

Saturday, February 9, 2019

*Suns 34, Trailblazers 11*

### **Suns burn out Trailblazers**

A Will Meyers triple-double (16 points, 17 rebounds, 10 steals) led the way for the Suns in their victory over the Trailblazers. The Trailblazers started off strong, as Cullen Battaglia (4 points, 5 rebounds) Mert Kreps, and Aiden Shingleton (4 points, 5 rebounds) got early baskets to give their team a quick 6-2 lead. However, the Suns answered back, and didn't look back.

The Suns offense flowed through Blake Deloreto (12 points, 6 rebounds, 7 steals) and Will Meyers. Blake added a basket in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, and then Will Meyers took over. Meyers went off as soon as he stepped on the court, scoring 8 points in the opening quarter with ease. At the end of the first quarter, the Suns led 10-6.

Jared Volz (6 points, 5 rebounds) had a strong game for the Suns too, finding open teammates and pushing the ball up the court. Volz added 4 points in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. Owen Englert also played great defense all morning, adding a basket off of grabbing a steal. At half time, the Suns had a commanding 20-10 lead.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> half was all Suns, as Blake Deloreto and Volz connected for 3 total baskets in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, and then 4 more points in the 4<sup>th</sup>. Javier Ortiz pressured the ball as soon as it crossed half-court, which allowed his teammates to intercept passes, and go to the basket to score easy lay-ups. Will Meyers continued his scoring streak, helping the Suns finish the game with 6 4<sup>th</sup> quarter points.

In the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, Trailblazers Cullen Battaglia did a good job of getting to the basket and drawing fouls. Braxton Vailancourt also did a good job of finding open spots on the court, adding a free-throw to his resume.

The Suns ultimately defeated the Trailblazers 34-11.