

Knights Clobber Comets

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Mason invaded the gym of Kings High School Friday to resume their heated rivalry with the Knights. This game meant a lot to both teams as the Knights had only defeated the Comets once in the last three years with the Comets costing the Knights a league championship in two of those years.

A victory for Mason would make an otherwise disappointing season worthwhile, but the Knights overwhelmed the Comets with an 81-51 victory.

The Knights jumped out to a quick 14-0 lead in the first quarter before the Comets finally scored. The Knights ended the quarter with a 24-10 lead. Alan Byrd and Chris Yancey provided the scoring power with their long range shots which provided for sixteen of the points in the quarter.

The Knights built their lead to fifteen points at halftime as Mike Byrd started to assert himself. Byrd tossed in eight points in the quarter to give the

Knights a 37-22 halftime lead.

The Byrd's came out smoking in the third quarter as they combined for nineteen of the Knights twenty-one points. This outburst was highlighted by a behind-the-back pass from Mike to Alan on a fast break that resulted in a three-point play for Alan.

Mike Byrd also accounted for two three-point plays himself as the Knights ran to a commanding 58-36 lead.

The fourth quarter saw the Knights continue their dominance when, with the starters out of the lineup, the reserves came in and outscored the Comets thirteen to six.

They ran the final score to 81-51 behind a balanced scoring attack in the quarter. The Knights had nine players score in the final period.

Mike Byrd led all scorers with twenty-seven points. Byrd also pulled down eight rebounds for the night.

Alan Byrd added twenty-two points to break out of his scoring slump. Chris Yancey also tossed

in eleven points and grabbed a game high ten rebounds.

Mason was led by Jeff Thompson's seventeen points.

The Knights record goes to 8-1 and 5-0 in the FAVC, while Mason drops to 2-0 and 2-2, respectively.

The Knights travel to Little Miami on Friday and New Miami on Saturday.

Mason will do league battle with a top Lockland squad, there, this Friday with the jayvee outing beginning at 6:30.

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Mason — Meibers 5-1-11;
Smith 5-0-10; R. Thompson 2-5-9;
Britton 0-2-2; J. Thompson 6-5-17; Elswick 1-0-2; totals 19-13-51.

Kings M. Byrd 10-7-27;
Yancey 5-1-11; Carmack 2-1-5;
Cione 1-2-4; A. Byrd 9-4-22;
Hanna 1-0-2; Jones 2-0-4;
Jenkins 1-0-2; Highley 1-0-2;
Landers 1-0-2; totals 33-15-81.