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# OKLAHOMA BASKETBALL

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## OKLAHOMA 89, TULANE 70 NOVEMBER 17, 2016 • POSTGAME NOTES

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- On the road for the first time in the 2016-17 season, Oklahoma (2-0) defeated Tulane (1-2), 89-70, in the quarterfinals of the Tire Pros Invitational at the HP Field House in Orlando, Fla. OU improved to 13-4 when playing in-season tournaments games under Lon Kruger, including 6-0 in opening round games.
  - With the win, Oklahoma is now 59-14 in non-conference games under Kruger, including 23-9 when played at a neutral site. The Sooners have won 16 consecutive regular season non-conference games, with its last loss coming to Washington (69-67) on Dec. 20, 2014.
  - The Green Wave held its largest lead (43-39) early in the second half before the Sooners spurred a 22-5 run over the next 6:56 to build a 61-48 lead. Oklahoma outscored Tulane, 51-35, in the second half while shooting .667 from the field (18-of-27) and 4-for-5 (.800) from 3-point range.
  - Oklahoma shot 32-of-62 (.516) from the field on Thursday after going 37-of-63 (.587) in Sunday's season-opening win against Northwestern State. It is the first time since 2008 that OU has shot above 50 percent in both of its first two games of the season.
  - Senior guard **Jordan Woodard** scored 16 second-half points on 4-of-7 shooting. On the night, he finished with 22 points, seven assists, six rebounds and four steals in 30 minutes. The guard shot 6-of-12 in the game, including 4-of-6 from 3-point range. Woodard's outing was the ninth 20-point contest of his career and the first time he has surpassed 20 points, five rebounds and five assists in one game.
  - The Sooners outrebounded Tulane, 46-31, including 20-9 in the second half. OU's performance on the glass led to its best rebounding margin since outrebounding Baylor, 34-19, on Jan. 23, 2016. In his second collegiate game, freshman forward **Kristian Doolittle** registered eight points and 12 rebounds, including five on the offensive end. Sophomore center **Jamuni McNeace** totaled a career-best nine rebounds while tying his career high for scoring (six points). Six Sooners pulled down at least four boards.
  - Sophomore guard **Rashard Odomes** scored a career-high-tying 15 points on 7-of-11 shooting. Fellow sophomore guard **Christian James** poured in 12 points, four rebounds and four assists. James scored in double figures for the sixth time of his career. After scoring 12 points in OU's season opener, James has registered back-to-back games of scoring in double digits for the first time in his career.
  - Junior forward **Khadeem Lattin** recorded back-to-back games of double-figure scoring for the second time in his career. Lattin tallied 10 points with four rebounds and two assists, following up a 19-point performance in the season opener.
  - Oklahoma will face Northern Iowa in the semifinals of the Tire Pros Invitation on Friday, Nov. 18. The game will tip at 6 p.m. CT on ESPN. Friday's contest will be the first ever meeting between the Sooners and Panthers. Northern Iowa advanced to the finals earlier on Thursday by defeating Arizona State, 82-63. Oklahoma will face either Clemson or Xavier in the tournament's third and final game on Sunday.
  - The Sooners have won at least two games and finished in third place or better in all five in-season tournaments under Kruger. Last year, OU claimed first place at the Diamond Classic in Honolulu, Hawaii, defeating Washington State, Hawaii and Harvard.
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