

## Staying Calm

Defenders keep their composure in win over Dragons

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TURBOTVILLE—When things aren't going the way they are supposed to, it is easy for frustration to set in.

That could be said for both Lewisburg and Warrior Run Wednesday night in a Heartland Athletic Conference Division II showdown. The game at times resembled more of a hockey game with bodies all over the floor and calls—good, bad or indifferent—going against both teams.

But in the end it was the Defenders (4-0) who were able to rise above the chaos on the floor and get the 50-36 win.

"It was bad," said Warrior Run head coach Jon Weaver. "It was a rough game both ways with the fouls."

But what kept the Defenders focused was a simple order from Weaver.

"I told them that they are not allowed to show any emotion towards an official. That is my job," he said. "I think that helped keep them grounded and the girls feed off it when I let the officials have it a couple of times.

"I noticed Lewisburg started showing some emotion about the bad calls late in the game and I think that got in their heads."

Warrior Run held a 35-26 lead going into the fourth quarter and that is when Abby Fisher showed up and put any hopes of Lewisburg (2-1) comeback to rest.

"Abby was having a off night for three quarters," said Weaver. "But when we needed her to step up, she did just that."

Fisher scored eight of her 14 points in the first six minutes of the final period and when she scored on an old-fashion three-point play with 2:07 left, Warrior Run was up by 15 and on its way to the win.

"This was a big win for us," said Weaver.

For Lewisburg, the effort was there but missed shots and turnovers along with the questionable calls help lead to the first loss of the season.

"I thought we played hard tonight, especially on defense," said Lewisburg head coach Phil Stamm. "We got out of sync on offense at times and part of that was because Warrior Run is very aggressive on the defensive end.

"Overall, I liked our effort I just don't think we had it tonight."

Warrior Run 50  
Lewisburg 36



Steph Shamburg led the way for Warrior Run with 15 and Fisher had 14. Madi Welliver had seven points but pulled down 22 rebounds.

"I don't know what to say about that," said Weaver about Welliver's rebound totals. "I worked with her on getting better position and she did that tonight."

Kirsten Blakeslee led Lewisburg with 12 and Kasey Conrad had nine.

Warrior Run will travel to Montoursville Friday night while Lewisburg heads to Mount Carmel Saturday.