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UTD Men win nail-biter at home 61-59

Richardson, TX--The UTD Comets extended their undefeated 2001 season tonight with a 61-59 win over the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. UTD was behind the entire first half and came within one point of the Crusaders with 12 minutes remaining. The lead changed back and forth several times with the score tied at 52 with 4:15 left in regulation. The game was deadlocked with nine seconds left at 59 when UTD guard Brian Mitchell drove to the basket and was fouled sending him to the line for two. Mitchell sank the crucial free throws to put the Comets up by two, where the game would end. Mitchell was the leading scorer for UT-Dallas, with 16 points, four assists and three steals. Junior Brian Thomas had a great showing pulling down nine rebounds and adding 15 points. Free throws proved to be the difference in the contest, with UTD making 11 of 12 in the second half. The Crusaders were led by Aaron Barnett with 15 points in 39 minutes of play. UMHB's Robert Moore was a huge help on the inside with 15 rebounds. Mary Hardin-Baylor fell to 2-4 overall, while the Comets stay undefeated at 4-0. UTD takes to the road Monday with a 7:00 pm tip-off at Howard Payne University.

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