

LMC Sports Roundup....

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LMC Track & Field Concludes Action at Winthrop Invitational.... Lees-McRae senior duo Persephanie McRae and Kortnie Curry tied for eighth in the women's high jump, highlighting LMC's

weekend at the Winthrop Invitational in Rock Hill, S.C.

Coach Ley Fletcher played his cards safely while the weather left the track soaked and in less-than-satisfactory conditions.

McRae (Brooklyn, N.Y.) continued her impressive senior slate while Curry (Lexington, N.C.) cleared 1.50 meters in the women's high jump to claim a tie for eighth place in a Division I-heavy field.

Freshmen Colby Shell (Ferguson, N.C.) and Brenden Sherrill (Conover, N.C.) earned top-15 finishes in the men's 5,000-meter run while Shell swiped 13th with a time of 17:16.48. Sherrill earned 14th while finishing just a tick over two seconds behind Shell with a time of 17:18.54.

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The Bobcats travel to High Point, N.C. to participate in the High Point Invitational starting on Friday, April 4.

Bobcats Drop Match to Pfeiffer, 3-0

- The Lees-McRae men's volleyball squad fell victim to a balanced attack by Pfeiffer while getting swept, 23-25, 24-26, 19-25, in Conference Carolinas play Saturday evening in Williams Gymnasium in Banner Elk, N.C.

The Falcons (11-11, 8-4 CC) improved their postseason resume while four players had at least eight kills and six notched five digs or more. The Bobcats (12-13, 4-8) struggled offensively despite 10 kills from sophomore Brady Markle (York, Pa.).

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Senior Randy Ramirez (Guaynabo, Puerto Rico) continued his impressive final year as a Bobcat with a 27-assist performance while senior teammate Efrain Negrón (Caguas, Puerto Rico) recorded a match-high eight digs.

Following a five-set thriller on Valentine's Day, both teams played a see-saw first set while neither squad led by more than two.

John Soble (Holbrook, N.Y.) made the most of his rare start with a pair of kills, putting LMC up 8-7.

Markle and Ramirez delivered a kill each to keep the Bobcats out front, 18-17.

The Falcons responded with a quick 3-0 spurt following two LMC attack errors to take a 20-18 lead.

Senior Kevin Morrison (Norfolk, Va.) rose to the occasion with two block assists on consecutive

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plays to stuff PU's Sonny Hirini.

The Falcons Joe Supko notched a pair of kills following assists from David Specian to knot it 23.

Michael Brewer and Supko used back-to-back blocks to claim a close first set.

LMC hit .212 in the opener while holding PU to its match-low .242 clip.

The Falcons sprinted out to an 11-6 lead following a trio of attack errors.

Coach Dave Schmidlin's squad retorted after senior Matt Harpenau (Cincinnati, Ohio) smashed one of his seven kills to tie it at 15.

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Markle played a big role in cranking out a kill and a service ace to put LMC up 24-23, but PU responded with a 3-0 run to take a two sets to none lead.

The Falcons led wire-to-wire in the final set despite a solo block from Ramirez forced the sets' lone tie, 14.

PU responded with a 6-2 run to distance its self while Brewer collected two kills.

Morrison tallied four block assists while Josh Cothron (Bradenton, Fla.) delivered two service aces.

Specian led both teams with 37 assists while four Falcons registered an ace.

LMC welcomes Limestone Friday, April 4 at 7 p.m. with postseason implications on the line at

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Williams Gymnasium.

No. 11 Pfeiffer Runs Past LMC, 22-1

The Lees-McRae women's lacrosse team dropped a 22-1 decision to No. 11 Pfeiffer in Conference Carolinas action Saturday afternoon at NE Lefko Field in Misenheimer, N.C.

The Falcons (8-2, 2-0 CC) saw Kristi Korn net a hat trick in the first five minutes while outshooting LMC 31-3. The Bobcats (3-6, 0-4) played for the first time in 10 days while Katelin Rooney (Naples, Fla.) scored LMC's only goal.

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PU showed why it is ranked in the 15 in the country while jumping out to a 10-0 lead in the first 9:46 of the contest.

Korn scored three of her game-high four goals, including two in 36 seconds, while Stephanie Athens notched a pair of her six assists.

Haley Gourdie notched two goals before Rooney made it 11-1 at the 13:15 mark of the first half.

Sophomore Mia Emmerson (Orlando, Fla.) earned four of her five saves in the first half.

Eight different Falcons netted a goal in the final half while scooping 29 groundballs in the contest.

Sophomore Jenah Tracy (Naples, Fla.) led the squad in shots (two), groundballs (three) and draw controls (three).

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Freshman Samantha Yantz (Leander, Texas) forced two turnovers.

LMC welcomes Young Harris to Tate Field on Wednesday, April 2 at 4 p.m. for a nonconference tilt.

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