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#### San Diego State vs. Air Force Postgame Notes Steve Fisher Court at Viejas Arena | San Diego, Calif. December 28, 2022

Final Score: San Diego State 71, Air Force 55 Next Game: Sat., December 31 | at UNLV, 1 p.m. PT | Thomas & Mack Center | Las Vegas, Nev. | TV: CBS | Radio: San Diego Sports 760

Records: San Diego State: 10-3 overall, 1-0 Mountain West; Air Force: 9-5 overall, 0-1 Mountain West

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#### **Big Notes**

- San Diego State wins its 15th straight game in Viejas Arena, the eighth longest streak in program history.
- San Diego State improves to 31-1 in its last 32 home games and is 75-9 at home in the Brian Dutcher era.
- San Diego State is 40-4 in its 44 Mountain West home games since January 24, 2018.
- SDSU improves to 112-14 under Brian Dutcher when leading at the half.
- San Diego State is 142-9 in its last 151 home games when it leads with five minutes to play.
- SDSU improves to 129-43 (.750) under Brian Dutcher.
- SDSU did not trail for the second straight game. The Aztecs have gone 113 minutes, 4 seconds (113:04) of game time without trailing (last trailed Kennesaw State, 12-10, with 13:33 left in the first half on Dec. 12.

#### **Series Notes**

- San Diego State improves to 63-24 against Air Force in the all-time series and has a 20-3 mark against Air Force in Viejas Arena.
- At home, San Diego State has defeated the Falcons in each of the last 16 meetings and has not lost to Air Force at home since February 28, 2005.
- San Diego State has won the last seven meetings regardless of location.
- San Diego State has opened Mountain West play four times against Air Force and has won each meeting.

#### **Team Notes**

- San Diego State moves to 16-8 in its 24 Mountain West Conference openers.
- SDSU moves to 48-7 in December home contests dating back to the start of the 2009-10 campaign and is 14-3 in the Dutcher era.

- San Diego State improves to 8-1 on the season and 93-11 under Brian Dutcher when outrebounding its opponent. The Aztecs have won 45 of their last 47 games when outrebounding their opponent.
- The Aztecs improve to 9-1 on the season and 110-8 under Brian Dutcher when shooting better than their opponent.
- SDSU moves to 67-19 in its last 86 Wednesday games.
- Air Force is held to under 60 points for the 50<sup>th</sup> time since the start of the 2018-19 season and is 7-43 in those games. SDSU has four of those games and is 4-0 in them.
- SDSU outscores Air Force, 26-8, off turnovers.
- San Diego State outscores the Falcons, 17-7, in second-chance opportunities.
- The Aztecs outscore AFA, 9-2, on fast break chances.

#### **Game Flow**

- Lamont Butler scored the first bucket of the game, a jumper in the lane at the 19:43 mark.
- SDSU opened a 10-point, 12-2 lead by the first media timeout at the 15:38 mark.
- The Aztecs enjoyed an 11-0 run, over 3:18 in the first half. It is the team's 10<sup>th</sup> double digit scoring run on the season.
- SDSU opened the game making five of its first six shots with each of its five buckets coming from a different starter.
- San Diego State led by 13 points at the half, 36-23, the sixth time it has had a double-digit halftime advantage this season.

#### **Player Notes**

#### Matt Bradley – 27 points, 9-for-12 FG, 6-for-7 3PFG, 3 rebounds, 1 assist, 1 steal, 0 turnovers

Scored a season-high 27 points after scoring just nine combined over the past two games... Scored in double figures for the sixth time this season and 103rd time of his career... Led the team in scoring for the sixth time this season and 103rd time of his career... Totaled 13 points in the first half on 5-of-7 shooting, including 3-of-3 from the bonus distance, and 14 in the second half (4-for-5 FG, 3-for-4 3PFG)... Has at least 10 points in five of the last eight games... When he scores at least 20 points as an Aztec, the team is 11-3 ... <u>Became the eighth Aztec since at least the 1996-97 (ninth time overall) to score at least 25 points without committing a turnover. Out of those eight players (and nine occasions), he played the fewest minutes (31).</u>

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