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San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. New Mexico Mountain West Final Round – March 10, 2018

*** Final Edition

Final Score: [5] San Diego State 82, [3] New Mexico 75

Records: San Diego State: 22-10 overall; New Mexico: 19-15

Next Game: TBD; NCAA Selection Show at 3 p.m. PT Sunday on TBS

Mountain West Tournament Notes

- San Diego State won its Mountain West-record 11th league title and league-best fifth MW tournament championship (also 2002, 2006, 2010 and 2011).
- The Aztecs improve to 5-5 in MW title games.
- SDSU improves to 6-1 as the No. 5 seed in the MW tournament.
- Out of San Diego State's five MW tourney championships, two have come as the No. 5 seed (also 2002).
- SDSU is the only No. 5 seed to win the MW tournament (2002 and 2018).
- The Aztecs still own the highest winning percentage in MW tournament history at .682 (30-14).

Team Notes

- Trey Kell was named the MW tournament MVP, the fourth Aztec in school history (also Randy Holcomb in 2002, Marcus Slaughter in 2006 and Kawhi Leonard in 2010).
- Kell scored a career-high 28 points, tying a SDSU Mountain West tourney record (also Billy White vs. New Mexico on March 3, 2010 and Brandon Heath vs. Air Force on March 10, 2005).
- San Diego State wins its ninth consecutive game (only six teams in the nation currently have a longer win streak).
- The nine-game win streak is SDSU's longest since winning 11 straight from Dec. 30, 2015-Feb. 6, 2016.
- Over the nine-game win streak, the Aztecs' average margin of victory is 13.3 (78.4-65.1).
- SDSU wins its 67th straight game when shooting 50 percent or better from the floor (9-0 this year).
- Malik Pope became SDSU's all-time MW tournament scoring leader with 152 points, passing Brandon Heath's 143.
- SDSU improves to 21-4 on the season when leading at the half. San Diego State is also now 83-12 in its last 95 games when leading at the half.
- The Aztecs improve to 16-5 at the Thomas & Mack Center since the 2013-14 season.
- San Diego State wins its 11th straight game when leading with 5:00 to go. SDSU improves to 21-4 on the season when leading with five minutes to go.
- The Aztecs improve to 17-5 on the year when outrebounding their opponent.
- San Diego State wins its 10th straight game when shooting better than its opponent (19-2 on the season).

Series Notes

- San Diego State improves to 39-47 all-time against New Mexico.
- The Aztecs snapped a three-game losing streak against the Lobos.
- SDSU also snapped a three-game losing streak vs. New Mexico in the MW tournament.

Player Notes

Trey Kell – 28 points, 2 rebounds, 3 assists, 1 steal

Was named the MW tournament MVP, the fourth Aztec in school history (also Randy Holcomb in 2002, Marcus Slaughter in 2006 and Kawhi Leonard in 2010)... Scored a career-high 28 points... Tied a SDSU Mountain West tourney record with his 28 points (also Billy White vs. New Mexico on March 3, 2010 and Brandon Heath vs. Air Force on March 10, 2005)... Recorded the eighth 20-point game of his career... Scored in double figures for the 14th time of the season (72nd career)... SDSU is 11-3 this year when he reaches double-figures and 54-18 over his career when reaching double figures... Had four straight double-digit scoring games for the first time since a six-game stretch from Nov. 14-26... His 10 field goals were a career high... Had three assists and just one turnover, and over the team's nine-game winning streak he has 50 assists and just 11 turnovers in 275 minutes.

Malik Pope – 16 points, 5 rebounds, 2 blocked shots, 1 assist

Finished as the team's all-time leading scorer in Mountain West tournament history with 152 points, passing Brandon Heath's 143... The 152 points also rank fifth all-time in league tourney history... Scored in double figures for the 23rd time this season (52nd career) and eighth straight game he has seen action in... SDSU improves 36-16 over his career when reaching double figures in scoring.

Devin Watson – 12 points, 3 rebounds, 5 assists, 2 steals

Reached double figures in scoring for the 23rd time this season and 65th time of his career... Was named to the all-tournament team.

Kameron Rooks – 5 points, 4 rebounds, 1 blocked shot

The Aztecs improved to 14-0 this season when he plays at least 12 minutes; He played 14 minutes tonight... Made a season-high five free-throws.

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