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Mavs 45, Trailblazers 21

Marcus lifts Mavs over Trailblazers

Braydon Marcus had a game to remember, as he dropped 32 points in his team's victory over the Trailblazers. Marcus was unstoppable, using his speed to run past the Trailblazers defenders. In the first quarter alone, he scored 14 points. He showed off his awareness by going to the basket for open lay-ups, while also shooting 3-pointers when necessary. In the 1st quarter, he had 2 3-pointers. Preston Loncar (11 points, 11 rebounds, 3 steals) also got in on the action, scoring 4 points in the quarter. The Trailblazers did play solid offense in the quarter, as 5 players registered a basket. CJ Battaglia (5 points, 3 rebounds), Aiden Shingleton (6 points, 3 rebounds, 2 steals), AJ Millar (2 points, 11 rebounds, 1 assists), Braxton Vailancourt (2 points, 4 rebounds) and Caleb Herbert (2 points, 5 rebounds). At the end of the 1st quarter, the Mavs led 18-10.

The Mavs began to pull away in the 2nd quarter, as Marcus added another 6 points on coast-to-coast lay-ups to the basket, and Preston Loncar scored 4 points by grabbing offensive rebounds in the paint. In the quarter for the Trailblazers, Aiden Shingleton hit 2 jumpers, and AJ Millar grabbed 3 rebounds. At half-time, the Mavs held a commanding 28-14 lead.

Each team played tight defense in the 3rd quarter, as Kyle Wozniak of the Trailblazers was the only player to score a basket. CJ Battaglia and Chase Hitzges (3 steals) did a good job of pressuring the ball in the quarter for the Trailblazers. Although Preston Loncar had the lone free-throw for the Mavs in the quarter, he grabbed 5 rebounds.

The Mavs sealed the deal in the 4th quarter, as Marcus scored 6 of his 10 points in the frame during the final 3 minutes, as he blew past the defense for easy lay-ups. Connor Wurl (2 points, 5 rebounds) and Preston Loncar also added baskets during the frame. For the Trailblazers, Wesley Stahl and Cullen Battaglia added lay-ups.

The Mavs went on to win, 45-21.