

Reynolds ninth-graders hold off South Stokes for conference win

Reynolds pressured South Stokes into numerous first-half turnovers and converted most of them into fast break baskets to take a 57-31 victory last Friday at South Stokes.

The Demons' victory avenged an earlier loss that the Sauras inflicted upon the Demons on the RJR home court.

RJR's defense, set up to deny the pass by the Sauras, worked to perfection early in the game and helped the Demons come up with several steals off of deflections. Reynolds was able to turn them into layups on the offensive end and blow open a close game.

Reynolds led by a 10-4 score at the end of the first quarter but turned up its defense a notch at the start of the second quarter. Frank Wilson, who led the Demons with 11 points in the game, scored seven points in the period to boost the Demons to a 25-11 halftime lead.

South Stokes came out quickly at the start of the second half and scored the first four points of the third quarter to cut Reynolds' lead to 25-16. But Reynolds went on a 10-0 run to

put the game away.

Kennard Plummer led Reynolds with 12 points and was backed by Wilson's 11. RJR had good balanced scoring in the win. All nine Demons who dressed out for the game scored at least three points.

The Demons also played well on the defensive end, not allowing any Saura player to score in double figures.

Coach Brian Robinson of

Reynolds said he was thrilled with his team's performance.

"This game was a complete turn around from the last time we played them," Robinson said. "Our concentration was better. We've had times this season where we'd forget how to do things our way - rotating, closing out, denying the wing, and a breakdown here or there would kill us. It's good to win and better to do it our way."



Frank Wilson of Reynolds scored seven of his 11 points in the second quarter to get the Demons going in their victory.



Not in here!

Livingstone's defense was too tough for Winston-Salem State to penetrate and the Lady Rams were dealt a loss by the Blue Bears last Saturday. However, WSSU bounced back on Monday night by taking a 61-46 victory over St. Paul's. The Lady Rams square off with division-leader Fayetteville State at the Gaines Center tonight at 5:30 p.m.

Moore leads the way as Spartan locomotive steam rolls another opponent

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The Mount Tabor jayvee boy's basketball team continued its wanton destruction of conference opponents by welcoming Davie County to the warm confines of their home gymnasium on Feb. 7 and then turning up the heat.

It can be argued that the Spartans are the only team that can stop themselves.

"When we come out and think we're just going to win we get in trouble," said Coach Dennis Ring. "If we play hard every minute we're tough to beat. If we don't we're sitting."

It would be the "sitting" that caused Tabor to end the first quarter tied with Davie, 17-17. The two bright spots of their somewhat lackluster play was the hustle and drive shown by Phillip Chinn, who made his first start of the season and finished with 12 points, and Walter Hauser who scored 10. Together, the two buoyed the ship until the start of the second frame when the Spartan juggernaut would shake off the cobwebs.

Defense has been the cure-all for Mount Tabor all year, so at the start of the second quarter coach Ring put on the Spartan's full court trap and watched his troops put on a Kentuckyian-like clinic. "We knew after the first quarter that well didn't play well. We got out hustled for some plays and so the guys started the second quarter wanting to play harder," said coach Ring.

Mount Tabor held Davie County to only two field goals (4 points) in the second quarter



while stringing together 15 points of their own. John Coleman and Brian Curry sparked the Spartan attack and finished with 11 and 10 points respectively. Tabor led 32-21 at the intermission and for all intents and purposes sealed the game with the 15-4 run, unfortunately for Davie County basketball doesn't have a mercy rule and the Spartans wouldn't show any.

Mount Tabor, led by Anthony Moore, used the first three minutes of the second half to score 22 points while pitching a shut out against their opponent. Moore scored 11 of the Spartan's 22 in two minutes, and punctuated his last basket with a thunderous dunk.

"Anthony plays the point in our press and he was getting his hands on everything," said coach Ring. It was like adding an avalanche to the rubble that had already buried Davie.

After the Moore slam Ring retired his starters to the bench and played his bench the rest of the way. As a testament to the Spartan's depth, the bench con-

tinued the stellar play, holding Davie County to 3 points through the rest of the third quarter and outscoring them 20-12 in the fourth to close out the 77-36 throttling.

Coach Ring understands the potential difficulty of keeping his team sharp, so he keeps track of their best efforts as a unit and has his team shoot to better those marks. In the win over Davie County the Spartans set a new season high in points scored, and set their best defensive mark by holding the Spartans to 4 points in the second quarter, 3 points in the third and 36 points in the game.

When asked about how his team continues to put on the pressure when they are blowing teams out of the gym, Ring said, "When our guys get after you they forget about the scoreboard. I honestly don't think they realized how bad they were beating Davie. And when you're playing like that, you take a timeout and tell the kids to just keep doing what they're doing."



LaMar Moore, accompanied by his grandmother, Margaret Epps, and mother, Valjean Moore, signs his grant with Winston-Salem State. Photo by Imas Sivad

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And that sentiment, like the tragedies of the past football sea-

son, puts things into perspective. There are things more important than football. Dodd, Davis, Puryear, Ingram, Moore, Jones,

and Perry understand that; it has made them better players and made certain that they will be remembered as much more.

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