Women Take Two

By Dave Rose

Tech's women's basketball team ended its seven game losing skid with a pair of home victories over the weekend against VCU (1-9) and William and Mary (10-2). The Hokies blew out the Rams on Friday night 87-45, and came from behind to beat the Indians on Saturday afternoon 65-57.

Against VCU, Tech led at the half 38-28. The Hokies moved the ball well against the Rams' zone and often scored with the fast break combination of Barb Morris and Gail Kelley leading the way.

In the second half, VCU just gave up. The Hokies ran circles around the Rams, outscoring them 49-17, including a 24-6 rampage during the first 10 minutes. In the final 7 minutes, the Hokie substitutes continued the running and gunning and outscored VCU 19-2.

Leading scorer for Tech was Gail Kelley, who pumped in 18 points. Barb Morris had 12 points and 10 rebounds before leaving the game with a sprained ankle.

Debbie Stovali, 3 and 3.

Kelly Watkins led the Rams with 14 points.

Against William & Mary, Tech continued their fine offensive game, and their tight zone defense gave them a 28-24 halftime lead.

In the second half, the Indians tied the game at 30 with 17:00 remaining. The Hokies then had a dry spell in which a lack of rebounding and defense gave William & Mary a 46-36 lead at the 10:00 mark.

At this time, Linda Walther, Karen Garbis, and Lisa Price combined for 12 points as the Hokies cut the lead to 53-52 with 3:15 left in the game.

After a William & Mary bucket, Tech reeled off 9 straight points to give them their second straight win.

Although the Hokies shot just 40 percent from the field, they shot 15-15 from the foul line, which really won the game for them.

Peg Bunger and Karen Garbis led the Hokies with 17 and 16 points and 11 and 9 rebounds respectively. Lisa Price added 12 points in the