

UPCOMING
EVENTS

Thursday, Feb. 10

- Men’s basketball will play at Troy Alabama at 6 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 11

- Women’s Bowling will compete at the Lady Techsters Classic in Dallas, Texas.

- Track will compete at Indoor Gorilla Classic in Pittsburgh, Kansas.

- Track & Field will compete at the Music City Challenge in Nashville, Tennessee.

Saturday, Feb. 12

- Women’s Bowling will compete in Day Two of the Lady Techsters Classic.

- Track & Field will compete in Day Two of both the Music City Challenge and Indoor Gorilla Classic.

- Women’s Tennis will play against Kansas City at home at 12 p.m.

- Women’s Basketball will compete at Little Rock at 2 p.m.

- Men’s Basketball will compete at South Alabama at 6 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 13

- Women’s Bowling will compete in Day Three of the Lady Techsters Classic.

Monday, Feb. 14

- Women’s golf will compete at First Coast Classic at Jacksonville, Florida.

Tuesday, Feb 14

- Women’s golf at First Coast Classic.

A-State loses against ULM by one point



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SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

A-State’s men’s basketball took on the ULM Warhawks for the second time this season on Thursday evening, in a game that was filled with controversy, record points totals and incredible hustle as both teams fought for every possession.

The crowd brought the heat to the First National Bank Arena in what was otherwise a cold day for Jonesboro. A nail-biting second half saw the players feed off the energy from the red hot supporters as they tried to will their team to victory.

The hard-fought contest ultimately ended in a 60-59 defeat for A-State but no one could fault the effort on display.

With his tenth consecutive double-double, Freshman Norchad Omier continued what had already been a standout season. Omier reached a game high of 23 points and an arena record

with 26 rebounds. Keyon Wesley was the only other A-State player who has managed double digits with his season high of 14.

This game will become a highlight, remembered by Red Wolves fans for the events of the second half. Although it was a close first period, A-State held on to a 29-26 lead.

Clearly this lead wasn’t enough as the Red Wolves exploded out of the gate grabbing 10 of the half’s first 12 points, continuing to build to a 48-34 lead for the final 12 minutes.

However, ULM’s comeback saw an 11-0 scoring run which made it a three-point game and opened the door for a hectic close.

Emotions among the crowd created a palpable buzz as the Warhawks took control, which forced the Red Wolves into heavily contested shots and easy defensive rebounds.

Tension heightened in the

second half when A-State’s Desi Sills was left as the only player punished for an altercation that involved multiple players from both sides. Many in the building openly questioned the officiating of the contested ball between Omier and ULM’s Koreem Ozier.

Sills’s technical foul was the only result from a lengthy official review with the decision being booed out of the building by the student section.

Although the Red Wolves continued to fight, a three-pointer from ULM’s Nika Metskhvarishvili gave the opposition a 60-59 lead with 16 seconds on the clock. To their credit, A-State managed two chances in the time remaining but were unable to take the lead or get a foul from the officials, which some believed was deserved.

A real back and forth contest that ultimately ended in defeat for the Red Wolves, but thankfully this is not something this team has

experienced too often this season.

Even in defeat, the team needed their crowd. What separates college sports from the major leagues is the powerful connection a local community forms with their team.

This defeat was unlike any other because the fans never stopped caring. The student section remained vocal in their support of the Red Wolves even after the match had ended in a disappointing result.

Home court really should be an advantage and the scenes from the second half of this game will stay in the memory as an exact reminder of that. There’s nothing like an animated crowd that shouts for every call and cheers for every point.

First National Bank Arena may not have seen the result go the Red Wolves’ way but where else can students get court-side seats to this kind of action for free? A powerful advertisement to keep filling those seats until the season’s end.

Bennett Pascoe 3rd in program history



Feb. 6, Bennett Pascoe become third in school history for the 3000m with a time of 8:16.34. Track and field will compete two more meets this weekend before heading to the 2022 Sun Belt Conference Championships.

Red Wolves 82-60 win



Feb. 7, after a delay caused by moisture leakage onto the court, the Red Wolves Women’s Basketball team faced off against ULM in Monroe. Despite the delay, the Red Wolves came out victorious with an 82-60 win. Their next game is Feb 12 facing off against UALR in Little Rock. They return to Jonesboro for their final home game of the season Feb. 19 to face UALR once again.