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Unpredictable

JV Teams a Wild Card

This year's junior varsity teams may have been a lot of things, but boring was not one of them. From the injuries that plagued the girls' JV team, to the game the JV boys played against Dansville, which went into overtime, the fans were never sure just what was going to happen next.

Coach Scott Shaw, boys' JV coach, felt his team picked up on this uncanny ability to do the unexpected and use it to their advantage. "They really pushed each other, made one

another work harder," he reflected. "They just wouldn't let anyone slack off." This intensity led to what he saw as the greatest strength of the team: "They never gave up . . . they often played a bad first half and then came back and made a good game out of it."

The JV girls were put on the spot from game one, according to Coach Paul Hornak. "They were thrown into the fire right from the start. With only seven players, everyone played every quarter. There was no

room to bring a player along slowly." With only two players on the bench, the girls were forced to produce. "They had to be versatile," Hornak asserted. "Each game a new person gave us the effort needed in order to win or make it close."

There's little doubt that this year's JV teams provided the excitement synonymous with the phrase, "high school sports."

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