

Swedes sink struggling Sailor team

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SUTHERLAND—The Swede boys did a good job of taking care of the ball and capitalizing on open shot opportunities against a rebuilding Sutherland team Friday night as Gothenburg powered past the Sailors 63-35.

In a solid start, the Swedes pushed to an 18-10 first quarter lead behind seven points from post player Logan Koehler and six by guard Blake Ristine.

“We had good passing from everyone,” said coach Roger Koehler. “It takes the whole team.”

After Tanner Borchardt left the floor with a knee injury in the first quarter, the Swedes had to rely on senior Logan Koehler inside the paint. And he delivered.

Logan scored 16 points in the first half and finished with a team-high 20 points with 11 rebounds and four assists.

Sophomore Connor Schwanz knocked down a couple of three pointers to boost his scoring to 10 points. Ristine, a junior, also had 10 points.

“Connor is a good shooter who has struggled a little,” the coach said. “It’s good for him to hit those and good for us as a team too. We need that outside shot to off-set the big kids in the paint.”