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Played Outdoors, but not outplayed!

Wolverines claim close victory over Blacktown Boys HS in round 2 of the open boys Basketball KO.

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The Wolverines have had a tumultuous few years in basketball. Never short on talented players, but always struggling to advance past round 2. But with a first round bye and a close win over BBHS, the Wolverines have added Basketball to our growing list of drought breaking performances for 2019.

With only 2 students returning from last years team, the boys were no less full of the confidence that being a part of the Wolverines instills. Not even an outdoor court and looming storm clouds could dampen their spirits.

Play began with Wolverines taking early possession and drawing first blood thanks to some outstanding accuracy and ball play from rampaging Rizwan Sharif and MVP Jan "the gentle giant" Victorio. But Blacktown were not going to let things get away from them that quickly, especially on home turf.



Boys KO Volleyball

Monday 11th March
Wyndham College
3:15pm



Sydney West Swimming

Monday 11th March
Homebush 8:00am



Girls Touch Football

Thursday 14th March
Rooty Hill 2:00pm

Upcoming Games

Capitalising off several rebounds Blacktown hit back taking the lead and pushing the Wolverines to work hard to find openings.

With a quick substitution before half time the Wolverines found some lost momentum. After a lightning fast pass from Rizwan finding Rocco “the rep player” Traini in front of the net, the Wolverines went up on the scoreboard. With only minutes left to play in the first half, some hard drives from Mathew “m&m” Mey and some 3 point bombs dropped by Miguel “MiG23” Araullo saw the Wolverines hit back in force to go 10 points up at the half time break.

The half time talk led by coach Laurence “the moon” De Luna consisted mostly of words such as “cut”, “deep”, “switch”, “hook” and others that had onlookers wonder what game we were actually playing. But despite the technical jargon the game plan for the second half was surprisingly simple “just pass it to Jan”. With the realisation that there was not much else to it, the boys set up and headed back to the court.

The second half began with Blacktown dominating possession eager to win back some lost ground as first point honors went to them. But unfortunately their game plan lacked the sophistication of our own, as Jan seemed to float on air, effortlessly manoeuvring around the court to either lay the ball up himself or set up the other boys to extend our lead.

With the game ticking down, desperation began to show in the Blacktown side as a player got a little too physical and was sent from the court. The Wolverines decided to fight fire with fire and added some muscle of our own in the form of all round sports star Kaleb “the Freak” Farr. With some moves straight out of a state of origin playbook, Kaleb ran circles around Blacktown and drove hard through the crowded key to land valuable baskets and cement our lead to see out the game 32-20.

The Wolverines will now head into round 3 of the competition with another win taking them to the Sydney West KO gala day.

GO WOLVERINES!



“Just pass it to Jan...”



Miguel “MiG23” Araullo prepares to fire on the target



Coach Laurence gives captain Rizwan some pointers during the half time break.