

Monday, January 27th 2020
Bulls 24, Purple Eagles 19

Bulls “steal” the win away from the Purple Eagles

It took a second for the Bulls to warm up but once they did, they didn't look back. In Monday night's 5th and 6th grade girls 7pm game, the Purple Eagles began what looked to be an easy stroll to the “W” for the evening. Serena D'Amico scored 9 first quarter points to blast ahead of the Bulls 10 – 2. Teagan Leith ensured the Bulls didn't get too many scoring chances by pulling down 5 rebounds and getting 4 steals. The Bulls got on the board with very little time left in the 1st with a jump shot by Grace Giesing. Defense and shot selection were key for the Bulls coming into the 2nd period. Paige Raymond started her scoring drive by putting up 4 along with 2 more from Grace Giesing. A strong defensive stance by the Bulls held the Purple Eagles to just 4 points, 2 from Haley Geartz and D'Amico adding another 2 to her total. Coach Bernas rallied the troops at halftime, instilling in the team the confidence they needed to start taking more shots and getting aggressive under the boards. Charlotte Lyons and Gabby Giesing each tossed up 4 points each. Gabby Giesing was also integral to her team's comeback as she snatched the ball away 7 times from the Purple Eagle offense. Lila Mirowski scored 2 points and pulled down 2 rebounds as the Bulls saw themselves ahead on the scoreboard for the first time of the night. The 4th quarter would prove to be an overload of excitement as Maddie Carron found her rhythm and scored 4 along with 7 rebounds showing the Purple Eagles would not go down without a fight. But the Bulls, energized by Olivia Schmidt with 6 rebounds and 4 steals, received a couple more points from Mikayla Campbell (2) and Raymond (2) which would make her high scorer of the game with a total of 8. When the buzzer rang out, the Bulls found themselves able to stay on top, with a year high 23 team steals and take the victory right out from underneath the Purple Eagles, 24-19. Next week the Undefeated Bulls will take on the undefeated Golden Giffs in what will surely be the match up of the week.

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Golden Griffs 42, Bonnies 16

What a "Day" for Annabelle Day as her triple-double leads the Griffs past the Bonnies.

Right off the jump ball, the Griffs went to work against the Bonnies as Addison D'Andrea (10 points, 6 rebounds, 3 steals, 2 blocks) scored quickly to give the Griffs 4 points while Lily Day (8 points, 16 rebounds, 1 assist, 7 steals, 4 blocks) contributed with 4 points of her own to give the Griffs an 8-0 lead. To round out the high scoring quarter, Juliana Haacker (6 points, 12 rebounds, 2 assists, 3 steals) hit a mid range jumper to give the Griffs a 10-0 lead. Emma Miller and Emma Bush combined for 7 rebounds in the quarter for the Bonnies.

In the second quarter it was Annabelle Day who went off as she scored 8 points in the quarter by attacking the basket for layups and second chance opportunities. D'Andrea added a basket of her own to extend the Griffs score to 20 points. Lily Day had an astounding 9 rebounds in the quarter to help her team on the defensive side of the ball. Emma Stahl (2 points, 7 rebounds, 8 steals, 4 blocks) was able to get her team on the scoreboard as she was able to slice and dice to the basket for a layup. Bonnie's Lexi Gampp (6 points, 9 rebounds, 3 steals) added a basket of her own to give the Bonnies 4 points at the end of the first half. The Griffs extended their lead to 20-4.

It was same Annabelle, different quarter as she went on to score 6 points while also adding 5 rebounds and 4 assists to have a very well rounded quarter for her team. Hannah Talarico assisted on one of Annabelle's baskets in the quarter. Amber Gambino (4 points, 3 rebounds, 4 assists) had 2 of her 4 assists in the third quarter as well as the Griffs did an excellent job as a team passing the ball around. Madison Mascardo added a rebound for the Griffs as well. For the Bonnies, it was difficult to find the basket as the team was not able to score in the quarter, but continued to give 110% effort on the court. At the end of the third the Griffs continued to lead 32-4.

In the fourth quarter, it was a total team effort for the Griffs as 4 girls were able to score for the team as Addison D'Andrea, Lily Day, Gambino, and Haacker who all scored for their team while Annabelle Day assisted on 4 of those baskets. Sophie Virgillo and Jessica Lindhurst was able to lock things down defensively for the Griffs. Emma Miller (8 points, 13 rebounds, 5 steals) of the Bonnies provided an offensive punch for her team as she was able to score 8 points in the final quarter. Gampp also scored 4 in the quarter while adding 3 rebounds as well. Nora Davidson and Natalie Prezioso each grabbed a couple rebounds in the final quarter to help on defense. Ultimately, the Griffs went on to win 42-16.

In the win, Annabelle Day finished with a triple-double (14 points, 13 rebounds, 9 assists, 8 steals, 10 blocks) as she had an all around amazing game in which she was able to score while also being a team player and looking for the open teammate.

Player of the Week



Anabelle Day—Golden Griffs

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Unsung Hero



Serena D'Amacio

Even though the Purple Eagles suffered a tough loss, Serena D'Amico showed her team may have been down at time but should never be counted out.

She sparked her teams early lead by scoring 9 of the Purple Eagles 10 first quarter points. She lit up the stat sheets by adding 5 steals, 11 rebounds and 3 blocks to her game total.