

Lady Eagles move on to quarters

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PREP BASKETBALL

It took some extra work at the end, but the Coosa girls' basketball team is moving on to the quarter-finals of the Region 7-AA tournament.

The Lady Eagles defeated Gordon Central 50-45 in their first-round matchup at Chattooga High School on Monday after losing a 13-point lead in the third quarter.

Coosa (12-13) was up by 11 at the half before extending its lead to 13 in the third, but Gordon Central fought back to tie game at 39 apiece heading into the fourth.

The Lady Warriors (8-15) took a four-point lead with less than two minutes to go before Coosa got a quick surge and Cassie McFather hit the go ahead 3 with a minute left.

McFather led the Lady Eagles with 14 points, while Tori Overby was close behind with 13. Carrah Arrant recorded a double-double, reaching 10 points and 10 rebounds in the game. Overby had seven rebounds, and both her and Arrant each had three assists.

Coosa will be back at Chattooga High School today to take on Pepperell at 4 p.m. with the winner advancing to the region semifinals and earning a state playoff berth.

Armuchee boys 70, Pepperell 59

The mantra of a new season was personified by the Armuchee boys' basketball team Monday night as it took a 70-59 win over Pepperell in the opening round of the Region 7-AA tournament at Chattooga.

The Indians (9-17) came into the tournament on a five-game losing streak and were able to defeat the Dragons, who had won their last two games.

Seth Stanley led Armuchee with 18 points, followed by Tamalachi Lovelace with 15. Pepperell's Parker Covington scored 12 points while Jamal Ware added 11.

Armuchee will play today at 8:30 p.m. against Dade County in the region quarterfinals.

Pepperell ends its season with a 7-14 record.

Rome boys 54, Woodland 39

The Rome Wolves extended their season Monday as they got a solid 54-39 win over Woodland at home in a Region 7-5A tournament play-in game.

Rome (8-16) advances to face the Carrollton Trojans tonight at 8:30 p.m. in the opening round of the tournament in Carrollton.
