

HELENA – The University of Great Falls Argonauts concluded their 2011 season with a loss to Lewis-Clark State College (NAIA #7) in the Frontier Conference Semi-Finals 1-3.

“I am extremely proud of the way our team came ready to play, the entire weekend.” Coach Arunas Duda said. The Argos battled point for point with the Warriors.

The Warriors would take advantage of the smallest error and rally a few points on the board. “When you go point-for-point with the number 7th ranked team in the nation, it’s hard to be disappointed with that effort?” Duda added. The Argos had some amazing plays on both offense and defense. Hustling all out for balls and diving to make spectacular saves and digs is was truly an impressive match to watch.

The Warriors went on to play in the conference championship against Rocky Mountain College (9) in the championship match from the P.E. Center on the campus of Carroll College. The Battlin’ Bears of Rocky Mountain would best the Warriors 3-2. Both teams earn berths in the National Tournament.

The Argonauts finish their season with a 22-10 record. Much improved over last season. The Argos will begin the rebuilding and retooling process in preparation for next season. The Argos will loose seven key players to graduation May 2012.

The Argos have some impressive young talent waiting in the wings. Freshman Alyssa McEwan from Bountiful, Utah was recently named to the conference all Freshman Team. This seasons’ team leader in kills, Kelsey VanUden will be back for her senior year. Then there is the recruiting aspect of rebuilding the team.

It has been a good season for the Argonauts. From the blistering hot start of 15-1, through conference play laced with 3 nationally ranked teams, the Argo team worked together and became stronger as the season played on. Best of luck to those who will be departing UGF. Thank you to all the fans who came out to cheer the Argos on for both at home and away games. It has been a good season. Thank you and Congratulations to the Lady Argos for a great season.