

2013 Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic

Day Two – December 29, 2013

Broome County Veterans Memorial Arena

Game Seven

Regional Division I

Johnson City High School (*Johnson City, NY*).....53

Binghamton High School (*Binghamton, NY*).....76

Senior Salen Turkovic led Binghamton with game-highs of 18 points and 11 rebounds en route to a 76-53 victory over Johnson City in the third place game of the Regional Division I bracket, Sunday morning at the Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic.

The Patriots received 15 points and eight assists from sophomore point guard Andre Hawkins, who helped Binghamton shoot 60 percent from the floor. The Patriots led from start to finish thanks to a rebounding advantage of 40-24 and 17 assists. Senior Mario Cherry chipped in 11 points for Binghamton.

Seniors Matt Czeitner and Ricky Balles led Johnson City with nine points apiece. The Wildcats were held to just 31 percent shooting, but went 18-of-23 (78 percent) from the line. Johnson City forced Binghamton into 16 turnovers which resulted in 22 points for the Wildcats.

Binghamton staked out an 18-point lead at the break thanks to 56 percent shooting from the floor (18-of-32) and a solid inside game by Turkovic, who led the Patriots with 14 first-half points. Johnson City posted eight different players in the scoring column led by Ricky Balles' seven, but was limited to just 38 percent shooting.

In the first quarter Binghamton raced out to a 12-4 advantage thanks to a pair of three-pointers by David Loewen. Johnson City continued to hang around after a Balles triple pulled the Wildcats within five, 16-11, midway through the period. Binghamton countered with a 14-3 run to close the first capped by a Cherry three at the buzzer to take a 29-13 lead into the second quarter.

The Patriots took its largest lead of the half, 42-22, following a pair of free throws by Hawkins at the 2:08 mark. Johnson City continued to push the ball to the rim to trim the margin back under 20 before the halftime buzzer. The Wildcats went 9-of-10 from the line in the first half, but committed 10 turnovers.

In the second half, Binghamton continued to apply pressure to Johnson City as the Patriots opened the half on a 14-3 run to extend their lead to 29, 58-29, at the 3:13 mark of the third quarter. The Patriots cruised from that point on thanks to 65 percent shooting in the second half. Johnson City was unable to pull any closer than 20 for the remainder of the game, eventually falling by 23.

Scoring	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Final
Johnson City -	13	13	10	17	53
Binghamton -	29	15	16	16	76

Leading Scorers

R. Balles/M. Czeitner (Johnson City) – 9 points

S. Turkovic (Binghamton) – 18 points

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Game Eight

Regional Division II

Norwich High School (*Norwich, N.Y.*).....XX

Greene High School (*Greene, NY*).....XX

Senior Michael Sutton scored a game-high 13 points to lead Norwich to a 71-34 victory over Greene in a Regional Division II semifinal game, Sunday morning at the 22nd Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic.

Norwich held Greene to just 23 percent shooting (10-for-44) and scored 25 points off of 23 Trojan turnovers utilizing a stifling full-court press much of the contest. Norwich outrebounded Greene 49-34. Sophomore Carlos Ithier added 12 points while senior Storm Cook chipped in nine points and a game-high 12 rebounds.

Norwich added to its 26-point halftime lead late in the third quarter after Sutton stole a Greene pass and raced to the goal, putting the Purple Tornados up 45-15 with 2:34 left in the period. Matt Burke replicated Sutton's feat a few minutes later to send Norwich into the fourth quarter up 35, 54-19. Michale Oralls scored all nine of his points in the fourth quarter extending Norwich's lead to 41 at one point, helping the Purple Tornados ease to the 37-point victory.

Freshman Luke Erickson led Greene with seven points and five rebounds. Seniors Colin Brooks and Zach Wentlent as well as sophomore Luke Day all added six points apiece while.

After a slow start in the first quarter, Norwich opened up a 36-10 halftime lead over Greene thanks to 14 points off turnovers. The Purple Tornados utilized 11 offensive rebounds for 13 second-chance points holding the Trojans to just three field goals over the first 16 minutes of play. Greene shot just 13 percent from the floor while Norwich connected on 37 percent of its shots.

Greene opened with the game's first two points, but it was all Norwich from there as the Purple Tornados scored the next 11. A pair of Sutton runners coupled with a Carlos Ithier triple handed Norwich an 11-4 lead after the first quarter.

In the second quarter Norwich broke the game open outscoring Greene 25-6 in the period. Following a pair of layups by Greene's Colin Brooks, Norwich ensued on a 15-0 run to take a 36-8 lead late in the second quarter. Five different Purple Tornados scored during the spurt. Sutton led Norwich with 11 first half points, while Brooks and Ekstrom had four apiece for Greene.

With the win Norwich advances to the championship game of the Regional Division II bracket Monday at 5:30 p.m. Greene will play in the third place Monday afternoon at 2:45 p.m.

Scoring	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Final
Norwich -	11	25	18	17	71
Greene -	4	6	9	15	34

Leading Scorers

M. Sutton (Norwich) – 13 points

Z. Wentlent/C. Brooks/L. Day (Greene) – 6 points

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Game Nine

National Division

Poly Prep (*Brooklyn, N.Y.*).....47

Covington Holmes (*Covington, Ky.*).....67

Junior James Bolden scored 19 of his game-high 25 points in the second half to lead Covington Holmes over Poly Prep 68-55 in a National Division matchup, Sunday afternoon at the 22nd Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic.

After going for 29 points a day earlier against John Carroll, Bolden exploded for 15 points in the third quarter to open a 16-point lead for the Bulldogs heading into fourth after leading by just one at halftime. The margin would be all Covington Holmes needed as the Bulldogs cruised to the double-digit win behind 50 percent shooting in the second half.

Senior Quinton Chames added 10 points and a game-high nine rebounds for Covington Holmes, who outrebounded Poly Prep 40-28. Sophomore Markel McClendon chipped in 12 points, six rebounds and three assists.

Sophomore Wolfgang Novogratz led Poly Prep with 16 points and six rebounds.

Bolden opened the half with a floater in the lane and then scored eight straight points including a pair of threes to put the Bulldogs up 12 and force a Blue Devil timeout. Covington Holmes kept the run going with a perfectly executed alley from McClendon to Marcus Hill which ignited the crowd at the Arena. Bolden ended his outstanding quarter with a step-jumper and a coast-to-coast layup. Covington Holmes extended its lead to as many as 22 in the fourth quarter as both team cleared their benches in the final eight minutes.

In a tightly contested first half, Covington Holmes grasped to a one-point lead at the break, 28-27. The Bulldogs used nine offensive rebounds for seven second-chance points and sprinted to six fast break points. However, Novogratz kept Poly Prep in the contest with 13 first-half points including a runner just before the halftime buzzer sounded.

Poly Prep held the lead twice in the first quarter, but a Daequan Glover three at the end of the period handed Covington Holmes a 13-11 advantage heading into the second. A nicely executed reverse layup by Bolden helped Covington Holmes open up a six point advantage for the Bulldogs, but Poly Prep kept chipping away. Novogratz scored nine of his 13 first-half points late in the second quarter to pull the Blue Devil within one at the break.

Chames and Bolden led Covington Holmes with a combined 13 points and eight rebounds in the first half. Seven different players entered to scoring column for the Bulldogs. Najee Taylor chipped in five points for Poly Prep.

Covington Holmes will play in the fifth place game of the National Division Monday morning at 11:15 a.m. while Poly Prep will play in the seventh place game Monday at 9:30 a.m.

Scoring	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Final
Poly Prep -	11	16	7	13	47
Covington Holmes -	13	15	22	17	67

Leading Scorers

W. Novogratz (Poly Prep) – 16 points

J. Bolden (Covington Holmes) – 25 points

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Game Ten

National Division

St. Michael's College (*Toronto, Ontario*).....75

New Rochelle (*New Rochelle, N.Y.*).....61

Junior Nelson Kaputo and freshman Danilo Djuricic each score a team-high 13 points to lead St. Michael's College to a 69-58 win over New Rochelle, advancing to the fifth place game of the National Division, Sunday afternoon at the 22nd Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic.

St. Michael's, from Toronto, Ontario, shot 48 percent (28-of-58) from the field en route to the 14-point victory. The Blue Raiders connected on six three-pointers and went 13-of-18 from the free throw line to close out New Rochelle.

Junior Antoine Lewis highlighted New Rochelle's day with a game-high 20 points and five rebounds. Senior Derek Dorn added 17 points, going 8-of-10 (80 percent) from the free throw line.

St. Michael's knockout punch came in the third quarter when New Rochelle trimmed a 12-point halftime deficit to five early in the period. Seven quick points by Dorn put New Rochelle right back in the contest, but the Blue Raiders immediately responded to the Hugenots spurt with an 8-0 run fueled by back-to-back threes by Kaputo and Nikola Paradina. Lewis attempted to keep New Rochelle in the game with a pair of jumpers, but a three by Miles Kentebe helped St. Michael's take a 53-39 lead into the fourth.

In the final eight minutes New Rochelle was unable to get any closer than 11 points as St. Michael's utilized an effective transition game. The Blue Raiders pinned 18 fast break points on the Hugenots gliding to the double-digit victory.

St. Michael's held a 12-point lead, 32-20, at the break thanks to a balanced scoring effort which saw eight different Blue Raiders enter the scoring column. St. Michael's was led by Djuricic, who scored six points and grabbed five rebounds.

Following a jumper by Lewis to pull New Rochelle within one, St. Michael's scored eight of the game's next ten points to take a 15-7 lead at the end of the first quarter. Djuricic dominated the paint grabbing a pair of offensive rebounds and scoring easy put backs.

In the second quarter, four straight points by Kaputo helped St. Michael's extend its lead to 10, 21-11, midway through the period. The Blue Raiders pushed their lead to as many as 14 following a jumper and a pair of free throws by Kentebe, but a driving layup by Lewis created the halftime deficit. Alex Tuci led New Rochelle with seven points at the break.

St. Michael's will face Covington Holmes Monday at 11:15 a.m. while New Rochelle will take on Poly Prep Monday morning at 9:30 a.m.

Scoring	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Final
St. Michael's -	15	17	21	22	75
New Rochelle -	7	13	19	22	61

Leading Scorers

D. Djuricic/N. Kaputo (St. Michael's) – 13 points

A. Lewis (New Rochelle) – 20 points

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Game Eleven

National Division

Christ the King (*Middle Village, N.Y.*).....65

Philadelphia MC&S (*Philadelphia, Pa.*).....63

Senior Adonis Delarosa sank the go-ahead free throw with 23 seconds left in overtime to lift Christ the King over Philadelphia Math, Civics & Sciences, 65-63 and advance to the championship game of the National Division, Saturday night at the 22nd Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic. Christ the King will play in its fifth STOP-DWI Holiday Classic championship.

The biggest play of the game however, was the game-tying three-pointer Rawle Alkins drilled with 1.1 seconds remaining in regulation. Following a missed three-point attempt in the corner by Delarosa, Alkins skied for the offensive rebound and Christ the King called timeout with just under 10 seconds to play.

A night after winning on a game-winner at the end of regulation off a beautiful inbounds play, Alkins found himself wide-open at the top of key on another perfectly executed play. Alkins didn't hesitate with a man in his face as he rose and swished the game-tying three after trailing all of the fourth quarter. Neither team led by more than four in the entire second half.

In overtime, back-to-back buckets by Travis Atson and Alkins handed Christ the King a 61-57 lead, but Philadelphia MC&S was able to level the extra session at 63 with 48 seconds left after a Samir Doughty slash to the hole and a Tyrese Hester break away.

From there, ensued a flurry a plays which resulted in a free throw shooting contest down the stretch. Delarosa's deciding free throw came after an Alkins drive to the hole was blocked by the 6-foot-9 Mike Watkins and sent to Doughty who then had his pocket picked by Marcus Layne as he drove the lane. Delarosa picked up the ball after a scramble and was fouled by Hester. Delarosa made the first free throw and missed the second to put the Royals up 64-63.

Philadelphia MC&S had a chance to go ahead with 2.4 seconds left as Nazeer Bostick was fouled during another scramble on the Mighty Elephants end of the floor. However, Bostick missed both free throws and during the rebound attempt Watkins fouled Alkins. The sophomore all-state player sank 1-of-2 free throws and Doughty's desperation half-court heave caromed off the backboard.

Alkins scored a game-high 20 points to lead four different Royals who scored in double figures. Atson added 17 points and 10 rebounds for his second straight double-double. Hester led Philadelphia MC&S with a team-high 16 points, while Doughty added 13 points and Watkins recorded a double-double of 12 points and 11 rebounds.

In an extremely competitive first half, Christ the King clung to a one-point advantage, 30-29, at the break thanks to 14 second-chance points. Philadelphia MC&S led late in the first quarter, but a 7-0 run by the Royals that bridged both quarters handed Christ the King the lead for the remainder of the half. Alkins led Christ the King with 10 first-half points while Atson added nine. Doughty and Bostick each recorded seven points to lead Philadelphia MC&S.

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Christ the King -	19	11	11	15	6	63
Philadelphia MC&S -	16	13	13	16	8	65

Leading Scorers

R. Alkins (Christ the King) – 20 points

T. Hester (Philadelphia MC&S) – 16 points

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Game Twelve

Regional Division II

New York Mills (*New York Mills, N.Y.*).....73

Seton Catholic Central (*Binghamton, N.Y.*).....41

Senior Nick Comenale lit up the Broome County Veterans Memorial Arena for a tournament-best 33 points leading New York Mills over Seton Catholic Central 73-41, Saturday night in a Regional Division II game at the 22nd Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic.

Comenale scored 22 of his game-high 33 points hitting in the first half and hit eight of his first ten shots, helping the Marauders ease to a 20-point halftime lead. Comenale finished the game 11-of-16 from the floor and 7-for-7 from the free throw line.

Comenale's 33 points is the most points in a STOP-DWI Holiday Classic game since Jahii Carson's 38 in 2010.

Senior Zach Vennaro chipped in 12 points while junior Andrew Suprenant added 10 points. Comenale and Suprenant were Friday night's Three-Point Contest champions.

New York Mills shot 56 percent (27-of-48) and forced 25 Seton Catholic turnovers. The Saints were unable to closer than the halftime margin of 20 established by the Marauders in the final 16 minutes of play.

Seton was led by senior Michael Korchak and junior Grant Eggleston who each scored nine points apiece for the Saints. Seton outrebounded New York Mills 29-25 led by Korchak's game-high six boards.

New York Mills closed the first half on a staggering 24-5 run taking a 34-14 lead into the break and never looked back. New York Mills forced 12 Seton Catholic turnovers scoring 14 points off those extra opportunities. A stingy New York Mills defense limited the Saints to just 29 percent shooting (6-for-21).

In the first quarter, Seton hung around pulling within two on a Korchak layup. Comenale answered with one of his eight first half buckets, but a three by Grant Eggleston cut the New York Mills lead to one, 10-9. However, the Marauders scored the final five points of the quarter to hold a 15-9 advantage after eight minutes of play. Seton was limited to just five points in the second quarter as New York Mills took a 20-point lead into the break.

New York Mills advances to the championship game of the Regional Division II Monday at 5:30 p.m. where they will face Norwich. Seton will play Greene in the third-place game Monday afternoon at 2:45 p.m.

Scoring	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Final
New York Mills -	15	19	22	17	73
Seton Catholic -	9	5	16	11	41

Leading Scorers

N. Comenale (New York Mills) – 33 points

M. Korchak/G. Eggleston (Seton Catholic) – 9 points

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Game Thirteen

National Division

John Carroll School (*Bel-Air, Md.*).....34

Long Island Lutheran (*Brookville, N.Y.*).....46

Sophomore Devonte Green scored a game-high 19 points to lead Long Island Lutheran to a 46-34 victory over The John Carroll School, Saturday night at the 22nd Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic. With the win, Long Island Lutheran advances to its first appearance in a STOP-DWI title game.

The Long Island Lutheran defense limited John Carroll to just 23 percent shooting en route to the 12-point victory. LUHI used a 43-37 rebounding advantage to score 24 points in the paint. The Crusaders also created 14 points off of 12 John Carroll turnovers.

Junior Chris Atkinson added 11 points and five rebounds for LUHI while junior Marvin Prochet pulled down a team-high 11 rebounds.

Junior Kimbal MacKenzie led John Carroll with 14 points after starting the game 0-for-8 from the floor. MacKenzie, who scored 22 points the previous night against Poly Prep, dropped in nine of his 14 points in the second half.

Long Island Lutheran utilized a stingy full-court press out of the break to increase a seven-point halftime lead to 12 after scoring four straight baskets off John Carroll turnovers. The Marauders cut the deficit to seven twice late in the third quarter, but back-to-back buckets by the Crusaders pushed the lead back to 12, 41-29, heading into the fourth. Long Island Lutheran extended its lead to as many as 16 in the fourth before settling on the 12-point margin.

In a defensive battle throughout the first half, Long Island Lutheran took a 24-19 lead into the break. The Crusaders held John Carroll to just 22 percent shooting, but not before a 10-0 run by the Patriots over the final 5:10 of the half trimmed a 15-point deficit to five.

In the first quarter LUHI worked the ball inside as a pair of Missa buckets in the paint handed the Crusaders a 9-3 lead. LUHI finished the quarter with back-to-back baskets as Green drilled a runner in the lane to put the Crusaders up 15-7 after the opening eight minutes.

After a layup by John Carroll's Tertsea in the second quarter, LUHI went on a 9-0 run capped by two technical foul shots from Atkinson to extend its lead to 15. Following the technical, John Carroll embarked on its 10-0 run highlighted by a three-point play and nice pull-up jumper by MacKenzie. Long Island Lutheran was led by 12 first-half points by Green while John Carroll was led by Tertsea's six.

Long Island Lutheran will face Christ the King in the National Division championship game Monday night at 9:15 p.m. John Carroll drops to the third place game at 1 p.m. against Philadelphia MC&S.

Scoring	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Final
John Carroll School -	7	12	10	5	34
Long Island Lutheran -	15	9	17	5	46

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Leading Scorers

K. MacKenzie (John Carroll School) – 14 points

D. Green (Long Island Lutheran) – 19 points