



SECOND-PLACE EFFORT - The Massena 7th-8th Grade basketball team played its way to a second-place finish as host of the 24th annual Frank West Tournament. The team's only loss came in the championship game to an undefeated Indian River squad. Kneeling left to right; Cory Morin, John Paul Dumas,

Trent Jacobs, Cody Clary and Andrew Kassian. Standing left to right; head coach Kurt Wood, assistant coach Ryan Gerace, Brady Condlin, Josh Hewlett, Matt Perry, Ryan Haas, Taylor Evans, Taylor Elsner, Ryan Poupore, assistant coach Joe Rockhill and tournament director Kevin Condlin. (Photo Provided)

Massena 7th-8th Graders Place Second At Frank West Tourney

MASSENA - The Massena 7th-8th Grade Boys basketball team played to a second-place finish as host of the annual Frank West Tournament held last weekend.

Massena 51, Norwood-Norfolk 39: In the tournament opener for both squads, Massena built a 31-14 halftime lead en route to downing N-N. Josh Hewlett led a balanced offense with 12 points. Cody Clary and Andrew Kassian tossed through 10 points apiece followed by John Paul Dumas with seven and Trent Jacobs with six. Taylor Elsner and Ryan Haas contributed three points each.

Alexander paced N-N with 10 points followed by Durant with six and Howard with five. Stone, Pollock and Williams chipped in four points apiece. Clark, Tebo and Perry each added two.

Massena 48, Cornwall 29: The locals grabbed the early lead and never looked back for their second straight win. Dumas netted 12 points while Jacobs finished with eight, Hewlett with six, Clary and Evans with five each, Haas with four, Kassian and Poupore

with three apiece and Perry with two.

Massena 51, Mexico 49 (OT): Trent Jacobs hit a three-pointer toward the end of regulation to send the game into overtime where the locals held on for the win. Dumas tallied a team-high 14 points followed by Clary with nine. Jacobs finished with eight along with Hewlett. Kassian and Elsner each scored five while Evans accounted for the other two.

Massena 53, Cornwall 47: In a semi-final rematch that was much closer than the first encounter, Evans and Dumas struck for 13 points apiece to anchor the Massena win. Kassian had 10 followed by Jacobs with seven, Hewlett and Clary chipped in five points each.

Indian River 45, Massena 41: The championship game saw the locals fall just short to an Indian River team that hadn't lost in 32 games this season. Massena cut a 12-point deficit to just two with 16 seconds left in regulation but was unable to halt IR.

Kassian netted 15 to lead the way while Clary and Jacobs each scored 10. Hewlett and Dumas finished with four points apiece.

