

Apps Close Out Exhibition Slate vs. Carson-Newman

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Appalachian State University men's basketball will close out its exhibition slate with a 7 p.m. contest against Carson-Newman on Monday at the Holmes Center. The Mountaineers downed Lees-McRae by

a 76-55 final in their exhibition opener last Friday and will use Monday's game as the final preseason tune-up of the season before Montreat visits the High Country at 7:30 p.m. on Friday in the 2012-13 regular-season opener.

ALL ABOUT THE APPS

- The Mountaineers notched a 76-55 win over Lees-McRae last Friday in their first exhibition game of the season. Tab Hamilton led all players with 20 points while Jay Canty added 15 in his first appearance for the Black & Gold.
- Nathan Healy tallied 13 points on the night and junior Tevin Baskin scored 11 off the bench, including nine points at the free-throw line.
- The Apps led by as many as 27 points in the second half of the contest after building a 32-17 halftime lead.
- Despite being without the services of senior Jamaal Trice (illness), App State barely missed a beat offensively nine different players scored.
- Appalachian was especially solid from the charity stripe on Friday as it connected on an impressive 83.9 percent (26-of-31) of its free throws.

SCOUTING CARSON-NEWMAN

- Carson-Newman dropped a 71-63 decision to East Tennessee State in its first exhibition of the season on Saturday. The Eagles rallied back from an 18-point deficit to draw within two points (65-63) in the waning moments, but could not complete the comeback.
- Juniors O'Dell Parker and Cody Henegar led the Eagles with 16 points each in the loss to the Buccaneers.
- Carson-Newman returns both of its leading scorers from last season in Ish Sanders and Antoine Davis, who each averaged 16.8 points per game in 2011-12.
- The preseason all-SAC selections were held to just 12 combined points in the loss at ETSU. Sanders scored all of his points at the free-throw line while Davis fouled out with nine minutes left to play.
- The Eagles finished 15-14 a year ago and posted an 8-10 mark in conference play.

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SERIES HISTORY

- Appalachian State and Carson-Newman have met 23 times in the regular season with the Eagles holding a 13-10 advantage in the all-time series.
- Carson-Newman notched a 93-92 home win in the last regular-season battle between the teams during the 1973-74 season.
- The Mountaineers came away with a 96-90 win when the teams last met in Boone on Jan. 27, 1972.

UP NEXT

- Appalachian State opens the regular season against Montreat at 7:30 p.m. on Friday before playing host to High Point at 7 p.m. next Tuesday.
- The Mountaineers play their first road game at Campbell at 7:45 p.m. on Nov. 16.

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