

COMETS

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UTD Basketball scores big wins over undefeated Concordia

Richardson, TX--It was the battle of the unbeaten tonight as all four teams on the floor tonight at UT-Dallas were undefeated.

The UTD women led by only four at the half but came out with the same hot shot as the first half to take a 5-0 undefeated start in an 80-59 victory over the Concordia Tornados. The Comets shot a blazing 52% from the field and 79% from the free throw line and capitalized on poor shooting from CUA. Concordia shot a dismal 8-30 in the second half, where the Comets were 17-33 from the field. Freshman Julee Waller was on fire for UTD, scoring 23 points and hitting all seven of her free throws. She also contributed seven rebounds, three assists and two steals. Another freshman, Ashley Johnson, was the second leading scorer for the Comets with 16 points and was tough on the inside. Concordia was led by guard Tabbatha Callaway, who sank four of 10 three pointers for 18 points. UTD plays host to the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor at 1:00 pm Saturday. The Lady Crusaders were one of four teams in the American Southwest Conference tournament last season.

The Comet Men took advantage of an off-shooting night from Concordia to stay undefeated at 3-0 with a 75-66 regulation win. Coming into tonight's game, the Tornados had two big wins over scholarship programs Houston Baptist and St. Edward's. CUA's biggest threat was forward K.B. DeBord who has been averaging 23.6 points per contest. DeBord scored 28 points against the Comets, but it wasn't enough as five UTD players scored in double figures to help the Comet cause. Freshman Chris Walker continues to be a major contributor to the squad, leading the way with 18 points and 12 rebounds, 10 of those on the defensive end. Others in double figures were Brian Mitchell (10), Brian Thomas (12), Laurence Daggett (14) and Frank Faber (14). Concordia shot a miserable 36% from the field, hitting just 25 of 69 shots and 45% from the free throw line (6 of 11). UT-Dallas takes on Mary Hardin-Baylor Saturday at the UTD Activity Center with a 3:00 tip-off.

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