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San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. LIU Steve Fisher Court at Viejas Arena | San Diego, Calif. November 22, 2019

FINAL SCORE: San Diego State 81, LIU 64

Next Game: Monday, Nov. 25 | vs. Tennessee State, 7 p.m. PT | Steve Fisher Court at Viejas Arena | Mountain West Network | 101.5 KGB & XTRA 1360

Big Notes

- San Diego State improves to 5-0 for the first time in five seasons (2014-15).
- The last time San Diego State opened 5-0 with all victories coming by at least five points was 2007-08.
- SDSU handed LIU its widest-margin of defeat this season and its most lopsided loss since Nov. 30, 2018.
- Malachi Flynn scored all 13 of his points after intermission and added a season-high 10 assists. He is the first SDSU player with 10 or more assists and no turnovers since at least 1996-97 season (last 22 seasons).
- Matt Mitchell (18 points, 4 rebounds, CH 4 steals) reached double figures in points for the first time this season and led the Aztecs in scoring for the first time since Dec. 12, 2018. SDSU is 13-1 when he makes multiple treys in a game.
- Yanni Wetzell (13 points, 6-7 FGs) reached double figures in consecutive games for the second time in his 38-game career and has the highest two-game point total of his career (33 points, 15-18 FGs, 17 rebounds).
- Jordan Schakel scored 15 points on the strength of four three-point field goals. He has 15 treys through five games.
- San Diego State forced 21 LIU turnovers. The Aztecs have won 13 straight games when forcing at least 21 miscues. That streak grows to 18 straight
 when facing non-AP Top 25 teams.

Game Notes

- San Diego State has won 13 straight games and is 41-4 in the Dutcher era when owning a higher field goal percentage.
- San Diego State is 5-0 this season and wins for the 12th straight time when leading at the half. The Aztecs are 102-6 the last 108 times they have led at intermission.
- San Diego State is 25-4 all-time against teams from the Eastern Time Zone in Viejas Arena.
- The Aztecs are 49-13 in their last 62 November games and have won six straight in the month.
- San Diego State has won six straight games played on a Friday and are 29-5 in its last 34 games played on the day.
- San Diego State is 86-14 in its last 100 home games. The Aztecs are 17-1 in its last 18 home games.
- The Aztecs are 3-0 at Viejas against teams that have called the Northeast Conference home at the time of the game.

Fast Starts

- San Diego State improves to 5-0 for the first time in five seasons, the second time in eight seasons (also 2014-15) and the third time in 11 seasons (also 2010-11 and 2014-2015).
- The Aztecs have won four of five games by 17 or more points and all five victories have come by at least five points. The last time San Diego State opened 5-0 with all victories coming by at least five points was 2007-08.

Other Notes

- San Diego State improves to 48-13 in its last 61 November games.
- SDSU is 24-9 in its last 33 games played on Wednesday.
- San Diego State has won 11 consecutive games when leading at intermission and improves to 43-8 when ghead at the half in the Brian Dutcher erg.
- SDSU's 14 steals are a season high.
- The Aztecs outrebounded their opponent for the fourth time this season and improves to 36-8 in the Dutcher era when leading in that statistic.
- San Diego State has won 11 straight games and is 33-3 when holding its opponent to 40 percent or less from the floor.

Player Notes

Matt Mitchell – game-high 18 points, 4 rebounds, 3 assists, CH 4 steals

Posted his first double-digit scoring game of the season and the 38th of his career (SDSU 25-13 in those games)... This marks the 26th time that Mitchell has made at least two treys in a game and the 14th time he ha done that in a home (amazingly, SDSU is 13-1 in those games)... Led the Aztecs in scoring for the 11th time in his career and first since Dec. 12, 2018... He had a career-high four steals... He had eight field goals tonight after having nine in the first four games combined.

Malachi Flynn - 13 points, 10 assists, 4 rebounds

Reached double-figures all five games this season and 43 times in his career... He did not score in the first half and did not have a point until the 14:55 mark of the second half... The 10 assists are a season high and the second-highest total of the season.... He is the first Aztec player since at least 1996-97 to post a game with at least 10 assists and no turnovers... He has led San Diego State in assists in four of the first five games of the season.

Yanni Wetzell - 13 points, 6-7 FGs, 5 rebounds

Reached double figures for the second straight game and the 10th game of his career... This marks just the second time in his 38-game career that he has reached double figures in consecutive games... Has had the best two-game stretch of his career with 33 points, 15-18 FGs, 17 rebounds.

Jordan Schakel – 15 points, 4-10 3FGs, 4 rebounds

Enjoyed his third double-digit game of the season and he has now accomplished that 13 times in his career... Has 15 three-point field goals through five games this season (he ended last season with 15 trevs in his final 12 games)... He is 15-for-26 from beyond the arc this season (57.7 percent).

Game Flow

- Yanni Wetzell scored San Diego State's first four points. Wetzell was coming off his third career double-double and set career-highs for points (20) and rebounds (12) at USD on Wednesday.
- San Diego State used an 11-0 run in the first half to open up a 10-point lead (17-7) The Aztecs are 49-13 in their last 62 November games and have
 won six straight in the month.
- The Aztecs received scoring during the run from KJ Feagin 3, Jordan Schakel 3, Matt Mitchell 3 and Aguek Arop 2.
- During the run, the Aztecs made eight consecutive field goal attempts, three of those were from three-point range. That run included makes from seven different Aztec players.
- San Diego State had a 9-0 run in the second half that resulted in a 59-44 advantage.