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(Neb.)-CSC Teams To End Season At Spearfish

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CHADRON – Both Chadron State College basketball teams will look to wrap up their seasons on a positive note Saturday night when they play Black Hills State in Spearfish.

The women's game tips off at 5:30 p.m. and the men's game follows at 7:30.

Both of the Yellow Jackets' quintets were victorious when they visited the Eagles on Jan. 12. The Black Hills women won 72-65 and the Black Hills men won 77-61.

The Black Hills State women have won four of their last five games and are striving to nail down the eighth and final spot in the RMAC Shootout that begins March 5. The Yellow Jackets' recent success included victories over Colorado State-Pueblo (50-46) and Colorado-Colorado Springs (62-54) on the road last weekend.

Both of those teams defeated the Chadron State women Friday and Saturday nights.

The Lady Jackets are now 11-14 overall and 10-11 in the conference. The CSC women are 5-20 and 5-16.

The Black Hills State men had lost eight games in a row before edging Colorado Springs 65-62 on Saturday night. Their losses included an 84-46 thrashing at Pueblo the previous night.

The Yellow Jackets are 6-19 for the season and 5-16 in the RMAC. The Eagles are 3-22 and 3-18.

There will be some interesting sidelights in both games Saturday night. Each team has a player who is among the RMAC scoring leaders.

On the men's scene, the Eagles' Zac Bargaen leads the conference with an 18.4-point scoring average and Black Hills' Tanner Adler is second at 17.7. Both are 6-foot-5 juniors.

Bargaen scored 18 points, one more than Adler, in the first game between the teams this season. Two of Adler's teammates, guard Brady Bisgaard and forward Cameron Anderson, scored 20 apiece in

that game. The Eagles' Kendrick Holliman also scored 20.

Among the women, the Yellow Jackets' Chelsey Biegler is third on the RMAC scoring list at 17.2 points a game and the Eagles' Kattie Ranta is fourth at 15.5. Ranta also ranks fifth on the rebounding chart at 8.2 a game.

Ranta, a 6-0 junior, and Biegler, a 5-10 sophomore, were teammates at Rapid City Central High School. Biegler scored 28 points against the Eagles in the January game. Ranta tallied 19.

All four of the scoring leaders are deadly free throw shooters.

Bargen has made 145 of 171 free throws for 84.8 percent, Adler has made 83 of 102 for 81.4 percent, Ranta has hit 79 of 98 for 80.6 percent and Biegler has canned 125 of 147 for 85 percent.