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Mavericks defeat Warriors in back-and-forth game

In a game that featured 6 lead changes, the Mavericks completed the full comeback to earn a win, 23-20 over the Warriors.

The Warriors started out on fire, thanks to the strong play of Colton Becker (10 points, 7 rebounds) and Brandon Starich (4 points, 6 rebounds). Becker scored the first 6 points of the game, all on nifty lay-ups. For the Mavericks, Preston Loncar (10 points and 10 rebounds) scored a basket and Anthony Baran added a free-throw. At the end of the 1st quarter, the Warriors had an 8-3 lead.

The Mavs began to claw back in the second quarter. Braydon Marcus (12 points, 3 rebounds) scored 5 points, using his speed and agility to run between defenders. In addition, Loncar erupted and went to work inside the paint. Preston scored 6 points in the quarter, all by grabbing up offensive rebounds in the paint. For the Warriors, Colton Becker continued his strong play, as he scored another 4 points and controlled the offenses flow. However, the Mavs had clawed their way back, and the score was tied at 14 at the half.

Each team dug in deep on defense in the second-half. In the third quarter, each team only surrendered 1 basket each. Preston Loncar continued to play hard for the Mavericks, as he ripped down 6 rebounds in the quarter and added the lone basket. Much of the same can be said about Ryan Richner on the Warriors, as he scored the lone basket for his team in the quarter, and ripped down 4 rebounds. Heading into the 4th quarter, the score was tied at 16.

In the 4th quarter, Braydon Marcus went on a scoring barrage for the Mavericks, scoring all 7 of his team's points. Braydon had used a mixture of jump-shots and layups to keep the opponents guessing on his every move. However, the Warriors held their own to keep the game close. Diego Andres hit a jump shot and Ryan Richner added a basket of his own. Ultimately, the play of the Mavericks was too much to bare, as Braydon Marcus hit a huge 3-pointer to give his team the lead.

The Mavericks defeated the Warriors 23-20.