



2007 PHILLIPS 66 BIG 12 CHAMPIONSHIP Ford Center – Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

*** CHAMPIONSHIP NOTES *** Nebraska vs. Oklahoma State March 8, 2007

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- Tonight's was the first game between these squads in the Big 12 Championship.
- NU's 39 points were the fewest scored in the Big 12 Championship's first round (was 47 by Texas Tech in an 80-47 loss to Missouri in 2000).
- With OSU's win, the 7th seed improved to 7-4 overall against the 10th seed.

TEAM NOTES

- This was the second straight game between NU and OSU. The Huskers knocked of the Cowboys, 85-73, in Stillwater on Monday night.
- The Huskers did not make their first field goal until 9:41 into the opening half. They began by going 0-10 FG, 0-3 3-pt FG, 1-2 FT.
- After going up 15-1 in the first half, Oklahoma State allowed the Huskers to go on an 11-0 run lasting just over five minutes in which NU went 4-8 FG, 1-4 3-pt FG, 2-2 FT. OSU then outscored NU 15-7 over the final five minutes of the first half.
- There were no double-digit scorer's in the game until NU's Aleks Maric hit a pair of free throws with 3:12 remaining to give him 10 points. Two players finished in double-figures: Maric (13) and OSU's Mario Boggan (11).

Nebraska

- This is Nebraska's 11th appearance in the Big 12 Championship, it is now 4-10 overall and 2-7 in first round games.
- Junior center Aleks Maric set a school Championship-record, coming down with 12 boards (7 OR). The previous was 11, set by three players.
- Maric (11 points) scored in double-figures 27 times this season and in the last 11 straight games.

Oklahoma State

- This is Oklahoma State's 11th appearance in the Big 12 Championship, it is now 13-8 overall and 4-0 in first round games.
- OSU has now won eight of their last nine games in the Big 12 Championship.
- OSU tied a school Championship-high with 12 steals and tied a Championship-low with 28 rebounds. The forced NU to commit an opponent-high 24 turnovers.
- Tonight's win was the Cowboys first outside of Stillwater since their 95-89 win over PIT on 12/21 at the Ford Center.