Brevard Cycling makes strong showing at the 2012 Icycle

By Tyler Crotts Staff Writer

The 2012 Icycle marked the 15th year of one of the most fun mountain bike events of the season. Fontana Resort in Fontana, North Carolina hosts the "Icycle," a two-race day with a cross-country race in the morning and a night down hill race with only the light from a small helmet or handle bar light.

Coach Brian Sheedy, retired professional Cyclist turned Collegiate Coach, and National Championship team member, Lewis Gaffney represented Brevard College well at this year's event.

Coach Sheedy dominated the Expert Men's field for the cross-country race. Throughout the one hour and twenty-one minutes Coach Sheedy raced his bike he managed to put nearly seven minutes between himself and his closest competition. Gaffney made a strong early season showing finishing just off the podium in sixth place.

Coach Sheedy started his race just off the front of his group. Coach Sheedy began to make his way to the front and into the lead of his race. Sheedy put time into his competitors during every lap in the race. Coach Brian Sheedy races on another level.

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left to right-Brian Sheedy (BC coach), Lewis Gaffney (BC student), Wes Dickson (Owner, Sycamore Cycles), and Art Odell (Manager Sycamore Cycles Pisgah Forest)

Brevard falls short on Chick Martin Court

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The Tornados fell short with a late second half comeback in Boshamer Gymnasium on Wednesday evening as the Carson-Newman College Eagles led in the 84-63 South Atlantic Conference victory over Brevard.

Capped by a pair of free throws by Darius Moose to cut into the Carson-Newman lead, the Brevard Tornados carried an 11-0 run in the second half, but backed by 17 second half points by Antoine Davis, the Eagles pulled away from the Tornados in recording the season sweep over Brevard.

Leading Brevard College with 12 points in the match-up, Moose went a perfect 6-for-6 from the free throw line, while Dominique Pickett added nine points in the conference loss. 6-foot-7-inch freshman Aleksandar Vasiljevic scored six points and pulled down nine rebounds for the Tornados in the contest.

Hitting six three-pointers in the match, Eagle player Davis lead all scorers with 25 points as Carson-Newman College shot 53.6 percent from the floor. Eagle players Ishmael Sanders added 15 points, while Marcellous Perez and Collin Crane were also in double-digits for Carson-Newman in the win Wednesday night.

Going up by as many as 22 points in the first half, Carson-Newman's Perez connected on a three-pointer at the 5:01 mark to give the Eagles the 38-16 lead over the much determined Tornados. Senior Michael Gist sunk a three-pointer in the final minute of the half as Brevard battled back before sending the teams into the halftime break with Carson-Newman College holding the 43-26 lead over the Tornados.

On a three-pointer from Davis with 15:55 to play, the Eagles extended their lead to 24, but the Tornados did not back down as Gaither Hendrix answered back with a three-pointer. Sparking an 11-0 Brevard run that spun out the next four minutes of play, five different Brevard College players scored during the stretch as the Tornados cut the lead to 55-42 with 11:51 left in conference play. Unluckily, Carson-Newman's Davis ended the Brevard Tornados streak with a three-pointer as the Eagles were able to pull away late, recording the 84-63 victory.

The Tornados were able to pull out a big win in last Saturday's conference road match against Anderson University, pushing past the Trojans 83-74. Unfortunately, Brevard was not able to pull out a win last Monday night as they travelled to Young Harris, Ga., losing 80-58. The Brevard College Tornados return to the road tomorrow as they travel to Greeneville, Tenn. to take on Tusculum College in South Atlantic Conference play. Tipoff between the Tornados and the Pioneers in Pioneer Arena is set for 8 p.m.



Carolina Anderson Filip Gujanicic goes up for the block against Carson-Newman.