

# Clark men beat Red Devils

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Derek Thurston made 7 of 10 3-pointers and poured in 29 points as Clark College beat Lower Columbia 74-70 on Wednesday at the O'Connell Center, clinching the West Region's No. 3 seed for the Northwest Athletic Association of Community College tournament in Kennewick.

Brandon Jones added 19 points and Arman Kalan had a team-high five rebounds for the Penguins (16-9, 10-5 NWAACC), who trailed 34-32 at halftime.

Alex King made 9 of 11 shots to lead the Red Devils (16-10, 9-6) with 22 points, and Marice Tolliver had 16 points and a game-high 13 rebounds.

Clark concludes the regular season Saturday at Green River, then begins tournament play March 5 against an opponent yet

to be determined.

**Lower Columbia women 70, at Clark 67, OT** — Lower Columbia scored 27 points off Clark turnovers to end the Penguins' NWAACC tournament hopes.

Yordanos Kasahun led Clark with 22 points on 10-of-15 shooting. She also grabbed nine rebounds.

Michelle Marthini added 12 points and 15 rebounds, and Mandy Wall had 13 points and seven rebounds.

"As a collective group, we played a good game, although we had a few hiccups," Clark coach Nancy Boone said.

Lower Columbia tied the game in the final seconds of regulation with free throws. Clark was unable to get off a shot for the win.

Lower Columbia never trailed in overtime.