

## Timeout propels Defenders to win

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TURBOTVILLE—Warrior Run head coach Jon Weaver doesn't call a lot of timeouts during a game.

But Tuesday night, he called one at the right time.

With the Defenders struggling against the Southern Columbia (12-6) press and the lead down to five, Weaver called the timeout to hopefully right the ship.

It did just that as the Defenders (14-2) ripped off a 15-2 run and went on to defeat the Tigers 50-31 in a Heartland Athletic Conference Division II contest.

"I told the girls we had to pick it up," said Weaver. "I told them we needed somebody to step up, dribble the ball up the court with their head up."

That person was Abby Fisher.

The junior assisted on a Steph Shamburg layup to start the run at 2:43 in the third quarter and was able to get the ball up to the court to her teammates and even score five points in the stretch.

"Abby was the main reason we were able to break their press," said Weaver. "She did a very nice job."

"We were able to spread the floor and allow her to bring the ball up."

Until that point Southern's pressure caused turnover after turnover and did not allow the Defenders' transition game to get started. Warrior Run turned the ball over 33 times.

"We just couldn't get our running game going tonight because we kept turning the ball over," said Weaver. "We had 33 turnovers and still won by 19 points, I will take that any night."

What kept the Defenders in control of the game was their defense.

"The credit goes to our defense," said Weaver. "For the third-straight game we held the other team to 31 points."

"The girls did a great job on defense."

Warrior Run 50

Southern Columbia 31



Warrior Run's Abby Fisher, left, goes in for a layup as Southern Columbia's Rebekah Lyash defends on the play Tuesday night.

Shamburg finished the game with 20 points. Fisher had 14, which included a three pointer at the end of the first half that seemed to swing the momentum to Warrior Run.

"That bucket was big," said Weaver. "Instead of going in up six, we went in up nine."

"It seemed to lift the girls and put them in the right mind for the second half."

Warrior Run will travel to Central Columbia Friday for another key HAC-II contest.

Southern (12-6) 4 9 11 7—31

Warrior Run (14-2) 10 12 16 12—50

SOUTHERN COLUMBIA (31)

Mackenzie Clark 1 1-4 3; Rebekah Lyash 0 4-6 4; Shannon Daubert 4 2-4 10; Teanna Shutt 1 0-2 2; Haley Levan 2 0-0 4; Miranda Long 1 0-0 2; McKenzie Chaundy 3 0-0 6. Totals 12 7-16 31.

3-point goals: None

Did not score: Christina Padpora, Taylor Hoffman

WARRIOR RUN (50)

Abby Fisher 6 2-5 14; Chloe Eisenhuth 0 0-1 0; Emily Webb 1 3-4 5; Steph Shamburg 7 6-10 20; Madi Welliver 3 1-2 7; Mackenzie Hays 1 0-0 2. Totals 18 12-22-50.

3-point goals: Fisher 2.

Did not score: Laura Bastian, Maddie Beyer.

JV Score: Warrior Run 31-30, OT. Leading scorer: WR, Sydney Hartman 10.