ATHLETIC RESULTS JAN. 20 - FEB. 1

Men's Basketball

Elon 64

Chattanooga 83

Intensity, teamwork lead Phoenix to SoCon victory

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With the Elon women's basketball team tied 59-59 with Samford University, freshman guard Ali Ford passed the ball to freshman forward Lei Lei Hairston. The clock showed 38 second left in the game and a mere four seconds left on the shot clock.

Hairston was able to force a foul, giving her the opportunity to make one of her two free throws. This single point pushed the Phoenix to an eventual 60-59 win against the Bulldogs.

With another conference victory under its belt, the team will look to take on Appalachian State University at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Nest.

"This is a huge win for the program," head coach Karen Barefoot said. "To be able to go into Samford and play on their home court and win like that - it's definitely a confidence booster for a young team."

Elon is now 9-14 overall, with a 4-10 Southern

Conference record. Samford fell to 16-7 for the year and 10-4 in the SoCon.

Hairston led the team in points, with 15, followed by Ford with 13 points. Senior forward Urysla Cotton was Elon's leading rebounder, with eight.

The Phoenix made 43.4 percent of its field goals, shooting 50 percent from behind the arc. Samford shot 37.3 percent from the floor, making just 23.8 percent of its three-point shots.

"We beat a solid program," Barefoot said. "We defended them as well as we could defend them. It was a complete effort."

Hairston said she credits the team's intensity and positive energy for the win.

"Everyone was up on their feet on the bench," Hairston said. "There was no negative feelings to be found on Elon's side of the court.

Appalachian State will be a different type of play, Barefoot said. The Mountaineers will force the young

Phoenix team to speed up play, giving them more opportunity to make mistakes, she said.

Barefoot said it will be important for the team to keep its composure, especially as a young team.

"We just have to focus on one game at a time," Hairston said. "Each team we play is different, and so we have to play them differently."

It will be important for the team to carry the intensity and quality of play to the coming games, Barefoot said.

"If we play like we did tonight against everybody, we're capable of winning it all," Barefoot said.

Both Barefoot and Hairston stressed the need to bring energy and teamwork to the table to make sure the team goes in strong to the SoCon tournament, beginning March

"February is our month," Hairston said. "We have to keep playing like it's our month.'

Jan. 21	Feb. 1
Samford 50	Elon 60
Elon 49	Samford 59
Jan. 23	Men's Tennis
Chattanooga 80	Jan. 23
Elon 83	Elon 0
	Duke 7
Jan. 28	
Elon 55	Jan. 30
UNC Greensboro 62	Elon 1
	East Tennessee State 6
Women's Basketball	
Jan. 23	Jan. 31
Georgia Southern 71	Elon 1
Elon 66	William & Mary 6
Jan. 25	Women's Tennis
College of Charleston 64	Jan. 23
Elon 57	North Carolina Central 0
	Elon 7
Jan. 28	
Southern Virginia 32	North Carolina A&T 0
Elon 83	Elon 7
Jan. 30	Jan. 27

Elon 1 Virginia Tech 6

SPORTS THIS WEEK

FEB. 3 - FEB. 9 Wednesday

Men's Basketball @ Wofford - 7 p.m.

Thursday Women's Tennis vs. Lees-McRae - 2 p.m.

Saturday Indoor Track (Vince Brown Invitational) - All Day Women's Tennis vs. Winston-Salem St. - 10 a.m. Men's Tennis @ UNC

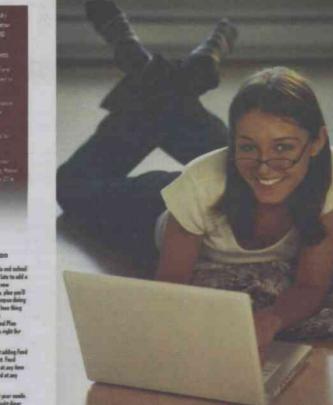
Wilmington ~ 1 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Appalachian St. - 2 p.m. Women's Tennis vs. North Carolina - 5 p.m. Men's Basketball @ Furman - 8:05 p.m.

Monday

Men's Basketball vs. Western Carolina - 7 p.m. Women's Basketball @ Davidson - 7 p.m.

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Freshman guard Ali Ford looks to pass in Elon's 64-57 loss against the College of Charleston on Jan. 25. Ford scored 13 points in 32 minutes against Samford Monday

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