

2012 – 2013 WEST HARTFORD GIRLS BASKETBALL LEAGUE

****SPARKS TEAM HIGHLIGHTS****



VS.



1/6/13 – Lynx 39, Sparks 12:

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.



VS.



1/13/13 – Liberty 31, Sparks 14:

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 lively 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.



VS.



1/27/13 – Shock 33, Sparks 17:

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.



VS.



2/3/13 – 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.



VS.



2/10/13 - Storm Nemo 100, Sparks 0:

Storm Nemo came and cancelled all games this week!



VS.



2/17/13 – Mystics 56, Sparks 21:

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.



VS.



2/24/13 – Dream 19, Sparks 16:

The Sparks lost a close game to a very determined Dream Sunday. 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.