

WINCHESTER CHATTER.....ISSUE #3....Tuesday, January 8, 2019.....DAY 4.....ISSUE #3

Here are the top scorers after day two of the Winchester Invitational Tournament.

1	Lane Ippensen	Camp Point	37	(2 games)
2	Garrett Snow	Triopia	35	(2 games)
3	Vaughn Toyne	Porta/AC	32	(2 games)
4	Kyle Colgrove	Western	30	(1 game)
5	Kyle Schwartz	Payson	29	(1 game)
6	Gabe Carlock	Porta/AC	26	(2 games)
7	Cory Baalman	Calhoun	25	(2 games)
	Drew Baalman	Calhoun	25	(2 games)
	Cole Howard	West Central	25	(1 game)
	Corey Nelson	Calhoun	25	(2 games)

Yesterday's near upset was the first overtime game of this year's Winchester Invitational Tournament. Triopia held off Calhoun 49-44. There were two overtime games a year ago. Triopia played in one of those, in the 5<sup>th</sup> place bracket. Triopia was upset by Brown County 59-57 in overtime. In fact, Kent Coultas tells me Triopia has played an overtime game at Winchester in 3 of the last four years. The Trojans lost the previous two..to Brown County last year, and Routt in 2016.

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There have been no upsets through the first 10 games this year. That was matched in 2015, when the tournament went through the Tuesday schedule before seeing an upset. That is through 13 games. By the way, there were just three upsets in 2015.

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The final two games tonight feature games between teams that have already played each other this year. Greenfield-Northwestern beat North Greene 62-56 at the Spartan Classic at North Greene last month. Payson knocked off Routt 55-36 in a game in the Saukee Turkey tournament.

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Payson and Routt have played each other just one time here. The Rockets won, 61-57 in the quarterfinals of the 2012 tournament. North Greene and Greenfield-Northwestern have never played here. But, North Greene beat Greenfield in the first round of the 2010 tournament. And, Brown County beat Pleasant Hill 45-36 in the first round last year.

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The thirty point performance by Kyle Colgrove of Western joins a long list of 30 point performers at Winchester. In fact, Colgrove became the 100<sup>th</sup> player to score at least 30 points in a game at Winchester since the tournament began. He became the first 30 point performer at Winchester, since Tanner Sussenbach did 31 in a game for Brown County three years ago. The earliest 30+ game at Winchester by a player? Bill Voyles, and 36 points for Carrollton in 1947.

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This is the 6<sup>th</sup> straight year that Porta/AC has reached the semifinals at the Winchester Invitational Tournament. In those six years, Porta/AC has made the finals just once. That occurred in 2015, when the Bluejays won it all in the title game over Carrollton 52-49. Payson has reached the semifinals in 5 of the previous 6 years.