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Diboll Lady Jacks keep on rolling along

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The Diboll Lady Jacks just keep on keeping on as they ran rough shot through the Livingston Lady Lions Tournament and turned around to annihilate the Rusk Lady Eagles two days later 81-37.

The ladies wrapped up last week's tournament action back at full capacity with Nikki Greene making it back from the holiday's on the second day of action in Livingston.

They opened up the second day against the Class 5A Channelview Lady Falcons, with the winner advancing to the finals of the tournament. The Lady Jacks handled the ladies from

down south 42-25.

The title game would pit the Diboll ladies against tournament host and foe to the south Livingston.

The Lady Jacks made easy work of their competition, despite some questionable calls, to win 53-33.

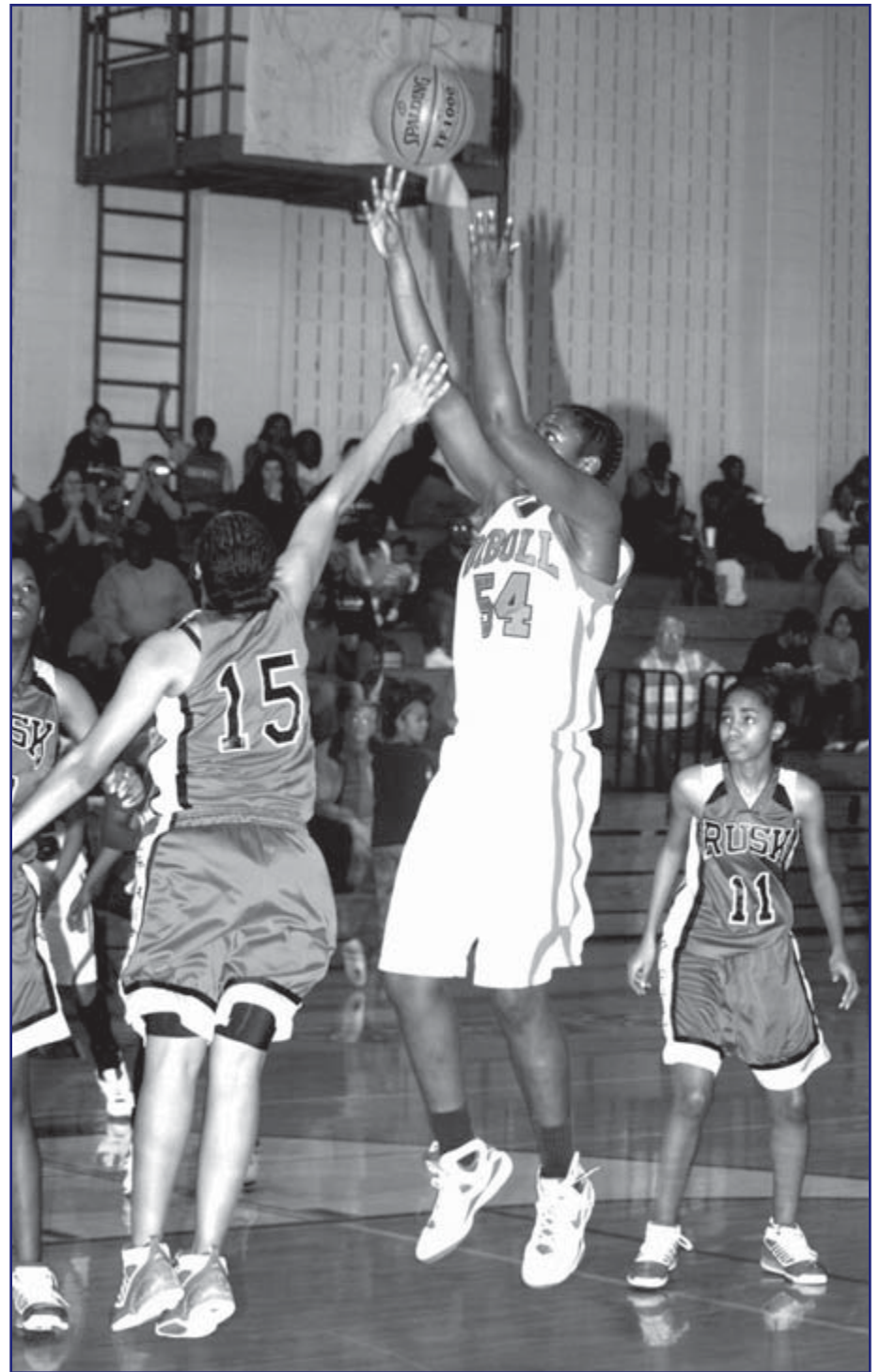
Friday night the ladies returned home to Diboll and welcomed in the Lady Eagles from Rusk for the third game of the District 18-3A schedule.

The locals did not disappoint the hometown faithful as they crushed the Lady Eagles 81-37.

The Lady Jacks now have a record of 20-1, 3-0 on the year and a tough road of district contests left on the year.



Above: Lady Jacki Vanessa Jones drives to the hoop in the Lady Jacks thrashing of the Rusk Lady Eagles. Right: Nikki Greene goes up high for the Lady Jacks last week.



Photos by Anthony Delco

Lumberjacks take 18-3A home opener



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The Diboll Lumberjacks coming off a rough outing in the Coca-Cola Lufkin Holiday Classic were able to rebound bigtime with a home contest at the friendly confines of Lumberjack Gymnasium.

The game was Diboll's first game of the season in District 18-3A competition this year.

The Jacks came out strong from the opening tip of the contest and worked their way to a huge 11 point win over the Eagles, 54-43.

Jacolby Spencer led the way for the Lumberjacks on Friday night.

The Diboll leader led all scorers with 20 huge points in the affair.

Also coming up big for the Jacks in the victory were Chris Bailey with 13, Cornelius Polk chipped in 11 in the contest.

Also putting up points for the Jacks were Antonio Johnson and Cody Stifle with four points, and Trey Loche had a pair.

The Jacks will return home this Friday night for a district contest with Carthage Bulldogs.

Left: Diboll's Jacolby Spencer had a big night against the Rusk Eagles in the 18-3A opener last Friday night. The Jacks took the contest by a final of 54-43.

Sam Rayburn Fishing Report

Water Temp. 59
Water Clarity 2-3 feet
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Sam Rayburn is at 157.68 ft the water temperature has been around 59 degrees. The water has been murky is some places from the winds that have been blowing for most of the week.

The fishing has been off and on this week. There are some fish out deep and some up shallow. With the fish scattered out its hard to say where to start. The trap bite has picked up a few fish for us early in the morning around the grass lines. There a lot of different lipless crankbaits out there so don't be stuck on just one color or make. Sometimes it's that small differences that does the trick. Trying different retrieval speeds can trigger fish into biting also. If the lipless bait isn't working, try something else. Try working a weightless fluke, senko or wacky worm over the grass. There seems to always be some fish in the grass and getting

them to bite is the first step. We have been catching a few fish on offshore structure and ledges on Carolina and Texas Rigs. Look for these fish to move up on the points as they start moving closer to spawning areas. This is the time of year that the weather can change very quickly; from being a nice day on the lake to being one of those cold and wet days; so keep the winter gear handy and some dry clothes with you. This can also turn the fish on and off, so stick with it. It's hard to say what days will be the best, but you can't catch anything sitting at home.

We have been catching a few Crappie around the brush piles and around some of the timber around the river channel. These fish are holding tight to cover so stay tight to it. We are booking trips for the springs so don't wait to long. Round up your friends and get your trip booked. We can handle up to 10 anglers on the pontoon.

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