

## Lentz Picks Up 400th Win

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The Lenoir-Rhyne Men's Basketball Team (10-3, 3-2) handed Catawba (4-9, 1-4) a 57-51 defeat Wednesday in a South Atlantic Conference contest and gave 27th-year mentor John Lentz his 400th

win as Bears Head Coach at Shuford Gymnasium. L-R sophomore Denzel Dillingham, the team's leading scorer, finished with a game-high 21 points to go along with nine rebounds while freshman forward Rob Noyes (Morganton, N.C.) added 12 points off the bench in the win. Catawba, which lost its second straight game, received a double-double from Tyrece Little (Greenville, N.C.). Little finished with 14 points and 10 rebounds in the loss.

Lenoir-Rhyne held a slim 27-25 lead at halftime and the contest stayed close throughout with four ties and 11 lead changes.

A jump shot by junior guard R.J. McClure (Canton, N.C.) gave L-R the lead for good at 50-49 with 3:07 remaining in the contest.

Dillingham followed with a three-pointer, his third of the contest, and the Indians couldn't get within two points the rest of the way as the Bears held on for the win.

McClure finished with 10 points while junior guard Jarvis Perry (Willingboro, N.J.) dished out a game-high 10 assists for Lenoir-Rhyne, who improved to 4-0 at home this year.

Catawba's Lee Martin (Mount Airy, N.C.) added 13 points and eight rebounds but the Indians were held to just 37 percent shooting (20-of-54) for the game. Catawba also hit just seven of 28 three-point attempts.

In the next round of South Atlantic Conference games on Saturday, Lenoir-Rhyne hosts Lincoln Memorial at 6:00 p.m., while Catawba visits Newberry for a 4:00 p.m. tip-off.

**L-R 57, CATAWBA 51**

**Score by Periods** □□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□ **1st** □ **2nd** □□ **Total**

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Catawba..... 25 26 - 51  
Lenoir-Rhyne..... 27 30 - 57

**cATAWBA:** MARTIN 13 (8 REBOUNDS), LITTLE 14 (10 REBOUNDS), PERKINS 5, EDWARDS 12 (4 ASSISTS), SAMPAN 2, WATSON 3, COLEMAN 2. FG: 20-54, 3FG: 7-28, FT: 4-7. 38 REBOUNDS, 11 ASSISTS, 14 TURNOVERS.  
THREE-POINTERS: MARTIN 3, EDWARDS 2, PERKINS, WATSON.

**L-R:** PERRY 4 (10 ASSISTS), McCLURE 10, DILLINGHAM 21 (9 REBOUNDS), BEASLEY 4, TERRELL 4, NOYES 12, JONES 2. FG: 22-58, 3FG: 4-13, FT: 9-13. 37 REBOUNDS, 15 ASSISTS, 8 TURNOVERS.  
THREE-POINTERS: DILLINGHAM 3, McCLURE.

## L-R Women Win Fifth Straight

The Lenoir-Rhyne Women's Basketball Team (10-3, 5-0) remained the lone unbeaten team in the South Atlantic Conference after downing Catawba (7-6, 3-2), 62-48, Wednesday evening at Shuford Memorial Gymnasium.

L-R junior guard Danielle Bongiorno (Wilmington, N.C.) led all scorers with 15 points including 14 in the second half while junior forward Nneka Awuruonye (Charlotte, N.C.) added 11 points and 12 rebounds to lead the Bears to the win.

Catawba, which shot just 30 percent (17-of-56) for the contest, was led by Chloe Bully's

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(Hannut, BELGIUM) 14 points in the loss. Bully also finished with four three-pointers while Elizabeth Merritt (Lexington, N.C.) added 11 points in the setback as well. Lenoir-Rhyne rolled to a 26-12 halftime lead and pushed its margin to as many as 23 points at 42-19 on a three-pointer by Bongiorno with 13:03 remaining. However, the Indians began to rally and cut the margin to six points (54-48) on a three-pointer by Bully at the 2:02 mark of the second half. Lenoir-Rhyne took control again from there and scored the last eight points of the contest en route to the victory. L-R sophomore guard Jazmine Charles (Lexington, N.C.) added 13 points for the Bears, who won their fifth straight game and improved to 4-0 at home this season. Lenoir-Rhyne remains at Shuford Memorial Gymnasium to face Lincoln Memorial in a South Atlantic Conference game on Saturday at 4:00 p.m. Catawba, meanwhile, plays at Newberry in a league contest Saturday beginning at 2:00 p.m.

## L-R 62, CATAWBA 48

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Total
Catawba.....	12	36	- 48
Lenoir-Rhyne.....	26	36	- 62

**CATAWBA:** BULLY 14 (4 ASSISTS), UCINSKI 2, MERRITT 11, MAY 2 (7 REBOUNDS), McPHAIL 9 (7 REBOUNDS), CLAY 2, COLEMAN 6, WHITBY 2. FG: 17-56, 3FG: 5-20, FT: 9-13. 31 REBOUNDS, 12 ASSISTS, 21 TURNOVERS.

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**THREE-POINTERS: BULLY 4, McPHAIL.**

**L-R: BONGIORNO 15, KATT 2, AWURUONYE 11 (12 REBOUNDS), CHARLES 13, LAUGHTER 7 (6 ASSISTS), MITCHELL 2, BRINKLEY 4, MOBLEY 8. FG: 23-54, 3FG: 3-9, FT: 13-18. 45 REBOUNDS, 11 ASSISTS, 23 TURNOVERS. THREE-POINTERS: BONGIORNO 2, CHARLES.**

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