12/28 vs Air Force Post-Game Quotes

Paul Weir Quotes

- "I thought the first twenty minutes were tremendous. We had twenty-five deflections at the half. We were really active and energetic, and I loved it."
- "Obviously I think we really got going offensively. Unfortunately, we just took our foot off the gas."
- "The first half we did a really great job defending and not worrying about what was happening on offense."
- "That first four minutes of the game might have been my favorite four minutes of our season. I think it was like 2-0 and all we were doing was playing defense, and we didn't care about where the ball was going in. It was going to be a war, and I loved that."
- "Unfortunately, as the game went on and we started making some shots, we just didn't have that same intensity on defense."
- "I think our defense in the second half has to get better. Our defensive rebounding was not very good. Again, something we are going to have to clean up, especially coming up, when going against a team like Nevada."
- "Obviously the score makes you feel good and getting a win makes you feel good."
- "Dane Kuiper probably had the best first twenty minutes of defense we've had out of an individual player this year. It was absolutely exceptional."
- "It's not about who's going to get the shots, it's about making sure that they're horse shots."
- "We're just trying to get our style onto the game. We don't always get there, it never looks perfect, but this is what we're trying to do, and tonight, it looked pretty good."
- "Everyone looks at scoring, and everyone looks at a lot of sexy stats. For us, it's defense, maturity, talking, communication, and growth. We had a lot of growth in areas that no one will ever see tonight. Sam made a lot of growth tonight."

Jachai Simmons Quotes:

- "My teammates and coaches push me in practice to do better. Tonight, I finally got my game."
- "I wasn't a deflection guy coming in, but now I realize that that's what it takes to stay on the floor. So, I try to do that the best way I can."
- "Now I'm feeling comfortable and ready to rock."
- "We get better every day."

Dane Kuiper Quotes:

- "Coaches emphasize not getting beat on back doors. This was just a good game to start off our conference season. We all took it to heart. I tried my best and was fortunate to play really good defense and get a lot of deflections which really helped the team."
- "We've improved over the last three games, and we are going to continue to get better."
- "It's frustrating to not hit shots for four minutes, but it's nice being able to shut them down and know that you can do that."