



# Media Release

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## RDC ATHLETICS UPDATE

Red Deer, February 7, 2011

### 1. Upcoming Athletics Events

#### HOME

- **Queens Hockey**
  - vs. MRU, February 10<sup>th</sup> @7:00pm @ Red Deer Arena
- **Basketball**
  - vs. GMU, Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm @ RDC Main Gym (Queens start, Kings to follow)
  - vs. KC, Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm @ RDC Main Gym (Queens start, Kings to follow)
- **Volleyball**
  - vs. GMU, Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00pm @ RDC Main Gym (Queens start, Kings to follow)

#### AWAY

- **Volleyball**
  - vs. GMU, Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm (Queens to start, Kings to follow)
- **Badminton** ACAC Badminton Championships, February 12-13 @ MRU
- **Queens Hockey**
  - vs. GMU, Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm

### 2. Boston Pizza RDC Athlete of the Week

**Men: Taylor Hunt**  
Hometown: Brooklin, ON  
Year/Program: 3<sup>rd</sup> Yr/Kinesiology

Taylor Hunt was outstanding this weekend against MRU. In a tight 5 set match on Friday, he put the team on his shoulders and led the Kings to a 15-13 win in the fifth set. Taylor finished with 37 kills, 4 aces, 9 digs and 3 blocks and received Player of the Match honors. On Saturday, Taylor continued his strong play and finished with 20 kills, 1 ace, 9 digs and 2 stuff blocks.



It was one of the most dominant weekend performances that head coach Aaron Schulha can remember at the ACAC level. Taylor finished the weekend with 57 kills, 5 aces, 18 digs, and 5 blocks in 8 games played. Congratulations on a tremendous weekend Taylor.

**Women: Kirsten Sorensen**

Hometown: Red Deer, AB  
Year/Program: 1<sup>st</sup> Yr/Kinesiology

On a weekend where the Queens struggled to find some needed points, Kirsten was learning how to play the game at a new level. As a first year setter, the demands of understanding the game of volleyball increase a tremendous amount from high school. Kirsten had been working diligently throughout the season, and her persistence paid off. Against a strong MRU team, Kirsten was able to generate 7 kills, 7 service aces, 9 digs and 1 block. She was also able to develop confidence in her abilities to set a good match and to find the correct hitter at the right time.

**3. Last Week's Results**

<b>Badminton – Tournament #4 @ RDC Feb 5 &amp; 6</b>	
Results will be posted: <a href="http://www.acac.ab.ca/pages/badminton.php">http://www.acac.ab.ca/pages/badminton.php</a>	
<b>Kings Volleyball</b>	
Feb 4 vs. MRU	<b>RDC 3</b> –MRU 2 (25-23,17-25,25-22,23-25,13-15)
Feb 5 vs. MRU	<b>RDC 3</b> – MRU 0 (25-21,25-18,25-22)
<b>Queens Volleyball</b>	
Feb 4 vs. MRU	RDC 0– <b>MRU 3</b> (25-11,26-24,24-23)
Feb 5 vs. MRU	RDC 1– <b>MRU 3</b> (15-25,20-25,25-18,22-25)

**4. Coaches' Comments**

Talbot Walton, Queens Volleyball:

The Queens are definitely in the spot they were hoping to be at this point in the season. With one weekend left, and a much improved second half record, the Queens look forward to matches against MacEwan. MacEwan has had a similar season to the Queens and as a result both teams have virtually the same records, so this weekend will help finalize the Queens' final placement in league standings. Not having played the Griffins yet this year, the Queens remember quite well what the Griffins are capable of. Saturday will also be the final home game for 5 graduating players, Mandy Carroll, Tarah Truant, Jaclyn Neufeld, Robyn Denney, and Megan Skory.

Stefan Labrecque, Kings Basketball:

This weekend the RDC Men's Basketball team finishes up the regular season this weekend with two must win games versus Grant MacEwan and Keyano College. Winning both games ensures a wild card berth in playoffs which will take the Kings either to NAIT or Lethbridge.

Robert Weddell, Queens Hockey:

RDC Queens Hockey has 4 games remaining in regular season play. In order to make play-offs the Queens will need to upset the first place MRU Cougars this weekend. The Queens are well rested after a weekend off and excited for the challenge.

Aaron Schulha, Kings Volleyball:



The Kings Volleyball team will finish up their regular season play this weekend against MacEwan University. Friday evening's match is in Edmonton and we are back in Red Deer Saturday afternoon, at which time we will recognize our Graduating Players.

Attachments: ACAC Standings; CCAA Standings – Volleyball.

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**About RDC:** Red Deer College has served the needs of students and the community for more than 45 years. With greater than 75 programs to choose from, we pride ourselves on providing a practical education, in a genuine and sustainable learning environment. Our 7,800 full-time and part-time credit students and more than 13,000 continuing education students are at the core of everything we do. RDC – when you get here you understand.

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