

BASKETBALL

In his first year at North Putnam, head coach Bruce Farley inherited a fine squad of young men with experience, depth, moderate size, and scoring ability. According to Coach Farley, the "key" for the success of the season was going to be "to develop the right chemistry."

Even though his "brew" was not foolproof, the results were the best North Putnam has had for several years. With several juniors on the team, Coach Farley has a good nucleus upon which to develop next year's formula.

Pictured at the right, the Varsity included Row 1: managers Greg Reese, Kim Cox, and Chris Hites; Row 2: Paul Clodfelter, Mark Carter, Greg Asher, Mike Marsteller, Bill Hubble, Kent Jones; Row 3: Mike Spires, Brad Long, Jim Noll, John Foley, Tony Bryan, and Coach Bruce Farley.

The varsity girls had a respectable season even though the record has much room for improvement. The highlights of the season were wins over Rockville and Tri-West in the same week, and a second place finish in the Turkey Run Tournament. Several quality JV players will move up to help mold next year's team.

Our most successful teams were the eighth grade boys and girls. Both teams made it to the final game of the County Tourney where the girls lost to Greencastle but the boys (pictured below) defeated South Putnam in overtime after ousting Greencastle in the first round!

The seventh graders did not fare as well but developed many valuable skills that will be useful to future teams.

Loyal Cougar fans (lower right) enthusiastically gave their support!

