

AU men's basketball team drops Randolph-Macon Tournament consolation

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ASHLAND, VA The Alfred University men's basketball team lost a 59-51 decision to Richard Stockton College Saturday evening in the consolation game of the Randolph-Macon College Tournament. AU (2-8, 0-0 Empire 8) trailed by eight points at the half, 30-22, thanks to hot shooting by Stockton, which made 52.4 percent of its shots in the game's first 20 minutes. Alfred made only 30 percent of its shots in the first frame and connected on 35.4 percent for the game. Stockton cooled after intermission, making only 30.4 percent of its shots in the second half, and the Saxons were able to close to within six points several times. A pair of free throws by senior point guard Robby McCarter (Wooster, OH/Wooster) made it 52-46, Stockton with just over a minute to go in regulation, but the Ospreys made seven of nine free throws down the stretch to improve to 6-4 on the season. Senior forward Ryan Clemenson (Ovid, NY/South Seneca) led Alfred with a game-high 16 points to go with three rebounds and three steals. Senior center Dillon Stein (North Huntingdon, PA/Norwin) added 13 points, three boards and a pair of assists, while McCarter finished with eight points, five rebounds and three steals. Mario Lancioni and Randy Dean (six rebounds) each scored 14 points for Stockton, while Jon Greene had nine points and nine rebounds. Alfred is in action next on Friday, Jan. 5, at 8 p.m., when the Saxons play their Empire 8 Conference opener at Nazareth.