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A free throw from Emily Powell proved to be the difference in an otherwise even matchup between the Pelicans and Penguins in the Girls Bantam Conference of the Lancaster Recreation Department's Youth Basketball program this past Saturday. Powell's point gave the Penguins a 37-36 victory and leveled their record at 3-3. Hayli Block and Peytyn Chojnacki provided the bulk of the scoring for the winners, netting 12 points apiece, but four points each from Brynn Dillon, Maria Minsterman and Sammie Uhteg were all needed to secure the win.

Isabel Zuppa powered the Pelicans' (4-2) offense, hitting for 14 points, but was ably helped by Peyton Longo's six points, four each from Tessa Kremblas, Quinn Longo and London Tallman and a basket from both Jillian Cummins and Marissa Kremblas.

Every member of the Cardinals scored as they took down the Orioles 40-31 to keep their record perfect at 6-0. Coco Carlsen scored 10 points, as did Keira Farrugia, to top the score sheet. Olivia Ingersoll added eight more, while Maya Farrugia netted 6, Lauren Merz four and Autumn Carney two in the win.

Alisa Overton took game scoring honors with 19 points, to go with six from Paige Lewandowski, four from Kyla Szymanski and a bucket from Katie Myers as the Orioles record fell to 3-3.

The Ducks played the part of the Coyotes in their contest, as they just could not catch the Roadrunners and ended up on the short end of a 38-28 score. Emma Babcock led the Roadrunners with 12 points, but Anna Browne and Steller Firestone also had big games, both scoring six points. Adelaide Heerd, Kara Klimtzak and Gabby Smiech each chimed in with four points and Claire Frey rounded out the scoring with a basket as the 'Runners won for the second time against four losses this season.

Maura Millonzi continued her fine play, totaling 12 points to direct the Ducks' offense. Lauren Jandzinski dropped in eight and Mackenzie Kupka and Julia Lyman split another eight to complete the scoring for the 3-3 Ducks.

Maddie Vanderbosch and Melanie Marcezin both hit for season highs, scoring 24 and 20 points, respectively, as the Blue Jays (3-3) double up on the Eagles, 56-28 in another Bantam Conference matchup. Madelyn Marcezin registered eight points and Sophia Roy four to also contribute to the win.

For the winless Eagles (0-6), Grace Honsberger tallied 10 points, Arianna McMahon six and Marianna Minnuto, Abigail Schlotterbeck and Claire Snyder four each.

Over at Lancaster Middle School, the Suns lost for the first time and the Cavs won for the first time as the Boys Junior Conference draws near the playoffs. Jack Bergum put the Cavs on his back and carried them to their first victory, as he scored 44 points in a 60-54 win over the Nets. Dean Wendel also hit for double digits, netting 10 points and Sam Bergum added four as the Cavs improved to 1-5.

The Nets, who dropped into a last place tie with the Cavs, had three players in double figures, with Adam Gabryszak notching 20 points, Tyler Derkovitz 14 and Michael Diegelmann 10, but came up short nonetheless. Mitch Mycek, with six markers, and Joseph Jalovick, with four, also scored for the Nets.

The Sixers took down an undermanned Suns team, 65-53, behind 20 points from Jack Martindale and 17 from Ryan Corcoran, and evened their record at 3-3 in the process. Peter Skulski pitched in 10 points, while Micah Harry and Richie Kamats added six each and Dylan Bucciferro, Jack Jennings and Liam Jennings trisected another six in the win.

Jack Harrington dropped 35 points on the Sixers but it wasn't enough to avoid defeat. C.J. Kanick continued his fine play with 10 points in support of Harrington, while Tyler Tedesco added four and Sam Atanasio two for the 5-1 Suns.

The Bucks joined the Suns at 5-1, using a balanced scoring attack to best the Wolves, 62-46. J.J. Coughlin (22 points), Noah Zimpfer (18), Braden Deacon (10) and Carter Brown (10) all had big games to power the offense, which also received a bucket from John Gang. Matthew Harshany played a strong defensive game to contribute to the win, as well.

The Wolves, still hanging on to a playoff spot at 3-3, were led by 16 points from Eric Fry and 12 from Zach Doering. Jack Farrugia supplied an additional six points, Conor Cudek four and Gabe Kerner three, while Darius Cervi and Benjamin Cudek split four and Matt Gattuso threw in a free throw in the loss.

Ryan Andolina was the straw that stirred the drink as the Thunder scored early and often and overwhelmed the Warriors, 72-44. Andolina finished with 41 points, but received assistance from all of his teammates, as Jack Speyer netted eight points, Tyler Jiang seven, Andrew Caligiuri and Chris Wargo six each and Michael Wolski four in the Thunder's six victory in as many games this season.

Nate Stojanovski had the hot hand for the Warriors and did his part to keep things close, totaling 15 points at game's end. But that, along with 14 points from Troy Zamrok, 13 from Ryan Taylor and a basket from Gavin Czech, wasn't enough and the Warriors fell to 2-4.

The most exciting game of the day saw the Raptors courageously fight back from a 12-point halftime deficit, yet still come up short against the Nuggets, 44-42. James Berent accounted for half of the Nuggets' (3-3) scoring, netting 22 points. Zach Schmitt hit for 10 more, Noah Boling and Anthony Rozler split eight, Braden Callahan chipped in three and Kaiden Smiech tossed in a free throw for the winners.

Tom Sirianni had his best game of the season, finishing with 21 points for the Raptors (1-5), while his brother Mark notched 11, Ryan Teichmann six and Cameron Vega two in the loss.

Back over at Como Park Elementary School the marquee matchup in the Boys Midget Conference pitted the first place Grizzlies against the second place Clippers in a West Division showdown. The Grizzlies (6-0) showed why they have yet to lose a game yet this season as they opened a 10-point halftime lead and glided to a 48-29 victory. The quartet of Blake Minsterman, who scored 17 points, Nathan Myers, who hit for 13, Luke Mysiak, who netted 10, and Jack Sander, who finished with eight, provided all the points needed for the win.

Robbie Uhteg took game scoring honors as he dropped in 19 points for the Clippers (4-2). Anthony Santiago, in his second game back in action, added six points, with Jordan Szymanski and Quinn Randall each providing an additional bucket for the losers.

While the Grizzlies stayed atop the West Division, the Celtics looked to do the same in the East as they took on the Knicks. Using 16 points from Jacob Gabryszak and 14 from Nolan Beach, the Celts (4-2) did just that with a 44-33 win. Charlie Geary and Ashton Sikora both provided six points in support, as did Aiden Luksch, with two points and numerous rebounds.

The Knicks, who continue to play hard despite an 0-6 record, were led by Micah Dold, who dropped in 12 points. Liam Dold and Andrew Moberg split another 12, while Ryan Zamer scored four, Anthony Cervi three and Brian Koedel two to round out the scoring.

The Bulls and Braves are both chasing the Celtics in the East Division and took to the court in an important divisional matchup. The game was tight throughout and was knotted at 34 at the end of regulation time. Parker Waite, who finished the game with six points, scored the only bucket in overtime to give the Bulls a 36-34 victory. Lincoln Coughlin

had another solid game, finishing with 12 points to guide the Bulls' offense. Blake Osika provided an additional eight points, Drew Zmozynski and Lukas Heerdt four each and Christopher Vlahoff two as the Bulls improved to 3-3.

For the Braves, who enjoyed a 22-14 halftime lead, Ian Shives tossed in 12 points to pace their offense. Noah Jarnot had his best game of the season, finishing with eight points, while Evan Vlahos scored six, Nikola Nikolov four and Timmy Brooder and Mason Brooks two each. Jaedyn Pawlowski provided his usual energetic defense for the 3-3 losers.

The Spurs, fresh off their first win of the season last week, took on the Lakers in search of win number two. The Lakers proved to be too much for the young Spurs, handing them a 44-30 defeat. Petar Stefanov led a revitalized Laker offense with 12 points to go with Alex Fabian's ten in improving the team's record to 3-3. Alex Derkovitz chimed in with eight points, Carter Sexton six and Jason O'Neill four, while Cooper Hillman and Gianluca Pietrantoni split four points to round out the scoring.

Anthony Sirianni matched his season high with 14 points to pace the Spurs' offense. Cole Munschauer supplied 10 more points, Matthew Penner notched four and Alex Seege chipped in a bucket as the Spurs dropped to 1-5.