ASU Volleyball Suffers Another Setback

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Appalachian State University volleyball dropped their second conference match of the 2013 season to Davidson on Friday night 3-1. The Mountaineers (9-7, 0-2 SoCon) fell behind 9-3 in the first set after the Wildcats (9-4, 1-0) scored five straight points. Davidson continued to rally and never gave up the lead, winning the set 25-20.

The second set was much more competitive as the Apps and the Wildcats tied the score 10 different times. The score was tied at 25 before Davidson found the lead, beating Appalachian 28-26.

The Mountaineers finally found their edge in the third set, scoring the first point and never looking back. App State dominated the set, winning 25-15.

The Apps would not come out as strong in the fourth set, quickly falling behind 11-3. The Mountaineers were able to catch up toward the end, making the score 24-20 with Davidson in the lead, but it would not be enough as the Wildcats took the set 25-20 and won the match 3-1.

Lauren Gray (Round Rock, Texas/Round Rock) led the team in kills with 14, followed by Dalton Tolliver (Ortonville, Mich./UMBC) and Emily Corrigan (Johns Creek, Ga/Chattahoochee) who each tallied 11. Meghan Mahoney (Leawood, Kan./Blue Valley) paced the team with 20 digs and Paige Brown (Overland Park, Kan./St. James Academy) totalled 40 assists on the match.

Caroline Brown notched a match-high 15 kills for Davidson and Anastasia Owen contributed with 21 digs. Mikayla Deroachie led the Wildcats in assists with 41.

Appalachian State ended the match with just a .150 attack average and Davidson finished similarly hitting just .155 on the attack. App State got the edge over Davidson in team blocks with 13 on the match, in comparison to the Wildcats' nine. Tolliver led the Mountaineers, tallying four solo blocks.

Appalachian will return to action when they hit the road on Oct. 4 to play Southern Conference opponent Chattanooga at 6 p.m.

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