

Alfred University men's basketball defeats Hilbert College 84-76 in home opener

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ALFRED, NY The Alfred University men's basketball team won their 2004-05 home opener Tuesday night, defeating visiting Hilbert College 84-76. After trailing by three at halftime, the Saxons (2-1 0-0 Empire 8) came out strong in the second half outscoring Hilbert 54-43. AU shot 52 percent from the field in the second half and 60 percent from behind the arc to regain the lead. Junior guard Quentin Bryant (Buffalo/Seneca Vocational) had a game high 31 points to go along with seven rebounds and four assists in his home debut as a Saxon. Sophomore center Dillon Stein (N. Huntington, PA/Norwin) dominated the paint netting 20 points and grabbing 16 rebounds. Junior Ryan Hallett (Caledonia/Caledonia-Mumford) and sophomore Ryan Clemenson (Ovid/South Seneca) also stepped up big for AU scoring 19 and 11 points respectively. Junior guard Chris Lemasters (Mansfield, PA/Mansfield) dished out seven assists for the Saxons. Sam Gioia scored 14 points and Dallas Reinard netted 13 to lead the way for Hilbert (0-3). Keon Rembert finished the game with 11 points and nine rebounds. AU men's basketball will be in action next on Wednesday, Dec. 1, at 7 p.m. home against Allegheny College.