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## **Grizzlies 19, Bulls 13**

### *Grizzlies defeat Bulls in defensive battle*

If you love defense, then this was the game for you. The Grizzlies defeated the Bulls in this defensive battle, but it was each team's defensive efforts that kept the game so close. The Bulls held the 4-3 at the end of the first, after Michael (2 points, 4 rebounds, 1 block) and Mitchell Sayeta (5 points, 4 rebounds, 1 block, 1 steal) each hit 15-foot jump shots. The Grizzlies got the scoring going off of a basket by Braedon Dembek (3 points, 3 rebounds, 1 assist, 2 blocks) in the paint, and then Anthony Christian (8 points, 4 rebounds, 2 steals) hit a free-throw. At the end of the first quarter, the score was 4-3 in favor of the Bulls.

Each team began to open up the scoring a bit in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. The Grizzlies were led by Andrew Brydges (5 points, 4 rebounds, 3 steals, 2 blocks), who scored 4 points in the quarter. Tristan Mcgee (2 points, 4 rebounds) also worked very hard in the paint, adding a basket. For the Bulls, Mitchell Sayeta added another basket, and Payton Hutchinson scored off a nice move to the basket. At half-time, the Grizzlies led 11-8.

Each team dug in on the defensive end in the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Anthony Christian, Anthony Morgan, and Matthew Brydges played great defense in the quarter, not allowing any players past them. On the Bulls side, Payton Hutchinson and Philly Onevelo (1 point, 3 rebounds, 4 steals) played great defense as well.

The Bulls found scoring from Talan Garver (2 points, 7 rebounds, 1 steal, 1 block) and Philly Onevelo during the quarter, while Anthony Christian and Andrew Brydges scored for the Grizzlies in the quarter. The Grizzlies led, 14-12.

Anthony Christian took over for the Grizzlies in the 4<sup>th</sup>, scoring 5 points—including a huge 3-pointer—to help his team pull away. He did a great job of snatching steals and pushing the ball up the court, controlling the pace of play. The Bulls didn't go away without a fight, as Talan Garver and Leo Janowsky each ripped down 3 rebounds in the final frame. However, the play of the Grizzlies was too much to overcome, as they went on to win 19-13.