

Blackburn Women Defeat Greenville College 67-53

Kariann Hill and Ashley Daniels each scored 12 points to lead the Blackburn College Women's Basketball Team to a 67-53 St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference victory on Saturday afternoon in Carlinville. The Beavers, who improve to 7-10 on the season and 5-3 in league play, used a big second half to pull away from the Panthers. Blackburn led 30-27 at halftime and outscored Greenville in 37-26 in the 2nd half to capture the victory.

For the game, Blackburn shot 37 percent from the field on 21 of 57 shooting. The key statistic for the contest is that the Blackburn defense forced 31 Panther turnovers while committing just 16 of their own. The Beavers had 6 three-pointers for the game, with Shana Shepherd and Daniels contributing two each, while at the same time the Panthers were 0 of 7 from behind the arc.

The Beavers will look to make it three in a row overall and four in a row at home on Wednesday night as they host Webster University in a 6:00 p.m. SLIAC contest.

Blackburn Men Impressive in 94-82 Win Over Greenville

The Blackburn College Men's Basketball Team turned in a complete effort on Saturday afternoon in Carlinville, as they defeated St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference rival Greenville College 94-82. Todd West scored 21 points while Rod Sykes added 20 and Cobri Gilbert scored a career high 17 points to give the Beavers their 1st SLIAC win of the season. Blackburn led 39-28 at the half and stayed in control throughout the 2nd half as Sykes scored the 1st 9 points of the half for the Beavers.

For the game, Blackburn shot 54 percent from the field on 36 of 67 shooting while Greenville shot 43 percent on 36 of 83 shooting. Greenville held a slight 45-41 rebounding edge and committed one less turnover than Blackburn at 19-18. The Panthers were led in scoring by Obinna Agomo and K.J. Hilliard as they both scored 18 points. Blackburn shot 71 percent from the foul line on 17 for 24 shooting compared to just 43 percent for Greenville on 6 of 14 shooting.

Blackburn took command in the 1st half on behalf of a 9-0 scoring run in just over 3 minutes to lead 28-19 with 7:34 to go in the half. Greenville was able to cut the lead to 4 points with 16:23 to go on a jumper by Rashod Seaton. The game stayed close until Blackburn went on a 5-0 run to push the lead to 63-52 with 9:52 to go as Greenville never got closer than 9 points the rest of the way.

The Beavers return to action at home on Wednesday night as they host Webster University in a SLIAC clash at 8:00 p.m. in the Dawes Gymnasium.