



2004 Old Dominion Athletic Conference Volleyball Championships

November 5-6, 2004
Ragan-Brown Field House
Guilford College
Greensboro, NC

TOURNAMENT PREVIEW

Guilford College welcomes eight volleyball teams to the Ragan-Brown Field House this Friday and Saturday for the 2004 Old Dominion Athletic Conference Volleyball Tournament. The eight schools with the best record during the 2004 conference season qualified for the tourney, which determines the recipient of the league's automatic bid into the NCAA Division III Tournament. Guilford, which did not qualify for the tournament, hosts the tournament for the second time in school history and the first time since 1995.

Three-time defending champion Washington and Lee (24-7) earned the tourney's top seed with an 11-0 ODAC record. The Generals have won seven of the last eight league Tournament titles and own a nine-match ODAC Tournament winning streak. Washington and Lee plays eighth seeded Randolph-Macon Woman's College (11-18, 4-7 ODAC) in one of Friday's 5:00 p.m. matches. The Wildcats are making their first ODAC Tournament appearance since 1997. Fourth-seeded Virginia Wesleyan (18-7, 8-3 ODAC) plays in its second ODAC Tournament in its second varsity season against fifth-seeded Emory & Henry (14-14, 7-4 ODAC) Friday at 5:00 p.m.

Second-seeded Randolph-Macon (19-14, 10-1 ODAC) meets number-seven Lynchburg (16-12, 5-6 ODAC) in one of Friday's 7:30 p.m. contests. The Yellow Jackets' lone league loss came to Washington and Lee. Third-seeded Roanoke (18-12, 8-3 ODAC) needs two wins for its school-record third straight 20-win season and meets number-six Bridgewater (22-8, 7-4 ODAC) at 7:30 p.m. The Eagles won the Guilford College Invitational earlier this season.

The tournament opens Friday (11/5) with two quarterfinal matches at 5:00 p.m. and two quarterfinal matches at 7:30 p.m. Between the two sessions, the 2004 All-ODAC Volleyball teams will be announced. Saturday's (11/6) semifinals begin at 10:30 a.m. with the winners advancing to 3:00 p.m. final. The league champion, runner-up and All-ODAC Tournament will be recognized after Saturday's final.

Admission to the tournament is \$5 per day, \$2 for students and children. Tickets can be purchased at the Ragan-Brown Field House entrance.