

WILDCATS 58-41 WARRIORS U16's

In this friendly against Shropshire u16's, Wildcats made a solid start as Chris Stevens tied the game in the first minute with a good drive. But Wildcats motion offense struggled against the Shropshire switching man to man defense which enabled the Salopians to take a 6-2 lead.

A 4th minute time out saw Wildcats try the Shuffle offense which they have practiced only once, & immediately looked more threatening as opportunities to score came. From 5-14 down they ended the quarter on a positive note 13-20.

Ben Hood and Ed Parry further reduced the deficit and with three minutes of the half remaining found themselves six points adrift 19-25, but slipped up just before the break allowing Shropshire to lead at the turn 25-35.

What happened at the start of the second half is not known, but Wildcats seemed to have gone AWOL as poor pass selection, and a lack of discipline on offense allowed Shropshire to run the Wildcats mistakes and poor shots back at them for easy scores

The game seemingly heading to a Salop victory and this being a friendly, Wildcats played the rest of the game in a man defense, this saw the Salopians take advantage of poor defensive positioning through a lack of knowledge and experience.

Wildcats started the fourth quarter with 29-58 behind. and on offense caused themselves problems by not keeping their shape and running the

offense, which resulted in unforced errors and easy baskets for Shropshire who in this last period also hit a zone by not missing anything they threw up at the basket.

The final score was disappointing as a result of the good work in the first half. This will prove to be an invaluable game for it provided the Wildcats with an opportunity to work on the Shuffle and then in training start to work on the problem areas. It also highlighted individuals weaknesses in their basic fundamentals.

But at times when the Wildcats did the correct things they looked good as they stole the ball several times on the press and scored some excellent baskets off the basic cut of the shuffle



Ed Parry 10 pts

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	P	W	L	for	Ag	Pts
Leicester	2	2	0	112	84	4
Hull	1	1	0	61	41	2
Wildcats	0	0	0	00	00	0
Gateshead	1	0	1	51	58	0
Blackpool	1	0	1	41	61	0
XL B,ham	1	0	1	33	54	0

	Ms	2G	3G	TG	FT	D	O	[T]	To	S	A	B	F	Pts				
N. Goode	43	10-02	20%	0-0	10-02	20%	2-0	14	1	[15]	12	15	2	5	5	4		
C. Stevens	39	14-03	21%	2-1	50%	16-04	25%	0-0	3	2	[5]	8	1	1	0	5	9	
B. Head	38	14-03	21%	0-0	14-03	21%	8-5	63%	0	2	[2]	11	2	1	0	0	11	
E Parry	38	13-05	39%	0-0	13-05	39%	1-0	3	4	[7]	4	1	0	0	1	10		
J. Brackett	30	04-01	25%	0-0	04-01	25%	2-0	5	3	[8]	2	3	1	0	2	2		
C. Frost	22	01-01	100%	0-0	01-01	100%	0-0	0	0	[0]	5	0	1	0	0	2		
A. Pinder	11	02-00		0-0	02-00		2-0	0	0	[0]	3	1	0	0	2	0		
D. Tolgyesi	09	00-00		0-0	00-00		2-0	0	0	[0]	1	0	0	0	0	0		
N. Jones	05	01-00		0-0	01-00		0-0	1	0	[1]	0	0	0	0	1	0		
T. Parry	05	01-00		0-0	01-00		0-0	0	0	[0]	0	0	0	0	0	0		
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	240	59-15	25%	2-1	50%	61-16	26%	17-5	29%	26	12	[38]	46	44	6	5	16	38

Total Possessions 115 - Lost Possession 40% - lost ball every 2.50 possessions - points per possession 0.33