

This past weekend Borden struggled losing to Orleans Friday night 32 – 50. They then traveled to Evansville Day to pick up a win 57 – 55. Though both games were not pretty they were tough fought. Orleans came to Borden and coach Bradley said, “We came to win and they played like it.” Through the first half Borden struggled to find their offense with Garret Vick scoring 8 of 15 points as they attempted to stay close. But Orleans Cale Hall picked up nine of their 20 points to fuel Orleans offense. Borden also suffering from five turnovers trailed 15 – 20 at the half. In the second half Vick kept on with his inside power moves to try to catch up with no luck. With very little offense in support, Orleans continued to pull away. Borden trying to pressure Orleans did work from the field as they only picked up four baskets in the second half. But in turn it gave them 22 free throws in the half which they hit them all.

Orleans went 22 for 22 from the free throw line, hit over 50% from the field while Borden hit a less than 35%. The end result was a 32 – 50 loss.

After the game Borden’s coach Nash commented, “They took us out of our set plays, defensively we did pretty good. If we didn’t get a steal they got fouled and scored. We only shot 33%.” And with that comment he said he had to think about tomorrow night.

Leading scorer for Borden was Vick with 17.

Leading scorer for Orleans were Steven Phillips with 18 and Cale Hall with 11.

Saturday night Borden traveled to Evansville to play Evansville Day (Day). In the first quarter Day picked up four 3’s from three different players. Borden was able to keep pace fueled by three 3’s from Josh Vollstedt. Borden controlled their defensive rebounding limiting Day’s second shot opportunities. At the end of the quarter they were tied 14 all.

The second quarter Borden continued to limit Day’s shots with defensive rebounding and got offense from five different players. Day picked up two more 3’s and fought to stay even. Giving Borden a one point lead at the half 30 – 29.

The third say Borden scoring limited with three 3’s as Vollstedt got his fourth and fifth and Caleb Hart got his second. Borden’s Garret Vick picked up his fourth foul and went to the bench for a good portion of the quarter. Borden turned the ball over four times and had lost control of the rebounding edge they had. Day would pick up their last 3 from Brevin Tilmon to give him five for the game and seven total for the game. This along with offensive support from the field Day pulled out to a 43 – 39 lead challenging the Braves heart and strength.

Borden showed their heart and struggled back with scoring coming from four players. With 3:26 to play Vick came back in the game. At 2:04 to play Borden started a seven point run to pull with one at 52 – 53. Then with 36 seconds to play Borden’s Brian McGee scored a basket and was fouled. Hitting the free throw he gave Borden a two point lead 55 - 53. And with just 13 seconds left Day’s Will Stevens tied it up at 55 all with a field goal. With three seconds to play Borden’s Cody Craddock nailed a basket to give Borden their margin of victory winning 57 to

53.

Borden's coach Nash said after the game, "We kept our head and stayed composed. We needed a good game like this." He added, "It was good to see Josh (Vollstedt) step up and have a good game. This was a good team effort."

Leading scorers for Borden were Vollstedt with 19 and Vick with 11.

Leading scorers for Day were Stevens with 21 and Tilman with 19.