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San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff

Final Score: (rv/--) San Diego State 76, Arkansas-Pine Bluff 60

Next Game: Wednesday, Nov. 14 | vs. Texas Southern, 7 p.m. PT | Viejas Arena

Next MBB Media Availability: Tuesday, Nov. 13 | Fowler Athletics Center | SDSU weekly press conference, 12:15 p.m. PT

Plus-Minus Leaders (min. 20 min.): Jalen McDaniels (San Diego State), +32; Terrence Banyard (UAPB), +3

Team Notes

- * San Diego State won its sixth straight season opener (last loss on Nov. 11 vs. No. 9/9 Syracuse on the USS Midway) and improved to 13-1 in its last 14 lid-lifters.
- * The Aztecs won their 13th straight season opener against an unranked opponent (last loss on Nov. 19, 2004 against UC Santa Barbara).
- * SDSU won its 14th straight home opener (regardless of if the game was the season opener).
- * San Diego State improved to 3-0 all-time against Arkansas-Pine Bluff.
- * All three wins in the series have come at Viejas Arena (Dec. 29, 2008, Nov. 21, 2012 and tonight).
- * SDSU improved to 7-0 all-time against current members of the SWAC.
- * San Diego State won for the 133rd time in its last 150 home games (133-17) and for the 64th time in its last 71 home games (64-7) against non-conference competition.

Game Notes

- * SDSU assisted on nine of its first 10 field goals (six different players with an assist) and finished with 18 in the game, its most since recording 19 vs. then-No. 21/21 Nevada at Viejas Arena on March 3, 2018.
- * The Aztecs won their 12th straight game when leading at the half and improved to 84-12 in their last 96 games when leading at the half, and a remarkable 88-5 in their last 93 home games when leading at the half.
- * After recording just two steals in the first half, SDSU came up with five steals in the second half.
- * SDSU forced 10 turnovers in the second half after forcing eight in the first half.
- * San Diego State outscored UAPB 22-16 in the paint and 26-17 in points off turnovers.

Starter Notes

* San Diego State's starting lineup consisted of returning players — Jeremy Hemsley, Jalen McDaniels, Matt Mitchell, Jordan Schakel and Devin Watson.

* Although the starting lineup is made up of returning players, only two are seniors (Hemsley and Watson). The other three players (McDaniels, Mitchell and Schakel) in the lineup were starting their sophomore campaigns.

* The first substitution for the Aztecs came at 16:40 when junior Nolan Narain entered the game.

Player Notes

Devin Watson – 20 points, 4 rebounds, 3 assists, 3 steals

Reached double-figures in scoring (11 points) in the first half and finished with 20 for the game... It was the 66th time of his career he scored at least 10 points in a game and his 24th time while at San Diego State... Had a career-high 6 three-pointers, going 6-for-10 from beyond the arc... Led the Aztecs in scoring for the 10th time in his career (SDSU is 7-3 in those games)... Has multiple assists in 37 of his last 43 games.

Jalen McDaniels – 15 points, 9 rebounds, 5 assists, 3 steals

Scored in double-figures for the 19th time of his career... Finished with a career high 5 assists... Became just the fourth Aztec since the 1996-97 season to finish a game with at least 15 points, 9 rebounds, 5 assists and 3 steals (also Jamaal Franklin vs. Redlands on Dec. 30, 2011, Chase Tapley vs. Bryant on Nov. 11, 2011 and Kawhi Leonard vs. Wichita State on Dec. 4, 2010).

Jeremy Hemsley – 14 points, 3 assists, 3 steals

Reached double-figures in scoring for the 58th time of his career (SDSU is 40-18 in those games).

Matt Mitchell – 10 points, 5 rebounds, 4 assists

Scored in double-figures for the 21st time of his career.

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