

F.L.B.B. GAME - REPORT

TEAM : Luxembourg U20M
OPPONENT: Romania U20M
DATE : 07.17.13
COMPETITION : European championship Div B
PLACE : Pitesti- Romania
REFS: Rocha, Peruga, Kapitany

Final Result (Quarters):

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F.L.B.B. - Team Composition:

	SURNAME	FIRST NAME	POINTS/3 PTS
4	MELCHER	Bob	13
5	WELTER	Tom	4
6	ITTENBACH	Chris	4
7	MERSCH	Steven	5
8	STEFFEN	Tom	
9	GENGLER	Alain	2
10	MARTIN	Raphael	0
11	KREUTZ	Max	
12	SCHROEDER	Max	
13	LAURENT	Alex	30
14	GOERGEN	Ben	0
15	POLFER	Gilles	11
HC	KLOSS	Rainer	
AC	SMITH	Mike	
PH			
TM	MERSCH	Yves	

Comments about the game:

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After 40 minutes of leaving everything on the floor, pride, heart, every ounce of effort sweat and tears. The U20 men's team came up just a little short with their last second shot falling to the floor along with their hopes to win the game.

Again, for the 5th night, the team from Luxembourg was at a serious size disadvantage. With Tom Steffen still side lined with a thigh injury this would not change. But this did not stop the Luxembourg team from giving there all. Each quarter both teams would fight to gain a advantage, neither team could. Every time Luxembourg would start to pull away, Romania would make a push of there own making a huge three point shot or going inside to their massive center Olah Alexandru. Every time Romania would make a push Luxembourg would get behind



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their defence and timely shooting, and would come sprinting back into the game. And so it was for 40 minutes in the end the team from Romania pulled ahead on a lay up and a freethrow, and as Gilles Polfers desperation shot hit the floor so did the hearts of this wonderful group of kids from Luxembourg. They did not run from a fight they met it head on and kept fighting back. Out rebounded 52 to 29 the Luxembourg team kept in the game buy creating 24 Romanian turnovers to only 6.

Both teams were fighting for the pride of their country, Romania was not going to give up and neither would Luxembourg 10 lead changes and 10 ties showed the effort and heart both teams gave, in the end it's a pity that some one had to lose, in the end it's a pity that these boys had to lose; they have come so far and have given so much. With injuries, and a serious lack of size, this team continues to fight every second they are on the floor. Alex, Bob, Gilles, Tom, Chris, Alain, Steven, Ben, Raphael, Max, Tom, Max may have lost this fight but the can hold their heads high knowing that they left nothing on that floor, except their hearts. We are extremely proud of these guys. You should too.

