

Island Rivals Victorious over Eagles in Home Weekend Games



METRO VANCOUVER, BC – (January 23, 2012) – In the first of a long stretch of home games for the Eagles, Kwantlen Polytechnic University played host to, and battled hard against, both their Vancouver Island rivals in the PACWEST Conference with games against the VIU Mariners on Friday, January 20th and the Camosun College Chargers on Saturday, January 21st.

This past weekend proved to be a tough one for the Women's Eagles team collecting two losses; one of which included a one-sided game again the VIU Mariners. Never leading throughout the game, the Eagles reached double digits in two quarters and played well defensively but it was not enough to stave the Mariners as they went on to a commanding 74 – 38 win. First-year guard, Jeannine Yngreso (Surrey) hit double digits in both weekend contests with 11 points each game which included 33% from the free throw line against the Mariners and the Chargers.

The Eagles Women had a great start against the Camosun College Chargers on Saturday, January 21st but took some unsuccessful shots which put them behind and had the team playing catch-up for the remainder of the game. The Eagles came back to post high scoring third (19 points) and fourth (14 points) quarters but were unable to recover ground and losing the game 52 – 68. First-year guard, Brittney Church (Langley) played well against Camosun and attacked the hoop consistently. Sam McPhail (Vancouver), second-year center, played well defensively all weekend with a total of 27 rebounds. In response to the difficult weekend result, Eagles' Head Coach Dan Nayebyzadeh, stated "We were badly out-rebounded this weekend. We played well defensively in both games but we had no flow offensively and didn't shoot the ball well all weekend."

The Eagles continue their hosting responsibilities playing Quest University on Friday, January 27th and against Capilano University on Saturday, January 28th. Both games will see tip-offs for the Women at 6:00pm and for the Men at 8:00pm.

Complete game results can be found at: www.kwantlen.ca/eagles

Kwantlen Polytechnic University has been serving the Metro Vancouver region for 30 years, and has opened doors to success for more than 200,000 people. Four campuses—Richmond, Surrey, Cloverdale and Langley—offer a comprehensive range of sought-after programs, including business, liberal arts and science, design, health, trades and technology, apprenticeships, horticulture, and academic and career advancement. Over 17,000 students annually have a choice from over 135 programs, including bachelor's degrees, associate degrees, diplomas, certificates and citations.