



Elcho's Mac Morrison, shoots the ball over White Lake's Bruce Rea, top, during Tuesday's game in Elcho. Bottom, Morrison receives a gift of his favorite snack, pickles, from the Elcho coaching staff after hitting the 1,000 point mark, as teammate Wyatt Wagner looks on.

Mac Morrison scores his 1,000th Elcho basketball ace gets game ball, plenty of pickles

It was a history-making night in Elcho Tuesday, as Mac Morrison, a senior on the boys basketball team eclipsed the 1,000 career point mark in a 71-41 Hornets' win over Northern Lakes Conference rival White Lake.

It was clear from the loud cheers during the introduction of the starting lineups that a significant amount of family, friends and

Hornet fans were in attendance to watch Morrison's career milestone.

The sharp-shooting guard didn't make them wait long, draining a pair of three-point baskets in the opening minutes, the second giving him exactly 1,000 points for his high school career.

"It was an exciting moment for not only

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him, but his team and the crowd, I am very proud of him," Elcho head coach Eric Strzok said. "It takes hard work and a lot of dedication to achieve what he did tonight, I have seen Mac grow into a respectable young man and a leader for this program, it has been a privilege coaching him and an honor to have him as a player."

A complete recap of the game is included today in sports.



NICE MOVE—White Lake guard Travis Young (23), gets through Elcho defenders, from left, Mac Morrison, Kolton Schmidt, Chase Novak, Lincoln Reichl, and Cole Kupfer, on his way to the basket Tuesday during a Northern Lakes Conference game in Elcho. Despite Young's heroics, the Lakers fell to the Hornets 71-41.

Morrison passes 1,000 career points as Hornets top White Lake 71-41

The Elcho boys basketball team came out winners over Northern Lakes Conference and Langlade County rival White Lake on what was a historic night in the new Elcho gym Tuesday.

Hornets senior guard Mac Morrison eclipsed the 1,000 career point mark with a first half three-pointer and his team was in control throughout in a 71-41 win over the Lakers, its third against its rival this season.

The game was stopped after Morrison hit 1,000, with head coach Eric Strzok taking time to speak about Morrison and his privilege of coaching him.

A game ball was presented to Morrison as well as two jars of his favorite snack pickles.

He finished his big night with a team high 19 points.

Morrison drained four threes in the first half and scored 16 of his 19 points before the break, with the Hornets taking a 43-15 lead to intermission against a White Lake squad playing shorthanded due to various circumstances.

"We strived toward working on fundamentals and sticking towards executing our defense," Strzok noted. "I am proud of the way both teams

handled themselves with their sportsmanship, it is nice to know two small communities can come together and enjoy playing the game."



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Behind Morrison, Cole Kupfer tallied nine points, with Seth Schuett and Chase Novak adding eight each, while Wyatt Wheeler had seven and Kolton Schmidt,

Tyler Dettman and Wyatt Wagner each contributed six points.

The win was the second straight for Elcho, coming on the heels of a 12 point conference win at Goodman-Pembine Thursday, which featured a career high 16 points from Lincoln Reichl, including four straight three-point baskets from the corner.

The Hornets hope to carry momentum from the two wins into Florence for a key Northern Lakes game Friday.

"Florence beat us pretty good the first time we played and this will be a good test on our improvement this season," Strzok added. "It is a tough place to play up there and we will need to have two good practices before we make the trip."

White Lake was led by Bruce Rea, who led all scorers with 28 points, including six three-point shots. Travis Young added eight points and recorded three steals, while Braden Fredrick chipped in five points and dished out six assists.

It was on the defensive end where Fredrick was a monster, pulling down 14 rebounds and recording a whopping 13 blocks.

"Braden, Bruce, and Travis all had nice games," White

Lake head coach Mike Igl said. "The boys had fun tonight which means a lot to me."

The Lakers were certainly happy to be part of Morrison's historic night as well.

"Was nice to see the sportsmanship when Mac scored his 1,000th point," Igl noted. "It was a proud moment for this coach as well."

The Lakers fell to 1-14 overall with the defeat and will next return home on Friday to host Phelps, hopefully back near full strength.