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Kwantlen Eagles Post Mixed Results on the Island



METRO VANCOUVER, BC – (November 15, 2011) –Kwantlen Polytechnic University's basketball teams launched into the 2011-2012 Pacific Western Athletic Association (PACWEST) season last weekend. The season started on the road against the Camosun College Chargers and the Vancouver Island University Mariners.

On Friday night against the Chargers, the Eagles women showed off their work ethic, coming back from a 48-53 deficit, to edge out the Chargers by five-points, winning 74- 69. Third-year guard and transfer, Anna Work (Everett, WA) was the leading scorer for the Eagles netting 16 points and 7 steals. Players of note were also Jeannine Yngreso (Surrey) and Jessica Villadiego (Surrey) and Cassie Micona (Mission).

“Jessica played amazing defense on Camosun's best scorer,” commented Eagles assistant coach, Emily Wright. “Cassie came off the bench and hit back to back threes to put us ahead and Anna and Jeannine came through with huge steals at the end of the game.”

If there's one thing you need to know about the Eagles men's basketball team, they play hard. And, if Friday night's game is any indication, there's a ton of great basketball in store for the fans. Against the Chargers, the Eagles took control of the lead at the half [43-41], fell 32-17 points in the third quarter and shot 32-24 in the fourth quarter, only to fall short by five-points at the final buzzer [97-92].

On Saturday the Eagles headed north to Nanaimo to face the VIU Mariners and posted two losses. The women fell to the Mariners 47-75 and the men were defeated 51-81.

Leading scorer for the Eagles men over the weekend was second-year guard AJ Adusei (North Delta), who scored 72 points over the two games. Reflecting on the results, head coach Stefon Wilson commented, “We have to find production, points-wise from the other players.” “In Saturday's game, I was proud of our defense, only giving up 81 points. But, there are two sides to the game of basketball, and it's important that we get back into the gym and get extra shots up outside of our regular practice time this week.”

The Eagles continue on the road this weekend and face the Capilano Blues on Friday and the Quest University Kermodes on Saturday. Tip off for the women (1-0-1) is at 6:00 pm for both games, and the men (0-0-2) at: 8:00 pm.

Complete game results can be found at: www.kwantlen.ca/eagles

Kwantlen Polytechnic University has been serving the Metro Vancouver region for 30 years, and has opened doors to success for more than 200,000 people. Four campuses—Richmond, Surrey, Cloverdale and Langley—offer a comprehensive range of sought-after programs, including business, liberal arts and science, design, health, trades and technology, apprenticeships, horticulture, and academic and career advancement. Over 17,000 students annually have a choice from over 135 programs, including bachelor's degrees, associate degrees, diplomas, certificates and citations.

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