

2018 MOUNTAIN WEST MEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTERFINAL #4 (March 8, 2018)

GAME NOTES

Final Score: No. 3 Seed New Mexico 85, No. 6 Seed Wyoming 75

- With the victory, New Mexico improves to 71-67 overall and 2-1 in the MW Championship versus Wyoming. The Lobos swept all three meetings from the Cowboys this season. It was the first matchup in the Conference tournament between the two squads since 2013.
- The Lobos are the first No. 3 seed to reach the championship semifinals since Colorado State in 2015. No. 3 seeds are now 9-10 all-time in the quarterfinal round.
- The win was the first for the Lobos in the Mountain West Tournament since 2014.
- New Mexico is making its first trip to the semifinals since 2014, a year in which it claimed the title as the No. 2 seed. The Lobos will face No. 7 seed Utah State in the semifinal round. UNM and the Aggies split the two regular-season meetings, with each team winning on its home court.
- UNM extended its win streak to a season-best six consecutive games.
- New Mexico has scored at least 85 points in five-straight contests. The 85 tallies are the most for the Lobos in a MW Championship game since March 14, 2014.
- Wyoming is now 7-7 in the quarterfinal round of the Conference tournament.
- The Lobos never trailed in the game and were tied for just the first 1:17 of the contest.
- **Joe Furstinger** led the Lobos with a career-high 23 points, his third 20-point game of the season. Furstinger also grabbed a game-high nine rebounds. In total, seven UNM players scored at least eight points in the contest.
- **Anthony Mathis** made his 96th 3-pointer of the season to move into a tie for third on New Mexico's single-season listing.
- **Alan Herndon** posted a team-high 19 points for Wyoming. A day after the Cowboys' **Justin James** went a perfect 9-for-9 from the field the junior shot just 3-for-15 overall and 0-of-5 from beyond the 3-point line.
- New Mexico turned the ball over seven times in the game, marking its eighth contest of the season with less than 10 giveaways.
- The Lobos scored 12 points off 12 Wyoming turnovers.
- The New Mexico bench dominated the game, scoring 47 points to just 17 for the Cowboys' reserves.