

Vermont Frost Heaves Defeat San Diego Wildcats 87-84 to Repeat as ABA Champions

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MLN - THE RAW FEED - www.mlntherawfeed.com - Quebec City, Quebec, Canada—Despite injuries to starters Issa Konare and Brett Gravitt, the Vermont Frost Heaves defeated the San Diego Wildcats 87-84 this evening at the Pavillon de la Jeunesse to win their second consecutive ABA title.

Guard Dwuan Rice was named MVP of the ABA Final 8 Championships after contributing 18 points, six assists, four rebounds and two steals in the final. Rice had also rescued Vermont in Saturday's semifinal defeat of Texas after Konare went down with lower back spasms.

Center Dokun Akingbade added 15 points in the final, while Gravitt contributed 12 and Dwayne Lee 11 for Vermont, which ended its season 37-4. The only team to beat the Frost Heaves all season, the Manchester Millrats, lost to San Diego in the semifinals.

"I'm sure most people wrote us off after they saw Brett on crutches and Issa unable to move after yesterday's game," said Frost Heaves coach

ADVERTISEMENT Will Voigt. "But this game exemplified our whole season. Obviously, Dwuan and Dokun led the way, but each and every guy stepped up. We couldn't stick within our system because our system got thrown out the window with injuries."

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