## **Bobcats Snap Three-Game Slide**

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The Lees-McRae College women's basketball team placed three players in double figures, and opened the second half with a 17-0 run en route to a 67-34 victory in Conference Carolinas play on Wednesday evening.

Lees-McRae (9-13, 7-12 CC) shot an even 50 percent from the floor on the night, including a 54.2 percent clip in the second half, while limiting Erskine (2-23, 1-18 CC) to a field goal percentage of just 17 percent in the contest. The Fleet won the battle on the glass by a 41-39 margin, including an 18-7 advantage on the offensive boards, as the Bobcats converted 27 Erskine miscues into 28 points.

Kerri Belcher (Roanoke, Va.) paced the Bobcats with a game-high 14 points, knocking down 6-of-7 shots from the floor while hauling in six boards. Layana De Souza (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) added 13 markers on 5-of-11 shooting, as Kabrina Truesdale (Wilmington, N.C.) posted a game-high with her first collegiate 10-assist game. Lauren Lewis (Concord, N.C.) and Alyssa Munson (Summerfield, N.C.) chipped in 11 and nine points, respectively, as De Souza posted a game-high four steals.

Jana Dixon led the way for Erskine with a double-double, scoring 10 points and pulling down a game-high 12 rebounds. Tara Potter added six points and a game-high three blocks for the Fleet.

Lees-McRae never trailed in the contest, opening an early 18-6 lead on a layup by Zukye Smith (Chesterfield, Va.) before Erskine ate into the advantage with an 11-6 run, trimming the margin to 24-17 following a Potter jumper with 4:25 left in the half. The Bobcats would answer with a 6-2 spurt, taking a 30-19 lead into the intermission following a late jumper by Belcher. Belcher and the Bobcats carried the momentum into the second half, opening the period with a 17-0 run to push the advantage to 47-19 on a Belcher jumper with 11:57 to play. The Bobcats would hold on from there, closing out the win with a 20-15 run to equal the final margin of 67-34 on a late jumper and free throw by Munson.

Lees-McRae returns to the court on Saturday when the Bobcats host Belmont Abbey College in conference play at 3 p.m. in Williams Gymnasium.

Bobcats Drop Fourth Straight

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The Erskine College men's basketball team placed three players in double figures and held off a late charge by Lees-McRae College en route to a 73-63 victory in Conference Carolinas play on Wednesday evening.

Erskine (16-8, 10-8 CC) posted a field goal percentage of 54.3 percent in the contest, including a 57.1 percent clip in the first half, while holding Lees-McRae (2-21, 2-15 CC) to a mark of 39.3 percent from the floor on the night. The Flying Fleet won the battle on the glass by a 34-32 margin, as Lees-McRae held a 15-9 advantage on the offensive boards, and outscored Erskine's bench, 50-10.

Daniel Sepokas (Illawong, Australia) paced the Bobcats with 12 points and a game-high seven assists, as Jeremiah Henry (Semmes, Ala.) nearly added a double-double with 11 markers and a contest-best nine rebounds. Corey Young (Bluff City, Tenn.) and DJ Brown (Anderson, S.C.) chipped in nine and eight points, respectively, as Young dished out four assists.

Corey Sorrell and DeShaun Hall each posted a game-high 18 points to lead the way for Erskine, as Roderick Perkins added 15 markers. Sorrell chipped in eight rebounds, while Mike Gabbard dished out six helpers. Chris Gore pulled down a game-high nine boards for the Fleet.

Erskine would open the first half with a 6-2 spurt before the Bobcats responded, snatching an 8-6 advantage following back-to-back triples by Young and Brown at the 16:06 mark. The Fleet answered with a 30-7 surge, claiming a 36-15 lead on a three-pointer by Jake Haslam with 3:02 left in the period before taking a 40-21 advantage into the intermission.

Lees-McRae countered in the early moments of the second half, cutting the margin to 42-29 on a Sepokas triple at the 17:23 mark to cap an 8-2 spurt. Erskine would answer with a 22-12 run, pushing the lead to 64-41 following a pair of Sorrell freebies with 8:49 to play.

The Bobcats quickly responded with a 14-8 spurt, closing the gap to 72-55 on a Young triple before finishing strong with an 8-1 spurt over the final two minutes, capping the scoring with a late trey by Chad Eppley (Boone, N.C.).

Lees-McRae returns to the court on Saturday when the Bobcats host Belmont Abbey College in conference play at 5 p.m. in Williams Gymnasium.

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