

Shamrocks Have a Close Call

The Portland St. Pats Shamrocks Varsity Girls CMAC League game against Potterville Vikings on Wednesday night was one that kept all the fans on the edges of their seats. The snowy and icy roads didn't stop the truly devoted fans from coming to the Potterville Gymnasium to cheer on their team. And what a performance from both teams!

All of the Shamrock players played hard. There were a couple passes that were in favor of the other team, but some amazing plays made up for it. When the Shamrocks had possession of the ball in the third quarter, Senior Katie Simon, from out of no where shoots a 3-pointer that beautifully landed in the hoop. During the very next play, she stole a pass from a Vikings player and made a sweet right handed lay-up. But the game kept getting even more exciting. With 28 seconds left, the score tied 50-50 Shamrock Coach Al Schrauben calls a time out. He tells the team to take their time and run the play with determination. It all paid off. With two seconds left on the clock Nicole Schneider hooked an awesome left handed lay up and drew a foul. The final score: 53-50.

The top scorer with 17 points as well as the leader in steals for the night was Kaity Goodrich. Nicole Schneider also helped the team out by scoring 11 points. Both Allison Werner and Adrienne Thelen had 5 assists. Coach Al Schrauben made this comment about the game, "It was a game that we shouldn't have won. They played harder than us in the second half which shouldn't have happened. Our offense was all right, we had patience when we needed it. We are lucky that Nicole hit it big at the end when we needed it"

The Shamrocks will play again at 6:30 pm on Friday night at the Portland Middle School against the P.W Pirates.