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**Annapolis, Missouri -** The Bernie Mules varsity basketball team endured a 44-42 loss on the road Tuesday evening at South Iron High School.

It was a close game right down to the buzzer. South Iron came alive in the fourth quarter scoring 20 points to earn them a hometown win.

"We held a nine-point lead going into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and didn't finish the game," commented head Bernie basketball coach Brad Botsch in a press release to the ShowMe Times. "South Iron played harder than we did down the stretch and clearly wanted to win worse than we did. Until we learn to dig deeper, we are going to continue to struggle."

Nate Dillinger recorded a team-high 12 points for the Bernie Mules.

Dalton Hobgood tallied 9 points all on 3-pointers.

Hayce Burck and Alex Whitehead each hit one 3-pointer for Bernie.

## Final Score South Iron 44, Bernie 42

Bernie 8 11 14 9 - 42

South Iron 7 13 4 20 - 44

Bernie (42) – Jayce Burk 6, Alan Pippins 4, Nate Dillinger 12, Alex Whitehad 7, Gavin Brown 4, Dalton Hobgood 9. FG 13, FT 11/17, F 13 (3-pointers: Jayce Burck 1, Alex Whitehead 1, Dalton Hobgood 3. Fouled Out: None).

South Iron (44) – Garrett Wilfong 5, Garrett Hovis 14, Sam Ivy 5, LaRon Cornell 6, Logan Lucus 10, Tyler Browers 4. FG 17, FT 5/10, F 15. (3-pointers: Garrett Wilfong 1, Garrett Hovis 2, Logan Lucus 2. Fouled Out: None).

In Junior Varsity action the Mules defeated South Iron 30-27 in two quarters. Barnett recorded 10 points and Zoll tallied 9 points. The JV squad is now 2-0 on the season.

Bernie (1-3) will be back in action on Friday, December 11th when they host Gideon. Game time 6:00 p.m.

Pictured is Bernie Coach Brad Botsch at a game during the 2014 basketball season.

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