

AU women's volleyball team picks up first victory of 2003 season

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ROCHESTER The Alfred University women's volleyball team ended a 14-match losing streak to open the 2003 season with a 3-1 victory over Oneonta State in the consolation round of the RIT Invitational Tournament Saturday. After opening the tournament with two losses in the first round Friday and a 3-0 loss to Geneseo in the first match of the consolation round Saturday morning, Alfred (1-14, 0-1 Empire 8) defeated Oneonta by scores of 30-27, 30-26, 23-30 and 30-28. Alfred was led in its match against Oneonta by sophomore Beth Sanger (Greece/Greece Arcadia) with 12 kills, 26 digs, five aces and two blocks. Sophomore Catherine Rieck (Walworth/Gananda) had 12 kills and seven digs; sophomore Deen Genzardi (Oneonta/Unatego) had 26 assists, and senior Amanda Vizcarra (Gasport/Royalton-Hartland) added 19 digs. Sophomore Katie Goetschius (Wellsville/Wellsville) contributed three kills, six service aces and eight digs. In the earlier match against Geneseo, AU lost by scores of 30-26, 30-12 and 30-23. Sanger paced the Lady Saxons with seven kills and 12 digs. Rieck had eight kills and a pair of services aces, while Genzardi added 18 assists and 10 digs. Alfred is in action next on Tuesday, Sept. 23, at 7 p.m. at Nazareth.