Thursday, February 8th 2024 Boys 5th-6th Grade Basketball Hornets 30, Pistons 21

Thursday night's opener saw both teams take some time to get going, with the first quarter ending with a 7-3 Hornet lead. Their buckets came from Aiden Crump, as well as Timmy Ferchen who had 5 points in the frame. For the Pistons, Aedan Gehl had an early bucket while Cooper Green knocked down a free throw. After the second, the Pistons trailed by 5, 12-7. Jace Gerraci and Ashton Mooridian each cashed in a bucket in the second quarter for Coach Proch's Pistons. For the Hornets, Sawyer Muldowney found a rhythm, dropping all 5 of his team's points in the quarter to help his squad keep the lead going into halftime. In the third quarter, Timmy Ferchen took over, scoring 9 points in a true offensive explosion. That was all his team could produce in the third, as the Pistons were able to clamp down the rest of the Hornets' squad. Offensively for the Pistons, Aedan Gehl scored their lone 3 points, and they trailed by 11 entering the fourth. They were down, but far from out, as this game was close until the final minutes. Timmy Ferchen was too much to handle though, adding 7 more points to his total, closing the game in style. The Hornets picked up their 3rd win of the season, improving their record to 3-1 on the year.

Hornets 30	Pistons 21
Timmy Ferchen was cooking on Thursday, dropping a stellar 21 points to secure the dub for the Hornets.	Aedan Gehl led the Pistons with 10 points, 4 boards, 2 steals, and a block.
Sawyer Muldowney was a reliable number 2 man, racking up 7 points, 5	Ashton Mooridian had a nice night, scoring 8 points for the Pistons.
rebounds, and 3 steals.	Jace Gerraci added a bucket, while Cooper Green had a free throw.
Aiden Crump cashed in a bucket, 2 rebounds, and 2 steals.	JJ Lodestro and Angel Rivera grabbed 4 boards a piece.
Noah Plewniak grabbed 4 rebounds.	Dean Roggow had a block in the loss.

Thursday, February 8th 2024 Boys 5th-6th Grade Basketball Celtics 32, 76ers 11

The second game of Thursday's 4-game slate was between the Celtics and the 76ers, with the Sixers looking to get their first win of the season. It took a few quarters for them to get on the board, but they hustled and played solid man-to-man defense to not allow the game to get out of hand. For the Celtics, they jumped out early, with 8 points from Parker Breeden and 5 from Dalonte Agee in the first half. Hunter Fitzpatrick also scored, as well as Nicky Castiglione. The Sixers got on the board in the third with a bucket from Mason Vona, which provoked a great reaction from the crowd. Nick Benden was also cooking for the Sixers, knocking down a deep three as well as a layup to keep his squad in it. Mason Vona was able to add 4 more points to his total in the fourth, but it was ultimately the Celtics, snagging their second win of the season behind Coach JJ Reed.

Celtics 32	76ers 11
Dalonte Agee feasted in the paint for the C's with 12 points and 7 rebounds.	Mason Vona had a great game despite the loss, dropping 6 points, 7 rebounds, and also adding a block.
Parker Breeden had a double digit night with 10 points and a block.	Nick Benden got going in the second half, scoring all 5 of his points then for the
Nicky Castiglione had 6 points in the win.	Sixers.
Vincent Lorenzo snagged 7 boards in the win.	Aidan Zorn and Derek Judge both had 4 boards each for the Sixers.
Gavin Breeden and Hunter Fitzpatrick had a basket apiece for the Celtics.	Jameson King had a steal in the loss.

Thursday, February 8th 2024 Boys 5th-6th Grade Basketball Grizzlies 27, Spurs 22 OT

Thursday's matchup between two very talented squads was everything the fans wanted it to be, with regulation not being enough to determine a winner. At the end of the first quarter, the Grizzlies held a 2 point lead, 9-7. Cole Bova came out hot, scoring 6 in the first guarter to give his Grizzlies the lead. Andrew Camp also added a bucket, while Max McDonald cashed in a free throw. For the Spurs, JR Floss had two buckets in the frame, while Bobby Welch scored and Andrew Rados hit a free throw. The second quarter saw both teams lock up on defense, as the Spurs held the Grizzlies to a scoreless guarter to take the lead 10-9 going into the half. In the third, both squads got back on track, with the Spurs retaining their lead 20-17. JR Floss and Jase Swartz dropped 4 points a piece in the frame, while Lucius Benzel also had a basket. For the Grizzlies, they stuck around due to a big 3rd quarter from Caleb Zacher. He had 6 points in the quarter, and Max McDonald also chipped in with a bucket. In the fourth, both teams went back to playing tenacious defense, and regulation was not enough as we were knotted up at 22 after 4 quarters. The Grizzlies were ultimately able to escape with a win in OT, after a big 'dagger' three from Caleb Zacher. They improved their record to 4-1 on the year with the W.

Grizzlies 27	Spurs 22
Caleb Zacher led his team with 9 points, including some clutch baskets to win the game.	JR Floss had a productive game, scoring 11 points to pair with 9 rebounds.
Max McDonald played a complete game, dropping 8 points, 7 rebounds, and 3	Jase Swartz had 4 points, 4 boards, and 3 steals for the Spurs.
assists.	Brantley Hillman played a spectacular game, with 2 points, 9 rebounds, 2
Cole Bova came out hot, scoring 6 early points to help the Grizzlies jump out to a lead.	blocks, and 2 steals. Lucius Benzel and Bobby Welch each
Andrew Camp had 2 points and 5 boards	had a basket for the Spurs.
in the win.	Andrew Rados hit a free throw and pulled down 6 rebounds.
Brayden Keidel added 2 assists for the Grizzlies.	

Thursday, February 8th 2024 Boys 5th-6th Grade Basketball Bucks 25, Timberwolves 15

In the last game of the night at the Youth Center, the Bucks came out with a double-digit victory against the Timberwolves. They possessed an early 9-2 lead at the end of the first quarter, and never looked back. Taytum Buchanan had two baskets in the first, while Ricky Pogorzola and Max Miller also scored. For the Twolves, Kenny Colon scored their lone basket in the first. The Bucks continued to play lockdown defense, keeping their lead going into halftime, 11-3. Ricky Pogorzola added another bucket for them, while Elway Driskell knocked down a free throw for the Wolves. In the second half, both teams started to pick it up but the Bucks remained on top 19-11 entering the fourth. Ricky Pogorzola continued to find success with 4 more points, while Max Miller added another bucket. Roman Cortes also had a big quarter, with a bucket to pair with 5 rebounds. For the Wolves, Oliver Andres had two baskets while Joey Devantier and Paris Calhoun also scored. They trailed by 8 entering the fourth, and weren't able to pull off the comeback as the Bucks held on for their 3rd win of the season.

Bucks 25	Timberwolves 15
Ricky Pogorzola had a great game with 10 points and 5 rebounds for the Bucks.	Oliver Andres led the Twolves with 6 points as well as 3 steals.
Roman Cortes had 5 points, 8 rebounds, 2 assists, and 2 blocks in the win.	Paris Calhoun had 2 points, 4 rebounds, and 3 steals in the loss.
Max Miller was dishing it with 3 assists to go with his 4 points.	Jake Stillman and Joey Devantier cashed in a bucket each for the Wolves.
Taytum Buchanan played a nice defensive game with 4 points, 2 blocks,	Kenny Colon had a basket and 2 steals.
and 2 steals.	Shaun Kennedy and Joey Belair pulled down multiple rebounds in the loss.
Zach Goodwin also scored for the Bucks in the win.	

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Players of the Week



Player of the Week Ricky Pogorzala Bucks

Ricky had his best game of the season this past Thursday as he was on fire on offense. He scored 10 points in the game, but it was efficiency that really made his performance as he shot at an incredibly high percentage as he was only taking good shots. Ricky did more than score as he also handled business on defense with 5 rebounds in a great all-around game.



Unsung Hero Mason Vona 76'ers

Mason was doing a little bit of everything in his game as he was stuffing the stat sheet with 6 points and 7 rebounds. Mason also added a block and a steal as he was quite the x factor on defense for his team. Mason's was making plays all game long and it showed on the court as he played great.