Basketball starting strong

Team playing well to begin season

By Nicole Santore
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Men's basketball got off to a great start this year. They beat Towson on Tuesday 68-56 to put their record at 2-1.

Sophomore Robert Taylor had his career high of 20 points against Towson with four assists.

"Robert Taylor works really hard at practice and it's showing," said junior Laurence Young. "He's really starting to stand out."

Sophomore Jerry Johnson had 16 points and Young had 13 points and five assists to add to the victory.

"Coach has us prepare a couple days in advance and it really helps," said Young. "We take it one game at a time."

Rider has won the last 21 out of 24 home games.

The men lost to Iona on Friday in a tough game. Laurence Young had his career high of 20 points this game and tied his three-point field goals career high of four.

Johnson also had 18 points but the team came up a little short.

"We got beat up, but we learned from our mistakes," said Coach Don Harnum. "We just want to get better every day so that in January we will be playing our best."

"Young right now is the most consistent player with scoring, Taylor had his career high and is doing a good job, Jerry Johnson is the go to guy, and Tank Wahlmann and Robert Reed are also playing very well," said Harnum.

Winter Break
Home Games

Men's Basketball
12/10 Harvard 7:30
12/18 Princeton (Sovereign Bank Arena) 8:00
12/21 Coppin State 7:30
1/11 Fairfield 3:00
1/16 Manhattan 7:30
1/24 Canisius 7:30 (CN8-TV)
1/26 Niagara 4:00 (MSG-TV)

Women's Basketball
12/8 Siena 2:00
12/18 Mount. St. Mary's (Sovereign Bank Arena) 5:30
12/30 Princeton 5:30
1/7 American 7:00
1/10 Niagara 7:00
1/12 Canisius 1:00
1/25 St. Peter's 2:00
1/30 Manhattan 7:00

Rider to face TCNJ in flag football

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Flag football is being taken to another level for Rider with its first taste of intercollegiate competition coming up next week.

The flag football champion team from Rider will compete against the championship team from The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) on Wednesday, Dec. 11, at 8 p.m.

Geoff McBride, director of Intramurals contacted the director from TCNJ, who was very excited about the idea. McBride said it would be "good for the community at TCNJ and Rider."

The football game will be named the Michael San Andres Memorial in tribute to the freshman who died Nov. 9, from a heart condition while playing flag football.

McBride said that the team from Rider who gets to play in the game will be representing San Andres.

The team that will get the honor to play in the game has not yet been decided because the final games of the season will be on Sunday, Dec. 8. Six teams still are fighting for a chance to win.

McBride said that "it’s really happy with the turnout of over 300 players this year, and excited with the chance of getting Rider to play other schools." McBride stressed how supportive everyone has been since the death of San Andres.

Playoff Schedule

Fri 3:45
ZBT vs Red doggs

Sat 3:00
Phi Tau II vs Kroner Stoners
4:00
TBA

Sun Championships 1:00
Division A Champs Ruff Ryders vs TBA

“Michael San Andres Memorial Game”

Wednesday, Dec. 11
at 8 p.m.
on the
TCNJ Football Field

Come out and support Rider!