

The Bandera PROPHEET

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Bulldog basketball goes 3-0 Saturday

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Bandera High School basketball was hitting on all cylinders in a rare home Saturday matinee schedule with all three teams winning against the Dilley Wolves.

Freshmen

The freshmen Bulldogs were looking to get back in the win column after suffering their first loss of the season and it was bad news for the Dilley freshman as the Bulldogs cruised to a 65-47 win in the first game of Saturday's tripleheader at BHS.

After a close first quarter, the Bulldogs outscored the Wolves 18-6 in the second to take a big lead.

With a 16 point lead to start the third quarter, Bandera kept the Wolves at bay as Dilley tried to mount a comeback in the second half.

Alex Dirck and Hank Pate took over in the fourth, putting the team on their shoulders, scoring 16 of Bandera's final 17 points, to get the win going away.

Pate finished with 17 points to lead the team with Dirck just behind with 15 points on the day. Corben Gonzales scored 14, Jorge Cabasos and Jesse Cardenas had 10 and 5 respectively with Adan Ramos and Isaac Segura added 2 points each.

Box score

	1	2	3	4	Final
Dilley	13	6	16	12	47
Bandera	17	18	13	17	65

JV

Jack Pate led the Bulldogs with 15 points in a 47-19 victory over the Dilley Wolves Saturday to notch their first win of the season.

The Bulldogs held the Wolves to single digit scoring in all four quarters, allowing just 10 points in the first half to take a commanding 14 point lead at halftime.

Bandera kept bringing the pressure on both sides of the ball in the second half, allowing just nine points while scoring 23 in a convincing first win of the season.

Pate's 15 led the team with Isaiah St. Clair contributing 7, Salvador Enriquez added 6, Braden Cox and Kyle Morgan put in 5 points each, and Cole Peace, Brice Clemens and Conner Vick scored 4, 3 and 2 points respectively.

The team is now 1-2 and are looking to get to .500 or better with three games on the schedule this week.

Box score

	1	2	3	4	Final
Dilley	4	6	4	5	19
Bandera	15	9	13	10	47

Varsity

It took about half a quarter for the varsity Bulldogs to get over the Thanksgiving turkey, but the team came out on top with a tight, 52-48

decision over the Dilley Wolves on Saturday.

The visitors jumped out to a 7-0 lead before the Bulldogs posted a single point, but the Bulldogs found their offense to almost tie it up, 14-13, at the end of the first.

Both teams struggled to score in the second and Dilley took a 22-18 lead into the locker room at the half.

Seniors, Trace Decker and Lukas Jackson, stepped up their game in the third, with Decker knocking down 3 pointers from way downtown and Jackson added 6 points to lead the Bulldogs and take a two point advantage into the fourth.

The fourth saw the junior contingent decide to step up with Luke Barnett, Liam DiMarchi and Tyler Moore playing hard and senior Ryan Zimmel scoring 4 in the final quarter.

Coach Brady Keane pointed out that DeMarchi and Moore went a combined 6 of 8 from the line in the fourth quarter to help seal the win.

"We got off to a slow start, but our guys came out in the second half and were determined to do whatever it took to come out with a victory. It wasn't pretty, we're still getting better and growing as a team each time we take the court, but being able to come in and work through some early struggles to get a victory after the Thanksgiving break was exciting to see. Our energy continues to be at a high level, and we have to carry that into what is going to be a tough set of games next week," Keane said.

The now .500 varsity Bulldogs (2-2) have three games in a five day stretch this week. They head to Pleasanton on Tuesday and will return home Friday to host Harper.

After a good night's sleep, the Bulldogs will hit the road Saturday morning to Gonzales.

Box score

	1	2	3	4	Final
Dilley	14	8	12	14	48
Bandera	13	5	18	16	52

Bandera stats:

Points_ Jackson, 13, Decker, 12, DeMarchi, 9, Barnett, 6, Moore, 5, Zimmel, 4, Winkler, 3

Rebounds_ Jackson, 10, DeMarchi, 8, Moore, 8, K. Brown, 4, Barnett, 3, Decker, 3, R. Perez, 2, Zimmel, 1

Assists_ Moore, 4, Brown, 2, Decker, 2, J. Kennedy, 2, Perez, 1, Winkler, 1, Zimmel, 1

Steals_ Moore, 6, Decker, 3, DeMarchi, 2, Perez, 2, Winkler, 2, Zimmel, 1