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Men's Basketball Defeats Union to Secure Spot in Region XIX Tournament

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The Roadrunners trailed 32-31 at the half but were not to be denied on Thursday night as they secured their place in the 2010 NJCAA Region XIX Basketball Tournament with a 73-68 over host Union CC. The win in the regular season finale brought the GCC record to 13-16 overall with an 11-11 mark in region play. Seeding for the tournament will take place Friday and the Roadrunners are likely to face a road game on Monday evening at Middlesex CC, Passaic CC or Ocean CC. More details to follow.

Thursday's game was a back and forth affair until GCC soph Darnell McCargo caught fire after the halftime intermission. McCargo scored 14 of his game high 27 points in the first ten minutes of the second half culminating with a two-handed jam that put the Roadrunners up 57-51 and led to a Union timeout. The Owls did not pack it in and cut the lead to one point when Marquis Jones made a key steal and scored on a breakaway layup at the 2:00 minute mark. The Roadrunners then slowed the game down and converted on 4 of 6 free throws down the stretch to seal the win.

2010 NJCAA REGION XIX TOURNAMENT PREVIEW

First Round - Monday February 22nd 7pm

#5 Gloucester CC @ #4 Middlesex CC (Click here for [Directions](#) to Middlesex CC)

Semifinals - Friday February 26th @ Lackawanna JC

#6 Sussex CC/#3 Passaic CC Winner vs. #7 Union CC/#2 Ocean CC Winner 5pm

#5 Gloucester CC/#4 Middlesex CC Winner vs. #1 Bergen CC 7pm

Finals - Sunday February 28th 3pm @ Lackawanna JC

Notes: The Roadrunners lost both previous meetings to Middlesex CC...an 82-66 decision on Jan. 5 in Edison, NJ and then a 99-81 loss at GCC on Feb. 12. Middlesex finished the season with a 15-9 mark overall and 15-7 record in Region XIX play.