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Chargers women net PACWEST Athlete of the Week awards



Morgan Marshall (Women's Volleyball)



Ella Goldschmid (Women's Basketball)

The Camosun College Chargers women's basketball and volleyball teams scored big this weekend sweeping their games both at home and on the road and earning the PACWEST Athlete of the Week award in their respective sports.

In women's volleyball, the Chargers made the long trek to Cranbrook where the squad swept their matches against the College of the Rockies Avalanche (25-17, 25-17, 25-18 and 25-23, 25-17, 25-18). The back-to-back wins move Camosun to 7-9 and advances the team to No. 4 in the PACWEST standings.

Second-year student-athlete Morgan Marshall (a graduate of Smithers Secondary and alumni of Thunder Volleyball Club in Vancouver) was instrumental in leading the Chargers to both victories on the weekend averaging an incredible 5.2 points per set. The 6'0" middle was ranked #1 on the PACWEST Leader Board for blocks per set (4th in CCAA National Individual Stats) and 10th in Total Offensive Points.

"Producing five points per set is remarkable from any position in our sport," commented Camosun Head Coach Chris Dahl. "In order to accomplish this from the middle probably means you're doing it in a variety of ways and the team around you plays a major role in helping create this. Morgan is putting together an excellent season statistically in her first full year as a middle with the Chargers and it's really no surprise to those inside our program."

In PACWEST hoops action, the Chargers women collected their first sweep of the season with a solid 74-48 take-down against Langara on Friday and a nail-biting 44-42 victory over the PACWEST's #2 Douglas Royals on Saturday.

Second-year Charger Ella Goldschmid was a major force in both home wins posting 15 pts, 4 rebounds and 2 steals against the Falcons and producing 14 pts, 8 rebounds, 3 assists and 1 steal to edge out the Royals. Going into the weekend, the fiery 5'6" wing/point was ranked Top 10 in the PACWEST for both points and assists.

"We were lucky to play well against both teams and Ella helped to lead the way in what we hope will be the start to a successful restart to our season," commented Head Coach Brett Westcott.

While the Chargers volleyball teams have a bye this weekend, their basketball counterparts return to PISE to host the #1 PACWEST Capilano University Blues (Fri, Jan. 18 at 6 & 8pm) and the Quest University Kermodes who are tied for 3rd (Sat, Jan. 19 at 1 & 3pm).

"I was happy to see us start to show some improvements this past weekend, especially defensively and in our reduction in the number of turnovers for most of the game against Langara and for the entire game against Douglas," said Head Coach Brett Westcott. "But our schedule does not get any easier this coming weekend. Capilano is big, athletic and experienced. They hammered us the first time we played so we have a lot of work to do with the hope of competing with them. Quest is a real up-and-down team so far this season as they have had some mixed results. They are the only team to beat Capilano in league play, but they have lost to Langara and Kwantlen. They are an extremely good perimeter shooting team with a great backcourt combination. We will need to play hard, execute well and get a few positive breaks along the way if we hope to repeat our success from last weekend."

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