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AASU Opens Bentley Invitational With Two Wins

WALTHAM, Mass. - The Armstrong Atlantic volleyball squad opened action in the Bentley Invitational with two victories, extending its perfect start to the season by knocking off Bridgeport, 3-1, and host Bentley, 3-0. The Pirates are now 6-0 on the short campaign.

A highly-anticipated matchup with host and perennial NCAA participant Bentley closed out the first day's action in Waltham, and the Pirates were up to the task, taking a 25-22, 25-21, 25-23 win over the Falcons. Freshman outside hitter Torrie Bevolo hit .410 with a match-high 19 kills, leading the way for AASU, while freshman setter Hannah Segebart collected 41 assists and freshman Casey Howett added 10 digs. The Pirates hit .258 for the match, compared to just .170 for Bentley.

In the first match, the Pirates faced Bridgeport and after a rough start, dropping the first set 25-21, AASU regrouped to win in four, taking the last three sets 25-15, 25-23, 25-11. In the pivotal third set, the Pirates were down 18-12 to the Purple Knights, but AASU rallied to win behind the hitting of freshman Casie Richards, who had five kills and hit .444 in the set. AASU jumped out to a 10-3 lead in the fourth set and cruised to the victory. In the match, Richards finished with 14 kills and hit .423, while junior Amy Birkemeier collected 14 kills as well with a .314 hitting percentage. Sophomore Hannah Segebart tallied 43 assists and 10 digs, while freshman Casey Howett notched 16 digs.

AASU closes out action in the Bentley Invitational on Saturday by facing Georgian Court at 10:00 a.m. and New Haven at 1:00 p.m.



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