



2013 PAC-12 MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Post-Game Notes

GAME 5: #1 UCLA (80), #9 Arizona State (75)

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UCLA advanced to the semifinals for the fourth time since 2008, where it will take on the winner of #5 Colorado vs. #4 Arizona on Friday at 6 p.m. The Bruins, who made three straight semifinals appearances from 2008-10, went 1-2 in the round of four during that stretch.

This was the third meeting between UCLA and ASU in 2012-13. The teams split the previous two games in the season series, as the Sun Devils claimed a 78-60 victory in Tempe on Jan. 26 and the Bruins won 79-74 in overtime at home on Feb. 27.

Today's matchup featured Pac-12 Co-Freshmen of the Year ASU's Jahii Carson and UCLA's Shabazz Muhammad.

Arizona State led from the 13:45 mark in the first half to the 4:58 mark in the second half.

UCLA went on a 17-4 run from 10:07-4:58 in the second half to take its first lead in more than 21 minutes of action, 67-66. The Bruins pulled ahead on a Larry Drew step-back three-pointer with 4:58 left in the game. Drew hit a pair of clutch threes down the stretch that resulted in lead changes in favor of UCLA.

ASU, which blocked seven shots on the afternoon, broke the Pac-12 record for blocks in a season with 205, topping the previous Conference high of 199 set by UCLA in 2010-11.

Jordan Bachynski collected three blocks to set the Pac-12 single-season record (116) for blocked shots, passing fellow Sun Devil Mario Bennett, who had 115 in 1994-95.

ASU's Jahii Carson scored 21 points. Entering the contest, Carson had averaged 22.25 points in 13 games away from home this season. He has scored in double figures in 18 consecutive games. Additionally, he has notched a conference-leading 16 20-point games this year.

Carson dished out seven assists on the afternoon, one shy of his career high, to move into eighth place on the Pac-12 all-time freshman list (165).

UCLA had five players score in double figures: Larry Drew II (20 pts), Shabazz Muhammad (16 pts), Travis Wear (15 pts), David Wear (11 pts) and Jordan Adams (10 pts).

Larry Drew II's team-high 20-points represents a career high for the senior. He was a perfect 4-4 from beyond the arc and was 8-10 (.800) from the field.

Shabazz Muhammad (16 pts, 9 rebs) was one board shy of registering his fourth double-double of the season. He shot .500 (8-16) from the floor en route to notching his 16th consecutive double-digit scoring game and his 28th in 29 games this year.