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CUBS HIT ROAD TO FACE NORTH IDAHO JUNIOR COLLEGE

MISSOULA---

The University of Montana freshman basketball team will be seeking revenge Friday night when they visit Coeur d'Alene, Idaho for a rematch with the North Idaho Junior College Cardinals.

The Cardinals beat the Cubs 65-60 in Missoula Saturday night in a game marked by 43 fouls. It was one of two games dropped by the Cubs during their three-game home stand. They will return home for two games with Montana State's Bobkittens next weekend.

The Cubs are 4-6 on the year, and a win over North Idaho JC would give them some momentum going into the Montana State series. Late in January, the Cubs and Bobkittens split in Bozeman, with Montana winning the first, 88-84, and Montana State grabbing the second contest, 85-76.

The Cubs showed good offensive punch last Friday night in clubbing the highly touted College of Great Falls Argonauts 93-75 in the Adams Field House. Cork Hill of Columbia Falls had his best scoring night of the season with 29 tallies, and Les Gordon of Dillon led Cub rebounding with 13.

Against North Idaho, Don Wetzel of Cut Bank tallied 18 and Hill grabbed 14 retrieves to lead the Cubs.

Monday night, the Cubs dropped a squeaker to a University alumni squad, 79-78. After trailing by 12 at halftime, the Bruin yearlings raced back to grab the lead momentarily before the Alumni pulled out the win.

Don Wetzel had his best night of the year, hitting on 13 of 22 field goal tries and five of five free throws for 31 points. Center Tony Bertuca of Chicago grabbed 10 rebounds to lead the frosh.

Against North Idaho Friday night, the Cubs will have to cope once again with 6-9 center Don Barnes, who got 19 rebounds and 17 points in Missoula. Flashy guard Clyde Smith, who tallied 22 against the Cubs before, will also cause some problems.

1967-68 UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA FRESHMAN BASKETBALL STATISTICS (4-6)*

	PLAYER Don Wetzel	<u>G</u> 9	FOM-FGA 70-175	PCT. 400	FTM-FTA 36-51	PCT. 706	SH.M 120	REB 37	AVG. 4,1	PF-D 25-0	PTS. 176	AVG. 19.6	
	Mike Heroux	9	52-131	.397	17-31	.548	93	31	3.4	25-1	121	13.4	
7	Les Gordon	9	33-99	•333	30-50	.600	86	80	8.9	26-1	96	10,7	
	Jerry Hill	9	33-84	.393	29-39	.744	61	101	11.2	20-0	95	10.6	
	Tony Bertuca	9	29-60	.483	16-30	•533	45	74	8.2	32-2	74	8,2	
	Tom O'Neil	8	13-30	.433	16-30	•533	31	41	5.1	11-0	42	5.1	
	Kits Smith	9	14-47	. 298	6-10	.600	37	13	1.4	13-0	34	3.8	
*	Glen Wysel	5	10-37	.270	1-4	.250	30	3	0.6	11-1	21	4.2	
	Jim Opitz	7	7-30	.233	0-3	.000	26	17	2.4	4-0	14	2.0	
	Ron Remple	3	4-6	.667	2-2	1.000	2	4	1.3	1-0	10	3.3	
	Wayne Wetzel	4	4-9	.444	1-2	.500	6	5	1.3	2-0	9	2.3	
	Jim deBord	1	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	1	1	1.0	2-0	2	2.0	
	CUB TOTALS Opponent Totals	9	270-710 286-629	.381	154-252 113-210	.611	538 441	407	45.2** 44.6**	172 - 5 177 - 9	694 685	77.1	

*DOES NOT INCLUDE CUBS VS. MONTANA STATE FROSH, JAN. 19, 1968 **DOES NOT INCLUDE TEAM REBOUNDS

NEXT GAMES

CUBS VS. NORTH IDAHO JUNIOR COLLEGE IN COUER d'ALENE, IDAHO FEB. 9 CUBS VS. MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY FROSH IN MISSOULA, 8 P.M., FEB. 16 CUBS VS. MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY FROSH IN MISSOULA, 6 P.M., FEB. 17