

AZTEC BASKETBALL

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Postgame Notes

No. 25 San Diego State at No. 11 Gonzaga ► Nov. 16, 2010

Final Score: No. 25 San Diego State 79, No. 11/12 Gonzaga 76

Next Game: Saturday, Nov. 20, 2:30 p.m. PT, vs. Green Bay | TV: none | Radio: AM 600 KOGO

TEAM NOTES

- * Tonight marks Steve Fisher's 200th victory at San Diego State.
- * San Diego State improves to 2-0 for the first time in three seasons. Prior to this season, the Aztecs last 2-0 start occurred in 2007-08.
- * This is the first time a San Diego State team has opened 2-0 with both victories coming on the road since the 1971-72 campaign.
- * The Aztecs are 2-0 in road games this season and have won four consecutive road games dating back to last season.
- * San Diego State has won seven of its last eight games and 11 of its last 13 dating back to last season.
- * Outrebounded Gonzaga, 39-29. The Bulldogs came into the game outrebounding opponents, 47.0-21.5.
- * San Diego State shot 33-for-65 (.508) for the second straight game. Gonzaga entered the game holding opponents to 38.2 percent shooting.
- * The Aztecs' nine steals marks a season high.
- * SDSU limited Gonzaga to 48.1 percent shooting. The Bulldogs came into the game shooting 56.9 percent.

DEFEATING A RANKED OPPONENT

- * The victory snaps a 33-game road losing streak to teams ranked in the Associated Press Top 25.
- * San Diego State's victory over No. 11 Gonzaga represents the highest-ranked team the Aztecs have ever defeated on the road.
- * This is just the second road win over an AP Top 25 team in school history and the fourth road/neutral victory over a ranked opponent in school history.
- * This is the fifth-highest ranked team the Aztecs have defeated in school history.
- * San Diego State is 5-4 in its last nine games against teams ranked in the AP Top 25. The Aztecs were 4-41 in their previous 45 games against nationally-ranked teams prior to this stretch.
- * Snaps a nine-game losing streak to non-conference AP Top 25 teams, dating back to a Dec. 8, 2001 victory over 21st-ranked Fresno State.
- * This is the first time SDSU has ever defeated a top 25 team in the month of November.
- * This is San Diego State's 17th victory over an AP Top 25 team, with seven of those victories coming during the Steve Fisher era.

SNAPPING STREAKS

- * With the victory tonight, San Diego State snaps Gonzaga's 12-game homecourt winning streak dating back to last season.
- * San Diego State hands Gonzaga its fifth ever loss in the McCarthy Athletic Center, dropping the Zags to 77-5 all-time in the facility. The Aztecs become the first visiting team to win in the facility since Wake Forest came away with a victory on Dec. 5, 2009.

PLAYER NOTES

- * **Billy White (Career-high 30 points, 9 rebounds, 2 steals, career-high 14 field goals)** - Scored a career- and team-high 30 points on a personal-best 14 field goals... He finished 14-of-18 from the field... Grabbed a season-high nine rebounds... Matched his season high with two steals... The 30-point effort is his first of his career and his 46th career double-figure scoring game... He is the 28th player to log a 30-point game in SDSU history and the effort is the 56th 30-point performance in the history of the program... He scored 30 points in a season-high 32 minutes.
- * **Kawhi Leonard (18 points, game-high 12 rebounds, 3 assists, 2 steals)** - Posted his 26th career double-figure scoring performance... Logged his 21st career double-digit rebounding game and the effort marks the 21st time he has led the Aztecs in rebounding... His double-double is his 19th of his young career and his second in as many games this season... His three assists matches his season best as does his two steals... The three assists and two steals were also team-bests.
- * **James Rahon (12 points, 4 rebounds, 2 assists, 1 steal)** - Recorded his 20th career double-figure scoring game and his second in as many games in a SDSU uniform... Knocked down two three-pointers and has now made six in his two games... He is now 6-of-9 for the season from three-point distance... Grabbed four rebounds for the second straight game, which is one shy of his personal best... Finished 5-of-6 from the field and is now 10-for-14 from the field for the year.
- * **Brian Carlwell (8 points, 2 rebounds, 2 assists, 1 steal)** - Scored a season-high eight points, while playing a season-high 14 minutes off the bench... Grabbed a season-best two rebounds and his two assists were a season high... Had zero turnovers.
- * **D.J. Gay (9 points, 3 assists, 1 steal)** - Logged a team-high 38 minutes, marking the ninth straight game in which he has played at least 37 minutes... Had a team-best three assists, which matches his season-best... Started his 36th straight game.