

## **Santiago Canyon College Men's Basketball Newsletter**

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We wrapped up our non-conference schedule and played our last games of 2017 this past week. We had an outstanding performance on Thursday at home as we beat Cuyamaca by the score of 114-49. We had a 72.9% effective field goal percentage for the game, which is our highest of the season. On Saturday, we played a road game vs. College of the Desert. Despite a sluggish first half, we came out strong and won by the score of 87-77. In that game, we scored 58 points in the second half to pull away for the win. Our next game will be the first game of the Orange Empire Conference. We play on January 3, 2018 at Riverside City College at 5pm.

### **SCC Men's Basketball Fast Facts**

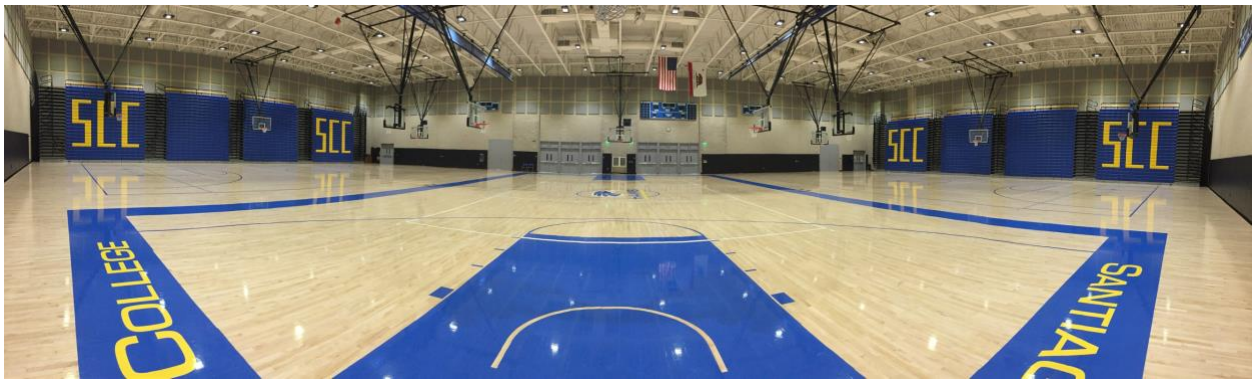
- 2<sup>nd</sup> in California in points per game: 92.4
- 3<sup>rd</sup> in California in free throw percentage: 74.8%
- 1<sup>st</sup> in California in free throws made and attempted: 368/492
- Massey Rating (as of 12/17/17) = #9 in California
- CCCMBCA Poll (as of 12/4/17) = #10 in Southern California Region
- CCCMBCA Poll (as of 12/4/17) = #18 in California
- Antoine Jenkins is first in points scored in California with 402 points
- Rocket Henderson is second in points scored in California with 370 points
- 2 Tournament Championships (SCC/SAC Tournament & Pasadena City Tournament)
- Record (as of 12/18/17) = 13-3

### **Game #15: Game Summary - Thursday, December 14, 2017**

Opponent: Cuyamaca

Final Score: SCC 114 Cuyamaca 49

Santiago Canyon College improved their record to 12-3 with a convincing win against winless Cuyamaca (0-10) on Thursday night by a score of 114-49. Not surprisingly, the 65-point win at home was the largest margin of victory this season for the Hawks. Every Santiago Canyon player who entered the game scored with 5 players in double figures. Rocket Henderson had a game high 19 points for the Hawks and was the only starter to finish with double digit points as Coach Todd Dixon subbed in players early and often. Shaun Maeder scored 18 points, knocking down 6 out of 7 3-point shots. Jacob Garcia played very well for the Hawks as he also scored 18 points to go along with 5 rebounds. Marcus Swain and Troy Recktenwald each contributed 13 points as well. The Hawks led from the outset and cruised to a 58-25 halftime lead as their pressure defense forced numerous turnovers from the Coyotes out of El Cajon. Santiago Canyon did not press in the second half and their starters played limited minutes after halftime but the Hawks



shot a sizzling 72% from the field in the 2nd half knocking down 21 of their 29 shots. Santiago Canyon connected on 18 of 34 3-point shots for the game. Henderson, who grabbed a game high 13 rebounds was pleased with his team's effort. "It was a great team win. We played with a lot of spirit and energy and it was great to see everyone play and play well. We had a lot of passion tonight". The Hawks play their final game of 2017 on Saturday evening in Palm Desert against College of the Desert at 7:00 p.m. Conference play will then begin on January 3 when Santiago Canyon opens league play at Riverside.

[SCC vs. Cuyamaca Box Score](#)

[SCC vs. Cuyamaca Game Highlights](#)

### **Game #16: Game Summary - Saturday, December 16, 2017**

Opponent: College of the Desert

Final Score: SCC 87 College of the Desert 77

Santiago Canyon wrapped up the non-conference schedule with a victory on the road against College of the Canyons. The final score was 87-77. The Hawks started slow and were down by six points at halftime, 29-35. SCC battled back in the second half with an offensive outburst that resulted in 58 points scored. Rocket Henderson lead SCC in scoring with 30 points and was an impressive 11 for 12 from the free throw line. He also added 15 rebounds. Antoine Jenkins tallied 28 minutes despite playing with foul trouble most of the game. Travis Kettering sparked the Hawks with 7 assists and a steal in 24 minutes of playing time. Xavier Preston added 7 points while being perfect from the field and free throw line. The Roadrunners were lead in scoring by Philippe Salawa who scored a game high 31 points. Santiago Canyon finishes 2017 with a record of 13-3. SCC's next game is the Orange Empire Conference opener on the road at Riverside City College. Game time is 5pm.

[SCC vs. College of the Desert Box Score](#)

[SCC vs. College of the Desert Game Highlights](#)

#### **Next Games:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Time</b>
Wednesday, 1/3/18	Riverside City College	Riverside City College	5:00pm
Friday, 1/5/18	Copper Mountain College	<b>Santiago Canyon College</b>	5:00pm