

Basketball Season Culminates Men Capture Revenge; Upset Covenant Cavs Conquer

by Shazette Davis

The men eliminators devoured the Covenant Scots Saturday evening with a score of 73-63. Montreat was ready for battle having in mind the 3-point shot Covenant hit to win the last game between the two teams. Covenant tried to make a come back, but Montreat wouldn't permit. Montreat led by as many as 14 points in the 2nd half.

Guard Kevin Laws was on fire scoring 20 points for the night.

Forward Tyrone Jones closed the game with a smooth, Michael Jordan, rock the house, slam dunk.

Forward Aaron Gilchrist commented, "We won because of team play, hitting our free throws, being focused," then paused and giggled, "and God."

An enthused Guard Jonathan Bennett replied, "This is the biggest win in Montreat history."

Coach Steve McNamara expressed, "Covenant hitting that 60 footer was remembered and it left us with a hunger to win. We played hard and execution was

better."

Archie Gabriel of Catawba, NC, father of Forward Aron Gabriel, remarked, "We played wonderfully, and most of all with a lot of heart. I give Jesus all the praise, and I know that Montreat can go further with His will."

Disappointed Covenant fans commented, "They (Covenant) weren't quite prepared; Montreat came ready to play,"

mumbled Gary Ball, father of Covenant's #12 Clint Ball.

Scots fan Daniel McKinney whined, "Montreat couldn't miss-they hit everything."

TVAC Tournament

Bristol, TN

Monday Night

Montreat 77

Bluefield 82

Tuesday night, Bluefield
won the TVAC in overtime
against Tenn Wesleyan
93-91

Limestone

by Queen Musengwa

Last Thursday night, men's basketball crushed Limestone at McAlister Gymnasium with a final score of 97-84.

A few seconds before half time, Jonathan Bennett mesmerized the crowd with a 3-pointer from inside Limestone's paint. "I have been working on that shot for the past few weeks. It's tough

to skip a ball off and through the rafters from 90 feet but once it left my hands I had confidence it was going in. In practice I make 3 out of 4 from that distance, so I wasn't surprised it went in." Anthony Ulseth added that the shot deserves a spot on NBA Jams.

At half time the score was 52-32, the Cavs leading Limestone by 20 points. When two

teams came back from their break, Limestone was a threat to the crowd as it took them just a few minutes before they were 7 points away from overtaking the Cavs.

Junior forward Aaron Gilchrist cited, "We have confidence during times like that because we can handle pressure since we have been in the same situations before."

Fan Aaron Burton commented, "I enjoyed the game and the team put on a good show."

Kerwin Francois compared, "the team was executing their plays well and have improved great deal since the first home game, and it shows the results that they got recently."

Ladies Anticipate 96-97 Season

by Linda Shirlen

The lady Cavalier's have not had an impressive season. They finished the year with a 7-22 record.

Coach Conley enthusiastically voiced, "It was a learning experience for the freshman especially. There is a definite adjustment period from the high school level and style of play to the college level and style. The college level is more physical and aggressive. There is a lot of mental preparation for this level of play. The mental level must be consistent each night. This was a great team and I expect next season to be even better."

Junior Erin Broome led the scoring effort averaging 15.9 points per game and had an average of 3.6 rebounds per game.

Senior Jennifer Hobbs averaged 12.6 points per game and had an average of 4.5 rebounds per game. Broome and Hobbs have

scored over 1000 points in their careers.

Junior Amy Harklerod lead the woman's rebounds averaging 6.9 rebounds and 10.3 points per game.

Next year there will be eight returning players and several new players for the lady Cavs. Coach Conley has been very busy recruiting new talented players.

"I have already signed two promising players for next season. Crystal Lingerfelt of East Burke High School and Marti Keys of Kingsport, Tennessee's Dobbins Bennett High School."

Conley also stated that he has been talking to two McDowell High School players.

He hopes that this year's season and the new players will all come together to make an outstanding team to represent Montreat next season.

Montreat Nine Split Consecutive DHs

by Christian Malone

Last weekend, the Cavalier baseball team split a pair of doubleheaders, keeping their record at 5-5.

In the first game against Southern Wesleyan, staff ace Shane Hatcher (2-1) pitched a 3-hit shutout, winning 6-0. Catcher Bryan Grogan led the hitting attack, going 3-3 with two doubles. In game two, Bryan Snyder pitched well, but lost 4-3, as the Cavalier bats turned cold, picking up only two hits.

Saturday, they split with Anderson. In game one, Jamie Jessee pitched six solid innings holding an 8-3 lead going into the last inning.

But in the 7th, the bottom fell out. Relievers Aaron Rust and Wes Helton (0-1) blew the lead, and Anderson came back to win 9-8. An error by Chris Hoyle and a misplayed double aided in the collapse.

3B Shane Brannock said, "We made too many mistakes. We should've swept."

In game two, the Cavs came back from a 6-2 deficit to win 8-7. Center fielder Joe Snyder continued his power tear by slamming a home run and driving in four runs, giving him two homers and 7 RBI for the day, causing 2B Daryl Bryant to exclaim, "Man, did he crush it today or what!"

Jay Johnson, Chris Robertson, and Brannock also hammered the Rawlings cowhide, and Rust (1-0) threw well in relief.

Once again, the Cavs were led by hard hitting and strong starting pitching, but the bullpen was inconsistent. Jessee said, "Yeah, the bullpen's sort of a problem, but it'll be straightened out."

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