



## JANUARY 26, 2009

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### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (JANUARY 26 – FEBRUARY 1)

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Location</u>
Women's Basketball	Monday, Jan 26 @5:30pm	*Dixie State	St. George, UT
Men's Basketball	Monday, Jan 26 @7:30pm	*Dixie State	St. George, UT
Women's Basketball	Tuesday, Jan 27 @5:30pm	Dixie State	St. George, UT
Men's Basketball	Tuesday, Jan 27 @7:30pm	Dixie State	St. George, UT
Softball	Sunday, Feb 1 @12:00pm	CSU Monterey Bay	Seaside, CA

(\* ) - Denotes Pacific West Conference Game

\*\*ALL NDNu HOME BASKETBALL GAMES CAN BE WATCHED OR FOLLOWED ON THE INTERNET USING THE "LIVE VIDEO" AND/OR "LIVE STATS" LINK ON THE ATHLETIC WEBSITE

### ARGO OF THE WEEK

#### **BENNIE MURRAY, FR., FAIRFIELD, CA MEN'S BASKETBALL**

Murray scored a career high 25 points in a four overtime loss to Hawaii Hilo on Friday night. He hit six 3-pointers and added five rebounds and four assists. Murray's six threes was a season high for any Argonaut and his 25 points were also a team high. He helped spring the Argos to an early lead with three 3-pointers in the first half before hitting one triple in each of the first three overtimes.



## Teams

### Men's Basketball: 4-13 (0-7)

#### *Last Week's Results:*

**Loss to Hawaii Hilo, 92-103 in 4OT (1/26):** The Argos and Vulcans needed 20 extra minutes to decide a winner as the two teams battled through four overtimes before Hawaii Hilo prevailed 103-92. The back and forth game featured eleven lead changes and nine ties before the Vulcans broke out in the fourth overtime. The game also marked the longest game in school history.

NDNU came out gunning, taking an early 12-6 defense thanks to outstanding perimeter defense. The Vulcans failed to connect on their first six 3-point attempts before hitting two in a row to tie the game at 12-12. After UHH briefly took the lead, the Argos responded with a 12-2 run to take a six point advantage with just over five minutes remaining. The margin grew to nine as Bennie Murray knocked down a pair of triples before Josh Malloy added one of his own. The Argos shot 52% in the half and held to Vulcans to just 32% shooting to take a 33-26 lead into the break. UHH also connected on just 2-14 threes while NDNU went 4-10 from beyond the arc.

The second half was a different story as the Vulcans fought their way back into the game. With 9:16 left, the Argos led 46-39 but that lead would quickly evaporate as UHH rattled off ten straight points to take a three point advantage. After NDNU fell behind by three points in the final two minutes, senior Dan Bergeron came up big with a game tying 3-pointer. Jay DeMaestri then put the Vulcans up by two with layup with just eleven seconds remaining. However, Bergeron once again came up big with a layup with 3.5 second left to tie the score. Bergeron was also fouled but could not connect on his free throw, thus sending the game into overtime.

Murray drained a three to open up the first overtime, but the lead would not last long as Jacob Briggs responded with a triple of his own. Andre Hayes's two free throws and Bergeron's jumper gave NDNU a four point lead with 18 seconds left but the Vulcans once again countered. Charlando Brown hit a runner and Briggs connected on layup in the final seconds to send the game into a second overtime.

In the second overtime, the Argos once again took a lead into the final minute before Hawaii Hilo fought back. With NDNU leading by two with 29 seconds left, Hayes turned the ball over and DeMaestri hit a lay-up to once again knot the score.

With the game tied 69-69 heading into the third overtime, the Vulcans came out strong with a pair of buckets to take a four point advantage. However, Murray responded with a three to cut the deficit to one. The Vulcans took that one point lead into the final minute before stretching it to five with 17 seconds left after sinking four straight free throws.

The Argos refused to give up as they cut the lead to two with an off balance 3-pointer by Jeff Berridge with just eight second left. After John Smith hit 1-2 from the line, the Vulcans fouled Bergeron with three seconds left so he could not get off a game tying three. At the line, Bergeron sunk the first before missing the second one of purpose. Hayes came up huge, grabbing the miss and getting fouled on his put back attempt with 1.5 seconds left. Hayes calmly sunk both free throws to send the game to a fourth extra period.

In the fourth overtime, Smith took the game over as he scored nine of the Vulcans 20 points to earn UHH the victory.

Bennie Murray led all scores with a career high 25 points and knocked down six 3-pointers. Dan Bergeron added 21 points, 17 rebounds and seven assists while Andre Hayes also recorded a double-double with 14 points and 11 rebounds. Josh Malloy was the fourth Argonaut in double figures with 13 points.

### Women's Basketball: 6-12 (3-4)

#### *Last Week's Results:*

**Defeated Hawaii Hilo, 80-71 (1/26):** The Notre Dame de Namur women's basketball team poured in 53 second half points on their way to an 80-71 victory over Hawaii Hilo. The Argos moved to 3-4 in PacWest play with the victory, while the Vulcans dropped to 2-4.

The Argos struggled in the early going, falling behind Hawaii Hilo for much of the first half. The Vulcans led by as many as nine before a late NDNU run tied the score at 25-25. UHH led by one at the break thanks to a late 3-pointer by Hina Kimitete. Both teams struggled a bit from the field in the half with the Argos shooting just 35% and the Vulcans connected on 41% of their shots.

The second half was a different story as both teams shot over 50%, including a 66% conversion rate by NDNU. The Argos made 19-29 shots in the half on their way to a 53 point half. The game stayed close through the first ten minutes of the second half before the Argos broke the game open with a 13-4 run. NDNU connected on 15-19 free throws, including 7-8 in the final minute to ice the game.

Britni Rathke led the Argos with 24 points, 18 of which came after the break. Rathke made 8-9 shots in the second half and also pulled down seven rebounds. Jennifer Dreessen and Tanaia Keyes tacked on 15 points and five rebounds apiece while Marianne Bautista recorded a double-double with 11 points, 10 assists, six rebounds and four steals.

