



Game Recap #17 (Vista)

January 7th, 2020
Vista High School

The Quick Hit:

After a defensive war in the first half that resulted in a 27-20 Falcons lead at the break, the offense started to click in the latter 16 minutes for both sides. Vista pulled within two baskets multiple times in the second half, but the Falcons responded with runs of their own to never allow the Panthers to tie or take the lead. A big 16 points in the second half from Brandon Angel was enough to lift the Falcons to a 64-52 win.

The Players:

Brandon Angel's 16 points in the second half gave him 21 for the game to lead the Falcons. He shot 9/15 from the field and added seven rebounds to his line. Chris Howell, after missing the last four games with the flu, returned to run the point for the Falcons. He had 15 points, nine rebounds and three assists. Other notable Falcons include Nick Herrmann, who had 10 points and three rebounds, and Otto Landrum with his six points and six rebounds on 3/4 from the field. Nate Witte, also returning from three games out with the flu, had a clean stat line with his four points (1/1 from two, 2/2 from the foul line), three rebounds, two assists and one steal.

The Game:

A defensive battle was underway in the first half. Chris Howell paced the Falcons in the first quarter with six points and three rebounds to help them to a 17-10 lead after one. In the second quarter, the defensive affair continued until the Panthers knocked down multiple shots from deep towards the middle of the quarter. They cut the Falcons' lead to 21-20 with two minutes remaining in the half before Torrey Pines finished with a 6-0 run on baskets in the paint from Otto Landrum, Brandon Angel and Nate Witte. The score was 27-20 at half. After Vista opened the third quarter with a 5-0 run to pull within two, the Falcons answered with a 6-0 of their own. To continue the game of runs, Vista added a 7-2 run with a few minutes left. The Falcons ultimately added a point to their lead with the score 45-37 after three. Brandon Angel had 10 points in the quarter. The Panthers hit their stride two minutes into the fourth and eventually cut the lead to 52-48 with four minutes remaining before the Falcons stretched the lead up to 61-48 off a 9-0 run. Free throws in the waning minutes made the final 64-52 Torrey Pines.

Next Up:

This was the only game of the week for the Falcons. They do not play again for seven days until the Avocado West League opener next Tuesday night, January 14th, at 7:00 pm at Carlsbad.



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