

Thursday February 14, 2019

Rockets 23, Grizzlies 14

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Rockets vs Grizzlies was a defensive, scrappy game that started out with the score 2-1 at the end of the 1st quarter, in favor of the Grizzlies. Andrew Brydges (6 points, 6 rebounds, 1 steal) hit the basket for the Grizzlies. Braedon Dembek (5 points, 8 rebounds, 3 steals) and Tristan McGee did a great job of rebounding for the Grizzlies early. On the Rockets side of the ball, Johnathan Touma (7 points, 1 rebound, 2 steals) and Taydan Williams (6 points, 5 rebounds, 1 assist, 4 steals) made life difficult on their opponents, meeting the Grizzlies players with a lot of pressure.

The 2nd quarter saw the scoring open up, as Andrew Brydges hit a floater, and then Braedon Dembeck finished a lay-up off an offensive rebound. However, the Rockets offensive fire-power began to blast-off. Johnathan Touma started the scoring with a hard take to the basket for 2 points, and then Taydan Williams and Michael Mikulski (4 points, 5 rebounds) did the same to tie the game at 8. With under 30 seconds remaining in the half, Presten Manzare (2 points, 5 rebounds, 5 steals, 3 blocks) hit a 10-foot jumper to give his team the lead, 10-8.

The Rockets blew the game open in the 3rd quarter, holding the Grizzlies scoreless in the frame. Maximus Townsend (5 points, 3 rebounds) had a quick basket, and then Taydan Williams added a couple of baskets. The Rockets led 17-8 at the end of the quarter. A large part of their success was their vicious defensive attack, which met their opponents at half-court with immense pressure. This was led by Mason Mikulski (4 steals) and Michael Mikulski.

The Rockets held onto the lead and didn't look back in the 4th quarter, defeating the Grizzlies 24-14.

In the defeat, Braedon Dembek hit a deep 3-pointer from the logo as time expired. In addition, Anthony Morgan ripped down 4 rebounds for the Grizzlies, and Zack Vinkle had 2 rebounds.