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Raptors 30, Mavs 18

Raptors out pace Mavs

After a slow start, the Raptors went on to run away from the Raptors 30-18. Each team played stingy defense in the 1st quarter, making it difficult to get any momentum going for either offense. At the end of the 1st , the score was tied at 4. Braydon Marcus (12 points, 4 rebounds) and Preston Loncar (6 points, 11 rebounds, 7 steals) got opening baskets for the Mavs, while Devan Barnwell (6 points, 3 rebounds, 1 assist, 5 steals) and Brendan Dalke scored for the Raptors.

The Raptors broke the game open with a 8-2 run in the 2nd quarter, as they found success using great teamwork, which carried them for the remainder of the game. Great defensive pressure led to great offensive possessions for the Raptors. In the 2nd quarter, Ryan Brady (6 points, 5 rebounds, 2 steals) did a great job of going to the basket, scoring all 3 of his baskets. Guards Devan Barnwell, Spencer Juliano (6 points, 2 rebounds, 1 assist, 4 steals), and Michael Touma (8 points, 1 rebound, 3 steals) did a great job of working together all morning, finding the open teammates down low. At the end of the 1st half, the score was 12-6 Raptors.

The Raptors trends continued in the 2nd half. Michael Touma scored all 8 of his points in the 2nd half, making great decisions with the basketball to get open looks, and finding open teammates. Spencer Juliano also did a great job pushing the ball up the court, finding Devan Barnwell and Aidan Mcguire on cuts to the basket. The score was 24-10 at the end of the 3rd.

The Mavs cut the lead in the 4th quarter, thanks to great defensive pressure from Braydon Marcus, who then used his speed to get open layups. Preston Loncar also added a basket. However, the Raptors used their cushion to stay ahead of the Mavs, as Spencer Juliano added a jump shot and Touma hit 2 floaters. In the win, Carter Micoli added 3 rebounds and 4 steals, and Jackson Hacker also grabbed a few rebounds and had an assist.

The Raptors won, 30-18.