



Tip-In-Club Newsletter



Stephen F. Austin State University Men's Basketball

February 2004

Letter from Coach Danny Kaspar

Greetings from the Lumberjack players and coaches! The Month of January was a difficult one for us. Greg Wallace, a transfer from the U.S. Military Academy, sitting out this season due to NCAA transfer rules, died while working out alone in Johnson Coliseum on Friday, January 30. Greg was a very fine young man who would have given the program valuable contributions on the court next year. We will miss him very much for both his playing ability and character! The Lumberjacks also learned after the Christmas Break that as of January 19, Taylor Moore had rendered himself ineligible to play during the Spring 2004 semester. This is also a huge blow to our basketball program.

During the month of January we won five games and lost two. Our first victory in January was against Lyon College out of Arkansas. We struggled against this team but came back to win in a 65-53 victory. Taylor had 19 points and 11 rebounds to lead our team. Our first conference game, against Northwestern State was up next. We came out sloppy in the first half and fell behind 30-23 at halftime. The second half we played better, but lost a one point decision to the Demons, 64-63 on two free throws with three seconds remaining in the game. Antonio Burks led us with 25 points while B.J. Banks had 6 rebounds.

The Lumberjacks began a two game homestand with the first game against McNeese State. In a hard fought contest, we beat McNeese 64-60 behind 20 points by B.J. and 8 rebounds by Antonio. Our next game was against Southeastern Louisiana, a team playing very well all year long. In a very good all-around performance, the Lumberjacks soundly beat the Lions 61-43. Jasen Gast, B.J., and Antonio each had 10 points while Taylor had 7 rebounds. It would Taylor's last game of the year.

Louisiana Monroe was up next in an important road game. We played well in the first half and struggled in the second. Behind Marcus Clark, we staged a furious comeback and missed a shot at the buzzer to win. In the 60-58 loss, Marcus had 17 points and Rodrigo Segantim had 8 points and 8 rebounds.

In our next home game against the U. of Texas-Arlington, the Lumberjacks played flawless basketball and whipped the Mavericks 71-44. Many of our players played well and our team defense was very solid. Antonio had 21 points while Rodrigo led us in rebounding with 7. A regionally televised game was next vs. Sam Houston State! In a great game, the Lumberjacks beat Sam Houston 68-67 behind Antonio's 18 points and Rodrigo's 7 rebounds.

The Lumberjacks will play the U. of Texas-Arlington on February 14 at noon on Fox Sports Southwest. I hope to see you soon!

Danny Kaspar

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November

13th National BB Exp. W 74 - 56

22nd Houston Baptist W 98 - 83

25th @ Baylor W 79- 57

29th Alcorn State W 80 - 63

December

6th Alcorn State W 56 - 49

8th @ TCU L 84 - 62

11th @ Centenary L 62 - 65

13th Grambling State W 68 - 50

20th Okla. Panhandle St. W 108-51

22nd Centenary W 70 - 58

30th Cameron W 87 - 42

January

3rd Lyon College W 65 - 53

8th @ Northwestern St. L 63 - 64

15th McNeese St. W 64 - 60

17th Southeastern LA W 61 - 43

22nd @ UL-Monroe L 58 - 60

24th UT-Arlington W 71 - 44

29th Sam Houston W 68 - 67

February

4th UT-San Antonio W 69 - 60

7th UL-Monroe W 81 - 68

9th @ Southeastern LA L 72 - 74

14th @ UT-Arlington 12PM- TV

18th @ McNeese St. 7:15PM

21st Nicholls St. 6:15PM

25th @ Lamar 7PM

28th @ Sam Houston 7:30PM

March

2nd Northwestern St. 6PM

5th @ Texas State 7:30PM

All Times Are Central and Subject To Change

