2nd-Half Show Gets Gobblers 88-77 Win

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (Special to Daily Press) — Guard Dave Sensibaugh scored all of his 15 points in the second half as Virginia Tech ran a 38-34 halftime lead to an easy 88-77 victory over Washington Saturday night in the consolation round of the Michigan Invitational basketball tournament.

Host Michigan faced Manhattan in the championship game.

Russell Davis led the Gobblers with 24 points, 18 in the first half, before Sensibaugh ignited Virginia Tech in the last 20 minutes.

“I am really proud of the comeback we made and the way we gained control in the second half,” said Don DeVoe after his Gobblers posted their sixth victory in eight games.

“Our guards turned it around with their ballhandling against the press and Sam Foggin came in and really did a job on the boards. He also made some key baskets along with Duke Thorpe,” praised DeVoe.

Thorpe wound up with nine points and contributed a pair of field goals to Virginia Tech’s 21-point burst five minutes in the second half that left Washington behind. The Huskies could muster only five points in that span.
Virginia Tech built a 24-point lead at 6:28 and then DeVoe emptied his bench.

"It definitely was our best game of the year at both ends of the court," added DeVoe.