

Rockets beat Jackson Co. 87-76 are 3 and 0 in 2000

The Rockcastle Rockets won their first district game of the season, beating rival Jackson County at home Monday night, 87-76.

The Rockets also upped their record to 3-0 on the season, going into a game at Lynn Camp this Friday night to try and keep a perfect record.

Once again, senior Jeremy Neeley was hot with the shots, scoring a game high 24 points for

the Rockets. Three other Rockets added double digit scoring for Rockcastle as Josh Rowland had 17, Aaron Cash had 15 and Aaron Anderkin put in 14 points for the winning effort.

Rockcastle and Jackson County came out in the first quarter ready to play hard, and the fast paced quarter saw the Rockets ahead only by two, 18-16.

Jackson County kept it close in the first half, with the Rockets

going into the locker room at half time up by only four, 33-29.

The Rockets pulled away a little more in the third quarter behind excellent defense which caused several General turnovers and also good perimeter shooting by the Rockets when they needed it gave the Rockcastle the twelve point, 58-46 lead at the end of the quarter.

Jackson County would not quit playing, however, and reduced the Rockets lead in the fourth quarter to as little as five points several times before the Rockets pulled away for the 87-76 win.

Two other Rockets saw scoring action Monday night as Andrew Hammond scored four points and Austin Miller added two points to the Rocket win.

Head Coach Clayton Cash said of the game, "We played hard, at times we made some bad decisions, but when we needed to, we picked up our game. It is still early in the season and these things will have to be worked on. The players gave a good effort for us and I think this team will continue to do that throughout the season," he said.

Rockets down Knox Central

Last Friday night, the Rockets traveled to Knox Central for the first of many road trips this season, coming home with the 76-57 win.

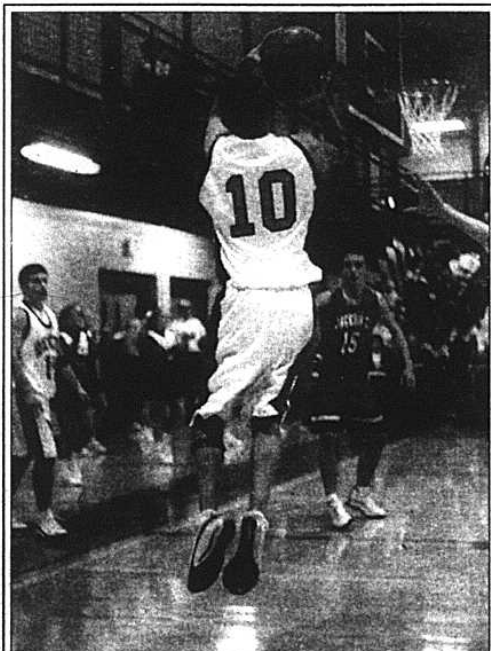
Jeremy Neeley had a career high 30 points against the Panthers, in a three point shooting exhibition.

The Rockets gained the lead in the opening minutes of the game and never looked back, as eight Rocket players saw scoring action, with Aaron Cash and Andrew

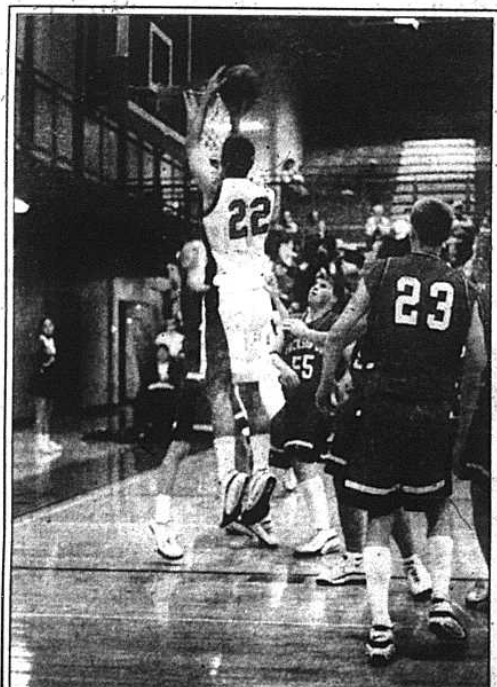
Hammond leading the way behind Neeley with 12 and 10 respectively.

Other players scoring for the Rockets were Josh Rowland with 8, Aaron Anderkin with 6, Stephen Boreing with 4 and Austin Miller with 3.

Sophomore Jason Reynolds put the icing on the cake for the Rockets with a long three at the buzzer to give the Rockets their second win of the season.



Senior Jeremy Neeley goes for two of his 24 points against Jackson County Monday night. Neeley also poured in a career high 30 points last Friday night in the Rockets win over Knox Central.



Junior Andrew Hammond goes for two of his four points against Jackson County Monday night. The Rockets won the game 87-76 to bring their record to 3-0 on the season.



2000-01 Rockcastle Co. High School Rockets Basketball Schedule

8	Lynn Camp	Away	
12	Clay County	Home	GV/BV
14, 15, 16	McDonald's Classic		Harrodsburg
19	OBI	Home	
22	All Saints	Home	
Jan. 5	Clay County	Away	GV/BV
9	SW Pulaski	Away	
12	Williamsburg	Home	
13	Australia	Home	
16	Madison Southern	Away	
20	Lincoln County	Home	
23	Monticello	Away	GV/BV
26	Whitley Co.	Away	
29	OBI	Away	
Feb. 2	Jackson County	Away	GV/BV
3	Somerset	Away	
8	All Saints	Away	
9	North Laurel	Home	GV/BV
12	OPEN		
13	Barbourville	Away	
16	OPEN		
20	Everts	Away	
23	McCreary Central	Away	