

MCC women get key victory

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The No. 6 Mesa Community College women's basketball team is looking every bit like a highly ranked team and continued to pour it on in Arizona Community College Athletic Conference play.

Mesa had a key 56-44 home win over South Mountain Community College, a formerly ranked team that figures to give Mesa a run for its money this season.

Mesa's Madison Austin, a freshman forward out of Phoenix Horizon, was named the ACCAC Division II Player of the Week after she came off the bench and scored 18 points and grabbed eight rebounds in the win, which lifted Mesa to a 5-1 conference record, ahead of Pima Community College (3-3) and South Mountain (3-4) in the race for the Division II lead.

Maria Willadsen added 14 points and Peace Amukamara 13. Mesa outshot South Mountain from the field 44 to 29

percent.

Chandler-Gilbert Community College picked up its first win of the season, a 64-59 victory over Phoenix College, behind Kayleigh Queen's 20 points.

Men's basketball

Unranked Mesa moved to 7-1 in conference play with a 79-73 home win over South Mountain and kept pace with ACCAC leaders Cochise College (7-0), Arizona Western College (5-0) and Central Arizona College (6-1) for the ACCAC Division I lead.

Tylor Wimbish scored 23 points and Eric Hunt 16 in the win. South Mountain's Johnell Thompson led all scorers with 33 points.

Phoenix College remained in the lead in Division II with a convincing 83-47 win over Chandler-Gilbert. Chris Solomon paced Phoenix (3-3) with 21 points and Isaiah Strong had 19.

Glendale Community College and Scottsdale Community College are 2-3.