Men suffer slim loss on Senior Day

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Many times this season, the Mules have come up short in the final moments, despite leading at one point or another. That trend continued against Truman on Saturday night.

The night started well for the Mules as a goal by sophomore forward Patrick Fandja 3:12 into the game gave UCM a 1-0 lead, its only lead of the game. Senior guard Banks Estridge added a three-pointer on the next possession to give the Mules a 4-0 lead.

The Bulldogs answered with a pair of goals to tie the game, but the Mules scored the next four goals over the next 5:37. The Mules had a 15-13 lead at the half as the team played well in all aspects of the game.

Senior forward Patrick Fandja scored 15 points and grabbed 10 rebounds Saturday. The Mules finished the game with 15 points, which contributed to the down-low scoring.

Junior guard Todd Kulage each game, sunk his only two baselines in the final two minutes, both to extend the lead to a 12-2 final score.

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