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RDC Athletics Update

Red Deer, January 30, 2012

1. Upcoming Athletics Events

HOME

- **Queens Hockey vs. MRU – Thursday, February 2**
 - 7 PM at the Red Deer Arena
- **Basketball vs. MRU – Friday, February 3**
 - Queens at 6 PM; Kings to follow
- **Volleyball vs. Augustana – Saturday, February 4**
 - Queens at 6 PM; Kings to follow

AWAY

- **Curling at Leduc, hosted by MacEwan (Tournament # 2) – February 3 – 5**
(draw attached)
- **Badminton at Concordia (Tournament # 4) – February 4 & 5**
- **Volleyball at Augustana – Friday, February 3**
- **Queens Hockey vs. MRU at Flames Community Arena – Friday, February 3**

2. Boston Pizza RDC Athletes of the Week

Men: **Robert Pierce, Basketball Kings**
3rd Yr / Business Management / Windsor, ON

If rebounds were ginger snaps, Rob Pierce would be the cookie monster. The 3rd year forward averaged 14 rebounds per game as the Kings swept the Lethbridge Kodiaks on the weekend. He also contributed 33 pts in Friday's contest, in which he was named Player of the Game. Then Rob added 28 more points on Saturday. With these stellar performances, Robert has taken over the lead in rebounding AND scoring in the ACAC.

Women: **Erin Wiersma, Basketball Queens**
1st Yr / Open Studies, Lacombe, AB

Determined and hard working rookie Erin Wiersma did not let up this weekend against Lethbridge College. On Friday night Erin scored 16 pts shooting 70% from the floor and 100% from the FT line. She was relentless on the boards pulling down 6 rebounds while contributing to the 62- 73 loss. On Saturday Erin got her 5th double double in season play. She has the second highest number of double doubles in the league, the lead falling to a 4th year player. With a hard battle back in the second half Erin finished the game with 14 boards and 12 points. As a rookie Erin is



2nd in the league in rebounding averaging 8 per game and is averaging a field goal percentage of 44% from the floor.

3. Last Week's Results

Queens Basketball	
RDC vs. Lethbridge, Jan. 27	RDC 62– LETHBRIDGE 73
RDC vs. Lethbridge, Jan. 28	RDC 57– LETHBRIDGE 69
Kings Basketball	
RDC vs. Lethbridge, Jan. 27	RDC 94 – LETHBRIDGE 81
RDC vs. Lethbridge, Jan. 28	RDC 105– LETHBRIDGE 88
Queens Volleyball	
RDC vs. GPRC, Jan. 27	RDC 3 – GPRC 0 (25-15, 27-25, 25-21)
RDC vs. GPRC, Jan. 28	RDC 3 – GPRC 0 (29-27, 25-10, 25-17)
Kings Volleyball	
RDC vs. GPRC, Jan. 27	RDC 3 – GPRC 0 (25-18, 25-19, 25-22)
RDC vs. GPRC, Jan. 28	RDC 3 – GPRC 1 (25-20, 25-14, 22-25, 25-18)
Queens Hockey	
RDC vs. SAIT, Jan. 26	RDC 2 – SAIT 1
RDC vs. SAIT, Jan. 28	RDC 1 – SAIT 2

ACAC Standings:

- <http://www.acac.ab.ca/pages/badminton.php> - RDC 3rd
- <http://www.acac.ab.ca/pages/basketball-mens.php> - RDC 2nd
- <http://www.acac.ab.ca/pages/basketball-womens.php>
- <http://www.acac.ab.ca/pages/volleyball-mens.php> - RDC 2nd South Division
- <http://www.acac.ab.ca/pages/volleyball-womens.php> - RDC 3rd South Division
- <http://www.acac.ab.ca/pages/curling.php> - RDC Kings Tied for 3rd
- <http://www.acac.ab.ca/pages/hockey-womens.php>

CCAA Standings:

- <http://www.ccaa.ca/web/index.php/en/wvbrankings>
- <http://www.ccaa.ca/web/index.php/en/mvbrankings> - RDC 10th
- <http://www.ccaa.ca/web/index.php/en/wbbrankings>
- <http://www.ccaa.ca/web/index.php/en/mbbrankings>
- <http://www.ccaa.ca/web/index.php/en/bdmrankings> - RDC 6th

4. Coaches' Comments

Trevor Keeper, Queens Hockey

Queens Hockey plays the 1st place Mount Royal Cougars at the Red Deer Arena (7:00pm start) this Thursday (Feb. 2). Game #2 of the home-and-home series will be a 7:30pm start at the Flames Community Arena in Calgary on Friday.

Talbot Walton, Queens Volleyball

Sitting at 6-0 in the second half, the Queens now face the Augustana Vikings. Augustana isn't in a position to be contending for a playoff spot, so the Queens are not sure what to expect. They could be facing a team that is looking to be a spoiler, therefore, the Queens need to prepare like they have so far this term. Regardless of the opponent, the Queens will be striving to improve on their play in preparation for the Provincial Championship.

Aaron Schulha, Kings Volleyball



The Kings Volleyball Team heads into a home at home this weekend with Augustana. The Vikings are much improved from last season and with an 8-8 record, have played all of the top teams in the ACAC tough throughout the season. The Kings have been playing at a pretty high level over the last two weeks and look to continue to build on that momentum with two weeks left in the regular season.

Brad Hamilton, Curling

The RDC Curling teams return to action this weekend at the Winter Regional in Leduc. The Men's team enters the weekend tied for second with a 4-2 record. The Women's team has a 4-3 record and is also tied for second. The Mixed team sits in fifth place with a 3-4 record. The Mixed and women's teams will play a 7 game round robin while the Men's team plays a 6 game round robin. The top four teams in each category at the end of this weekend will head to the ACAC Championships Feb. 24-25 in Camrose.

Clayton Pottinger, Kings Basketball

The RDC Kings basketball team is riding a 6 game winning streak. They will put that streak to the test this Friday as they face the nationally-ranked Mount Royal Cougars. The Kings are second in the south division and are 2 games behind the cougars who sit in first.

Dawn Smyth, Queens Basketball

Played 2 games in Lethbridge vs. LCK this past weekend. Friday - loss 62-73 Lauren Loyek was the player of the game with 19 points and 10 rebounds Saturday - loss 57-69 Sara Astorga was the player of the game with 12 points and 8 rebounds. This weekend we have a single vs. MRU Friday at home.

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RDC is celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Arts Centre. First opened in 1986, this state-of-the-art community performing arts centre has housed the training of over 40,000 actors, technicians, musicians, filmmakers, and dancers that contribute to the vibrant arts and cultural scene of Alberta. 25 years has culminated in approximately one million audience members who have been entertained, taught and delighted during more than 5,000 performances and events.

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