrip had their best quarter in the fourth. The Colts outscored the Red Devils 17 to 14 over the last eight minutes. With such a large lead, Coach Wade Murphy was able to get all 12 of his players in to the game, with 10 of them getting into the scoring column.

Murphy said: "Our pressure defense really did a good job. The kids worked hard and did a nice job of helping each other out."

The win improves the Red Devils' season record to 6-2. This next weekend, Glendive will host two of the top teams in the conference. Friday night the Red Devils will tangle with the Rams from Billings Central. Then on Saturday afternoon Glendive will entertain the Locomotives from Laurel. Tip-off for this contest is scheduled for 4 p.m.

DCHS 24 17 8 14 - 63
Colstrip 5 7 6 17 - 35

Red Devils scoring: Sevier 2, Stanhope 2, Athas 11, Hill 2, Hannesson 23, Fink 12, Saeman 4, Milne 3, Benson 2, Burman 2
Colts scoring: Alder 2, Old Mouse 6, Wigert 3, Studiner 11, Noel 5, Jensen 2, Esser 6
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DCHS upends Eagles

By Kevin Miller
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The Dawson County Red Devils used a strong third quarter to pull away from the Eagles in Sidney Thursday night. Glendive outscored Sidney 19 to 10 in the third to upend the Eagles 60-41. Christian Hannesson had another solid game for DCHS, nailing a pair of 3-pointers and going five for five from the line on his way to a game-high 25 points.

Cooper Fink opened the scoring with a free-throw line jumper to give the Devils a quick 2-0 lead. Neither team generated much offense the rest of the first quarter. Sidney tied the game at six apiece. Hannesson answered with his first 3-point goal with just more than two minutes to play in the opening quarter. The rest of the quarter the two teams went scoreless and after one period the home team held a 9-6 lead.

Glendive extended their lead to five to start the next eight minutes, but Sidney fought back to tie it on a bucket inside by Cole Steinbeisser. With just more than three and a half minutes before half, the score was even at 13. Late in the quarter the Red Devils went on a 7-0 run to go up by eight. Josh Hill scored two, Scott Athas added a bucket and Hannesson hit another trey to give Glendive an eight-point advantage. The Eagles' Josh Morasko finished the scoring in the half with a goal from behind the 3-

point arc. As the teams headed to the break, Glendive held a 23-18 lead.

The biggest difference in the contest came in the third quarter. The Red Devils outscored their opponent 19 to 10 and had scoring runs of 5-0 and 9-0. Darien Saeman had a 3-pointer for DCHS and Hannesson put in nine points in the frame. Entering the final eight minutes of action, Glendive had a comfortable 14-point advantage.

The Eagles cut into the Devils lead by scoring two quick buckets to begin the fourth quarter. Cody Sevier responded for the Red Devils by draining a shot from behind the arc. Sevier had a huge quarter for Glendive. He had a couple of big steals and scored nine points in the final period.

Sidney was able to get within nine on two occasions mid way through the fourth, 45-36 and 47-38. At this point, the Red Devil defense stepped up and caused numerous turnovers. As a result, Glendive got some easy baskets that led to a 13-0 run. With not much more than a minute to play the Devils were up 60-38. The scoring ended when Colten Herbert hit from 3-point range for the Eagles.

"It's a good conference win for us and a great way to start after a long layoff," Coach Wade Murphy said. "I thought everybody contributed positively in some way and it was a great win."

The 60-to-41 win gives the Red Devils a 3-0 mark in the Eastern A and a 5-2 overall record. Next up for Glendive is a home contest with the Colts from Colstrip on Saturday night.

DCHS 9 14 19 18 - 60
Sidney 6 12 10 13 - 41

Red Devils scoring: Sevier 9, Athas 7, Hill 2, Hannesson 25, Fink 5, Saeman 8, Benson 4
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