

ASU men, women both advance

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8:51 a.m. - The Appalachian State men's and women's basketball teams both advanced on Saturday by winning their quarter-final games at the Southern Conference tournament in Charlotte.

The ASU women advanced by staving off a determined effort by Furman 71-53 Saturday morning. The game was tied at 28 at the intermission before ASU exploded by scoring 43 points in the second half.

A 16-3 run in the last five minutes of the game allowed ASU to waltz away. Sam Ramirez led assault with 17 points. Anna Freeman had 14 points and ten boards. The Apps outrebounded Furman 52-32. The win moves ASU (19-11) into the semi-final round Sunday afternoon against Samford. The teams split a pair of games in the regular season. The Mountaineers turned in a stellar effort in Birmingham by holding Samford to 18 second-half points.

Our coverage begins at 2 pm on Oldies 100.7 FM.

The ASU men (21-11) got their revenge by beating The Citadel 71-61 Saturday night. The win avenged a four-point loss to the Bulldogs (17-16) back in early January at the Holmes Center.

Donald Sims led the way with 30 points. Sims was 10-19 from the floor, and 7-7 from the free-throw line. Kellen Brand finished with 15 points and seven boards. Ike Butts had 11 points and seven rebounds; Josh Hunter finished with ten boards. As a team, ASU outrebounded The Citadel 42-25.

The Apps will play College of Charleston in the semi-finals tonight. The Cougars blasted Chattanooga 96-69 in the final quarterfinal game Saturday night. Anderw Goudelock led the way with 24 points. The Cougars defeated ASU 73-72 in Charleston back on February 17.

The first semi-final game will feature Western Carolina and Wofford. Our coverage begins at 5:15 pm on WATA 1450 Radio.

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