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### HOT SHOTS BLAZE PAST ANKLE BREAKERS TO MOVE TO CHAMPIONSHIP

In a battle of the 2 seed versus the 3 seed, the ANKLE BREAKERS had their ankles broken as the HOT SHOTS hit the ground running and never looked back to move to next week's championship, 47-32. Guard Quinn Haynes led the way with another strong outing as he scored 21 points while Val Moscato added 9 points. Only one player finished in double-digit scoring for the ANKLE BREAKERS- Alex Fletcher had 12 points along with 6 rebounds, 2 assists and 2 steals.

The HOT SHOTS, coached by Lou Medina, built a 15-2 at the end of the first quarter with multiple contributors on the scoresheet. Haynes scored a three-pointer and a pair of lay-ups while Aidan Ferry scored all of his 4 points on a pair of lay-ups. Jack Baker and Andrew Barnes added a basket apiece as well. Meanwhile, Nicolas Moreno scored the lone basket for the ANKLE BREAKERS.

The HOT SHOTS continued to dominate in the second quarter and were still in the driver's seat at halftime, 31-16. Haynes and Moscato had 7 points apiece while Barnes added a basket and 5 rebounds. Fletcher heated up for the ANKLE BREAKERS as he scored 8 points while Moreno added a couple of baskets and Alex Antonacci had a nice breakaway basket.

In the third quarter, the HOT SHOTS built one of their biggest leads of the season, 18 points, as they had a 40-22 lead. Haynes had 5 points, including a three-point play, while Moscato and Barnes added a basket apiece. Barnes finished the night with 6 points and 12 rebounds. Dominic Hickok carried the workload for the ANKLE BREAKERS as he scored 4 of his 6 points on the night (also had 3 rebounds). Jacob Schiesser scored the other basket for his team.

By the fourth quarter, the game was out of reach as Nick Syposs put the cherry on top for the HOT SHOTS. The guard scored all of his five points, including a three-pointer, as his team punched a ticket to next week's championship against SLAMA JAMA. Fletcher scored 4 points while Moreno and Antonacci scored a basket apiece for the ANKLE BREAKERS, coached by Jordan Fox.

In the victory, Syposs added 4 rebounds and 2 assists; Ferry finished with 6 rebounds and 2 assists; Baker added 4 rebounds; and Braeson Reese-Scott finished with 3 rebounds.

In the loss, the ANKLE BREAKERS, who finished the 2018 campaign with a 4-5 record, found contributions from Moreno (8 points, 8 rebounds), Schiesser (4 rebounds) and Woroniecki (2 rebounds).

The HOT SHOTS will face SLAMA JAMA in the championship on August 22 at Payne Park beginning at 6 PM.