

3/10/2013 SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Mystics 41, Lynx 31:

The Senior Division Championship Game had the Mystics and the Lynx meeting for a third time this season. The Lynx had closed the scoring gap in the first two games, with the Mystics holding on in the final game of the regular season to win by seven. This time defense and rebounding were the keys to victory as the Mystics held the Lynx to eleven first-half points to take a nine point lead into the half. The second half was a very even affair as the Mystics survived three players fouling out. Leading the rebounding effort was Maggie Murray (who had a double/double in less than 13 minutes of playing time)! Claire Sherrill and Bonnie Wilder each had six rebounds, a season high for Claire. Also contributing to the rebound totals were Cynthia Paddyfote, Kaye Paddyfote, Ana Jaworski, Sophia Mantilla, and Meghan Alquist. Gillian Haverty led the Mystics with four steals with Maggie Price, Maggie Murray, Cynthia Paddyfote, Kaye Paddyfote, Bonnie Wilder, and Ana Jaworski credited for thefts during the game. The Mystics scoring effort was led by Cynthia Paddyfote (11) and Maggie Murray (10). Gillian Haverty, Bonnie Wilder, Kaye Paddyfote, Ana Jaworski, Claire Sherrill, and Meghan Alquist all chipped in points too. Bonnie Wilder capped off her season by once again leading the Mystics in assists with Maggie Murray, Gillian Haverty, and Cynthia Paddyfote all sharing the ball that led to made baskets. The Mystic players and coaches would like to recognize the effort and determination demonstrated by our final opponent, the Lynx. Well done!

In an exciting league Championship game the Lynx fought as hard as they could but ultimately couldn't stop the undefeated Mystics. The Lynx came out strong and fighting

to prove they weren't going to let it be easy for the Mystics. Scoring were Victoria Quinonez (11), Caroline O'Keefe (8), Mya Colon (8), Maitland Bailey (2), and Eleanor Struthers (2). Coming into the game the Mystics and Lynx had already played each other twice with the Mystics taking both games. The Lynx knew that in order to keep the game close they would have to slow down the pace and shut down the great outside shooting game of the Mystics. The Lynx accomplished both of those objectives but foul trouble ultimately played a factor in the Mystics pulling away. Both teams had a fantastic and successful season. All the coaches for the Lynx are extremely proud of the girls handwork, dedication, and team spirit all season!

3/9/2013 SENIOR SEMI-FINALS

Lynx 26, Sun 22:

The Lynx played a hard fought game against the Sun in the semi-finals. Ultimately the Lynx were able to come out on top winning 26-22. The Sun really brought it to the Lynx today even coming out in the lead after the 1st quarter. It took great teamwork and contributions from all Lynx players to get the win. On the offensive end Mya Colon led all Lynx scorers with 6 points, Grace Gauchers contributing 4 points, Emily Burnett and Victoria Quinonez each adding 3 points, and Caroline O'Keefe, Savanna Sierra, and Alysha Williams with 2 points a piece. Our guards really added some great pressure on defense while our tall forwards stepped it up on the boards. With both teams taking a lot of shots that weren't dropping it ultimately came down to defense. We are going to the "SHIP" girls!

Mystics 39, Liberty 18:

This semi-final matchup started slow as both teams missed some easy shots playing at Conard High School for the first time. The score at the end of the first half was 10 - 10. That

total was the Mystic team low for the year as the Liberty deserve credit for their hustle and intensity. The third quarter pressure the Mystics applied helped jump start the scoring. Maggie Murray opened up the fourth quarter with three quick steals and converted those for six points that put the game out of reach. Bonnie Wilder and Maggie Murray each scored thirteen points to lead our scoring. Cynthia Paddyfote, Kaye Paddyfote, Gillian Haverty, and Sophia Mantilla also contributed to the scoring column. Once again we shared the basketball as Meghan Alquist, Cynthia Paddyfote, Kaye Paddyfote, and Ana Jaworski all tallied at least two assists. Defensively the Mystics accounted for twenty steals with Maggie Murray, Maggie Price, Bonnie Wilder, Kaye Paddyfote, and Ana Jaworski all taking part in the theft of the ball. The Mystics effort in the second half helped close the game on a 29-8 run. The Liberty played hard the whole game and should be commended.

WEEK OF 3/3/2013

SENIOR DIVISION:

Sun 24, Shock 21:

In a closely played, exciting game in the first round of the playoffs, the Sun defeated the Shock by a score of 24 to 21. Isabel Kaufman, coming back off an injury which caused her to miss 4 games, led the Sun's scoring with 11 points. Maria Porth chipped in 4 points and Grace Coll and Siobhan Buckley had key 4th quarter baskets. Alex Barnett calmly sank the front end of a 1 and 1 with 10 seconds left in the game to help secure the victory. The entire Sun team played excellent defense and did a great job of rebounding. Kudos to a Shock team that played hard the entire game.

Mystics 40, Dream 13:

In the first round playoff game against the Dream, the Mystics continued their unselfish ways by once again having double digit assists! Bonnie Wilder and Maggie Murray led the way with great passes, creating open looks for their teammates. Another example of the Mystics unselfish play was that everyone scored! Cynthia Paddyfote (10), Bonnie Wilder (9), Maggie Murray (6), Kaye Paddyfote (4), Meghan Alquist (2), Claire Sherrill (2), Gillian Haverty (2), and Ana Jaworski (2) all contributed to the cause. Maggie Murray, Bonnie Wilder, Kaye Paddyfote, and Ana Jaworski combined for more than fifteen steals to lead the Mystics defensively. Every player garnered a rebound as well. A great team effort!

Lynx 37, Sparks 14:

The Lynx were able to overcome some sloppy offensive play in the 1st half to beat the Sparks 39-12 in the first round of the playoffs. Leading the Lynx in scoring was Victoria Quinonez with 15. Also, adding to the score were Mya Colon (8), Caroline O'Keefe (8), Maitland Bailey (2), Eleanor Struthers (2), and Emily Burnett (2). The whole Lynx team came out in the 3rd quarter playing a great zone defense and really stepping up their aggressiveness.

Liberty 38, Storm 31:

In a game full of drama, the end did not disappoint as the Liberty made a valiant comeback over the Storm to win 38-31. The comeback was led by the great effort of Meg Melly's 19 points and 5 steals, 11 points in the last 4 minutes. Also, leading the way for the Liberty was Katia Araya with 8 points, 7 rebounds, and 8 steals. Contributing big was Nicole Abrahamsen with 4 points, 11 rebounds and 4 steals. Chipping in the rest was Rachel Chozick with 3 points and 3 steals, Cloe Macko with 2 points, and Lili St. Amand with 2 points and 4 rebounds. Rounding out the rest was Karly Zetoff with 6 big rebounds, Lauren Nasby with 3

rebounds and 3 steals, and Mikela Fisher with some great defense and screens. Her made basket was just called off as time expired in the first half. A great effort by both teams in an exciting game to the finish.

JUNIOR DIVISION:

Pittsburgh 36, North Carolina 34:

WOW, WHAT A GAME! This game was a coaches dream come true! All the girls were "running on all cylinders" today! Everyone contributed in all aspects for the final game of the season. Now for the shout-outs! Sophia Ellavasky was our first double-digit scorer of the season with 12 points! She was simply a rebounding machine today, always in the right spot at the right time! Sophia also hit a game-ending buzzer-beater to win the game! Maggie Grant had her finest game of the season with ferocious offense and defense, playing a simply outstanding game on both ends of the floor! Zoe Pizzoferato's offense emerged today and she scored 7 big points. Zoe's Mom explained that she was really putting in a lot of practice time during the week and it really made the difference for our team today! Hats off to Molly Binder's effort today! Molly is one of the leagues most gifted players, who is capable of doing anything she sets to accomplish. Not only can Molly cover 2 or even 3 players at a time on defense, she can also shoot with the best of them. Molly worked so hard this year in practice and in the games that she made it a pleasure for the entire coaching staff! Anne Horton, Mia Jaworski, and Victoria Conlon all played a super solid game and contributed on the offensive side of the ball. The coaches are all so proud of the wonderful team effort made in today's game! Special thanks to all the girls for working so hard this year and making it so much fun for everybody involved!

Maryland 25, Georgetown 24:

Ahhh, parity. This was our final game and the sixth that ended a point differential of one or less (yes, we tied twice this season). The final observation of our coaching staff was how well the girls learned team work and fundamentals. We never keyed off our star players; we let the girls pass to the open player. They developed excellent mid-range shooting, great passing, good rebounding and exceptional defense including help defense. The girls should all be proud, some for being unselfish, some for their sportsmanship and some for their improved skills. So we lost by one with Emma Boulter and Julia Vide playing the best games of their careers. Anne Tulikangas made a great aggressive layup, smooth as silk. Elizabeth Pillow gained confidence and rebounded well after studying Colleen Aspell's well-honed weak side rebounding skills. Emma Kane began asserting herself on offense while Lindsay Fox became confident driving to score. Olivia Marsella scrapped for every loose ball. Isabella Mocadlo showed she was our rookie of the year and a future point guard having watched Olivia Pascon's domination at that position all season. Finally, Ellie Parker's determination and effort was a constant all year, as her improvement continued every minute of each game. It was a great season with a terrific group of athletes.

MINOR DIVISION:

Bobcats 26, Bluejays 16:

The Bluejays played their best game of the season today in a hard fought game with the tenacious Bobcats, who outlasted us in the fourth quarter. Cindy Schumey saved her best scoring day of the year for today, with 10 points and played aggressive, smart defense as well. The team made lots of progress in our passing with good ball fakes and more crisp passes that were easy to handle. Ruth Dunlop, Emma Kellar,

Cindy Schumey and Zoe Morrow were standouts, but everyone had multiple passes that were smart, sharp and on the money. Defensively, Emma Kellar, Cindy Schumey, and Ella O'Connor continued to excel and Gigi LaForte, Carmen True, and Caragh Maloney played well also! We have begun to understand that we play defense by moving our body/feet and not reaching. They were all fun to watch! In the open floor, Libby Schmerzler continued to push the ball aggressively and this helped spark momentum while Ruth, Ella, and Emma sprinted back on defense consistently to stop lay-ups by the 'Cats. The Bluejays has lots of energy and camaraderie today. With injured players Issy Rome and Greta Magendantz leading the active, super-supportive bench, it was a great day to be a Bluejay.

Bulldogs 26, Cardinals 16:

In the last game of the season, both teams worked hard throughout the game. The Bulldogs showed excellent teamwork and worked together to pull off a victory. Great defense by Miranda, Mia, and Genevieve. Chase played hard and contributed to defense and offense. Hannah and Helene worked well together to rebound and score multiple baskets. Mia made great passes. Sophia made several key points. Every bulldog player contributed much to the success of this game! Great season Bulldogs!!! You certainly demonstrated today that you learned a lot this season!

Stags 40, Bantams 35:

The last game of the WHGBL 2012-2013 season was certainly an exciting, nail-biting experience for all who witnessed it. The first half was not at all indicative of how this game would be described when it was over. Right from the opening tip-off until the two teams broke for halftime, the Stags seem to be in control of the game and ready to walk off with the win. The Stags guards pushed their offense and scored 8 unanswered points in the first quarter. Mia Burns, Gabrielle

Wojdyl, and Chloe Scrimgeour led the Stags offense as point guards and the three of them relied heavily on their wings, Savannah Paolitto, Beatrice Sierra, Helena Burke as they moved the rock in and around the Bantams defense. Deep in the post positions, Sophie Garner-MacKinnon, Carys Baker, Jacqueline Bonee, Sophie Tulchinsky, and Elizabeth LaMarco stood strong and tall as they defended their hoops and fed many fast breaks. The Stags had a comfortable 12-point lead as the second half began. However, an extremely determined Bantam pack would not leave the court without leaving their mark on this game. As the crowd roared, the Bantams fought tirelessly and soon found themselves up by two points and in the zone with their eye on the win. A shocked Stags team took the court in the fourth period and went back to work. With the Bantams in hot pursuit the Stags had all they could handle to recapture and hold onto the lead. As the final buzzer sounded, the crowd jumped to their feet and cheered endlessly for these gifted athletes that played such an exciting game.

Hawks 32, Camels 28:

The Camel guards showed great court awareness, finding teammates for open looks with pinpoint passes ahead on the fast break. Nicole Deslauriers led the scoring and had several steals. Bridget McGann played aggressive defense. Ava Greene had a nice drive and shot from the baseline, and Riley Dagnall played a solid floor game contributing with defense, loose balls, and passing. The Camels lost the battle on the boards to the Hawks but finished off a great season in a competitive and well-played game.

WEEK OF 2/24/2013

SENIOR DIVISION:

Sun 29, Liberty 21:

In a hard fought physical game to claim the third seed for the playoffs, the Sun defeated the Liberty by a score of 29 to 21. Once again the solid guard play of Alex Barnett and Maria Porth lead to the Sun victory. Alex lead the Suns scoring with 10 points, Maria added 7 points and Stephanie Duzy scored 6 points. Siobhan Buckley chipped in 4 points and had a monster rebounding game. Once again it was a solid defensive effort by the Sun lead by Sammy Tran, Grace Coll and Samya Epps. Grace Andrews had a key basket at the end of the game and was everywhere on the court aggressively pursuing loose balls. Overall a great team effort by the Sun.

The Liberty came up short in a hard battle to the end. Giving a great effort for the Liberty was Lili St. Amand with 7 rebounds and 4 points. Also, contributing big was Nicole Abrahamsen with 11 rebounds. Katia Araya had 5 rebounds 4 points and 2 steals. Rounding out the scoring for the Liberty was Meg Melly with 7 points, Rachel Chozick with 4 points, and Kaliegh Werner with 2 points.

Mystics 52, Lynx 45:

In a fun competitive game where a season league high of 97 total points were scored, the Mystics held on against a tough Lynx team. Each team had the lead several times in this back-and-forth game. Once again the Mystics had double digit assists with Bonnie Wilder and Kaye Paddyfote leading the way with great passes. Cynthia Paddyfote led our team with six steals. Kaye Paddyfote (15), Bonnie Wilder (14), and Cynthia Paddyfote (10) led our team with points. The Mystics had several key players step up and help with scoring with Gillian Haverty hitting two critical shots. Maggie Price also hit a crucial basket and a free throw

during a Mystic run in the second quarter. With a minute left in this tightly contested game, Ana Jaworski drained a three pointer to put the game out of reach. Meghan Alquist and Claire Sherrill played great defense along the back line against their taller opponents. The coaches are very proud of the effort in this undefeated regular season.

In a hard fought battle until time expired, the Lynx were unable to come out on top over the Mystics, losing 45-52. The whole Lynx squad played extremely well, fighting to slow down a fast-paced Mystics team. In the end it was great outside shooting by the Mystics that pushed them ahead. Leading the Lynx in scoring were Victoria Quinonez and Caroline O'Keefe with 23 and 14 points. Also adding to the score were Emily Burnett and Maitland Bailey with 4 points each. Alysha Williams, Grace Gaucher, and Mya Colon had some nice, open shots but couldn't get the ball to drop. On the defensive end the Lynx showed great effort and communication by staying with their offensive players and calling out screens. Eleanor Struthers and Caroline O'Keefe did a fantastic job hustling back on defense to stop fast breaks. Emily, Victoria, Caroline, and Ellen Fuller did a great job crashing the boards on both ends. The Lynx were determined to fight and keep the game close to the very end after our 1st meeting with the Mystics; we didn't get the win but you played great! Awesome job girls!

Dream 19, Sparks 16:

The Sparks lost a close game to a very determined Dream Sunday, 19-16. The Sparks offense sputtered in the first half, but the defense led by Brae Sullivan, Claire Lavalley, and Delina Bartolomei kept the game close. Avigail Rockland again led the Sparks in rebounding, along with Abby McGuire and Felicia Duprey. Mackenzie Brink and Bryanna McKreith played the point and ran the offense in both halves. Hannah Gaumer sparked the Sparks in the second half with

aggressive play and several strong drives to the hoop. Iris Maloney and Michelle Pettigrew played both the guard and forward positions during the game and contributed on both ends of the floor. Congratulations to the Dream on their victory.

JUNIOR DIVISION:

Syracuse 14, Pittsburgh 10:

Pittsburgh's offense was "still on vacation" during the game vs. Syracuse today! Syracuse, to their credit, played very nice team defense against us today. Victoria Conlon and Maggie Grant were rebounding and defending like crazy and Mia Jaworski made a simply amazing pass to one of the best cutters to the basket in the league, Molly Binder. Our leading scorer today was Sophia Ellavsky with 4 points and she also contributed with some key rebounds as well. Helen Garde, Grace Faenza, and Anne Horton each had a bucket a piece. The girls are looking to finish the season strong next week against Team Maryland!

Providence 24, Georgetown 23:

Ahh, a basket, a basket, my kingdom for a basket! After two ties this year, this game looked to be another possibility until Anne Tulikangas sunk a free throw with 7 minutes to go in the game. Now with Georgetown up by a point, we sensed the outcome might be a win or a loss. No more of these soccer-like ties. We got what we wished for, but fell short to Providence and their superior interior rebounding. Georgetown was led once again by our most prolific scorer, Olivia Pascon who continued her assault on the basket, driving continuously into the paint. Anne Tulikangas, back from her broken foot respite, demonstrated her southpaw skills on the opposite side of the lane, while offensive contributions from Colleen Aspell and Emma Boulter kept us close. Defensively, the team performed well

with Isabella Mocadlo, Emma Kane, Ellie Parker, and Olivia Marsella working hard on their defensive slides and pestering the ball handlers. Elizabeth Pillow, Colleen Aspell, and Julia Vide hustled for rebounds all game long. With just one game left, we are all impressed at the progress the girls have made in playing the game of basketball.

MINOR DIVISION:

Stags 28, Camels 12:

As the Stags and Camels met at Conard High School today, the audience capacity overflowed to standing room only while friends, family, many of the WHGBL players and sports fans alike came to witness a plethora of basketball talent as these two teams took to the court on this Sunday afternoon. The Camels came to this game leading the league in offensive points. In six games the Camels averaged 32.8 points per game. However, the Stags showed up with the league's best defensive stats, only allowing their competition an average of 15.2 points in their last six games. These stats seem to tell the tale of the first quarter as both teams took the bench at the end of the first period tied 4-4. Late in the second period the Stags made a few adjustments and kept the ball off the hardwood and away from the Camel's quick hands. Instead of dribbling, the Stags executed some precision passing as they moved the ball inside the paint and hit several low post shots. Helena Burke had one of her best games of the year as she set screens for her point guards and play a superb help defense. Point guard Jessica McNally lit up the boards with some outside jaw-dropping jump shots. Jessica played equally well at defense by hustling down court and defending many of the Camels fast breaks. Sophie Garner-MacKinnon slid up from her post position and planted some well-timed screen for her guards at the top of the key. Sophie also was in the double digits with steals and rebounds. Mia Burns quick ball-handling skills and well-executed passes were an

integral part of the Stags offense. Mia's defensive pressure aided the win as she forced many turnovers. After grabbing a few defensive steals herself and with the Camels in hot pursuit, Chloe Scrimgeour sprinted down court on several successful fast breaks. Early in the third period, Beatrice Sierra suffered an eye injury but refused to leave the court and went onto rip down several offensive and defensive rebounds while putting up some well-placed shots. While the Stags other forwards were setting screens, Sophie Tulchinsky kept careful watch over the lower blocks and baseline. Sophie aided the Stags win with many rebounds and steals along with a picture perfect set shot. Savannah Paolitto had quite a few steals herself as she picked the pocket of a few of the Camels point guards and wings. Whenever a teammate was trapped it always seems that Savannah was there to save the day by providing an outlet to pass to. Whether on offense or defense, Carys Baker refused to let any missed shot land in the opposition hands. Her offensive rebounds would find their way back up to the hoop and her defensive rebounds would be fed to the waiting hands of her point guards and wings. When Carys was getting some much needed rest on the bench, the Stags other center Elizabeth LaMarco stepped in and met the bar that was set high by her teammate Carys. Elizabeth floated toward the boards and tore down more rebounds than she ever has before. She led several fast breaks and even found the time to pop in a few quick shots herself. All of the girls who participated in this game should be proud of the abilities they demonstrated today. One thing is for sure, the fans got their money's worth today as these two extremely talented teams put on one heck of a show.

Despite a valiant effort, the Camels' undefeated season came to an end against a talented and well coached Stags club. The Camels hustled, did not give up and played with great sportsmanship - which made their coaches and fans very

proud. Macy Hanzlik-Barend continued her hot shooting streak with several outside buckets. Emma Rogorzenski contributed with very good interior defense against the tall Stags' frontcourt, and McKenzie Mandyck led the fast break for the Camels.

Bantams 27, Blue Jays 11:

In a hard fought game that included fast breaks, steals, and foul shots, the Bantams pulled off a 27 - 11 victory against a strong Blue Jays team. Leading the Bantams offense was Jocelyn Pires, who scored 8 points and Grace Beazoglou and Mia Olson, each contributing 5 points a piece. Therese Maloney and Morgan Dorsey were strong on both the offensive and defensive boards and led the team in rebounding, combining for a total of 12 rebounds. Marisa Adams was tenacious on defense leading the team with an amazing 12 steals. Ruby Czajkowski and Caitlyn Puleo made it hard for the Blue Jay offense with their relentless press and ball-handling skills, ultimately leading the team in assists. It was a great team effort for the Bantams.

The Bluejays played hard and had some strong moments against a talented and aggressive Bantams team. The Bantams played really strong defense, creating lots of opportunities for them on the offensive end. The Jays continue to improve on defense, learning how to use their feet and bodies to defend rather than reaching with their arms and hands. Defensive standouts today were Gigi LaForte, Carmen True, and Brooke Martindale (again). Against the Bantams' strong defense, the Bluejays' passing improved as the game progressed, using fakes and looking for the easy pass. Emma Kellar, Libby Schmerzler, Cindy Schumey, and Caragh Maloney did particularly well here. The Bluejays made some strides scoring as well and had some big baskets from Zoe Morrow, Issy Rome, and Gigi LaForte. We also had a first today with a made free throw

(Emma Kellar). The coaching staff continues to notice terrific effort and focus. Of special note today was Ruth Dunlop, who arrived right before the game but was focused, ready to go and "dialed in" as usual. As we role towards our last game next week, we continue to appreciate the attention and commitment the girls bring to the Bluejays week after week. We are proud to be their coaches!

Bulldogs 24, Hawks 22:

In a hard fought game that was neck and neck the whole time, the Bulldogs managed to win in the last minute of the game. Mia Brown led in creating turnovers, and Brooke Nemirow played excellent defense. Miranda Scully demonstrated strong defensive effort. Charlotte, Hannah and Helene contributed to the score while Chase, Lauren, Lindsay, and Sophia rebounded and protected the ball. Sophia, despite an injured finger, led the team in steals.

WEEK OF 2/17/2013

SENIOR DIVISION:

Lynx 47, Storm 11:

Playing with only five players, the Lynx were able to pull away from an aggressive Storm team to win 47-11. It was an all-around team effort today on offense and defense. Victoria Quinonez led the team in scoring with 20 points while Caroline O'Keefe added 13, Maitland Bailey dropped 9, and Emily Burnett put in 5. Mya Colon contributed in another way offensively; She made some fantastic passes and really took a leadership role with her play running and unselfishness. Also, a shout-out to Alysha Williams for being on the bench cheering her teammates on despite an injury. Your enthusiasm helped motivate your teammates to push through! As tired as all five of the girls

were, they never showed it and played great basketball today. Awesome job girls!

Sun 43, Dream 22:

The Sun defeated the Dream today by a score of 43 to 22. The Sun were lead today by the dynamic guard duo of Alex Barnett, who scored 18 points, and Maria Porth, who scored 17 points. Samya Epps chipped in 4 points. Stephanie Duzy contributed 2 points and did a great job at the point guard position when asked to play it. Katherine Gillies had a monster game rebounding and also scored a bucket. Grace Andrews and Sammy Tran were stellar on the defensive end and slowed down the Dream offense. It was a great all around effort by an undermanned Sun team playing with 7 players instead of the usual 11.

Mystics 56, Sparks 21:

In Mike Sherrill's head coaching debut, the Mystics played a strong defensive game, including sixteen defensive rebounds and fifteen steals. Maggie Price, Gillian Haverty, and Maggie Murray applied strong defensive pressure throughout the game. Ana Jaworski led the team with five steals and Cynthia Paddyfote and Claire Sherrill led the team's rebounding effort. Leading scorers for the Mystics were Cynthia Paddyfote, Kaye Paddyfote, and Maggie Murray. Meghan Alquist scored six points in the fourth quarter and Bonnie Wilder distributed the ball well, leading the Mystics in assists. Bonnie Wilder also connected on the Mystics 2nd three-point basket of the season. This was a strong game over a well-coached Sparks team.

The Sparks lost to an excellent Mystic team on Sunday despite keeping the game close in the first quarter. The Sparks were led by Avigail Rockland and Hannah Gaumer, who returned from injured reserve for just her second game of the season. The Sparks were also led by solid play from

Michelle Pettigrew, Iris Maloney, and Claire Lavalley at both ends of the floor. The Sparks finish their regular season against the Dream next Sunday.

Liberty 19, Shock 10:

In a defensive battle, the Liberty outlasted the Shock 19-10. Leading the way for the Liberty was Meg Melly with 7 points and 3 steals. Also contributing to scoring were Nicole Abrahamsen and Lauren Nasby with 4 points apiece. Lili St. Amand and Rachel Chozick both chipped in with a basket. A total team defensive effort contributed to 20 steals with 5 coming from Katia Araya and 5 from Lauren Nasby.

JUNIOR DIVISION:

UConn 36, Pittsburgh 21:

UConn played a great team game to defeat a talented Pittsburgh squad. UConn had a balanced scoring attack led by Ciera McCann with 10 points, while Ally Buyak and Maddy "Hot" Cocco each scored 6. Eva Chabot, Jackie Renstrom and Sammy Lee each chipped in with 4 and Reana Mucker had a bucket. Hannah Mack played great at the point guard position making several good passes, while Isabela LeBron-Rivera and Anna Santoro played an excellent defensive game.

Pittsburgh did their best today to keep up with great play of UConn today! Grace Faenza led Pittsburgh's offensive attack with 8 points. Mia Jaworski played her usual high energy game and scored 4 points. Victoria Conlon really stepped up her rebounding today and had a great offensive rebound that resulted in a much needed bucket. Victoria also proved that the "bank was open today" and rattled in a free throw off the glass. Helen Garde knocked in a buzzer-beater to end the first half before leaving the game with an injury. Sarah Sampt and Zoe Pizzoferatto also contributed with 2 points

each. Hayden Neubert is always "in the right place at the right time" when it comes to rebounds. A great thing about playing short-handed today was that the girls got a lot of extra playing time. They will have much more playing confidence for the remaining games of the 2013 season!

Georgetown 28, Syracuse 28:

A hard fought game by both teams, this one ended in a tie after several lead changes down the stretch. Georgetown was led by Olivia Pascon who scored on multiple drives to the hoop while continuing to distribute the ball well at the point. Emma Boulter continued her aggressive play on both sides of the court with scores in the paint and stifling defense. Elizabeth Pillow scored from inside and had several nice passes. There were great rebounding efforts by Olivia Marsella, Emma Kane, and Lindsay Fox, while Julia Vide made excellent decisions with the ball down the stretch when we needed her. With only 7 girls for this game, the team never gave up and hustled throughout. The girls on both teams played with enthusiasm, great effort and good sportsmanship.

MINOR DIVISION:

Camels 28, Cardinals 18:

The Camels exhibited excellent court awareness, finding teammates with precision passes and fed off their strong defense for a very solid team effort. Nicole Deslauriers and Nijja Douglas led the scoring. Lindsey Weiss hit from deep and Macy Hanzlik-Barend scored some buckets from inside. Bridget McGann played smothering defense on the opposing guards and Evelyn Stewart controlled the boards.

Stags 30, Hawks 16:

Storm Nemo gave the Mighty Stags a week off which seem to break their stride a bit. Shortly after the opening tip off, the Stags fell behind 4-0 as a well-drilled Hawks cast swooped in

and put the Stags up on their heels. As the Stags struggled to get back in their groove, the Hawks matched them move for move. If it weren't for the Stag's relentless defense, the Hawks could have flown away to a certain victory. Late in the second quarter, as the Stags defense worked overtime to cage a talented Hawks offense, the Stags offense began to click and soon the pink machine was running on cylinders. The Stags wings and point guard Mia Burns, Helena Burke, Chloe Scrimgeour, Gabrielle Woidyl, Savannah Paolitto, and Jessica McNally generously fed the Stags tall girls Sophie Garner MacKinnon, Jackie Bonee, Beatrice Sierra, Carys Baker, and Elizabeth LaMarco the ball as they picked and pivoted their way toward some hard fought baseline shots. With the Hawks hot on their heels, the Stags held fast to their game plan and slowly pulled away with the win. It was one of the most exciting games played this year and the Stags were humbled and honored to share the court with such a fine group of talented athletes as the Hawks.

Bulldogs 28, Blue Jays 12:

A solid Bulldog victory over a spunky Blue Jay team. It was a fast paced and fun game. Leading in scoring for the Bulldogs were Helene Cummings, Hannah Duzy, and Charlotte Melnitsky. Strong defense by Chase Gengras. Excellent rebounding by Brooke Nemirow and Lindsay Bailey.

WEEK OF 2/10/2013

All games were cancelled due to Storm Nemo. See you next week!

WEEK OF 2/3/2013

SENIOR DIVISION:

Mystics 23, Sun 21:

The Mystics played a well coached and determined Sun team that controlled the tempo of this closely played and exciting game. The Mystics prevailed in the end with timely baskets by Claire Sherrill and Ana Jaworski, who scored with 10 seconds left for the only Mystic lead of the game. Bonnie Wilder and Maggie Murray led the Mystics in scoring on this day when baskets were hard to come by. Maggie Murray, Kaye Paddyfote, Ana Jaworski, and Cynthia Paddyfote combined for 15 steals to help hold the score close. Bonnie Wilder and Cynthia Paddyfote combined for fifteen rebounds and were helped by Meghan Alquist, Gillian Haverty, and Sofia Mantilla.

The Mystics came into this beating all opponents by more than 20 points and scoring more than 40 points a game, but the Sun played great defense and lost on a shot in the last 10 seconds. The guards for the Sun, Isabel Kaufman, Alex Barnett, and Maria Porth were able to control the tempo of the game and slow down the offense of the Mystic. The whole Sun team played a great game defensively. Leading the Sun in scoring was Isabel Kaufman with 10 points, including a 3 point shot. Stephanie Duzy contributed 4 points and Grace Coll had a really timely basket. Maria Porth made two clutch free throws late in the game and Katherine Gillis grabbed some key rebounds in the game.

Liberty 32, Storm 26:

In a very close contest, the Liberty outlasted the Storm 32-26. The Liberty were led by Rachel Chozick and Meg Melly with 10 points apiece. Also contributing to the victory was Nicole Abrahamsen with 4 points and 11 rebounds. Scoring the rest of the baskets with 2 points each was Cloe Macko, Katia Araya, Kaliegh Werner, and Lauren Nasby. The Liberty had solid defense with 19 team steals.

Sparks 34, Dream 27:

The Sparks defeated the Dream Sunday in a hard fought and competitive game by both teams. The Sparks were led by Avigail Rockland and Bryanna McKreith who each scored 8 points, and Abby McGuire and Brae Sullivan who netted 6 points each. The defense was sparked by Iris Maloney and Felicia DuPrey, who also each played their first game at the point guard position. Mackenzie Brink did an excellent job running the offense the majority of the game, dishing out numerous assists, as did Delina Bartolomei. A good team effort by the Sparks overall which was needed to defeat a tenacious Dream team.

Lynx 37, Shock 14:

Coming into the game with the same record, the Lynx were able to pull away in the 2nd quarter to defeat a strong Shock team. Scoring for the Lynx were Caroline O'Keefe (11), Victoria Quinonez (8), Mya Colon (8), Maitland Bailey (4), Emily Burnett (4), and Ellen Fuller (2). Eleanor Struthers and Savanna Sierra also had some really nice shots that just wouldn't drop today. Along with Alysha Williams, Eleanor and Savanna more then made up for it on defense. For another consecutive week, the Lynx continue to show great teamwork and spirit!

JUNIOR DIVISION:

Pittsburgh 25, Tennessee 22:

Pittsburgh's team play continues to develop in a very positive way! Today's game was very well played by both teams. Grace Faenza is turning into quite the point guard and was the game's leading scorer with 9 points. Molly Binder continues to be one of leagues most dominant players on both sides of the court. Maggie Grant had a very aggressive game and had the offense going as well. Sophia

Ellavsky got down to business in the paint and had 2 much-needed offensive rebounds. Victoria Conlon also made a key basket down the stretch and Helen Garde pulled-out a tasty jump shot when Tennessee started a comeback. Mia Jaworski and Zoe Pizzoferrato turned up the D and kept the ball moving well in their rotations. Everyone contributed on Pittsburgh today and the coaches are really proud of way all of the girls are playing!

Superb defense prevailed again, even though Tennessee came up a touch short with a close loss to Pittsburgh. It was a hard-nosed game. Certainly Catherine George and Lexi Smolenski were the two most improved players from the previous week. Catherine set terrific picks and played outstanding defense. Lexi Smolenski started to let her athletic instincts prevail and scored 8 points. Amina Shakeel scored 8 points as well. Liat Bachar, who had been sidelined due to injury, scored 4 points and played good defense. Marley Greene contributed on the defensive end as well. Zoe Houde and Grace Cronin made terrific passes at the guard position. Bella Celio showed everyone that she can play guard and dribble with the best of them. This game was a pleasure to watch and a pleasure to coach.

Georgetown 28, North Carolina 22:

Down 18-12 in the second half, Georgetown played aggressively to take the lead. Anne Tulikangas, back from a foot injury, drove the lane and scored to put Georgetown ahead for good. Emma Kane scored her first 4 points of the season while Olivia Pascon and Emma Boulter continued to score at critical moments of the game. Ellie Parker and Olivia Marcella accepted difficult defensive assignments and performed exceptionally denying passes. Lindsay Fox, Julia Vide, and Colleen Aspell rebounded and hustled the entire game while Elizabeth Pillow had critical steals as she anticipated passes to the wings.

Ah...North Carolina vs. Georgetown, one of the classic roundball round-ups in collegiate history; tenacity, talent, entertainment, everything to mirror the epic 1982 NCAA Championship, save the presence of Air Jordan and Patrick Ewing. Well, and one other slight deviation in the two match-ups was who would exit the court victorious. Alas, this time around Georgetown would ultimately grab the spoils, but not without a melee of historic proportions.

NC held an upper hand for a strong majority of the contest, but late in the game Georgetown would start sinking some impressive Youtube potentialities to even the score at 20 - 20 to begin the final segment of play. High scorer on the game would be the perennial powerhouse Grace Polk with eight points. A close second in the scoring department was Frankie Lynch with a personal season high of 6 points. Others to provide numbers for NC were Paige Carter and Avery Polk. The Polk ladies also hit the boards with a vengeance with each pulling down eight rebounds a piece. Others to come up with the ball off the boards were Carter, Lynch Molly Mohring, and Olivia Bonee. Getting hands on the ball and keeping the Carolina spirit alive throughout were Anya Mogensen, Molly Jones, and Rachel Jopek. Absent from play and sorely missed were Erin Murray and Imani Levy.

MINOR DIVISION:

Stags 22, Bulldogs 12:

In a hard fought game, the Stags held strong and maneuvered their way past a tenacious Bulldogs team. In the first quarter the Stags had a hard time adjusting to the intensity of the Bulldogs defense and fell behind 4 - 0. However, the mighty Stags persevered - finding inspiration in their centers Carys Baker and Elizabeth LaMarco, and their

rebounding on both offense and defense. Gabrielle Woidyl and Beatrice Sierra were tireless in their game efforts, and motivated the team to help them pull to a third quarter lead. The lead could not have been obtained without the great ball handling skills of the Stags guards Mia Burns, Helena Burke, Chloe Scrimgemour, and Savannah Paolitto. Also critical to the winning effort were the Stags forwards Jackie Bonee, Sophie Garner MacKinnon, and Sophie Tulchinsky, whose defensive hard work to contain the Bulldogs offense contributed many second half Stag scores.

The Bulldogs lost by 10 points in this exciting basketball game. Sophia led our team with most steals, excellent defense by Lauren, Chase, and Charlotte K. Hannah was the leading rebounder and Helene was the leading scorer. Charlotte M. contributed strong defense and offense. Miranda used her speed to race down the court in attempt to block shots.

Camels 38, Bantams 34:

The Camels ran their offense to near perfection with Niija Douglas leading the scoring with some nice drives to the hoop. Ava Greene had a beautiful base line jumper and found her teammates for open looks in transition. Jenna Verrengia played a strong overall game and hit a key fade away shot in the lane over two defenders. Evelyn Steward contributed some key rebounds and Lindsay Weiss worked hard on defense against a very talented and well-coached Bantams team.

WEEK OF 1/27/2013

SENIOR DIVISION:

Lynx 42, Sun 22:

The Lynx improved to 3-1 with a win over the Sun. Victoria Quinonez had a big game today scoring 24 points for the Lynx. Also contributing were Caroline O'Keefe (8), Emily Burnett (3), Mya Colon (3), Maitland Bailey (2), and Eleanor Struthers (2). For the second game in a row Eleanor Struthers, Alysha Williams, Savanna Sierra, and Grace Gaucher worked hard defensively for the Lynx combining for a number of steals. Savanna, Caroline, Emily, and Victoria were also beasts on the boards, fighting for every rebound. Great team win girls!

The Sun were able to keep close in the first half, down by only 4 at halftime. The size and physical play of the Lynx wore them down in the second half and they lost by a score of 42 to 22. Leading the Sun in scoring were Stephanie Duzy, Maria Porth, Alex Barnett, and Isabel Kaufman with 4 points each. Samantha Tran played an outstanding defensive game as did Gaelen Carroll. Grace Andrews continued to hustle after every loose ball on the floor and did a great job rebounding.

Shock 33, Sparks 17:

The Shock improved to 3-1 with a victory over the defending champion Sparks. Riley Poduje, Maeve Maloney and Mary Looney lead the Shock in scoring. Kerra Dipippo had her first two points of the season with a lay-up off an in-bounds pass in the second half. Clare Majewski also had a good game scoring a couple of buckets, one off a nice pick and roll.

The Sparks lost to a determined Shock team 33-17 in the Senior Division on Sunday. The Sparks kept it close in the first half but were unable to stop the Shock's momentum after halftime. The Sparks were again led by Avigail Rockland who netted 10 points on offense. Felici DuPrey was presented the team's hustle award for diving on the ground for loose balls several times and causing turnovers or jump

ball possession changes. Abby McGuire also scored for the Sparks and led the offense at point for much of the game. MacKenzie Brink, Brae Sullivan, Iris Maloney, and Claire Lavalley all played solid defense for the Sparks.

Mystics 39, Storm 17:

The Mystics were led by Cynthia Paddyfote, Maggie Murray, and Bonnie Wilder scoring eight points a piece to pace another well rounded attack. Meghan Alquist, Kaye Paddyfote, Claire Sherrill, and Sofia Mantilla rounded out the scoring effort. Once again our unselfish play led to double-digit assists being recorded, led by Gillian Haverty and Bonnie Wilder. The Mystics were strong defensively with Maggie Murray leading the way with seven steals. Maggie Price, Meghan Alquist, Kaye Paddyfote, Gillian Haverty, and Bonnie Wilder all helped record eighteen total team steals. The Mystics shot three of four from the free throw line as Claire Sherrill helped the effort by shooting two for two. This was a great overall effort over a tough Storm team.

Liberty 35, Dream 30:

In a close game until the end, the Liberty squeaked by the Dream. Leading the comeback for the Liberty was Katia Araya with 7 points and 14 rebounds and Nicole Abrahamsen with 8 points and 9 rebounds. Also contributing for the Liberty was Chloe Macko and Meg Melly with 6 points and 3 steals each. Rounding out the scoring was Micheala Fisher with 4, Karly Zetoff with 2 and Rachel Chozick with 2 points and 3 assists.

JUNIOR DIVISION:

Pittsburgh 26, Georgetown 21:

Pittsburgh played great team basketball today against Georgetown. Georgetown made a nice comeback later in the

game but could not overcome the offensive effort from Pittsburgh. Molly Binder continues to be a force to be reckoned with on both sides of the ball. Molly was the leading scorer today with 8 points. Grace Faenza had a breakout game and scored her first 4 points of the season! Sophia Ellavsky was gathering up rebounds and also contributed on offense with 2 points. Mia Jaworski played her normal tough-as-nails defense and also scored 4 points. Anne Horton had her first points of the season and had a very good all around game today. Sarah Sampt made 2 beautiful jumpshots along with some great passes to her teammates! Allison Morhardt made a much needed basket at the end of the game that gave Pittsburgh just the cushion we needed to come out with a victory. The girls are improving so much and really playing hard as a team that it is very rewarding for all 4 Pittsburgh coaches. Well done today girls!

An awesome day of basketball for both teams. Pittsburgh got off to an early lead with some spectacular outside shooting. The Georgetown girls played with heart, down 20-12, they mounted an impressive 4th quarter comeback led by Olivia Pascon, who drove the lane and scored multiple times. Isabella Mocadlo kept control at point and didn't panic, while Elizabeth Pillow turned an offensive rebound into two points down the stretch. Olivia Marsella pestered Pittsburgh's guards all day while Emma Kane, Lindsay Fox, and Emma Boulter worked hard on the boards against a much taller Pittsburgh team. Julia Vide hustled, rebounded, and scored as Georgetown came within one point on a free throw by Colleen Aspell to make the game 22-21.

Maryland 27, North Carolina 23:

North Carolina opened up very strong against an impressive Maryland team Sunday and continued on a path of level-headed play and sharp execution, making for a very entertaining game. Although NC was able to capitalize

frequently and in fact hold the lead for much of the game, the ladies of Maryland did ultimately deliver a strong arm and held out to come up with the W. High Scorer for North Carolina was Grace Polk with eight points. Other girls posting numbers for NC were Frankie Lynch, Avery Polk, Olivia Debonee and Erin Murray. Murray and Lynch grabbed the "North Carolina pick-pockets of the week award," as each girl repeatedly stole ball after ball throughout the day. Rebounding strength came largely at the hands of Debonee, Lynch, Imani Levy and both Avery and Grace Polk. Rachel Jopek, Maggie Mohring, and Anya Mogensen all played tough on defense, and each showcased sound ball handling skills. North Carolina clearly had moments of pridefulness contrasted by moments of frustration on the day, but throughout, maintained a classy exhibition of good sportsmanship and top-notch team spirit.

Tennessee 30, Syracuse 16:

Tennessee and Syracuse played an exciting game this Sunday. The game was nip and tuck through the first three quarters, with Tennessee able to pull away at the end for their first win. As has been their trademark so far this year, Tennessee played great defense. Katherine George, Bella Celio, and Marley Greene were defensive stalwarts, holding their opponents to few points and making some great steals. The guard play of Rae Gutcheon, Zoe Houde, and Lexi Smolenski helped drive a determined offense, while Amina Shakeel and Danielle Weinberg did a great job on the boards and scoring. It was a great team effort.

Providence 25, UConn 10:

Providence and UConn put on a great exhibition of defensive basketball. Both teams played good team defense with effective use of "double teams". There were numerous steals by both teams which resulted in fast break opportunities. Providence was lead on defense by Cate DiGiacomo, Ali

Sauer, and Vanessa Xiques. Cate, Ali and Vanessa also contributed to Providence's balanced scoring attack - six (6) players in total scored.

MINOR DIVISION:

Stags 36, Cardinals 22:

On a bright and cold Sunday afternoon, the mighty Stags met with a most powerful and well-drilled Cardinals team. In this the fourth week of play in the WHGBL, the Stags would at last have their entire crew present and ready to play. In an effort to utilize the talents of all their players, the Stags game plan was to move the ball in and amongst all 5 players on the court, and that is just what they did. Point guards Jessica McNally, Chloe Scrimgemour, Savannah Paolitto, and wings Mia Burns, Helena Burke, and Gabrielle Woidyl lead a well-oiled offensive machine as the Stags picked, rolled, and passed until they found open shots. Deep in the paint and under the boards, Jackie Bonee, Carys Baker, Beatrice Sierra, Sophie Garner MacKinnon, Sophie Tulchinsky, and Elizabeth LaMarco provided those picks along with countless offensive rebounds. Though their offense ran smooth, alone it would not be enough to beat a very ferocious Cardinal club. In order to seal their victory, the Stags defense reared up and held fast as the Cardinal offense charged down the court and made the Stags work hard for their win. At the end of the game, both teams shook hands and nodded a smile of respect to each other, acknowledging the fine performance they all gave on the court that sunny afternoon.

Hawks 22, Bobcats 18:

The Hawks had a great game with their 3rd win of the year! The team really seemed to make a jump this week with their excellent court awareness. Talia Greenspoon really attacked the basket and shared the ball well. Madison Chase may have played the game of her career passing,

rebounding, and shooting! Jamie Sterling was a defensive terror who even jumped in the air and blocked a shot from behind! Avery Theriault is adding an outside shot to her already good inside game. Lucy Buccilli, Grace Araya, and Elizabeth Thibault are really playing great defense. Carly Rabinovich has been getting her shot off for two games now. It's great to watch these girls improve! Shealyn McCann can shoot and steal with the best of them. Rose McGowan is everywhere, on offense and defense! Isabella Pincince and Kayla Yousman are learning how to run the offense and protect the ball with their off hand. That's one of the hardest jobs in this league. Great week for the Hawks! Thanks to the Bobcats... great sportsmanship and a tough team! On a humorous note, the Bobcats players were running late. To the Hawks it seemed that as the game went on the Bobcats were getting taller and faster and someone even shot what looked like a three! Their defense was tenacious and they seemed to tie us up every trip down the floor.

Camels 34, Bluejays 24:

Mckenzie Mandyck and Niija Douglas led the scoring effort for the Camels. Emma Rogorzenski played well in the low post and Rylie Dagnall did a nice job setting up her teammates for hoops. The Camels held off a strong second half surge by the Blue Jays with good defensive efforts by Bridget McGann, Jenna Verrengia, and Lindsey Weiss.

Bantams 26, Bulldogs 18:

The Bantams pulled off a win against a strong Bulldog defense on Sunday. Leading the Bantams offense was Mia Olson at point guard, doing a great job of moving the ball around and scoring on the fast break. Morgan Dorsey was an offensive and defensive powerhouse as usual. Ruby Czajkowski and Caitlyn Puleo made it hard for the Bulldogs offense with their relentless press. Jocelyn Pires got her hands on several rebounds and scored. Grace Beazoglou

played a great defense and scored. Once again, Therese Maloney was our shooting secret weapon. Grace Morgenthaler was all over the court with an aggressive defense that leads to turnovers and assists and Ellie Toland owned the lane and made many scoring opportunities happen. Marissa Adams and Kallie Guerraz both scored key baskets. The team missed Sara Burnett after she was injured during warmups.

In a close game, the Bantams triumphed over the Bulldogs in the last quarter of the game. Bulldog defense was led by Lauren, Miranda, and Mia. Sophia rebounded aggressively and stole numerous balls throughout the game. The girls worked hard together and Lindsey and Brooke provided excellent speed for the Bulldogs.

WEEK OF 1/20/2013

SENIOR DIVISION:

Lynx 45, Liberty 26:

Coming off a tough loss last weekend, the Lynx were determined to get a win today. Leading the team with scoring were Caroline O'Keefe with a season-high 22 points and Victoria Quinonez with 13 points. The Lynx team showed an all around great defensive effort today with Eleanor Struthers, Grace Gaucher, Ellen Fuller and Alysha Williams leading the team. Maitland Bailey and Eleanor Struthers did a great job handling the ball while Savanna Sierra, Emily Burnett, and Caroline O'Keefe did an awesome job on the boards. An overall fantastic job against a tough and scrappy Liberty team.

The Liberty played hard in their loss to the Lynx. The Liberty were led by Meg Melly with 10 points and 4 steals. They got outstanding play from Lauren Nasby, as she contributed to

the team with 6 points and 6 steals. Also, playing well was Katia Araya, leading the team with 11 rebounds and 3 steals. Chipping in with key baskets were Rachel Chozick, Lilli St. Amand, Chloe Macko, Mikeaela Fisher, Karly Zetoff , and Kaleigh Werner.

Shock 33, Storm 32:

In an extremely exciting, back-and-forth game, the Shock defeated the previously undefeated Storm. The Shock, now 2-1, were lead by Kelly Galeota, the team's leading scorer, and Mia Yanosy, who lead the team in rebounds including a couple of key defensive rebounds in the final quarter. Maeve Maloney, Christina Gluch and Clare Majewski also contributed with key baskets. The Storm built a six point, 25-19 lead heading into halftime with multiple baskets by Maggie Pidto and Sarah El-Charnouby. The Shock went to a 2-3 zone in the third quarter and were able to close the gap to 4 by the end of the quarter. In the fourth quarter, the Shock took over, building a 4-point lead of their own before holding off the hard charging Storm for the victory. Alexandra Tousignant and Caroline Grant also played well for the Storm.

Sun 37, Sparks 12:

The Sun defeated the Sparks by a score of 37 to 12. Isabel Kaufman and Alex Barnett lead the Sun's scoring with 12 points each. Maria Porth and Grace Andrews chipped in 4 points each. Alex Barnett had a great defensive game and had 8 blocked shots. Siobhan Buckley had a strong rebounding game and just couldn't get her shots to drop. Sam Tran scored her 1st points in the league on a foul shot and also played outstanding defense. It was a great team effort by the Sun who passed the ball well throughout the game and played great help defense.

Mystics 57, Dream 33:

The first half of this game was very entertaining, as both teams traded the lead many times. The Mystics and Dream combined for 49 first-half points, with the Mystics taking a one point advantage into halftime. The third quarter saw the Mystics blast out to an 18-2 run that put the game out of reach. Bonnie Wilder and Maggie Murray combined for 42 points. Ana Jaworski, Gillian Haverty, Claire Sherrill, and Meghan Alquist all contributed to the scoring. The coaches were pleased with the ball movement as the Mystics recorded 21 assists! Bonnie Wilder led the team in assists with Maggie Murray, Ana Jaworski, and Meghan Alquist all contributing at least two assists to our very unselfish team. Sofia Mantilla and Maggie Price contributed on defense as the Mystics recorded 17 steals.

JUNIOR DIVISION:

Pittsburgh 13, Maryland 4:

Pittsburgh managed to push past Maryland today with a great defensive effort led by Molly Binder and Mia Jaworski! Both Molly and Mia played really hard defense on Maryland and held them to only two baskets for the entire game. Zoe Pizzoferatto made Pittsburgh's first free-throw of the season! Helen Garde was the game's leading scorer with 8 points. This game was a great learning experience for the girls and they really enjoyed the great competition by Maryland!

Providence 18, Georgetown 15:

Georgetown got off to a strong start, but a 4th quarter Providence surge turned the tables into a loss for the Hoyas. Strong offensive performances by Isabella Mocadlo and Colleen Aspell gave Georgetown their early advantage. The strong defense by Emma Boulter, Julia Vide, Olivia Pascon, and Ellie Parker kept the game close. Excellent rebounding by Colleen Aspell and Lindsay

Fox were critical for the Hoyas. It was a tough first loss for Georgetown who also got spirited performances by Olivia Marsella and Elizabeth Pillow.

Providence and Georgetown played a "barn burner" with the outcome in doubt until the very end. Providence was lead by the play of Julia Yanosy and Hannah Maidman. They combined for 12 points - all in the second half. And they also connected on a picture perfect fast break - Yanosy to Maidman for a crucial basket. Providence hit the offensive boards hard with 10 boards - evenly spread between Ali Sauer, Claire Kearney, Sophia Pedro, Vanessa Xiques and Cate DiGiacomo. Both teams played extremely well.

North Carolina 28, Syracuse 18:

North Carolina put up a hard fought win over a very tough Syracuse team. The Syracuse girls were able to take an impressive number of shots, unfortunately not enough made their way through the net to stave off a hungry pack of young ladies in red. North Carolina welcomed Olivia Bonee on to the court for the first time this season following the previous two games on injured reserve. This welcome came with Olivia posting six points for Carolina and rendering her tied with Avery Polk as the game's high scorer. A great deal of hustle resulting in several rebounds and turnovers, as well as two baskets of her own came from Frankie Lynch. Also playing strong games and putting up points for NC were Grace Polk, Erin Murray, Molly Jones, and Maggie Mohring. Anya Mogensen showed heart playing tight defense and getting her hands on the ball significantly more than in previous weeks. Imani Levy gave her standard 110% while on the court playing tight D and creating numerous turnovers. In addition to their scoring efforts, it was also evident that both Grace and Avery Polk displayed strong

leadership skills, selflessly dishing balls off to younger teammates in an effort to encourage confidence and opportunity to score. Absent from play this week were Rachel Jopek and Paige Carter. Carter, sitting out the game as a result of an injury, was however in attendance and in uniform showing strong team spirit and support for her fellow Carolina ball players. Syracuse showed some great heart and sportsmanship of their own and will surely be a team to watch out for in the weeks to come.

MINOR DIVISION:

Stags 28, Bluejays 8:

As the Stags marched into their third week of play, they would have to do so missing a few key players yet once again. Facing a well-drilled and finely coached Blue Jay's team, the Stags knew they would have to step it up a notch. However, being no strangers to adversity, the Stags buckled down and demonstrated one of their best all-around performances so far. The Stags' wings Mia Burns, Gabrielle Wojdy, and Helena Burke assisted point guards Chloe Scrimgeour and Savannah Paolitto in gracefully moving the ball in and around the top of the key on offense. On defense these five players also forced more turnovers than the statistician could keep track of. Additionally, a mirror effect was seen under the boards. Sophie Garner MacKinnon, Beatrice Sierra, Carys Baker, Jackie Bonee, and Elizabeth LaMarco stood tall and relentlessly defended their hoop while confusing the statistician with an overwhelming amount of turnovers as well. On offense these same forwards and centers forced the ball inside and pounded the boards for a great deal of the Stags points and many more rebounds. The Stags are grateful and honored to have played such a great Bluejays team.

The Bluejays had another strong effort against a talented, competitive and well-coached Stags team. We had our best defensive performance of the year with excellent individual efforts by Zoe Morrow, Brook Martindale, Greta Magendantz, and Caragh Maloney. Cindy Schumey came back from her short illness to have a strong performance, providing court leadership, good ball-handling and strong point guard play. Libby Schmerzler helped push the ball downcourt with high energy and made a couple baskets! With a handful of our players missing with illnesses, all seven players needed to dig down and find some extra energy. They all delivered with special kudos to Issy Rome for great effort and sportsmanship towards the Stags. Additionally, we started to really rebound the ball with a purpose, particularly Greta Magendantz and Cindy Shumey. Brook Martindale showed continued improvement in her ball-handling and passing, particularly late in the game at the point position. The Bluejays took another step forward in our journey and it was wonderful to see!

Camels 34 vs. Bobcats 20:

In a very well played and competitive game, the Camels were led in a second half surge by the play-making and scoring of Nicole Deslauriers, Jordan Farrell, and Gabby Mangini. Macy Hanzlik-Barend had two key offensive rebounds and put-backs and Evelyn Steward played strong defense and came up with some timely steals and rebounds.

Bantams 40, Cardinals 24:

The Bantams continued their winning streak, surging past the spirited Cardinals. Every Bantam player contributed to this victory with each player scoring at least one basket. The offense was led by Mia Olson and supported by Kallie Guerraz, Ruby Czajkowski, and Kaitlyn Puleo. Defensive standouts were Marisa Adams, Sarah Burnett, and Grace Beazoglou. Morgan Dorsey led the team at point guard and

Jocelyn Pires and Therese Maloney executed crisp passing and tenacity throughout the game.

Hawks 24, Bulldogs 20:

The Bulldogs were a worthy opponent in the third week of the season. The Hawks were able to work out the win with a steady effort in the last game of the day. Isabella Pincince showed her shooting skills today with a nice basket from 8 feet out. Usually she's concentrating on running the offense. Great to see her score. Madison Chase is continuing to get her rebounds and put-backs and works hard on defense. Grace Araya loves to get in the defensive position and try to stop her man. Elizabeth Thibault was tenacious on defense while drawing a tough defensive assignment most of the game, not to mention her new found desire to shoot her rebounds back towards the basket! We needed Lucy Buccilli's dribbling prowess today and her defense. Jamie Sterling made a great effort on the both sides of the floor this day. Our hats off to the bulldogs for their sportsmanship and a good game.

The Bulldogs took an early ten point lead, but the Hawks stayed strong and ultimately came back to win the game in the last quarter. High scorers for the Bulldogs were Hannah Duzy and Lindsey Bailey. Brooke Nemirow and Chase Gengras provided strong defense.

WEEK OF 1/13/2013

SENIOR DIVISION:

Mystics 46, Lynx 30:

The Mystics were led in scoring by Bonnie Wilder, with significant scoring contributions from Ana Jaworski, Maggie Murray, and Gillian Haverty. Cynthia Paddyfote and Bonnie Wilder led our team in assists. Gillian Haverty, Kaye

Paddyfote, Cynthia Paddyfote, and Bonnie Wilder helped the Mystics record over twenty steals. Sofia Mantilla, Claire Sherrill, and Meghan Alquist contributed to a great overall team rebounding effort. The coaches were proud of the effort on defense and rebounding this week.

In a very fast paced game against the Mystics, the Lynx were unable to keep up in the end, losing 46-30. Putting up quite a fight on the offensive front was Victoria Quinonez with 17 points. Also adding to the score were Mya Colon (6), Maitland Bailey (2), Emily Burnett (2), Eleanor Struthers (2), and Alysha Williams (1). Working hard on defense were Grace Gaucher and Savanna Sierra. With a number of fouls each, they didn't let up on their tough defense and hustled for every ball that was close to them. Throughout the game the Lynx showed a lot of heart by never feeling defeated and fighting until the very end.

Storm 33, Sun 24:

In a closely fought game, the Storm defeated the Sun. The Sun had managed to cut the Storm's lead to 4 points with 4 minutes left, but the Storm were able to pull away and put the victory away. Alex Barnett lead the Sun in scoring with 10 points and Maria Porth chipped in with 6 points. Gaelen Carroll played an excellent game offensively by both getting open and moving without the ball. Samantha Tran had a great defensive game making a couple of nice steals. Stephanie Duzy lead the Sun's defensive effort with 4 steals. The Sun moved the ball around the floor with a much improved passing game.

Liberty 31, Sparks 14:

In their second game of the season, The Liberty had their first victory over the Sparks. Leading the way for the Liberty

was Meg Melly with 12 points. Katia Araya had a nice game with 6 points and numerous rebounds. Chipping in the rest of the buckets were Nicole Abrahamsen with 4, Kaliegh Werner with 3, and Chloe Macko, Rachel Chozick, and Karly Zetoff with 2 points each.

In their second game of the season, the Sparks lost to a tough Liberty team. Again the Sparks started slow and a late rally was not enough to overcome their first half deficit. The Sparks were again led by Avigail Rockland who contributed on both the offensive and defensive end with several rebounds and baskets. Michelle Pettigrew helped lead the offense from the point guard position. Delina Bartolomei helped the team get important rebounds with excellent boxing out in her first Senior Division game. Claire Lavalley added a key basket and had rebounds on both ends of the court. Brae Sullivan and Felicia DuPrey led the spirited 3rd quarter when the Sparks made a run and had their most spirited quarter of play so far this season. The entire team hustled the whole game, as injuries and the flu season limited the team to 8 players. Congratulations to the Liberty on their first victory of the season.

JUNIOR DIVISION:

Pittsburgh 20, Syracuse 16:

Pittsburgh showed a great "team effort" today against Syracuse. Hayden Neubert "cracked the ice" by scoring the first basket of the game. Sophia Ellavsky had a great defensive improvement and also scored her first points of the season. Victoria Conlon also had her "first bucket" today! Sarah Sampt and Molly Binder had the offense flowing nicely and gave Pittsburgh a good scoring cushion going into the last 12 minutes. Syracuse made a great comeback at the end of the game. Pittsburgh regained its

composure at the last substitution, and aided by the great play of Allison Morhardt, was able to pull away for the win.

Georgetown 20, Tennessee 16:

The game was back and forth in the second half with both teams taking the lead at one point. Georgetown got a great effort from Olivia Pascon, who controlled the tempo at point guard and got the job done with her quick moves to the hoop and great scoring. Ellie Parker got on the board with two nice outside shots to get Georgetown the lead down the stretch, and Collen Aspell contributed with great shooting. Some critical steals by Isabella Mocadlo, Emma Boulter, and Emma Kane helped the Hoyas maintain their momentum while Elizabeth Pillow, Olivia Marcella, and Julia Vide hustled from the tip off to the final buzzer.

Tennessee lost a close game to Georgetown. However, with many of our players sidelined due to injury, Tennessee played a hard and scrappy brand of basketball. Everyone contributed on defense and rebounded the ball terrifically. Isabella Celio and Zoe Houde led Tennessee in scoring with 6 points each. Amina Shakeel and Lexi Smolenski each had 2 points. Katherine George and Grace Cronin both hustled on defense which created havoc for the opposing team.

UCONN 37, North Carolina 19:

After falling behind early on in Sunday's game to UCONN's well oiled shooting machine, North Carolina's girls pulled together to start stealing balls, blocking shots, and making some points of their own. Unfortunately, UCONN's numbers tallying somewhere in the high thirties carved out an advantage that was just too substantial for the girls in red (NC) to recover from. UCONN looked good this past Sunday, no doubt about it, but they left North Carolina with a fairly unsatisfied hunger that UCONN's ladies might be wise to

keep an eye on in the future. High scorer for the NC team was Imani Levy who showed strong ball handling skills, speed and some prolific action on the boards, putting up eight points. Also scoring for NC were Erin Murray, Paige Carter, and the twin towers of power Grace and Avery Polk. Two girls who noticeably kicked things up a notch this week were Molly Jones and Anya Mogensen, exhibiting some key aggressive defense and sticking tightly to their UCONN counterparts. Strong court awareness was evident throughout the game by both Rachel Jopek and Frankie Lynch who each handled the ball and made smart passes throughout the day. And Maggie Mohring displayed some handy dribbling while bringing the ball down court and was repeatedly successful in finding open teammates to pass to. Absent from play (but not from the gym) was an injured Olivia Bonee. Although still out for game number two of the season, as a result of a concussion, Olivia WAS present on the NC bench showing strong support for her teammates while eagerly awaiting her highly anticipated return to action next Sunday.

Providence 23, Maryland 6:

Providence and Maryland played an exciting defensive exhibition of basketball. Providence was led on defense by Ali Sauer (4 steals), Emily Cubbage (2 steals & a block) and Patricia Boulton (a steal & a block). On offense, Julia Yanosy played a great game at point with 3 assists and a "text book" jump shot off a screen.

MINOR DIVISION:

Stags 24, Bobcats 18:

In the second week of the WHGBL, the mighty Stags found themselves short two key players and would lose yet another during the game. However, the Stags refused to be denied

their second win as they battled a fierce and talented Bobcats team. Jackie Bonee, who due to illness left the game early, contributed to the team's win throughout the first half with some outstanding offensive play. Chloe Scrimgeour, Gabrielle Wojdyl, Helena Burke, and Mia Burns stepped up and filled in at point guard and wing to aid the Stags' victory. Savannah Paolitto's versatility was apparent as she excelled in several key positions. The boards were fiercely attacked and then guarded by Carys Baker, Sophie Garner MacKinnon, Elizabeth LaMarco, and Beatrice Sierra. Both teams fought tirelessly as the lead would switch back and forth throughout the entire game. Late in the fourth quarter, the Stags broke an 18 - 18 tie with 6 unanswered points and clinched their second win. The Stags were humbled by their victory and tip their hats to a great Bobcats team.

Bantams 20, Bluejays 10:

The resurging Bantams defeated the fiesty BlueJays. Bantams combined solid defense and a potent offense to record their first win of the season. Key defensive players were Morgan Dorsey, with several steals and multiple rebounds, and Grace Morgenthaler who also had multiple steals, rebounds, and tenacious man to man defense. The Bantams are proud to report that 10 of 11 players were able to contribute to the scoring. Bantam scorers were lead by Mia Olson with 18 and supported by strong offensive performances by Kaitlyn Puleo, Therese Maloney, Marissa Adams, and Grace Beazoglou.

Camels 26, Bulldogs 20:

The Camels again displayed their strong commitment to team defense and were led in this effort by Macy Hanzlik-Barend, Jenna Verrengia and Niija Douglas. On the offensive side, the Camels worked their half court set and showed an effective transition game with key contributions from

McKenzie Mandyck, Gabriella Mangini, Emma Rogorzenski and Nicole Deslauriers.

In this fast moving and action-packed game, scoring for the Bulldogs were Hannah Duzy, Charlotte Kennedy, Brooke Nemirow, and Helene Cummings. Strong defense was demonstrated by Chase Gengras, Lauren Weber, and Genevieve Nelson. The Camels prevailed in a well-played game.

Hawks 26 vs. Cardinals 18:

The Hawks bounced back from last week's loss and are 1-1 now. Leading the charge were Shealyn McCann and Kayla Yousman with the primary ballhandling job. The girls are running a nice little offense and got numerous looks at the basket. Avery Theriault is rebounding and blocking shots like a veteran. Rose McGowan and Talia Greenspoon are really bringing their athleticism to basketball in their first season on the hardwood. Carly Rabinovich had some impressive steals in the Hawks first win of the year.

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SENIOR DIVISION:

Sun 17, Shock 12: In the first game of the season, the Sun played well and defeated the Shock, 17 - 12. Leading the Sun in scoring was Isabel Kaufman with 8 points and Alex Barnett with 4 points. Grace Andrews played aggressive defense and did a great job of hustling to grab some loose balls on the court. Maria Porth did an excellent job of running the offense and getting her teammates involved in the game. Great 1st game, Sun!

Mystics 42, Liberty 24:

Maggie Murray led a balanced scoring attack that included Kaye Paddyfote, Cynthia Paddyfote, and Bonnie Wilder. The team was two for three beyond the arc and made seven of eight free throws! Maggie Price and Gillian Haverty led a solid defensive effort. Meghan Alquist and Claire Sherrill were strong rebounders with Claire picking up her first Senior League basket. Sofia Mantilla and Diana Morales also made their Senior League debuts in this fast paced game.

Lynx 39, Sparks 12:

The Lynx opened the season on a high note beating the Sparks 39-12. The team played exceptionally well together in their first game and showed a lot of heart and effort. Scoring for the Lynx were Victoria Quinonez (9), Savanna Sierra (6), Emily Burnett (6), Mya Colon (4), Grace Gaucher (4), Caroline O'Keefe (4), Ellen Fuller (2), and Maitland Bailey (2). Alysha Williams and Eleanor Struthers had some good shots that just didn't drop in but they made up for it defensively. Great first game girls!!

The Sparks opened their season with a tough loss to a powerful Lynx team. The Sparks were led by Hannah Gaumer who played tough defense all game while constantly being given the toughest assignments. Abby McGuire also played very well throughout the game on both ends of the court with several rebounds, steals, and assists. Mackenzie Brink did an excellent job leading the offense at point guard in her first Senior Division game. Bryanna McKreith was aggressive getting to the basket with several key drives and converted on multiple free throws to help lead the Sparks in scoring. Brae Sullivan had several steals on the defensive end and also converted jump shots on the offensive end of the floor. Avigail Rockland led the Sparks in rebounds and played an excellent fourth quarter when the entire Sparks team seemed to play their best and most competitive

basketball. Congratulations to the Lynx on their victory and good luck the rest of the season.

JUNIOR DIVISION:

North Carolina 21, Pittsburgh 18:

Team Pittsburgh shook off "the first game jitters" and the girls really showed great team spirit in doing so! Molly Binder and Maggie Grant played excellent defense and both really took it to the basket during their rotations. Grace Faenza was also very active on the defensive end and played great "team basketball." Helen Garde was the leading scorer with 6 points and Sarah Sampt contributed strongly with 4 points, along with some key rebounding. Hayden Neubert made a key lay-up at the end of the game to keep our team in the game! Team Pittsburgh is making great improvement in all areas and will be very competitive going forward into the season!

Maryland 17, Georgetown 17:

These two teams competed hard all game long in their opener. Georgetown was led by Emma Boulter who scored from inside and out, making a critical basket in the 4th quarter. Olivia Pascon controlled the tempo at point for Georgetown, while Colleen Aspell and Isabella Mocadlo contributed offensively and defensively with multiple steals. Georgetown had great rebounding by Emma Kane, Lindsay Fox, and Emma Boulter. Elizabeth Pillow, Olivia Marsella, Julia Vide, and Ellie Parker hustled throughout the game.

Providence 24, Tennessee 18:

Tennessee and Providence played a close, exciting game in the season opener. The action was up and down the court at a frantic pace. Both teams showed good team defense and

excellent ball control skills. Sophia Pedro lead all scorers with 12 points for Providence (plus numerous rebounds). Cate Digiacomio scored 4 points with her patented "pump fake" move. And Claire Kearney did a great job of handling the point while also scoring 4 points & dishing out 5 assists.

After a slow and apprehensive start, Tennessee came to life as Rae Gutcheon started the scoring with an exciting lay-up off a solid pick by Isabella Celio. Rae Gutcheon and Isabella Celio led the team in scoring with 6 points each. Marley Greene, Grace Cronin and Amina Shakeel each had two points. The defensive effort was led by Katherine George. Katherine's hustle and determination was infectious and had an inspiring effect on her teammates. Laila Rivas was outstanding setting important picks in order for her teammates to get open on offense. Lexi Smolenski and Zoe Houde had great all-around games with heads-up defense and moving without the ball. This was the best 'first game' of the season I have witnessed in four years. Although Tennessee took a loss, the team will grow by leaps and bounds.

MINOR DIVISION:

Bobcats 35, Bluejays 18:

The Bluejays played with great effort and enthusiasm in our first game versus the talented and well-coached Bobcats. Bluejay pride was alive as Emma Kellar got us off to a great start at point, organizing the offense and showing strong ball handling. Brooke Martindale worked really hard, particularly defensively, moving her feet and using good positioning. Ella O'Connor was incredibly versatile, playing almost every position with effort and intensity. Libby Schmerzler played very aggressive defense, hustled and made a couple baskets. In transition defensively, Greta Magendantz, Cindy

Schumey and Emma Kellar were all standouts, running back to deny coast-to-coast baskets. In the end, the Bobcats outlasted us but it was a great day to be a Bluejay!!!

Stags 32, Bantams 16:

In the season opener of the WHGBL Minor Division, the mighty Stags found themselves pitted against a very tough Bantam squad. Throughout most of the game the score remained very close. However, late in the fourth quarter the Stags lit up the score board and stepped up their defensive pressure to seal the win. The Stags offense was led by high scorers Jessica McNally, Chloe Scrimgemour, Jaqueine Bonee, Savannah Palitto, Carys Baker and Beatrice Sierra. The Stags win could not have been obtained without the assistance of the relentless defensive efforts of Mia Burns, Gabrielle Woidyl, Helena Buke, Sophie Garner MacKinnon, and Sophie Tulchinsky. The Stags would like to thank the Bantams for a fun and well-played game.

Although the Bantams fell to the Stags in hard fought battle, the Bantams showed great hustle and determination as they kept step for step with a very talented Stags team. We got terrific offensive performances from Ellie Toland, Jocelyn Pires, Grace Beazoglou, and Morgan Dorsey. Defensively the Bantams saw strong performances by Grace Morgenthaler, Mia Olson, and Marissa Adams.

Camels 32 vs. Hawks 18

In the season-opening game, the Camels worked hard. On the defensive end, key contributors were Bridget McGann, Rylie Dagnall and Ava Greene. Offensively, the potent Camel fastbreak was led by Jordan Farrell, Gabriella Mangini and Nicole Deslauriers.

In the first game of the season, the Hawks showed terrific effort! They did a great job setting up running the

offense and playing good defense in what was the first game of their basketball career for many of the players. Shealyn McCann and Avery Theriault did a good job with the scoring, while Isabella Pincince, Kayla Yousman, and Lucy Buccilli did a great job getting the ball moving. Talia Greenspoon, Grace Araya, and Madison Chase were strong contributors with their rebounding and attacking the basket. Way to go Hawks!

Bulldogs 26, Cardinals 10:

In the first game of the season, the Bulldogs played hard and won the game. Most valuable players on offense were Hannah Duzy, Helene Cummings and Charlotte Melnitsky, who all made multiple baskets. Most valuable players on defense were Charlotte Kennedy and Chase Gengras.