Women's volleyball seeks revenge for Mansfield loss

By GARY CHARMEL Rocket Staff Writer

It's been said that rankings don't mean much until the final game of the season has been played.

Six hours on the road returning from Virginia late Saturday night convinced the SRU women's volleyball team that the saying is true.

The lady Rockets, ranked first in the Atlantic Region and 18th nationally in NCAA division II last week, traveled to James Madison University with high hopes of winning the prestigious tournament.

Instead, the squad was eliminated after only five games by Mansfield University. Navy, U. of North Carolina-Wilmington, C.W. Post, and U. of Maryland-Northshore, all fell victim to SRU before the Mansfield game

SRU Head Coach Laurie Lokash was not surprised by the Mansfield upset. "We were flat," said Lokash. "We didn't do anything but beat ourselves.

Injuries caused Lokash to reshuffle the lineup. Senior Maryanne Grubic went down with an ankle injury in the C.W. Post game. "Sue Kunkel and Theresa Janis were forced to play out of position," said Lokash. "I think that may have caused some uncertainty."

Despite the disappointing loss to Mansfield, Slippery Rock has the chance to get immediate revenge when it hosts Mansfield tonight at 8 p.m. in Morrow Fieldhouse. The game will open the SRU volleyball tournament. The Rock also plays IUP at 11:30 a.m. and Edinboro at 2:30 p.m. tomorrow. The championship game will be played later that day at 5:30 p.m. "It's great to get another

shot at Mansfield so early after the loss," said Lokash. "The rankings come out every two weeks, so we can sneak another win in before we lose any ground."

Senior Sue Fatcheric leads all Slippery Rock scorers with 184 kills and 58 blocks. Grubic has 81 kills and 44 blocks.



It's time again for the Rock's own countdown to the Superbowl. All men's flag football teams are reminded to check the bulletin board for play-off matchups, which start Monday. The IM Superbowl is scheduled for Oct. 17. In women's flag football action, the Fumblers, Kamakazees, and Sunkist have advanced to the playoffs, with one more team able to qualify. IM soccer has been narrowed down to two teams, Yonz Fokers and Theta Chi. The championship game will be played Oct. 16, so come cheer your favorites on to victory

Entries for Putt-Putt are due in the IM office by 3 p.m. on Oct. 10. Entries for lawn darts must be turned in by 9 a.m. on Oct. 12 at Old Morrow Field Track. Entries for lawn bowling must be turned in by 12 noon on Oct. 12 at Old Morrow Field Track. Hacky-sack entries are due by 11 a.m. on Oct. 16, with competition later that day. Entries for men's and women's volleyball and co-ed frisbee are due by Oct. 17 at 3 p.m.

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