

## Flying Cows Are The Atlantic Northeast Champions

Sunday, May 26th, 2024 Albany, NY

The Frederick Flying Cows had a long journey up to Albany, New York. They didn't let that stop them from claiming the top spot in the division!. Charlie "Buckets" Marquardt led the team to a close 12 point victory.

The Flying Cows led at the end of the first quarter, 32-27, with a majority of those points coming from Charlie Marquardt, who had 16 first quarter points, half of the team points for the quarter! In the second quarter, Charlie kept the momentum going, while being joined by Mustapha Traore, who combined to score 16 of the Cows 31 second quarter points. After a late push from Albany, the Flying Cows held a 63-59 lead at the half.

Coming out of the locker room, the Albany Patroons clearly regrouped and were focused on flipping the momentum in this game. Halfway through the third quarter, Albany took the lead and kept both teams on the edge of their seats. The Patroons went for a run and led at the end of the guarter, 94-87.

It all came down to this, the fourth and final quarter of the final game of the regular season. The Frederick Flying Cows had their eye on that first place spot. Albany kept the lead for the majority of the quarter and continued to slowly pull away from the Cows. With 5 minutes remaining, the momentum swung back in the Cows favor and they never looked back, dominating the quarter by 19 points. Charlie Marquardt continued to shine all game, especially in the 4th quarter to end with a game high 46 points. In addition to a dominant performance from Mustapha Traore (27 points & 9 rebounds) against his former team, the Flying Cows won 129-117.

The Patrons were led by star guard Shadell Millinghaus with 37 points, 9 rebounds & 4 assists.

With this win, The Frederick Flying Cows claimed the title of Atlantic Northeast Champion during their inaugural season!! They finished the regular season with a 20-4 record and take the #1 seed heading into the playoffs.

The Cows now look towards the playoffs where they will begin their round 1, best of 3 games series this coming weekend. They will take on the winner of a Albany Patroons vs Reading Rebels "play-in" game that will be played this Tuesday night (5/28). The Round 1 series will be a best of 3 series with Game 1 being played on the road on Thursday (5/30), while Game 2 & Game 3 (if needed) will be played at home at the Woodsboro Bank Arena on the college of Hood College in Frederick, MD. Tickets will be available to the public on Monday (5/27) at 7:00pm ET. More details and information on playoff games to come!

See the full Albany box score