2013 Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic

Three-Point & Dunk Contest - December 27, 2013 Broome County Veterans Memorial Arena

The tournament host Binghamton Patriots secured some hardware before a game was even played at the 2013 Mirabito STOP-DWI Holiday Classic. Mario Cherry was victorious in the Slam Dunk Contest with a score of 77.5 in front of a raucous hometown crowd.

Cherry, who was the last finalist from the opening round, held off Rawle Alkins of Christ the King who claimed second place with a total of 72.5 points. Parker Joyce of St. Michael's College School finished in third with a score of 55 to round out the finalists.

The crowd favorite, Cherry used a variety of alley-oops to take home the crown. Cherry started off the finals with a windmill oop to himself which he completed cleanly on his first attempt. His second attempt was simple one-handed jam as time expired. Cherry, who need a big dunk in his final effort, ended the competition with a windmill oop off the blackboard from a teammate. Following his successful dunk, his teammates rushed the court and the crowd roared for the champion.

Alkins was the top finalist with an opening-round score of 37, completing two one-handed sky dunks from just inside the foul line. Joyce displayed his aerial abilities with a smooth two-handed 360 dunk and advanced to the finals with 35 points. Cherry moved on to the finals with three alley-oops to himself to accumulate a score of 31 points, just slipping past Storm Cook of Norwich (30).

In a thrilling Three-Point Contest the duo of Nick Comenale and Andrew Suprenant of New York Mills defeated Elijah Bailey and Devonte Gree of Long Island Lutheran 66-48 in an overtime period of the competition.

As time expired, both teams hit buzzer-beaters to end the finals tied at 75. The competition was extended to an extra period where Comenale handed New York Mills a large cushion, 36-18, after the first 60 seconds. Bailey, who went for 39 points in the opening round of the finals, hit just six three's in the overtime period. Both Suprenant and Green hit 10 triples in the final 60 second shootout of the overtime period.

Long Island Lutheran and New York Mills were the only two teams to crack 60 points in the opening round of the contest. Long Island Lutheran had a team-high 22 three-pointers for 66 points and advanced as the top team in the competition. New York Mills was right behind the runnersup with 21 threes for 63 points, advancing to the finals by two triples over St. Michael's College (57).

THREE-POINT CONTEST

ROUND ONE:

Long Island (Elijah Bailey & Devonte Green) – 66 New York Mills (Nick Comenale & Andrew Surprenant) - 63 St. Michael's College (Godwin Boahen & Nelson Kaputo) – 57 Christ the King (Rawle Alkins & Travis Atson) – 51 Johnson City (Nick Chilson & Max Marshall) – 51

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Fayetteville Manlius (Jon Schurman & Louis Avellino) – 45
Poly Prep (Wolfgang Novogratz & Ferrarn Brown) - 42
New Rochelle (Antoine Lewis & Alex Tuci) – 39
Maine Endwell (Kyle Gallagher & Jake Sinicki) - 39
John Carroll (Kimbal MacKenzie & Jordan Martin) – 36
Binghamton (David Loewen & Saleem Turkovic) – 36
Norwich (Matt Burke & Mike Sutton) – 36
Math & Science Philly (Samir Doughty & Terquin Mott) - 27
Seton Catholic (Grant Eggleston & Robert Olsen) – 21

FINALS:

Long Island (Elijah Bailey & Devonte Green) -39/36 = 75New York Mills (Nick Comenale & Andrew Suprenant) -36/39 = 75

OVERTIME:

New York Mills (Nick Comenale & Andrew Suprenant) -36/30 = 66Long Island (Elijah Bailey & Devonte Green) -18/30 = 48

DUNK CONTEST

Round One:

Christ the King (Rawle Alkins) – 37
St. Michael's College (Parker Joyce) – 35
Binghamton (Mario Cherry) – 31
Norwich (Storm Cook) – 30
Fayetteville Manlius (John Schurman) – 29
John Carroll (Mike Tertsea) – 28
Math & Sciences Philly (Lou Myers) – 27
Maine Endwell (Alec Wisniewski) – 23
Long Island Lutheran (Chris Burkley) – 0
Poly Prep (Fees Amen) – 0

FINALS:

Binghamton (Mario Cherry) – 77.5 Christ the King (Rawle Alkins) - 72.5 St. Michael's College (Parker Joyce) – 55