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San Diego State vs. Air Force Postgame Notes Clune Arena | USAF Academy, Colo. January 21, 2023

Final Score: San Diego State 70, Air Force 60

Next Game: Wed., January 25 | vs. Utah State, 8 p.m. PT | Steve Fisher Court at Viejas Arena | San Diego, Calif. | TV: CBS Sports Network

| Radio: San Diego Sports 760

Records: San Diego State: 15-4 overall, 6-1 Mountain West; Air Force: 12-8 overall, 3-4 Mountain West

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Big Notes

- San Diego State's 95.7 percent free throw shooting (22-of-23) was its best since the start of the 1996-97 season with a minimum of 20 free throw attempts.
- San Diego State improves 5-0 in true road games this season and 4-0 in Mountain West road games.
- San Diego State moves to 23-5 in league road games since the start of the 2019-20 campaign.
- SDSU wins the 15th of its last 17 Mountain West games overall (15-2).
- San Diego State wins its seventh straight road game and is 28-7 in its last 35 road contests.
- SDSU improves to 134-44 (.753) under Brian Dutcher.
- The Aztecs move to 93-22 under Brian Dutcher when they score first and is 210-56 when they get the first points.
- San Diego State was 12-of-12 from the line in the first half. It is the best free throw shooting first half against a Division I team since it was 10-of-10 against lowa State on November 21, 2018 in the 2018 Maui Invitational.
- For the fourth time in the last five games, every Aztecs who attempted a shot appeared in the scoring column.
- For the ninth time this year, San Diego State never trailed in the second half.
- The Aztecs moved to 121-9 in the Brian Dutcher era when leading with five minutes to play.

Series Notes

- San Diego State improves to 64-24 against Air Force in the all-time series, including a 24-17 mark at Clune Arena.
- San Diego State has won the last eight meetings regardless of location.
- Head Coach Brian Dutcher's record against Air Force moves to 10-1, including a 5-1 record in Clune Arena.
- 12 the Aztecs last 13 wins against Air Force, regardless of location, have been by double digits.
- In 12 victories in Clune Arena, since the inception of the Mountain West, 11 have come by 10 or more points.

Team Notes

- Nathan Mensah scored the first bucket of the game, a layup at the 19:24 mark.
- The Aztecs grabbed double-digit offensive rebounds for the 11th time this season and moves to 9-2 in those games.
- The Aztecs improve to 76-24 in its last 100 games played in January.
- For the 15th time in 19 games this season, the Aztecs held its opponent to 35 or fewer points in the first half.
- San Diego State improves to 13-1 on the season and 100-11 under Brian Dutcher when outrebounding its opponent. The Aztecs have won 50 of their last 52 games when outrebounding their opponent and 67 of its last 70.
- SDSU moves to 91-41 in its last 135 Saturday games and in the Brian Dutcher era SDSU has won 37 of its last 57 on the day (37-20).
- SDSU beat Air Force on the boards 45-25.
- SDSU outscored Air Force 17-14 off the bench and improved to 12-3 this season when its reserves outscore its opponent.
- SDSU outscored the Falcons 12-2 in fast break points.
- San Diego State's 20 straight free throws made were the most in a game since the Aztecs were 12-of-12 against Air Force on January 11, 2003.

Game Flow

- San Diego State won the tip Nathan Mensah.
- Nathan Mensah scored the first bucket of the game, a layup at the 19:24 mark.
- San Diego State used an 18-3 run to turn 19-19 tie into 37-22 advantage.
- All eight Aztecs who appeared in the game also appeared in the scoring column.

Entering Today

- San Diego State was 4th in Strength of Schedule
- San Diego State was 16th in T-Rank
- San Diego State was 25th in Strength of Record
- San Diego State was 28th in Kenpom
- San Diego State was 31st in the NET
- San Diego State was 33rd in BPI
- San Diego State was 36th in Sagarin.

Player Notes

Keshad Johnson — 13 points, 3-of-5 FG, 1-of-2 3PFG, 6-of-7 FT, 10 rebounds, 1 block

Scored in double figures for the seventh time this season and 19th time of his career... Finished with double digit points for the third time in the last four games... Recorded his first double double of the season and the third of his career (3-0)... Led the Aztecs in scoring for the first time this season and second time in his career... The squad's top rebounder for the fifth time this year and the 15th time in his college career... Pulled down double digit rebounds for the first time this season and the fifth time in his career... His seven free throw attempts are a career-high and his six makes matches his career best... Shot 50.0 percent or better for the fourth consecutive game.

Matt Bradley — 13 points, 5-of-11 FG, 1-of-4 3PFG, 2-of-2 FT, 7 rebounds, 1 assist

Scored in double figures for the 12th time this season and the 109th time in his career... Led the team in scoring for the ninth time this season and 71st time in his college career... Has made a 3-pointer in eight straight games... In 31 games as an Aztec, when his makes at least five field goals, his team is 24-7.

Lamont Butler – 11 points, 3-of-11 FG, 1-of-4 3PFG, 4-of-4 FT, 3 rebounds

Reached double figure scoring for the eighth time this season and the 20th time in his college career... Has reached double figures scoring for the fourth time in the last five games... One of five Aztecs who were perfect from the free throw line.

Darrion Trammell — 12 points, 5-of-11 FG, 1-of-4 3PFG, 1-of-1 FT, 2 rebounds, 2 assists

Scored in double figures for the 10^{th} time this season and 59^{th} time of his career... Led the team in assists for the 15^{th} time as an Aztec and the 63^{td} time in his college career.

Micah Parrish — 7 points, 0-4 FG, 0-1 3PFG, 7-of-7 FT, 2 rebounds, 2 assists

Is the second Aztec since at least the start of the 1999-2000 season to finish a game at least 7-of-7 from the line without scoring a field goal. (also: Winston Shepard, vs. Long Beach State on December 1, 2015)... Led the team in assists for the first time as an Aztec and the fourth time in his college career.