

Madison Basketball Summary For Last Week; Girls Win First

MITCHELL GAME (Dec. 14) BOYS GAME MITCHELL 59-58

Mitchell edged the Madison Patriots by the closest of margins in a game that was close from the start, 59-58, at Bakersville Tuesday night of last week.

The first half of the game was marked with a fast pace and free substitutions. Both teams used a pressing defense for much of the time, but neither team's press was very effective. Madison fell behind 6-0 at the onset, but battled back to stay close throughout the half. The Patriots came within one point of the Mountaineers about mid-way through the second quarter, however, they were unable to take the lead and trailed at halftime 27-24.

The Patriots came out playing very aggressively in the third quarter, and took the lead with 3:47 left in the period. That lead was short lived, though, as the Patriots' hot shooting suddenly went cold, and the Mountaineers pulled back ahead 46-42 at the end of three quarters.

Madison had many opportunities to take the lead in the final eight minutes, but they never did. The decisive factor was the Patriot's horrendous foul shooting. Madison was unable to hit their foul shots while Mitchell sank about 70 percent of theirs during the final quarter. Still the Patriots hung on as the Mountaineers went into a four-cornered flop with over four minutes to go. Joe Walker missed a jump shot from the top of the key with twelve seconds to go and Mitchell grabbed the rebound as they went on to win.

Joe Walker was the game's

leading scorer with 18 points, while Scotty Proffitt and Jimmy Davis had 10 points apiece for the Patriots. Bobby Thompson scored 15 points for the Mountaineers.

MADISON—MITCHELL BOYS

MADISON (58) — Walker 18, Piemmons 2, Proffitt 10, Brady 3, Davis 10, Cody 7, McCormick 7, Mark Cody, Craine.
MITCHELL (59) — Thompson 15, Woody 11, Skillen 4, Sullins 5, Hollifield 8, Buchanan 4, Montgomery 1, J. Phillips 2, Wilson 9, Pittman, J. B. Phillips.
JV Boys: Mitchell 61-55.

Reed scored 7 for the losing Patriots. Donna Bird scored 22 points for the Mountaineers.

GIRLS

MADISON (32) — Gunther 5, Reed 7, Bruce 1, T. Rice 9, Frisbee 2, Reeves 2, Hough 4, Feldman 2.
MITCHELL (43) — Bird 22, R. Runyon 1, Lowery 2, Buevalis 2, M. Runyon 10, Renfrow 2, Colovard 4.

BOYS GAME

(Dec. 17)

EAST HENDERSON 68-49

East Henderson out-shot, out-rebounded, and simply out-played the Madison Patriots on their way to an easy victory Friday night on the Eagles home court. The game marked the Patriots sixth loss in a row this season.

Both teams opened the game with a press; however, the Eagles' press was by far the most effective. Madison's offense was bad but their defense was worse. The Patriots hit only 5 of 21 shots from the field in the first half for a meager 24 percent shooting average. The Eagles continued to romp away and led at halftime, 42-20.

The Patriots opened the second half by scoring the first eight points. Soon the Eagles were back in control as they pulled ahead 56-32 at the end of the third quarter. Play became ragged in the fourth quarter as both teams seemed to be wanting to just get the game over with.

Todd McCormick did not start, but still led Madison scorers with 14 points. Ronnie Burrell led all scorers with 15 points for the East Henderson Eagles.

MADISON—EAST HENDERSON BOYS

MADISON (49) — Walker 13, Piemmons, Proffitt 9, Davis 4, Cody 7, McCormick 14, Lee 2, Craine, Brady.
EAST HENDERSON (68) — Walker 6, Andrews 8, Burrell 15, Davine 10, Whiteside 11, Owenby 2, Saltz 2, Maxwell 4, Prasley 3, Moxley 2, Gibbs 5.
JV Boys: Madison 51-48.

GIRLS GAME

EAST HENDERSON 55-49

The lady Patriots saw a 10-point lead become a 3-point deficit all in one quarter against the East Henderson

Eagles. The Eagles went on to win as Madison never recovered from that first quarter shock, 55-49.

The Patriots started the game with a four-cornered offense and full court press. East Henderson panicked and fell behind 12-2 with 5:49 to go in the first period. The Eagles soon got their show together and outscored Madison 18-5 to

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LYNN MASSEY (23) goes up in a pass from Hollie Hough (10). crowd in the East Henderson-Madison game after receiving a (Terry Gunter Photo)

Greetings
BOB FUREY'S RADIATOR SERVICE

Cynthia Niles Is Shocked At Gas Bill

Cynthia Niles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Niles of Marshall, was justifiably "shocked" recently and with good cause.

Miss Niles, a student at Auburn University, Auburn, Ala., and a classmate shared rooms in a trailer near the university and the two girls were getting along fine until they received a bill from the natural gas company. Opening the envelope containing the bill, you can imagine their surprise when they read the following:

Balance forward, \$9.99; gas charges (for one month), \$8,079.32; other charges, \$0.00; Tax, \$403.97. Total due, \$8,499.58.

After looking wild at each other, they knew that a vast mistake had been made and after several minutes of concern, they quit worrying and started laughing about the one-month bill. They told other friends about their "indebtedness" and they, too, chipped in to help defray the \$8,499.58. Result: about 58 cents.

Anyway, the company was notified of the bill (and mistake) and hopefully will make an adjustment — a large adjustment.

Contradiction
It's amazing how many people acknowledge "The Lord is my Shepherd," and then try and pull the wool over His eyes.

Merry Christmas
In the spirit of this festive holiday, we extend sincere thanks and warm wishes for a truly old-fashioned Christmas.
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Marshall

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS
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Greetings
Wishing you Happy Holidays as Christmas lights the world! Thanks all.
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HARDWARE
Hot Springs

Joyous Christmas
Frosty the snowman and we, hope all your holidays are happy days! Heartfelt wishes and thanks to all our friends.
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Marshall

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Bill Powell, Pharmacist
Mars Hill, N.C.
COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTER PHARMACY

Is your child's toy safe, or hazardous?
Minibikes, motorcycles and children's toys caused an "epidemic" of accidents last year. If any of these items have been added to your household in a Christmas, you'd better take stock.
Nearly 40,000 accidents were recorded last year due to riders of minibikes and motorcycles. So, be with respect! And how about children's play toys?
Seven toy dangers to know include: wrong toy for child's age; sharp edges; small parts; loud noises; sharp points; propelled objects; and electric toys.
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