



2013 PAC-12 MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Post-Game Notes

GAME 3: #10 Utah (69), #7 USC (66)

Wednesday, March 13, 2013

Utah earned a berth in the quarterfinals after winning its first tournament game since joining the Pac-12 last season. The Utes will take on #2 California at 6 p.m. PT.

USC won the only regular season meeting between the teams, 76-59, in Salt Lake City on Jan. 12. The Trojans had won three straight against Utah entering tonight's contest.

Utah has won three straight games against Pac-12 opponents for the first time since joining the Conference. The Utes took down Oregon State (72-61) and Oregon (72-62) to close out the regular season.

The stretch also matches a season-long winning streak for Utah, which notched consecutive victories over Idaho State (Nov. 21), Central Michigan (Nov. 23) and Wright State (Nov. 24) early in non-conference action.

The only other time a #10 seed beat a #7 seed in the tournament was in 1989 when #10 USC upended #7 Arizona State, 94-82.

Utah connected on 7-of-16 three-point field goal attempts (.438), while USC went 3-15 from beyond the arc (.200).

The Utes went on a 9-0 run from 10:24-8:41 in the second half to open up a 13-point lead (60-47), their largest of the game.

USC's last lead came with 17:16 remaining in the first half after a dunk by Omar Oraby put the Trojans ahead, 8-6.

Oraby paced the Trojans with a career-high 18 points and 10 rebounds for his second double-double of the season.

Eric Wise (12 pts, 9 rebs) was one rebound shy of collecting his fourth double-double of the year. He has scored in double figures in 23 of USC's 32 games this season.

Jarred Dubois led the Utes with 22 points, marking his sixth 20-point scoring effort of the season.

Dubois entered the contest averaging a team-high 12.2 points per game and has now scored in double figures in 18 of 31 games this season.

Jason Washburn (10 points) scored in double figures for the 19th time in the last 22 games.