

# Wilmington Tigers 10U Team Report

The Wilmington Tigers 10U team opened their AAU season March 26-27<sup>th</sup> at the Fencor Tournament. Playing short-handed and faced with a tough schedule (two Fencor teams and a Comets team), the girls played well and finished the weekend 3-1. The team struggled early on in our opening game Saturday against Fencor B. With four newcomers to the team, the girls didn't seem to be in sync with one another. They did just enough on the offensive end and played tough defense at the end of the game to come away with a 16-13 victory. The matinee game featured a 9U Comets team that had already buzzed through one 6<sup>th</sup> grade team and would eventually buzz through another a day later. Our Tigers and the Comets traded punches like a championship prize fight. In the end, it was the Tiger dominance on the boards that was the difference, with Corrie Sterling and Shelby Smiley kicking in 8 each. The Tigers won this one 36-31. The Sunday morning game featured the Fencor A team. Our Tigers held their own for the first ten minutes of the first half, but the Fencor oppressive full-court pressure finally got to us and Fencor A won this one 39-12. The afternoon game was a rematch with Fencor B, but we noticed much improvement over the previous game, with us playing our best basketball of the weekend. The game also saw the emergence of new team member Camrie Webster, who kicked in 6 points and 8 rebounds in a 20-11 Tiger victory. Olivia Tucker (Holy Angels) led all scorers for the weekend with 18 points. Allie Olmstead (St. Mary Magdalene) dropped in 17 points while shooting 50% from the field. Newcomer Camrie Webster (Newark Parks and Rec) scored 16 points and grabbed 22 rebounds on the weekend, followed closely by Natalie DePaulo (St. Mary Magdalene) 15 points and 21 rebounds. Corrie Sterling (Holy Angels) chipped in 10 points/16 rebounds and Shelby Smiley (St. Anthony) had 6 points/18 rebounds. Other team members include Camryn Scully (Holy Angels), Alexis Oakley (Ursuline), Haylee McMullen, Kennedy Brown, and Boo-Boo Pedersen. The Tigers return to action in the Renegades Tournament April 2-3.

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Olivia Tucker jumps in front of a Fencor pass and it's off to the races!



Olivia determined to make the layup as defenders chase



She wins the foot race



Then makes the layup



Allie Olmstead defends as Shelby Smiley looks on



It's a bird, it's a plane, it's Allie Olmstead for two!



Olivia Tucker hacked while taking it to the rack!



Tigers from left to right: Corrie Sterling, Camrie Webster, Olivia Tucker, and Boo-Boo Pedersen defend the in-bound pass



Shelby Smiley played on the St Anthony's Team that competed in the St E's League



Newcomer Camrie Webster has loads of potential and we're excited to have her on our team



Here is Camrie and another Tiger newcomer, Boo-Boo Pedersen



Camryn Scully and Allie Olmstead stop this Fencor player in her tracks



From left to right: Camryn Scully, Olivia Tucker, and Haylee McMullen defend the paint



Head Coach Dave Sterling offers the troops some words of wisdom during halftime



Corrie Sterling works for position on this Fencor player



Camryn Scully advances the ball up the floor



Allie Olmstead drives to the basket



Natalie DePaulo lining up the first of two free throws



Here is Natalie driving the baseline

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