

Virginia 84, Syracuse 62

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2023

John Paul Jones Arena

Team Notes

- Virginia opened 71st season of ACC action with its 16th straight league opening win (15-0 under Tony Bennett)
- Virginia is 36-35 all-time in ACC openers
- UVA has held ACC opponents to fewer than 70 points in 43 consecutive home games
- UVA built a 15-point lead in the first half and led 37-24 at halftime
- Virginia is 49-1 all-time under when scoring 80 or more points (3-0 in 2023-24) under Bennett
- UVA out-rebounded Syracuse 33-27
- UVA shot a season-high 54.5 percent (30 of 55)
- UVA made a season-high 12 3-pointers
- UVA scored a season-high 84 points

Series Notes

- UVA is 14-6 all-time against Syracuse, including a 12-2 mark in ACC action, in the series that dates to 1983-84.
- Virginia has a six-game winning streak against the Orange
- UVA is 6-2 vs. Syracuse at John Paul Jones Arena.
- UVA has held the Orange to 69 or fewer points in each of the last 16 meetings
- Head coach Tony Bennett is 13-3 all-time against Syracuse.

Player Notes

- Double Figure Scorers: Isaac McKneely (22), Reece Beekman (13), Andrew Rohde (10)
- McKneely scored 16 of his career-high 22 points in the first half
- McKneely made a career high six 3-pointers
- McKneely reached double figures for the 11th time
- McKneely has made 2+ 3-pointers in six games
- Beekman reached double figures for the 36th time
- Beekman (8 assists) passed Harold Dean for eighth on UVA's all-time assist list with 472
- Rohde reached double figures for the 30th time (2nd at UVA)
- Ryan Dunn had four steals (2 steals + 2 blocked shots) to increase his team lead to 44 steals
- Elijah Gertrude recorded his first career points (6 points)
- Dante Harris missed his second straight game with an ankle injury