

MAGIC POSTGAME QUOTES



New Orleans Pelicans vs. Orlando Magic October 10, 2023

Magic Head Coach Jamahl Mosley

On his thoughts on the first preseason game:

"I think there's a lot of good takeaways from it. I liked our intensity; our energy was good. Obviously, I have to look back at the film and see some of the details we need to clean up, but again, I loved our guys' energy and enthusiasm and pulling for one another throughout the whole game."

On how you think the team reacted to the pace of the Pelicans and the team's adjustments down the stretch:

"I thought it was great. I think you have to feel that. Like you just said, I don't think you can simulate that in practice, so going up against a team that is going to run, make or miss, it really stresses how much we have to get back in transition defense, being able to build a wall in front of guys. They got a lot of easy baskets even after makes, so we have to learn and understand early that it's about us getting stops in transition and getting stops in general to be able to get out and run."

Magic Forward Jett Howard

On playing his first preseason game:

"It felt good. We had good chemistry out there for our second-year guys and we were up pretty much the whole game past the second half, so we got in a good groove, honestly."

On the difference between preseason and training camp:

"I mean, honestly, during training camp, the coaches and the players did a good job of simulating what was to come today, and I felt pretty comfortable when I got out there due to how good training camp was collectively. So, I felt like it was pretty similar."

Magic Center Wendell Carter Jr.

On playing in the preseason:

"This feels good. Like I was saying earlier, it's always good to just be out there after a long training camp of just going against each other, beating each other up every day. It's always good to go against an opposing team. Just to get started [and] get up and down the court a little bit is always good."

On developing his shot:

"Man, it feels good, because you put in all the work and then you go into a game and, sometimes you have off nights and sometimes you have on nights, like I did tonight. So, it feels good for the first game to be an on night for me. Then for my teammates to find me...I give a lot of credit to my teammates trusting me for taking those shots and pushing me to continue to take those shots, miss or make. I give a lot of credit to them for sure."