

# JUST NET

## GET IT IN!

**WHAT GOES UP MUST COME DOWN** William Pearson waits anxiously to get the rebound. "I just wanted to win the game," stated William. Ashley played Sacred Heart and won 55-14.

Coach Brian Gavenda's goal as a first year coach was to have his players play as a team. However, each player went beyond that goal to improve individually, and so, strengthen them as a team. Player Justin Lindquist reflected, "We worked really hard because we had a small amount of players, so we gave it our all."

Gavenda nominated Austin Hull as one of the players who made some giant improvements. "He was tall and lanky, so we started calling him 'Big Daddy.'" He must have liked it because he started doing really well.

Jon Burford agreed that Hull had made some big improvements but also commented that Craig Densmore had helped the team a lot. Jerad Wallen admired Jon Burford because although Jon was small, he practiced very hard and never quit.

With this much effort and determination, it's no surprise that the season held so many high points for the players. One was

their game with Sacred Heart, where they won 55-14.

Like all teams, however, peak games are balanced with an occasional low moment. The game with the Vestaburg Wolverines seemed to be one of those moments. T.J. Good remembered vividly, "...getting stomped by Vestaburg," while Jerad Wallen said, "At the game in Vestaburg, we were getting smoked. Even the fans from Vestaburg were yelling at us."



"We played hard and tried our very best at every game," Burford reflected. "We could've taken first place in the tournament but we're proud to even come in second."

In the end, even Coach Gavenda commented on how surprised and happy he was that his team showed so much teamwork and self-control.

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**1, 2, 3...Team!** The team gathers for a quick pep talk. Coach Brian Gavenda commented, "I

like the way the boys gathered around as a team. Not all teams do that."