



2010 BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

FIRST/SECOND ROUNDS
UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA, HOST



Tuesday, March 23, 2010

Game 3

Postgame Notes

Oklahoma 60, UALR 44

Oklahoma Notes

The Oklahoma Sooners (25-10) advanced to the eighth Sweet 16 appearance in program history with a 60-44 victory over UALR on Tuesday at Lloyd Noble Center.

OU will meet No. 2 seed Notre Dame in the regional semifinal at the Sprint Center in Kansas City on March 28.

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Oklahoma's Danielle Robinson was named one of 12 finalists for the State Farm Wade Trophy, the most prestigious award in women's college basketball, Tuesday afternoon. The winner will be picked from the 10-member State Farm All-America Team and announced at the NCAA Women's Final Four in San Antonio.

With her four steals in tonight's contest, Robinson surpassed Caton Hill (217) for sixth place on OU's career steals list with 219.

Abi Olajuwon scored a team-high 19 points and pulled down 11 rebounds for her fifth double-double of the season.

All but one of Olajuwon's double-double's this season have come against teams that won a game at the 2010 NCAA tournament.

Olajuwon led the Sooners in scoring for just the third time this season.

Oklahoma is 23-12 all-time in the NCAA Championship and 8-3 in the second round. The Sooners advance to their eighth Sweet 16 in program history, where they have a 2-5 record.

Carlee Roethlisberger's 9 points matches her most coming off the bench.

UALR Notes

UALR concludes its season with a school-record 27 wins in its first ever NCAA appearance.

Chastity Reed scored UALR's first eight points of the game shooting 3-of-6 from the field and 1-of-1 from the free throw line. Reed ended the half scoring 10 of UALR's 13 points.

UALR scored a season-low 13 points in the first half on a season low 23.8 percent shooting from the field.

Reed led the Trojans in scoring with 20 points, bringing her double-digit scoring streak to 55 games, including every game this season. Reed has scored 20 or more points in 26 of UALR's 34 games played this season.

In addition to Reed's 20 point performance, she also led the team in assists (4), steals (4), blocks (1) and was second in rebounding with four.

Coming off a season high 21 points against Georgia Tech, Kim Sitzmann was held scoreless in the first half. Her only two points came 12 minutes into the second half.

Sitzmann was held without a 3-pointer for the eighth time this season. The last time Sitzmann did not hit a 3-pointer was Jan. 27, 2010, against Denver.

UALR recorded 11 steals, the third most by an Oklahoma opponent this season.

The Trojans were 0-for-16 from the 3-point range, the second time this season they have been scoreless from behind the arc. The last time UALR did not hit from 3-point range was Dec. 2, 2010, against Ole Miss, shooting 0-for-11.



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Nyeshia Stevenson (0-3) failed to convert a 3-point basket in a game at the Lloyd Noble Center for the first time this season (fourth time overall in 2009-10 contests). Of Stevenson's three prior games without a make from behind the arc this year, two came in the U.S. Virgin Islands Paradise Jam against San Diego State and Notre Dame.

Oklahoma forced first-half scoreless droughts of 3:18, 3:37 and 5:45 as it held UALR to a season-low 15 points in the first half. It was also the fewest points in the first half by an OU opponent this season.

The Sooners led the final 35:54 of the contest in a game that featured just three ties and two lead changes.

OU outscored the Trojans 32-20 in the paint and held a 12-4 bench scoring margin. It was the seventh time in the last 13 contests that the Oklahoma reserves have outscored an opponent's bench after doing so in just five of the previous 24 games.

The Sooners held a 35-27 rebound advantage although they were outrebounded on the offensive end 9-8.

Oklahoma's 22 turnovers was its third-highest tally of the season (24 at Georgia, 23 at Missouri).