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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (JANUARY 28 – FEBRUARY 3)

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Location</u>
Softball	Friday, Feb 1 @10:15am	Grand Canyon	Turlock, CA
Softball	Friday, Feb 1 @2:45pm	Davis & Elkins	Turlock, CA
Women's Basketball	Friday, Feb 1 @5:30pm	Dixie State College	Walter Gleason Gym
Men's Basketball	Friday, Feb 1 @7:30pm	Dixie State College	Walter Gleason Gym
Softball	Saturday, Feb 2 @10:00am	CSU Dominguez Hills	Turlock, CA
Softball	Saturday, Feb 2 @2:15pm	CSU Stanislaus	Turlock, CA
Women's Basketball	Saturday, Feb 2 @5:30pm	Dixie State College	Walter Gleason Gym
Men's Basketball	Saturday, Feb 2 @7:30pm	Dixie State College	Walter Gleason Gym
Softball	Sunday, Feb 3 @10:15am	Humboldt State	Turlock, CA
Softball	Sunday, Feb 3 @2:45pm	CSU Monterey Bay	Turlock, CA

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<http://www.ndnu.edu/athletics>

ARGO OF THE WEEK

RYAN COOPER, SR., SAN JOSE, CA MEN'S BASKETBALL

Cooper helped lead the Argos to a 2-1 week with victories over Hawaii Pacific on Wednesday and Hawaii Hilo on Saturday. He averaged a team high 20.7 points and 5.7 assists per game, ranking third and second in the league respectively. Cooper shot 51% from the field (19-37), was perfect from the free throw line (14-14) and hit 10-19 from behind the arc. He was also named Pacific West Conference Player of the Week and moved into second place in school history with 249 career assists.



Teams

Men's Basketball: 6-10 (2-6)

Last Week's Results:

def. Hawaii Hilo, 87-73 (1/26): The Notre Dame de Namur men's basketball team earned their second Pacific West Conference victory with an 87-73 win over Hawaii Hilo. The Argos used a huge run to end the first and another to open the second to hold off the Vulcans.

UHH led for much of the first half and took a 27-20 lead with 6:24 left. However, the Argos responded with a 16-3 run to close out the first and took a 36-30 advantage into the second half. Jeff Berridge and Ryan Cooper each hit a three in the final minute, with Cooper's coming as the buzzer sounded. The Argos picked up their run in the second half, outscoring the Vulcans 19-6 over the first eight minutes to push their margin to 17. Overall, the Argos went on a 35-9 run to end the first and start the second. Hilo would never cut the lead to single digits as the Argos hit 26 of their final 27 free throws to preserve the victory.

NDNU shot a season best 53% from the field and also hit 6-9 from 3-point range. The Argos also converted 33-41 from the charity stripe, including 88% in the second half. Ryan Cooper once again led NDNU with 23 points and six assists. He was also perfect from the free throw line, hitting all ten of his attempts. Cooper also moved into second in NDNU history in career assists with 249. Aaron Parker made 11 free throws on his way to a career high 17 points. Jeff Berridge also set a career high with 12 points while Chris Edwards added ten points and Dan Bergeron grabbed ten rebounds.

lost to Hawaii Hilo, 70-75 (1/25): On a night that saw Chris Clock set the school record for career 3-pointers, the Notre Dame de Namur men's basketball dropped a tough one to Hawaii Hilo 75-70. The Argos led for most of the game before the Vulcans pushed ahead in the final minutes to earn the win. Clock knocked down two first half threes to give him 151 career triples and the all-time record. The mark of 150 was previously held by Martin Castro.

With the score tied at 24-24 in the first, the Argos ripped off a 10-0 run. After the Vulcans cut the lead to with 28 second left, Clock's record breaking three gave NDNU at five point halftime lead. The Argos pushed their margin to eight in the second half before UHH used a 9-1 run to take the lead with just under five minutes to play. NDNU would tied the score with three minutes remaining before the Vulcans pushed ahead for good.

All five Argo starters reached double figures for the first time this season. Clock led the way with 16 points while Aaron Parker and Chris Edwards added 13 apiece. Dan Bergeron finished with 11 points and nine rebounds while Ryan Cooper tacked on 10 points, six assists and three steals.

def. Hawaii Pacific, 82-78 (2OT) (1/23): NDNU and visiting Hawaii Pacific needed ten extra minutes to decide Wednesday night's Pacific West Conference contest. The Argos eventually prevailed in double overtime, taking down the Sea Warriors 82-78. The first half featured 11 lead changes before NDNU built an eight point lead with a quick 7-0 run in the final minute. However, Jason Curtis's three with five second remaining made the score 40-35 going into the break. The Argos shot 56% in the half and were led by Ryan Cooper's 22 points on 8-11 shooting.

In the second, HPU took the lead with just under ten minutes remaining and built their margin to nine with 5:03 left. NDNU responded and forced a tie with 1:22 left. After a pair of free throws by Rishi Kakad gave HPU a two point lead, Chris Clock knocked down a jumper with seven seconds left to force overtime. Neither team could get things going in the first overtime as both went scoreless in the final minute to send the game to a second overtime. Junior Dan Bergeron took over the game in the second overtime for the Argos, scoring six of the team's 11 points and grabbing five rebounds. Bergeron secured two big offensive rebounds in the period and scored on both giving NDNU a four point victory.

Cooper led all scorers with 29 points and added five assists. He also knocked down five 3-pointers and did not commit a turnover. Chris Clock added 22 points while Aaron Parker tacked on 11 points and four rebounds. Chris Edwards turned in a big game of his

own, finishing with 11 points, eight rebounds and a career high five blocks. Bergeron did most of his damage in the final overtime, finishing with eight points and nine rebounds.

Women's Basketball: 0-7

Last Week's Results:

def. Hawaii Hilo, 69-56 (1/26): The Notre Dame de Namur women's basketball team posted their fifth consecutive win, defeating PacWest rival Hawaii Hilo 69-56. The bench carried the offensive load for the Argos, scoring 49 of the team's 69 points.

The first half was owned by the Vulcans after a 9-2 run put them up by six points at the break. UHH picked up their run in the second, leading for the first 14 minutes of the half. However, back-to-back threes by Tanaia Keyes put NDNU up for good. The Argos outscored the Vulcans 21-12 at the free throw line, including a 19-5 advantage in the second half. All three Argos in double figures came off the bench with Britni Rathke scoring a game high 16 points. Keyes added 15 points and seven rebounds while Ashley Wilson tacked on 12 points.

def. Hawaii Hilo, 66-55 (1/25): The Notre Dame de Namur women's basketball team improved to 5-2 in Pacific West play with a 66-55 victory over Hawaii Hilo. The Argos outscored UHH 40-27 to earn their fourth straight win.

The NDNU defense set the tone early, forcing the Vulcans to miss their first 16 shots and commit ten turnovers in the first ten minutes. However, UHH responded by hitting eight of their next ten shots and took a two point lead into the break. The Vulcans increased their lead to six early in the second half before a 15-2 Argonaut run put NDNU up for good. The Argos shot 48% in the second half and outscored UHH from the free throw 14-1.

Cory Riley scored a game high 18 points and added six assists and four rebounds. Jennifer Dreessen picked up a double-double, finishing with 14 points, 14 rebounds, three steals and two blocks while Darice Murray added 11 points.

def. Hawaii Pacific, 61-55 (1/23): The Notre Dame de Namur women's basketball team picked up their third straight victory with a 61-55 win over visiting Hawaii Pacific. The Argos played excellent defense, forcing 24 Sea Warrior turnovers while improving to 4-2 in Pacific West play.

The first half was controlled by NDNU for the first 15 minutes before HPU stormed back to take a 35-34 lead into the break. Ashley Jenkins scored 27 of the Sea Warriors 35 first half points on 11-15 shooting. HPU started the second half off strong, going up by as many as six points. However, with just under ten minutes to play the Argos took the lead for good and never looked back. NDNU managed to shoot just 31% from the field, but did knock down nine 3-pointers.

Cory Riley led the Argos with 12 points, three assists and two steals while Jennifer Dreessen added 11 points and nine rebounds. Britni Rathke also reached double figures with ten points, eight of which came in the first half. Point guard Sandy Perry picked up a career high seven assists.