

Blitz Thurston, 80-53

Franklin Cagers Gain Revenge

Tim Dietz tied a school scoring mark as Franklin headed "an old wound" in toppling Thurston, 80-53...

from the field in the first match, 32 of 64, while Franklin shot 26 of 67 for a 29 per cent...

quarter to lead at the half, 39-22. The first quarter score was the closest Thurston could get...

outbursts while Thurston mustered 10 in the third and 21 in the final quarter.

Graham scoring 14 and Luch added 11. STEVE HUNTER led Thurston with 14 points...

momentum is building and I have had the same starting five in there, the last six games."

DIETZ tied a mark set by Charles Wiggins in 1969 against Oak Park with 36 points.

"In our early season nightmare against Thurston we played their type of game and ran with them," said Franklin Coach Bob Visser.

Thurston shot 50 per cent

Harrison Title Hopes Vanish With Mott Loss

By TOM DONOGHUE Observer Sports Editor

Any hopes Farmington Harrison had of a Western Six basketball crown will have to wait to next season...

The Hawk cagers had an outside chance to catch front-running Churchill but first had to get by Waterford Mott.

Harrison lost to Mott in the first meeting, 79-56.

"We plain got zipped," said Harrison Coach Bob Sutter.

"They came out and surprised us with a 2-2 zone. They have been using a man to man press against everyone and the tight zone threw off our complete game plan."

Mott's 6-6 senior center Don Allen got things rolling with the first bucket and Harrison fell behind at the end of the first quarter, 24-13.

HARRISON moved into a

full court press in the second quarter and came up with steal after steal and the score was tied at the half, 34-34.

Jim Mason and Jeff Sietloff collected 12 and 10 points respectively in the half to put Harrison back in the game but the tide was soon to reverse back to the first quarter style.

Mott opened the second half

with seven straight points and Harrison was outen in the first two minutes of the quarter with Mott jumping to a 38-44 third quarter advantage and outscoring the Hawks in the final period, 21-12, to stand 5-2 in league play.

"The key factor was the fast of the Mott defense blocking Sietloff off in the key," said

Sutter. "He had only one field goal in the second half."

"In addition to blocking off his shooting, Mott kept him off the boards with only six rebounds. He has been averaging about 14 per game," added Sutter.

MASON led Harrison with 18 points, followed by Sietloff with 15.

Russ Poster paced Mott with 21 points. Mark Lawrence added 16 and Jerry McKay collected 11.

Mott scored 55 per cent from the field on 31 of 56 shots while Harrison had 18 of 54 for 33 per cent.

Harrison plays at Northville Friday and at Eisenhower on Tuesday.



HAWK JUMPER - Harrison's Jeff Sietloff (44) goes high in the air for a two-pointer against Waterford Mott with Russ Porritt defending. (Observer photo by Tom Donoghue)

GC East Keeps Going With 79-64 Triumph

Garden City East returned to its winning ways with a 79-64 cage victory over Robichaud, but the Panthers remain two games off the pace in the Mid-Wayne race.

Inkster, said East Coach Billy Joe Young. "We have won the game with Inkster and we hope to win."

THE PANTHERS hit on 14 of 24 in the first half with Dave Jackson collecting 10 points in the second quarter.

Robichaud went to the line 20 times and hit on 20 and East scored on 27 of 31, with Jackson popping in seven of eight, Jeff DeHarte hitting seven of seven, and Mastasko scoring on seven of seven.

Inkster stands on top with a 7-0 mark which included a eight point overtime win over East.

East jumped out to an eight point lead twice in the first half but Robichaud fought back to trail at the half, 34-32.

Randy Mastasko totaled nine points in the outburst.

Robichaud was headed by Luke Easley with 21 points. Roy Johnson added 12 and John Dillard totaled 11.

Area Top Prep Cage Scorers

Table listing top prep cage scorers with columns for Name, G, FG, FT, PTS, and AVG. Kenney, Redford Union is at the top with 11 games, 119 FG, 31 FT, 269 PTS, and a 24.4 average.

Panthers Win 7th Straight

Redford Union basketball Coach Carl Andrews emphasizes that his team cannot afford to lose, and the Panthers reeled off their seventh straight win in an 84-64 triumph over Edsel Ford.

JACKSON collected 14 rebounds in leading East to a 33-41 advantage. East hosts Wayne Friday.

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