

For the first time since 2010, the Lanesville Eagles won the Class A Sectional. The road was tough as they had to beat two of the top three teams in order to advance.

The final was a barn-burner that ended with a 68-65 win over Rock Creek in overtime.

The Eagles will now advance to the Class A Loogootee Regional where they will face Northeast Dubois.

The winner of that game, which will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, will play in the regional championship Saturday night.

The following is a look back at all the games of Sectional 62 at Borden.

Game 1 of Sectional 62, held at Borden was South Central vs. Rock Creek on Tuesday night. South Central came out cold with too many turnovers. Rock Creek's height gave them control of the rebounds along with six 3's gave them a halftime lead 35 to 18.

The second half of the game saw little change as Rock Creek moved on winning 61 to 40.

Game two on Tuesday night was New Washington vs. Christian Academy Institute (CAI). Though CAI came out hot with a first quarter lead of 23 to 8 New Washington fought back in the second. New Washington outscored CAI by four but they still trailed at half 32 to 18.

New Washington's defense stepped up in the third as they had in the second to play even with CAI. But the fourth quarter CAI took control. Despite a couple of late 3's for New Washington they lost 61 to 46 as CAI moved on.

Game three came Friday night as Borden faced advancing Rock Creek (RC). Borden came out strong holding their own on the boards as they took a 14 to 7 lead at the end of the 1st. In the 2nd RC worked their way back to take a one point lead 7 seconds before the half, 24 to 23.

In the 3rd Borden went cold as RC outscored them 19 to 10 to take a 43 to 33 lead. RC drove the lane and took advantage of their height. In the 4th RC used ball control to limit Borden's opportunities. Borden fouled and RC hit free throws as they pulled away to advance to the final 67 to 48.

Game four was Lanesville vs. Christian Academy Institute (CAI). CAI played a tough zone using their size to keep Lanesville outside for the first half. CAI took a 28 to 16 halftime lead.

The third Lanesville played even with CAI with the help of three 3's. But in the fourth Lanesville's Jason Harmon, Jack Ferree and Joe Ferree cut loose for 30 of 31 points for the quarter. Scoring 31 of 63 points in the fourth they overwhelmed CAI to take a two point win, 63 to 61 and advance to the final.

Saturday night Rock Creek faced off against Lanesville for the Sectional Final. Lanesville

came out slow with a couple turnovers and Rock Creek made a nine to two run in the first four minutes. Lanesville then turned the tables to go on a 13 to 1 run. After trading a basket for a couple of free throws Lanesville took a 17 to 13 lead in the first quarter.

The second quarter Lanesville's confidence continued to battle Rock Creek's inside game. Both teams battled the first half with scoring from six players on both sides. Lanesville's defense did cause Rock Creek to turn over the ball nine times but they made up for that with and almost two to one rebounding advantage.

Rock Creek got hot while Lanesville struggled to penetrate but Lanesville hung on to a lead at the half 33 to 30.

In the third Rock Creek pushed inside hard while Lanesville responded from virtually everyone on the floor. Rock Creek was having difficulty figuring out who to defend. They were also dealing with Lanesville's defense as they caused another six turnovers in the third. Lanesville managed to hold onto a one point lead to end the quarter ahead 45 to 44.

Both teams battled down to two minutes left in regulation with Lanesville hanging onto a two to four point lead. With two minutes to play Rock Creek's Devin Burt drove in the middle to be fouled, hitting one free throw. Then Gedeon Nzombi picked up a basket and a free throw to tie the game up for Rock Creek. Both teams struggled for 52 seconds but couldn't score sending the game into overtime.

In the overtime Rock Creek struck first to take a one point lead. It went back and forth trading the one point lead down to 46 seconds to play when Lanesville's Matt Husband hit two free throws to give Lanesville their lead for good by one. Joe Ferree added another and Husband added another to finish out with a win 68 to 65.

Lanesville's coach Miller commented, "These were two tough teams right down the line. When it got down to the last time out we only needed one stop get there. We got it." When asked about his players, Miller said, "Jason Harmon and Jack Ferree played tough both nights. Matt Husband came to play tonight, and Joe Ferree is a natural leader."

Rock Creek's coach Brown said, "We didn't hit our free throws and our layups. We gave up opportunities early and they are a championship team. Our guys fought back hard."

Lanesville's leading scorers were: Joe Ferree 21, Matt Husband 20, Jack Ferree 10 and Luke Ferguson 10.

Rock Creek's leading scorers were: Gedeon Nzombi 17, Devin Burt 16, Will Brown 13 and Ronald Karenzi 10.