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Visitors have strong inside game

Madison Southern rolls to 86-65 win

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CARLISLE — Nicholas County could not master visiting Madison Southern in a game Jan. 26, as the Bluejackets fell 86-65 to the Eagles.

The Jackets played relatively close to the tough Eagles, with the turning point coming late in the third quarter.

Nicholas remained within striking distance for most of the game but got buried in the fourth.

With 30 seconds left in the third, Nicholas was down 66-47. Nicholas failed to capitalize on two possessions and gave up six points in the process.

A minute and a half into the final period, the Eagles held a 69-49 lead, and Nicholas could not cut the deficit.

The Jackets played close in the first quarter, leading at 6-5 on a goal by Jamie Simons.

The Eagles built a 15-8 lead, but the Jackets cut it to 15-11 on a 3-point shot by Daniel Brown.

The quarter ended with Madison Southern leading 20-13.

The Eagles dominated the second period, outscoring Nicholas 25-12.

The Jackets cut the lead to 20-15 at the 7:30 mark when David Sparks battled for a score on a follow-through rebound shot.

Madison Southern scored 10 before Travis Sims answered with three on a field goal and a foul shot to make it 25-15.

Nicholas County had trouble putting together an inside shooting game as the Eagles ran out a 43-25 lead to end the half.

After falling to a 29-point deficit in the third, Nicholas outscored its opponent 20-9 in a 6-minute span.

But, in the closing seconds of the third quarter, Madison Southern broke the Jackets' hold on the tempo. The Eagles were aided by a technical foul assessed on Nicholas with three seconds left in the period.

Madison's largest lead came at 86-58 with 2:25 to play in the

game.
The Jackets were led by Brian Hilander with 25 points. Brown had 16 points and Sims chipped in

13. Sparks, Jarrod Willis, Shane Tibbs and Greg Gilvin scored two each.
The Eagles had four players in

double figures. Kyle Hicknell had 31 points. Roger Pollard scored 17, Steve Chastain had 16, and Curtis Elliott scored 15.



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Brian Hilander goes for the straight up layup, but the Nicholas County Bluejackets could not seem to maintain constant scoring as they were handed a loss to the Madison Southern Eagles Friday, January 26, 86-65.

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