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## Hornets, Lady Hornets begin seasons on perfect note

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It might not be the same as watching Haley's Comet streak through the night sky or finding a four-leaf clover, but Lometa basketball fans are witnessing something very rare. For the first time in a very, very long time, both the Lady Hornets and Hornets are sporting perfect 4-0 records in district.

The latest wins came on the road against Jonesboro, where the girls held on for a 49-45 victory and the boys posted a dominating 77-61 performance.

Thanks to a near-perfect first half that included a 23-point outburst in the second quarter, the Lady Hornets (9-9, 4-0 district) built a 22-point lead by halftime but almost blew it after intermission as Jonesboro tried to claw its way back into the game.

Jeanette Rosales led the Lady Hornets with 13 points. Maria Jaso added 12, and post Kylie Bradley chipped in 10.

The victory comes on the heels of the Lady Hornets' 46-40 consolation championship victory over Panther Creek last week at the Richland Springs Tournament.

Despite the ugly second half, Eckermann was pleased her squad overcame adversity on the road to hold on for the victory and hand Jonesboro its first district loss of the season.

"It was very promising," the coach said. "It was an unexpected win. We knew they were bigger than us and it was going to be tough, but we did good. In order to win, we were going to have to play our best, and they went out and that's what they did."

After holding Jonesboro to just 16 points in the first half, Lometa gave up 29 after the break but never relinquished its lead.

Next up for the Lady Hornets is another stiff district test as they host Priddy tonight.

Coming off a 65-54 loss to the host Coyotes in the championship round of the Richland Springs Tour-

namment, the Hornets had a lights-out shooting performance inside Jonesboro's gymnasium Tuesday evening as they connected on 51 percent of their shots, including a 33 percent shooting streak from behind the arc.

Paced by sophomore starter Dalton Parson's team-high 17 points, Lometa built a 30-point advantage before allowing the home squad to whittle it down to the final margin.

"[Jonesboro] is plenty salty," head coach Wendell Bradley said. "We probably played our best game, maybe not our prettiest game of the year but probably our best game."

To complement Parson's performance, fellow starters Brandon Faubion and David Cruz each added 16 points, while Charlie Wagner scored 10.

Lometa (4-0 district) also got plenty of production from its bench. In all, six reserves checked in to the contest, combining for 18 points, led by Austin Perez's five.

"We try to outnumber people and use lots of [players] and move at a quick pace to try and wear them down and get them into their bench," Bradley said. "We bank on our bench

being a little deeper than theirs.

"Two points here, four points here, three points here; you start adding that up, and that equals our margin of victory."

The Hornets also utilized a pressing style of defense to force turnovers, triggering fast breaks and allowing Lometa to take advantage in transition.

The coach did, however, find areas the team can improve on before facing a stout Priddy team tonight.

The Hornets missed 12 of their 24 free-throw attempts and allowed Jonesboro to grab a number of offensive rebounds because of failing to box out. Matching up with opposing players when running a half-court defense also posed problems Tuesday for Lometa.

Unlike other district foes, Priddy is primarily a basketball school, as they lack a football program.

Bradley knows his squad cannot afford to make unnecessary mistakes if the Hornets plan to continue their undefeated run through the district.

"Any little flaw that you have, Priddy finds it and picks at it until it becomes a gushing wound," the coach said.

## Lometa Senior Center

111 N. W. Railway St.  
• 752-3693 • 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Reservations for lunches must be made a day ahead and before noon. No lunch served on Fridays.

**Monday, Jan. 12, 2008**

**Menu:** BBQ chicken, corn O'Brien, zucchini & tomatoes, whole wheat bread, vanilla pudding and milk.

**Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2008**

**Menu:** Beef stew, seasoned greens, cornbread, hot apple cobbler and milk.

**Wednesday, Jan. 14, 2008**

**Menu:** Hot sliced turkey/gravy, mashed potatoes, Italian green beans, white roll, sugar cookies and milk.

**Thursday, Jan. 15, 2008**

**Menu:** Beef stroganoff, buttered noodles, seasoned broccoli, whole wheat bread, chunky fruits, yogurt and milk.

### Center Activities

Stretch & flex exercises.....10:30-11 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays  
Blood pressure screening.....9-11:30 a.m. 1st and 3rd Wed.  
Foot clinic.....2nd Wed., 10-11:30 a.m.  
Hearing Aid service.....2nd Thursday, 10-11:30 a.m.  
Lunch.....11:45 a.m., Monday through Thursday  
Quilting.....anytime  
Crafts (crochet).....anytime  
Dominoes and games.....anytime  
Covered dish luncheon.....2nd Friday, 10 a.m to 3 p.m.

### Director's notes Vela Booker

The senior center continues to collect aluminum cans. Money received is being used for the nutrition program for the center.

There also is a gift table and book table set up with sale items. Come see us!

## School Menu

**Monday, Jan. 12**

**BREAKFAST:** Cereal, graham crackers, fruit juice and milk.

**LUNCH:** Chicken tenders/gravy, biscuit, mashed potatoes, black-eyed peas, mixed fruit and milk.

**Tuesday, Jan. 13**

**BREAKFAST:** Egg squares/sausage on biscuit, fruit juice and milk.

**LUNCH:** Taco salad, lettuce & tomato, pinto beans, cornbread, Jello w/fruit and milk.

**Wednesday, Jan. 14**

**BREAKFAST:** Breakfast pizza, fruit juice and milk.

**LUNCH:** Pepperoni pizza, corn on cob, tater tots, applesauce and milk.

**Thursday, Jan. 15**

**BREAKFAST:** Waffle/syrup, sausage, fruit juice and milk.

**LUNCH:** Country-fried steak, green beans, mashed potatoes, hot roll, pears and milk.

**Friday, Jan. 16**

**BREAKFAST:** Breakfast pocket or cereal and graham crackers, fruit juice and milk.

**LUNCH:** Hamburger/bun, tri-taters, pork & beans, cookie and milk.

## Junior high teams to play

Lometa Junior High hoopsters continue their season with games Monday on the road against Mullin.

On Jan. 19, the teams will play Iredell at 6 p.m. at Lometa, followed by contests on Jan. 26 at Priddy.

The team will conclude its season with two contests in February. On Feb. 2, they play Mullin at home, and on Feb. 9, the Hornets head to Star. All contests begin at 6 p.m.

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## 2008-09 Varsity Basketball

Date	Opponent	Site	Team
Jan. 9	Priddy	Here	G/B
Jan. 13	Mullin	There	G/B
Jan. 16	Iredell	Here	G/B
Jan. 20	Gustine	Here	G/B
Jan. 23	Star	There	G/B
Jan. 27	Cranfills Gap	Here	G/B
Jan. 30	Jonesboro	Here	jvb/G/B
Feb. 3	Priddy	There	jvb/G/B
Feb. 6	Mullin	Here	jvb/G/B
Feb. 10	Iredell	There	jvb/G/B

<p><b>#10</b> <b>Bubba Salinas</b> Class: Senior Position: Wing/Post Parents: George &amp; Sara Salinas</p>		<p><b>#13</b> <b>Kylie Bradley</b> Class: Sophomore Position: Post Parents: Wendell &amp; Julie Bradley</p>	
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## Hornets Basketball

**Friday, January 9**

Girls' Varsity vs. Priddy - 5:00 p.m.

Boys' Varsity vs. Priddy - 5:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, January 13**


Boys' JV @ Mullin - 5:00 p.m.

Girls' Varsity @ Mullin - 6:30 p.m.

Boys' Varsity @ Mullin - 6:30 p.m.


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