

# Supply 1 beats AGS 1 for basketball title

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For the second consecutive year, Supply 1 clinched the intramural basketball championship. They beat 437 AGS 1, 66-51.

Despite the wide margin of the final score, the game remained close until the last several minutes, when Supply 1 began opening its lead.

"Winning the championship feels great," said Charles James, Jr., a forward with Supply 1. "Being the base champs and being considered among the top teams on base is a wonderful place to hold."

"AGS 1 proved to be a very talented team in the championship game," he said. "They played a solid game, especially the first half. We realized that we would have to focus to win because this team was not going to just roll over and quit. The second half we played a fundamentally sound game and gained the edge with good ball handling, rebounding and defense."

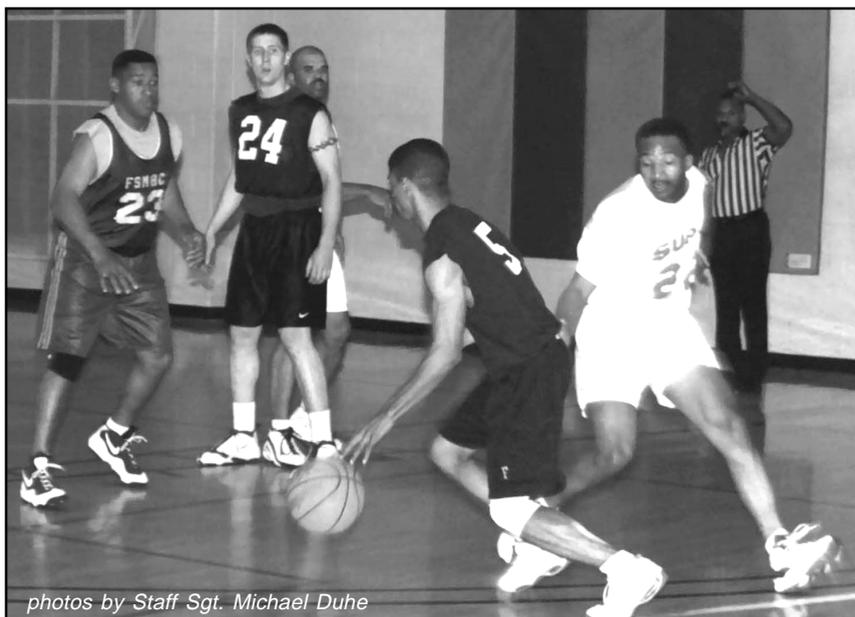
"To have consecutive championship years is certainly a remarkable accomplishment we are proud to have," he added. "There is no swagger in our step just yet, and although no one has mentioned it, if the truth be told our players are thinking three-peat."

Robbie Montague, a guard with Supply 1, said, "I think it was a good game -- both teams played very hard and we knew what was at stake."

"We had a few obstacles this year," Montague also said. "We were trying to find the right chemistry to play together. We had our ups and downs, but as a team, we overcame it."

Top scorers for Supply 1 were:  
Derek McKay -- 19 points  
George Johnson -- 11 points  
Robbie Montague -- 10 points  
Tony Jones -- 8 points

Leading scorers for 437 AGS 1 were:  
Chris Yevchak -- 22 points  
Garnett Bradley -- 15 points  
Thomas Weaver -- 11 points  
Anthony Whisenant -- 3 points



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Garnett Bradley of 437 AGS 1 breaks for the basket.



Supply 1's George Johnson sinks a foul shot to increase the lead.



Derek McKay of Supply 1 (#3) fights for a score. Below, trophies for the champions.



## First-ever Lady Hurricanes win regional championship

Nine girls ages 13 and 14 years old teamed up as the Lady Hurricanes and defeated all Southern Region basketball teams to capture the Southern Region Championship recently.

"This was the first ladies' basketball team of its type at Charleston Air Force Base," said Youth Learning Center Coordinator Don McArthur. "They will go down in history as not only being the first but also for taking the South Regional Championship."

The irony of the win is that the ladies started out with such a slow and dismal start, McArthur added.

"I remember like it was yesterday that we had a 1-4 record," said coach Percy Jones. "I constantly told these ladies if they could just realize how good they really are, winning would be the norm. I worked them real hard at practice and at first they really could not understand why. Now, I think everyone of them understand the benefit of a strong work ethic. I am so proud of these ladies. I actually saw each lady's basketball skill develop over the season."

After their 1-4 start, the Lady Hurricanes went on a five game winning streak before sweeping the

tournament, winning three more consecutive games. In the first game of the tournament, the Lady Hurricanes demolished Goose Creek Lady Liberty 35-20, led by the teenage scoring sensation Brittany King, who chalked up 16 points and the calm shooting of Tiffini Vaughn, who scored 10 points. Nevertheless, nothing was more impressive than the successful ball distribution of Alicea Mattison, who also scored four points and dished out over a dozen assists.

The overall team defense of the Lady Hurricanes sparked by Ashley Henneman and Brooke Bolton further secured a victory. In the evening game, the Lady Hurricanes repeated their performance in a 35 - 23 shackling of the Danny Jones team. Once again, Brittany King led her team with 20 points while grabbing numerous rebounds. Tiffini Vaughn scored six points, Aelicia Mattison scored four points, Christina Clark hit a three pointer and Maegan Mizelle added two points.

This game featured much team play and a turnover-creating defense inclusive of the overall team play of reserves Jurdette Bradford, Maegan Mizzelle and Brittany Austin.

The championship game on Sunday afternoon seemed more challenging than the score would indicate. The Northwoods team led at the half, 7-3. However, in the second half, the Lady Hurricanes did prevail. The outside three point shooting of Christina Clark and the overall team defense sparked a scoring run that resulted in a 23-11 victory for the Hurricanes. The floor leadership of Tiffini Vaughn and Brittany King resulted in seven and six points respectively, while Christina Clark contributed six points, Aelicea Mattison and Ashley Henneman scored two points each.

After the game, trophies were presented to both teams and the championship trophy will be on display at the base Youth Center. The team that captured the championship consisted of Brittany Austin, Brooke Bolton, Jurdette Bradford, Christina Clark, Ashley Henneman, Brittney King, Aelicea Mattison, Maegan Mizelle, Tiffini Vaughn and head coach Percy Jones, assisted by Tony Williams.

More on the Lady Hurricanes will be featured in future issues of the *Airlift Dispatch*. (Courtesy of the CAFB Youth Sports Program)