

3rd place Cubs host Knights

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The Berlin Cubs hosted the Karlsruhe Knights for some tough basketball at the American Sports Center Friday and Saturday. The Cubs went into the weekend tied for third place with Zweibruecken.

The Varsity squad had a relatively easy time, winning Friday 76-55 and Saturday 78-57. The Cubs had three players in double figures both nights. Randy Smith and Bob Todd by themselves scored over half of the first night's points. Smith scored 23, Todd 20, and Alex Cole put in another 14. Smith and Todd did it again the second night. This time Smith put in 30, Todd 17, and J. W. Mike Marshall followed with 15.

Girls' Varsity had a tougher time. Trailing behind for the first three quarters and part of the fourth, the girls finally came into the lead with 5 minutes 45 seconds left. Cheryl Dennis put the Cubs ahead for good to make the score 31-28. The Berlin Girls won 38-28. Janet Virgilio led in the scoring with 11 points, followed by Cheryl Weakley 8, and Becky Branam 7.

The girls pulled off the same stunt Saturday. The girls seemed to be doomed to lose, but late in the fourth quarter it looked like they might be able to manage. Cheryl Dennis came through again to put the Cubs in the lead for the first time in the game with two shots from the charity stripe, 29-28. With 13 seconds left in the game Becky Branam clinched the 33-28 victory over the Knights. Kim Jones was the only player in double figures, scoring 10 points.

The J. V.'s split the weekend, winning Friday 53-30. Billy Lovelace, scoring 10 points in the first half, added another three in the second. Billy McGlockton scored all of his 13 points in the second half. The J. V.'s were behind most of the game, finally coming into the lead late in the fourth period, 38-36. From that point on the game was close with the score board looking like a seesaw. The Cubs slid back 7 points to lose 45-52.

This weekend the Cubs will be hosting the Baumholder Bucs to make up for the games missed during the cancellation of sports last month. The games will be played at the Sports Center. The J. V.'s play at 1 p.m. Friday and 9:30 a.m. Saturday, the girls at 2:30 p.m. Friday and 11 a.m. Saturday. The Varsity will play at 4 Friday and 1:05 Saturday.