

ASU 2017-2018 SCHEDULE

Date Opp. (TV/Radio).....FINAL/TIP

11/10 Idaho State (P12 AZ).....W, 94-74
11/14 San Diego State (P12).....W, 90-68

CONTINENTAL TIRE INV.-TEMPE

11/17 North. Arizona (P12 AZ).....W, 97-62
11/19 UC Irvine (P12).....W, 99-78

CONTINENTAL TIRE INVITATIONAL LAS VEGAS/ORLEANS ARENA

11/23 Kansas St. (FS1).....W, 92-90
11/24 #15 Xavier (FOX).....W, 102-86

12/2 San Francisco (P12).....W, 75-57
12/8 St. John's (P12/Staples).....W, 82-70
12/10 @ #2 Kansas (ESPN).....W, 95-85
12/17 Vanderbilt (P12).....W, 76-64
12/19 Longwood (P12).....W, 95-61
12/22 Pacific (P12).....W, 104-65
12/30 @ #17 Arizona (P12).....L, 78-84
1/4 @Colorado (P12).....L, 81-90 (OT)
1/7 @Utah (ESPNU).....W, 80-77
1/11 Oregon (FS1).....L, 72-76
1/13 Oregon St. (P12).....4
1/17 @Stanford (P12).....8 PT
1/20 @California (P12).....7:30 PT
1/25 Utah (P12).....7:30
1/27 Colorado (ESPNU).....6
2/1 @Washington (P12).....8 PT
2/4 @Washington St. (ESPNU).....1 PT
2/8 USC (ESPN2).....9
2/10 UCLA (P12).....5
2/15 Arizona (ESPN2).....7
2/22 @Oregon (FS1).....8:30
2/24 @Oregon St. (ESPNU).....5
3/1 California (ESPNU).....7
3/3 Stanford (TBD).....TBD
3/7 Pac-12 Tournament.....Las Vegas

FINAL FOUR TRIVIA

Coach Hurley (1992) and Danny Manning (1988) are the only current college coaches who earned NCAA Final Four MOP honors.

TURNED IT AROUND FAST

Buffalo was 285-369 (.436) in 22 seasons after going Division I (1991-2013). The Bulls were 42-20 (.678) in Coach Hurley's two seasons. He is 85-58 (.597) in five years as a head coach.

SUN DEVIL

M E N ' S B A S K E T B A L L

NEXT UP FOR #11 @SUNDEVILHOOPS (13-3; 1-3): OREGON STATE BEAVERS

Sat., Jan. 13 - vs. Oregon State 4 p.m./Pac-12 Network 88.2 PPG 7th in nation

The No. 11 Arizona State Sun Devil men's hoops team (13-3; 1-3) that returned just three players from last year's squad hosts Oregon State on Saturday, Jan. 13 at 4 p.m. at Ned Wulk Court/Wells Fargo Arena. Tim Healey and Kyle Dodd have the call on the Sun Devil Radio Network, as ASU has eight of its final 14 games in Wells Fargo Arena, where it is 8-1 on the year. Daron Sutton and Eddie House have the call on the Pac-12 Network. Under third-year head coach Bobby Hurley (two-time NCAA champion, 1992 Final Four MOP and NCAA career assist leader) the Sun Devils are led by seniors Tra Holder, Shannon Evans II and Kodi Justice, who have made .779 of their free throws (936-of-1201) in their college career. ASU is tied for seventh in the nation in scoring (88.2 ppg.) and has an eight-game win streak over the Beavers in Tempe.

GOOD KODI NUMBERS: In the final five games of 2016-17 Kodi Justice averaged 15.6 points including 22 in the Feb. 26 win over NCAA Tournament-bound USC. He was 17-of-35 (.486) from the three-point stripe and perfect in nine free throw attempts in those final five games. In his past 20 games, he is averaging 14.4 points. In the first 78 games of his career he averaged 7.2.

SOLID Ws: As of the Jan. 12 NCAA RPI, No. 25 ASU has top-100 wins over No. 8 Xavier (15-3) in Las Vegas, at No. 12 Kansas (13-3), at No. 60 Utah (10-6), vs. No. 67 San Diego State (10-4), vs. No. 68 St. John's (10-7) in Los Angeles, and vs. No. 96 Kansas State in Las Vegas (12-4).

HOME: ASU won its first eight home games for the first time since the 2013-14 and 2008-09 seasons, also the last two times it made the NCAA Tournament. It also won the final eight home games in 2013-14, as it went 16-1 at home that season.

PAC-12 PLAYER OF WEEK FIRST TIME: How good of a week did Tra Holder have in earning Pac-12 Player of the Week on Nov. 20? In three wins where ASU averaged 95.3 points, he averaged 23.7 points, 6.3 rebounds and 5.7 assists. He shot .548 (23-of-42) from the field, .571 (12-of-21) from three and .813 (13-of-16) from the free throw line. He put the exclamation point on it on Nov. 19 with 35 points on 13-of-15 shooting in the win over UC Irvine. He is the 36th member of the Sun Devil 1,000-point club and also gets to the free throw line as he is 471-of-622 (.757) from the charity stripe in his 113 games/104 starts, as both free throw marks are second in ASU history behind only Ike Diogu (671-of-854). His 104 starts is tied for fifth in ASU history with Derek Glasser.

SUN DEVIL CAREER POINTS

1. Eddie House, 1996-2000/2,044
6. Jeff Pendergraph, 2005-09/1,588
7. Byron Scott, 1979-83/1,572
8. Tra Holder, 2014-18/1,550

TRA'S YEAR-BY-YEAR IMPROVEMENTS

SEASON: FG% / FT% / PPG / RPG / 3P MADE

2014-15: .317 / .708 / 7.0 / 2.2 / 12
2015-16: .387 / .727 / 14.2 / 3.5 / 49
2016-17: .433 / .772 / 16.2 / 3.7 / 46
2017-18: .443 / .836 / 20.9 / 4.9 / 42

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Pos	#	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	2017-2018 SUN DEVIL ROSTER NOTES
G	0	Tra (Tray) Holder	Sr.	6-1/172	Pac-12 All-Freshman team 2015; Why he wears "0" -- says will have zero excuses
G	1	Remy Martin	Fr.	6-1/180	Top-100 2017 signee; point guard; explosive, fast and never stops...will pressure the ball
F	3	Mickey Mitchell	So.	6-7/210	Played lot of minutes as freshman at Ohio State in 2015-16; first game was vs. Kansas
F	10	Vitaliy Shibel	RFr.	6-9/210	Freshman who had ACL injury and redshirted last year/from the Ukraine
G	11	Shannon Evans II	Gr.	6-1/160	13.0 ppg in first three seasons; played on Buffalo 2015 NCAA Tournament team
G	14	Kimani Lawrence	Fr.	6-7/200	Long freshman who can guard 5 positions and play 4 of them/ <u>missed 13 games (injury)</u>
G	22	Austin Witherill	Sr.	6-0/170	Local walk-on from Gilbert's Highland High School
F	23	Romello White	Fr.	6-8/220	Sat last year as academic redshirt; top-100 2016 recruit across the board
G	24	Jordan Salzman	Fr.	5-10/175	Walkon from New York
G	25	Grant Fogerty	So.	6-0/175	Local walkon addition from Desert Mountain High School in Scottsdale
G	34	Trevor Thompson	Fr.	6-2/175	Local walkon addition from Moon Valley High School in Phoenix
F	35	De'Quon Lake	Jr.	6-10/225	JC transfer originally from Virgin Islands/24 points, 8 boards, 3 blocks in opener
G	44	Kodi Justice	Gr.	6-5/190	Averaged 15.6 points in final five games of 2016-17/local product

TRANSFERS TO PLAY IN 2018-19

G	2	Rob Edwards	Jr.	6-4/200	Transfer from Cleveland State
F	31	Zylan Cheatham	Jr.	6-8/201	Transfer from San Diego State

Head Coach: Bobby Hurley/42-20 at Buffalo (2013-15); 1992 Final Four MOP

Coaching Staff: Rashon Burno, Levi Watkins, Anthony Coleman

Special Assistant to HC: Ben Wood **Video:** Justin MacLean **Operations:** Derrick Wrobel



20-POINTS: ASU has six players who have notched a 20-point game this year led by Tra Holder's eight. Shannon Evans II has done it seven times and Kodi Justice three times. Romello White has done it twice, while Remy Martin and De'Quon Lake have done it once. As of Monday, the only other schools in the nation to have six players notch a 20-point game are Buffalo, Georgia Southern, Gonzaga, Penn and Seattle.

ASU EIGHT-GAME WIN STREAK IN TEMPE OVER OSU

ASU 86, Oregon State 68/Jan. 28, 2016
 ASU 73, Oregon State 55/Jan. 28, 2015
 ASU 86, Oregon State 82 (OT)/Feb. 6, 2014
 ASU 76, Oregon State 66/Jan. 14, 2012
 ASU 80, Oregon State 66/Mar. 5, 2011
 ASU 56, Oregon State 46/Feb. 11, 2010
 ASU 69, Oregon State 38/Jan. 8, 2009
 ASU 72, Oregon State 53/Jan. 5, 2008

TRA: Tra Holder leads the Pac-12 in scoring (20.9 ppg.) and has three 30-point games. Also worth noting on Holder: In the four true road games this year, he is averaging 23.8 ppg including 29 at #10 Kansas and 31 at #17 Arizona. In the seven games away from home, he is averaging 21.9 points and is 49-of-58 (.844) from the foul line and 18-of-43 (.419) from the three-point stripe.

STATS LLC SPECIAL: ASU and 2000-01 Stanford are the only Pac-12 teams to start 12-0 with 11 wins by double digits since 1996-97 (past 22 seasons). ASU's only single-digit game in its 12-0 start -- best in school history -- was a 92-90 win over Kansas State on Nov. 23 in Las Vegas.

PUMPED UP CROWDS: As a top-five team ASU will face its share of fired up crowds, but a good thing for ASU is they have done well under Coach Hurley in places that were large and loud outside of the Pac-12. In addition to this year's win over No. 2 Kansas on Dec. 10 in front of 16,300, ASU in the Coach Hurley era has won at Creighton (16,282), UNLV (13,014) and San Diego State (12,414) and hung tough with Kentucky (23,665) in his first season as it was a 32-31 Kentucky lead at the half and a four-point game with 13 minutes to play. Prior to Bobby Hurley, ASU was 8-22 in its previous 30 non-conference road games. It is 4-1 under Coach Hurley with wins at San Diego State, UNLV, Creighton and Kansas.

ASU OOC ROAD GAMES UNDER COACH HURLEY/CROWDS

#16 ASU 95, #2 Kansas 85 (Dec. 10, 2017)/16,300
 ASU 74, San Diego State 63 (Dec. 10, 2016)/12,414
 ASU 66, UNLV 56 (Dec. 16, 2015)/13,014
 #5 Kentucky 72, ASU 58 (Dec. 5, 2015)/23,665
 ASU 79, Creighton 77 (Dec. 2, 2015)/16,282

KU WIN: The Dec. 10 win over No. 2 Kansas marked the highest OOC ranked opponent the Sun Devils have defeated. Only the win over top-ranked and undefeated Oregon State on March 7, 1981, was higher. Kansas also marked ASU's first road win over a ranked team since James Harden led ASU to a win at Pauley Pavilion on Jan. 17, 2009.

THE 12-GAME WINNING STREAK: Much has been made about the best start in school history that not much was said about the win streak as it stood alone. The Dec. 22 win over Pacific gave ASU the second-best winning streak in ASU history. Only four ASU teams have posted 11-game winning streaks.

ASU TOP WINNING STREAKS

18: 1961-62

12: 2017-18

11: 1980-81 and 1962-63

SPURTABILITY: ASU has come back from deficits of at least nine points in five games. A look at games where ASU has flipped the score and changed deficits.

DEFICIT (TIME/HALF)/FINAL SCORE

Nov. 14: -9 vs. San Diego State (19:22/2nd)/90-68, +31 final 19 minutes

Nov. 23: -9 vs. Kansas State (18:16/2nd)/92-90, +11 final 18 minutes

Nov. 24: -15 vs. #15 Xavier (3:16/first)/102-86, 73 points final 23 minutes

Dec. 10: -13 at #2 Kansas (16:39/first)/95-85, +23 after 15-2 deficit

Dec. 17: -13 vs. Vanderbilt (15:03/first)/76-64 ; +25 after 13-0 deficit

GIVE CREDIT TO FOLKS AT STATS INC. FOR THIS ONE: Since Stats Inc. started tracking this stuff in 1996-97, they unearthed that ASU was the first Pac-12 team to score 90 points in six straight games in more than two decades.

TRA NOTES: Tra's 40 points on Nov. 24 vs. Nov. 15 Xavier was the fourth 40-point effort in the NCAA this season and was the first 40-point performance by a Pac-12 player against a non-conference opponent since Sun Devil Jahii Carson dropped 40 on UNLV on Nov. 19, 2013. It is the most points scored by a Sun Devil against a ranked team.

MORE THAN A DOUBLE NICKEL: Six of the top 11 scoring halves in the past 15 seasons have taken place this year. Prior to dropping 60 vs. Longwood in the second half on Dec. 19, ASU dropped 58 at No. 2 Kansas and 58 on No. 15 Xavier in Las Vegas. On Dec. 22 it had 57 in the second half vs. Pacific. It also had 56 against San Diego State in the second half and had 56 vs. UC Irvine in the first half.

MOST POINTS IN HALF/2003-04 TO PRESENT

72 vs. Citadel (Nov. 23, 2016)*

60 vs. Longwood (Dec. 19, 2017)*

58 at #2 Kansas (Dec. 10, 2017)*

58 vs. #15 Xavier (Nov. 24, 2017)*

58 vs. San Francisco (Nov. 20, 2009)

58 vs. Oregon (Feb. 11, 2006)*

57 vs. Pacific (Dec. 22, 2017)*

57 vs. Cal Poly (Nov. 13, 2016)*

56 vs. UC Irvine (Nov. 19, 2017)

56 vs. San Diego State (Nov. 14, 2017)*

56 vs. Kennesaw State (Nov. 18, 2015)

**notes second-half points*

LAST TIME: ASU's 2017 Continental Tire Invitational title was its first exempt tournament title since Bill Frieder's gang won the 1994 Maui Invitational, which started the run to the Sweet Sixteen and a 24-9 record. ASU jumped into the polls at No. 12 after beating Texas A&M, No. 13 Michigan and No. 7 Maryland at No. 12 that year, never fell lower than No. 18 and finished No. 16 as it beat Ball State and Manhattan in Memphis in the 1995 NCAA Tournament before falling to second-ranked Kentucky in Birmingham.

HOW DO YOU SAY IT?

TRAY Holder

Deh-Kwon Lake

VIGH-tally SHY-bel

TRA HOLDER'S 28 20+ GAMES

40 vs. #15 Xavier @Las Vegas (11/24/17)

35 vs. UC Irvine (11/19/17)

31 at #17 Arizona (12/30/17)

29 at #2 Kansas (12/10/17)

27 vs. Washington State (1/29/17)

26 at UCLA (1/9/16)

25 vs. Vanderbilt (12/17/17)

25 at Stanford (12/30/16)

24 at Colorado (1/4/18)

24 vs. San Diego State (11/14/17)

24 vs. #9 Creighton (12/20/16)

24 vs. Cal Poly (11/13/16)

24 vs. #8 Arizona (1/3/16)

23 vs. Washington (1/25/17)

23 vs. Portland State (11/11/16)

22 at #3 UCLA (1/19/17)

22 vs. Central Arkansas (12/22/16)

22 vs. Citadel (11/23/16)

23 vs. CSU-Bakersfield (12/28/15)

22 vs. North Carolina State (11/23/15)

21 vs. Stanford/Pac-12 Tournament (3/8/17)

21 at Washington (2/16/17)

21 at USC (1/7/16)

20 vs. Longwood (12/19/17)

20 at #16 Arizona (1/12/17)

20 vs. UNLV (12/31/16)

20 vs. #23 USC (2/12/16)

20 vs. Washington State (1/16/16)

THREE-POINT NOTE

Entering 2017-18 ASU had made a three-pointer in 555 straight games. The last time ASU did not make a three-pointer was in an 89-57 win over Washington in Tempe on Feb. 10, 2001.

TOP-10 OPPONENT: From 1995-96 through 2014-15, ASU played two top-10 teams outside of Pac-12 play in the regular season (No. 7 Duke on 11/25/09 and No. 2 Kansas on 11/26/97 both in Madison Square Garden). This year's Dec. 10 game at Kansas was the third straight season ASU played a top-10 non-conference team. ASU has played Kentucky the past two seasons, hosted No. 9 Creighton last year and started the home-and-home with Kansas this December.

COACH AS A PLAYER: Coach Hurley's Duke career has been talked about a lot. His 145 assists (in 20 games) is a NCAA Tournament record. Here is a numbers breakdown:

.583: In the 1992 Final Four, Coach made 7-of-12 three pointers en route to the Most Outstanding Player honors.

.667: In the April 4, 1992 Final Four game vs. Indiana, Coach went 6-of-9 from the three-point stripe.

2: In addition to 1992 Most Outstanding Player honors, Coach also earned 1991 All-Tournament Team honors.

9: In the 1991 title game vs. Kansas on April 1, he posted nine assists.

16: In the 1991 Final Four he posted 16 assists.

20: Coach played in 20 NCAA Tournament games.

119: Coach Hurley went 119-26 (.821) in his four years at Duke.

18-2: Coach Hurley went 18-2 in his NCAA Tournament career.

3-PTERS IN TOURNAMENT CAREER

47, Lee Humphrey, Florida, 2004-07 (15)

43, Shelvin Mack, Butler, 2009-11 (13)

42, Bobby Hurley, Duke, 1990-93 (20)

NCAA TOURNAMENT GAMES

23, Christian Laettner, Duke, 1989-92

22, Greg Koubek, Duke, 1988-91

22, Brian Davis, Duke, 1989-92

21, Wayne Turner, Kentucky, 1996-99

20, Thomas Hill, Duke, 1990-93

20, Bobby Hurley, Duke, 1990-93

20, Grant Hill, Duke, 1991-94

20, Antonio Lang, Duke, 1991-94

SUN DEVIL CAREER THREE-POINTERS

1. 3232, Stevin Smith (1990-94)

7. 224, Jeremy Veal (1994-98)

8. 183, Kodi Justice (2014-18)

GONNA' PLAY SOME FOLKS: Bobby Hurley is going to make an attempt to play some folks. In his first year after looking at a schedule he inherited that included tilts against NC State in Brooklyn, at Creighton, at UNLV and against eventual No. 18 Texas A&M, he put the wheels in motion to make it even better by agreeing to play at Kentucky and filled a holiday break hole that could have been a yawner with Stephen F. Austin. In 2016-17, the squad played No. 1 Kentucky in the Bahamas, Purdue in New York City, at San Diego State, in Orlando for three games, and finished a series with No. 9 Creighton. Kansas will return the trip to Wells Fargo next year after ASU's win on Dec. 10, and ASU already played No. 15 Xavier and hosted 2017 NCAA Tournament product Vanderbilt Dec. 20. Coach Hurley has played four top-10 non-conference opponents in his three years, after ASU faced one in the previous 17 seasons.

ASU REGULAR SEASON OOC GAMES VS. TOP-10 TEAMS (SINCE JOINING PAC-10)

ASU 95 @#2 Kansas 85 (Dec. 10, 2017)

#9 Creighton 96, ASU 85 (Dec. 20, 2016)

#1 Kentucky 115, ASU 69 (Nov. 28, 2016 at Bahamas)

@#5 Kentucky 72, ASU 58 (Dec. 12, 2015)

#7 Duke 64, ASU 53 (Nov. 25, 2009 at MSG)

#2 Kansas 90, ASU 88, OT (Nov. 26, 1997 at MSG)

ASU 97, #7 Maryland 90 (November 23, 1994 at Maui)

@#8 Oklahoma St. 87, ASU 69 (December 2, 1993)

@#9 Kentucky 94, ASU 68 (December 14, 1991)

@#2 Kansas 90, ASU 67 (December 22, 1989)

#10 North Carolina 85, ASU 66 (December 23, 1984 at Tokyo)

#6 Missouri 48, ASU 47 (December 27, 1982 at Honolulu)

SPLASH GAMES: Shannon Evans II arrived at ASU after having spent two seasons under Coach Hurley at Buffalo. As a sophomore in 2014-15 he averaged 15.4 points, 3.2 rebounds and 4.6 assists and led the Bulls to the NCAA Tournament as he earned second-team All-MAC honors. He made his first 20 free throws to start last season. Also, he had 50 points in an exhibition win this year against Arizona Christian.

SHANNON EVANS II 25-POINT SCORING GAMES (4 AT ASU)

33 vs. Cornell (1/3/15)

28 at #13 Oregon (2/2/17)

28 vs. UNLV (12/3/16)

25 vs. Idaho State (11/14/17)

25 vs. Washington (1/25/17)

25 at Ball State (2/4/15)

QUICK QUESTIONS WITH SHANNON EVANS

Most upset on the court: Losing the NCAA tournament

Happiest on the court: Winning the MAC championship

Past sporting event to go back and watch: Duke vs UNLV (March 30, 1991)

Past Sun Devil to go watch compete: Pat Tillman

BIG WEEK FOR SHANNON: The U.S. Basketball Writers Association selected Shannon Evans II as its Dec. 10 Oscar Robertson National Player of the Week. As the Pac-12 Conference Player of the Week, Evans was chosen by a representative of the USBWA board of directors. The 6-1 guard had 18 points, six rebounds and six assists in 82-70 win over St. John's in Los Angeles on Friday night. Less than 48 hours later, the Suffolk, Va. native hit five 3-pointers en route to 22 points along with five assists and no turnovers as ASU won at No. 2 Kansas. He averaged 20.0 points on 52 percent field goal shooting (13-25), including 53 percent behind the arc (8-15), and 5.5 assists with an 11-to-1 assist-to-turnover ratio.

JUSTICE SERVED: Kodi Justice has made 183 three pointers in 99 career games. He suffered a fractured navicular bone in his left foot on Jan. 25, 2015 (freshman year) and missed the remainder of that season, but bounced back with a solid sophomore season. His injury happened the game following a season-high 16 points at California, so he was just starting to get in the groove, and then adapted to a new coaching staff in the summer of 2015 while getting healthy.

FOUR QUESTIONS WITH KODI JUSTICE

You can pick the brain of any coach, who is it? John Wooden

You can go watch a past sporting event live...which one? Rumble in the Jungle

Past Sun Devil (any sport) you wish you could have watched compete: Pat Tillman

Biggest challenge in my life: Being dyslexic

KODI'S YEAR-BY-YEAR IMPROVEMENTS

SEASON: FG% / 3PM / PPG

2014-15: .424 / 17 / 4.6

2015-16: .394 / 60 / 7.9

2016-17: .421 / 63 / 9.2

2017-18: .461 / 43 / 14.1

#DUNK-KWON: Junior college transfer De'Quon Lake is 46-of-64 (.719) from the field. He has 37 offensive rebounds and posted five dunks against both Idaho State and San Diego State. He also had seven blocks vs. Pacific.

NO DEPTH: Tra Holder led Pac-12 in mpg. in conference games last year at 37.9, but not far behind him were Sun Devils Shannon Evans II (36.7/second) and Torian Graham (36.6/third).

LENGTH: ASU has solid wing spans this year. De'Quon Lake has a 7-2 wingspan, while Vitaliy Shibel and Romello White are at 7-0. Kimani Lawrence stretched to 6-11 on his 6-7 frame.

DOWN GOES RANKED TEAM: ASU has now defeated four ranked teams in Bobby Hurley's Sun Devil tenure, as besides the win at #2 Kansas, it beat No. 15 Xavier 102-86 on Nov. 24, 2017 in Las Vegas, No. 23 USC 74-57 on Feb. 12, 2016 and No. 18 Texas A&M 67-54 on Dec. 5, 2015. The Nov. 24 Xavier win was the highest ranked non-conference team ASU had topped since it beat No. 7 Maryland in the 1994 Maui Invitational...until it won at #2 Kansas on Dec. 10.

@SUNDEVILHOOPS OOC WINS VS. RANKED TEAMS PAC-10/12 ERA

#16 ASU 95, @#2 Kansas 85 (Dec. 10, 2017)

ASU 102, #15 Xavier 86 (Nov. 24, 2017 at Las Vegas)

ASU 67, #18 Texas A&M 54 (Dec. 5, 2015)

ASU 79, #25 Marquette 77 (Nov. 25, 2013)

ASU 77, #17 Xavier 55 (Dec. 15, 2007)

ASU 97, #7 Maryland 90 (Nov. 23, 1994 at Maui Invitational)

ASU 79, #13 Michigan 62 (Nov. 22, 1994 at Maui Invitational)

#14 ASU 71, #7 Ohio State 58 (Dec. 20, 1980)

ASU 96, #12 Iowa 88 (Dec. 6, 1980)

DIGITS FROM LAST YEAR: ASU's 78.6 points per game last year was its best since the 1997-98 squad averaged 84.5...ASU ranked third in the Pac-12 in free throw shooting (.749) and averaged just 10.4 turnovers (first in the league and T-11th in the nation) and 9.9 three-pointers made (second in Pac-12)...Tra Holder led the league in free throws made and attempted (152-of-197/.772)...ASU likes to shoot the three as its 328 made last year was third-most in league history behind only UCLA (354 in 2016-17) and Oregon (350 in 2006-07).

TOP SCORERS: ASU has two of the top five scorers in the Pac-12 returning, as Tra Holder (16.2 ppg) and Shannon Evans II (15.0) averaged more than 31 points.

CAREER FT% NUMBERS

Shannon Evans II: 358-437/.819

Tra Holder: 471-622/.757

Kodi Justice: 107-142/.754

KODI JUSTICE TOP SCORING GAMES

28 vs. Kansas State (11/23/17)

22 vs. USC (2/26/17)

21 vs. Oregon (1/11/18)

20 at Utah (1/7/18)

20 vs. Citadel (11/23/16)

20 vs. Houston Baptist (12/19/15)

ROMELLO WHITE DOUBLE-DOUBLES

10/11 at Colorado (1/4/18)

16/13 vs. San Francisco (12/2/17)

14/11 vs. UC Irvine (11/19/17)

16/15 vs. San Diego State (11/14/17)

MOST ASU POINTS

UNDER BOBBY HURLEY

40-Tra Holder vs. #15 Xavier (11/24/17)

35-Tra Holder vs. UC Irvine (11/19/17)

32-T. Graham vs. #5 Oregon (3/9/17)

31-Tra Holder at #17 Arizona (12/30/17)

30-T. Graham at Stanford (12/30/16)

29-Tra Holder at #2 Kansas (12/10/17)

29-T. Graham at UW (2/16/17)

28-Kodi Justice vs. KSU (11/23/17)

28-T. Graham vs. #5 UCLA (2/23/17)

28-S. Evans at #13 Oregon (2/2/17)

28-Shannon Evans vs UNLV (12/3/16)

ABOUT THE FRESHMEN: From one coast to the other one, Bobby Hurley's staff signed a pair of top-100 players in the fall of 2016, as 6-7 swingman Kimani Lawrence (New Hampton School in New Hampton, N.H.) and 6-1 guard Remy Martin of Chatsworth (Calif.) Sierra Canyon joined the program this summer. A four-star signee according to Scout, Martin averaged 14.5 points as a junior. Lawrence, a four-star small forward from The New Hampton School in New Hampton, N.H., is the nation's 54th overall prospect according to ESPN.

SCOUT.COM SUN DEVIL TOP-100

RECRUITS ON ROSTER

54. Kimani Lawrence, 2017

81. Romello White, 2016

98. Remy Martin, 2017

100. Tra Holder, 2014

PAC-12 TOP RETURNING SCORERS IN 2017-18

- 17.4-Reid Travis, Stanford
- 17.2-Allonzo Trier, Arizona
- 16.3-Stephen Thompson, Oregon State
- 16.2-Tra Holder, Arizona State**
- 15.0-Shannon Evans II, Arizona State**

SIX: ASU has six newcomers filling roles in 2017-18, led by three who were in the program last year. **Romello White** is a 6-8 forward from Suwanee, Ga. who practiced last season as an academic redshirt and was a top-100 player (No. 77 by ESPN, No. 81 by Scout) in the 2016 signing class. Texan **Mickey Mitchell** is a skilled 6-7 sophomore who started seven games and played in 23 for Ohio State in 2015-16, came to ASU in December of 2016 and became eligible on Dec. 10, while 6-9 redshirt freshman **Vitaliy Shibel** has a great southpaw shooting stroke but missed last year with an ACL injury. Junior college transfer **De'Quon Lake** has a 6-10 frame and a 7-2 wing span. ESPN 2017 top-100 players **Kimani Lawrence** (New Hampton School/Providence, RI), is a 6-7 swingman with 6-11 wingspan ranked No. 54, while **Remy Martin** (Sierra Canyon/Chatsworth, Calif.) is a 6-0 lead guard and was No. 82 in the rankings.

HALF: ASU is 13-28 (.317) when trailing at the half under Bobby Hurley, after going 12-64 (.157) the previous five seasons.

13 HALFTIME DEFICIT WINS UNDER COACH HURLEY

- (-1) @Utah 36, ASU 35/Jan. 7, 2018/ASU 80, @Utah 77
- (-3) @#2 Kansas 40, ASU 37/Dec. 10, 2017/ASU 95, @KU 85
- (-2) #15 Xavier 46, ASU 44/Nov. 24, 2017/ASU 102, #15 Xavier 86
- (-2) Kansas State 44, ASU 42/Nov. 23, 2017/ASU 92, KSU 90
- (-6) SDSU 40, ASU 34/Nov. 14, 2017/ASU 90, SDSU 68
- (-1) USC 48, ASU 47/Feb. 26, 2017/ASU 83, USC 82
- (-2) @UW 41, ASU 39/Feb. 16, 2017/ASU 83, @UW 81
- (-1) Stanford 33, ASU 32/Feb. 11, 2017/ASU 75, Stanford 69
- (-7) @SDSU 32, ASU 25/Dec. 10, 2016/ASU 74, @SDSU 63
- (-3) #23 USC 30, ASU 27/Feb. 12, 2016/ASU 74, USC 67
- (-12) @UNLV 37, ASU 25/Dec. 16, 2015/ASU 66, @UNLV 56
- (-8) @Creighton 41, ASU 33/Dec. 2, 2015/ASU 79, @Creighton 77
- (-2) UCSB 29, ASU 27/Nov. 29, 2015/ASU 70, UCSB 68

#0 TRA HOLDER SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

- ✓ Wears 0 because he says zero excuses (and likes Gilbert Arenas)
- ✓ Loves to cook and ate no meat and only fish for most of summer

2017-18	CAREER
POINTS	40 vs #15 Xavier (11/24/17)
FG MADE	14 vs #15 Xavier (11/24/17)
FG ATT	22 vs #15 Xavier (11/24/17)
3PTM	6 vs UC Irvine (11/19/17)
3PTA	9 (2x) vs. C. Arkansas (12/22/16)
FT MADE	15 at #17 Arizona (12/30/17)
FT ATT.	16 (3x) at #17 Arizona (12/30/17)
STEALS	6 vs. Longwood (12/19/17)
8 vs. Idaho St. (11/10/17)	ASTS
9 vs. C. Arkansas (12/22/16)	
REBOUNDS	9 (2x) vs NAU (11/17/17)
41 at Colorado (1/4/18)	MIN
42 (3x) at UW (2/3/16)	

#1 REMY MARTIN SEASON HIGHS

POINTS	21 at #2 Kansas (12/10/17)
REBOUNDS	7 vs. Longwood (12/19/17)
ASSISTS	9 vs. Longwood (12/19/17)
FG MADE	8 at #2 Kansas (12/10/17))
FG ATT	13 at #17 Arizona (12/30/17)
FT MADE	5 (2x) vs Pacific (12/22/17)
FT ATT.	6 vs Pacific (12/22/17)
MINUTES	34 vs Idaho State (11/10/17)

#3 MICKEY MITCHELL SEASON HIGHS

POINTS	12 vs. Longwood (12/19/17)
REBOUNDS	13 vs. Vanderbilt (12/17/17)
ASSISTS	5 vs. Oregon (1/11/18)
MINUTES	32 (2x) vs. Oregon (1/11/18)

#10 VITALIY SHIBEL SEASON HIGHS

POINTS	11 vs. St. John's (12/8/17)
REBOUNDS	8 vs Idaho State (11/10/17)
3PT MADE	11 vs. St. John's (12/8/17)
ASSISTS	4 vs. Idaho State (11/10/17)
MINUTES	28 vs. St. John's (12/8/17)

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#11 SHANNON EVANS II ASU SEASON/ASU CAREER HIGHS

✓ Played for Coach Hurley at Buffalo and was part of 2015 NCAA Tournament team and MAC title team.

✓ USBWA Oscar Robertson Player of the Week (Dec. 11)

2017-18**CAREER (ASU)**
 25 vs Idaho State (11/10/17) ...**PTS**28 (2x) at #13 UO (2/2/17)
REBOUNDS8 vs San Francisco (12/2/17)
ASSISTS8 (3x) vs NAU (11/17/17)
MINUTES41 at Colorado (1/4/18)

#23 ROMELLO WHITE SEASON HIGHS

✓ AAU coach was Jerry Stackhouse

POINTS25 vs Northern Arizona (11/17/17)
REBOUNDS15 vs San Diego State (11/14/17)
FG MADE10 vs Northern Arizona (11/17/17)
FG ATTEMPTED12 vs Northern Arizona (11/17/17)
FREE THROWS MADE8 vs San Francisco (12/22/17)
FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED16 vs San Francisco (12/2/17)
BLOCKS3 vs Idaho State
MINUTES39 vs Kansas State (11/23/17)

#35 DE'QUON LAKE SEASON HIGHS

✓ Made 8-10 FGs in season opener vs. Idaho State

✓ 7-8 FGs on 11/17 vs. NAU

POINTS24 vs Idaho State (11/10/17)
REBOUNDS12 vs Northern Arizona (11/17/17)
FG MADE8 vs Idaho State (11/10/17)
FG ATTEMPTED8 vs Idaho State (11/10/17)
FREE THROWS MADE8 (2x) Longwood (12/19/17)
FREE THROWS ATTEMPTED14 vs Idaho State (11/10/17)
BLOCKS7 vs. Pacific (12/22/17)
MINUTES29 vs Kansas State (11/23/17)

#44 KODI JUSTICE SEASON/CAREER HIGHS

POINTS28 vs Kansas State (11/23/17)
FG MADE9 (2x) at Utah (1/7/18)
 4 vs UC Irvine (11/19/17)..... **ASTS**6 (2x) vs Oregon (1/31/16)
REBS9 at #2 Kansas (12/10/167
 38 (2x) at Colorado (1/4/18) ...**MINS**39 (3x) vs #5 UCLA

SUN DEVIL LEADERS (INCLUDES SHARED)

SCORING: Evans (3), Holder (8), White (2), Justice (2)

REBOUNDING: Holder (2), White (7), Lake (4), Justice, Mitchell (3)

ASSISTS: Holder (6), Evans (8), Mitchell (3), Martin (3)

SUN DEVIL WINS VS. RANKED TEAMS UNDER COACH HURLEY

ASU 95, @#2 Kansas 85/Dec. 10 2017

ASU vs. #15 Xavier/Nov. 24, 2017

ASU 74, #23 USC 67/Feb. 12, 2016

ASU 67, #18 Texas A&M 54/Dec. 5, 2015

DIGITS: ASU's backcourt has two 1,500-point career scorers as Tra Holder has 1,536 points in 112 Sun Devil games (13.7 ppg.), while Shannon Evans II has 1,502 career points, with 754 of them coming at Buffalo from 2013-15. Combined the duo has made 929 total field goals, 360 three-pointers, 818 free throws and has dropped 3,038 collegiate points in 222 career games.

MOST COMBINED POINTS BY DUO ENTERING 2017-18

2,707/St. Bonaventure: Jaylen Adams (1,377)/Matt Mobley (1,330)

2,701/Rhode Island: E.C. Matthews (1,519)/Jared Terrell (1,182)

2,639/Xavier: Trevon Bluiett (1,585)/J.P. Macura (1,054)

2,463/Arizona State: Shannon Evans II (1,248)/Tra Holder (1,215)

SHANNON FTS: Shannon Evans II finished tied for second in the Pac-12 in free throw percentage (100-of-120/.833), just .002 off the leader. Two Sun Devils have led the Pac-12, as Chris Beasley shot .875 (112-of-128) in 1983-84 and Alex Austin made 69-of-80 (.863) in 1988-89.

FREE THROWS: The Sun Devils made free throws at a rate that was third-best in school history (489-of-653/.749) last year. ASU shot .756 in 1977-78 and .754 in 1954-55 for its best season.

SUN DEVIL CAREER STARTS

120, Jeff Pendergraph, 2005-09

119, Ty Abbott, 2007-11

114, Eddie House, 1996-2000

109, Ron Riley, 1992-96

104, Tra Holder, 2014-18

104, Derek Glasser, 2006-10

PREDICTIONS: ASU was picked sixth in the Pac-12 media poll announced on Oct. 12, its top preseason ranking since being picked fourth in the final year of the Pac-10 (2010-11). ASU has been picked 11th (2016-17 and 2012-13), eighth (2015-16), ninth (2014-15 and 2011-12), and seventh (2013-14) in six previous Pac-12 polls. UA was picked to finish first, followed by USC, UCLA, UO, Stanford, ASU, Utah, OSU, CU, UW, Cal and WSU.