



GAME 20 — Saturday, January 22, 2000
Furman Paladins (8-11, 1-4 Southern) vs. Appalachian State Mountaineers (12-5, 5-0 Southern)
Greenville, South Carolina, Timmons Arena (5,000), 7:30 p.m.
WPEK-FM (98.1) Live, Broadcast.com (Live)



PROBABLE STARTING LINEUPS

Furman Paladins						ppg	rpg
G 11	Guilherme Da Luz	6-3	195	Fr.	Sao Paulo, Brazil	10.4	3.4
G 23	Kyle Julius	6-3	190	So.	Thunder Bay, Ontario	9.9	2.6
F 15	Marcus Dilligard	6-5	200	Jr.	LaBelle, Mo.	8.0	4.3
F 43	Karim Souchu	6-6	190	Fr.	Paris, France	16.1	7.9
C 45	Darrell Arbaugh	6-7	230	Fr.	Ashland, Ky.	7.0	4.7
Larry Davis (Asbury '78)							
29-47 (3rd Year at Furman), 29-47 (3rd Year Overall), 0-3 vs. Appalachian State							

Appalachian State Mountaineers						ppg	rpg
G 10	Tyson Patterson	5-9	160	Sr.	Winston-Salem, N.C.	12.2	2.9
G 14	Matt McMahon	6-1	175	Sr.	Oak Ridge, Tenn.	8.4	2.0
F 45	Shawn Alexander	6-2	200	So.	Asheville, N.C.	10.6	4.9
F 30	Cedrick Holmes	6-5	220	Sr.	Harriman, Tenn.	12.5	7.3
C 4	Corey Cooper	6-8	275	Jr.	Wilson, N.C.	7.8	5.3
Buzz Peterson (North Carolina '86)							
68-35 (4th Year at Appalachian State), 68-35 (4th Year Overall), 3-1 vs. Furman							

**FURMAN-WOFFORD
SERIES INFORMATION
(Furman leads 37-25)**

Saturday's game between Furman and Appalachian State will mark the 63rd meeting between the Paladins and Mountaineers in a series that Furman leads 37-25. Appalachian State, however, has captured the last three meetings and five of the last six clashes, including a 78-58 verdict last year in Boone. The Mountaineers downed the Paladins 63-62 two years ago in Greenville. Furman's last win over Appalachian State was a 59-55 decision in Greenville during the 1996-97 campaign. Overall Furman sports a 21-6 record versus Appalachian State in Greenville. In Boone the Paladins and Mountaineers are deadlocked at 13-13. Appalachian State is 6-3 versus Furman in nine neutral site clashes over the years -- all in Southern Conference Tournament play.

1999-00 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE STANDINGS/SCHEDULE

North Division	Conference	Overall	Saturday, January 22
*Appalachian State	5 - 0 1.000	12 - 5 .706	VMI @ Davidson, 7:00
Davidson	4 - 1 .800	8 - 7 .533	Chattanooga @ Wofford, 7:00
Western Carolina	2 - 3 .400	9 - 7 .563	East Tennessee State @ Western Carolina, 7:00
UNC Greensboro	2 - 3 .400	8 - 8 .500	Appalachian State @ Furman, 7:30
East Tennessee State	1 - 4 .200	6 - 10 .375	College of Charleston @ UNC Greensboro, 7:30
VMI	0 - 5 .000	5 - 12 .294	The Citadel @ Georgia Southern, 7:30
South Division	Conference	Overall	Monday, January 24
^College of Charleston	4 - 1 .800	13 - 3 .813	Appalachian State @ Western Carolina, 7:00
The Citadel	3 - 2 .600	7 - 11 .389	Georgia Southern @ Chattanooga, 7:00
Chattanooga	4 - 1 .800	7 - 9 .438	UNC Greensboro @ VMI, 7:00
Wofford	2 - 3 .400	6 - 10 .378	Furman @ College of Charleston, 7:15
Georgia Southern	2 - 3 .400	8 - 8 .500	Wofford @ The Citadel, 7:15
Furman	1 - 4 .200	8 - 11 .421	
Tuesday, January 25			
Davidson @ East Tennessee State, 7:30			

* 1998-99 SoCon North Division Champion
^ 1998-99 SoCon South Division Champion
\$ 1999 SoCon Tournament Champion (NCAA Qualifier)

**1999-00 FURMAN PALADINS
RESULTS/SCHEDULE
(8-11, 1-4 SoCon)**

Date	Opponent	Score/Time	W/L
Nov. 20	SOUTHEASTERN	125-53	W
Nov. 22	@ Stetson	60-63	L
Nov. 24	OGLETHORPE	76-59	W
Nov. 26	Mississippi (Bi-Lo Tourney)	61-76	L
Nov. 27	S.C. State (Bi-Lo Tourney)	77-58	W
Nov. 28	Old Dominion (Bi-Lo Tourney)	68-65	W
Dec. 4	@ South Carolina	68-75	L
Dec. 6	GEORGIA	(ot) 82-86	L
Dec. 8	@ Charleston Southern	(ot) 58-59	L
Dec. 11	RANDOLPH-MACON	65-56	W
Dec. 16	COASTAL CAROLINA	97-75	W
Dec. 20	BETHUNE COOKMAN	71-59	W
Dec. 23	@ Minnesota	56-71	L
Dec. 29	Clemson (Bi-Lo Center)	70-74	L
Jan. 3	@ Georgia Southern	77-89	L
Jan. 8	@ The Citadel	63-78	L
Jan. 10	DAVIDSON	63-74	L
Jan. 15	@ Chattanooga (FOX TV)	63-72	L
Jan. 17	WOFFORD	73-55	W
Jan. 22	APPALACHIAN STATE	7:15	
Jan. 24	@ College of Charleston	7:15	
Jan. 29	THE CITADEL	7:30	
Jan. 31	@ UNC Greensboro	7:30	
Feb. 5	CHATTANOOGA	7:30	
Feb. 7	@ Western Carolina	7:00	
Feb. 12	COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON	7:30	
Feb. 14	@ Wofford	7:00	
Feb. 18	GEORGIA SOUTHERN	7:30	
Feb. 22	EAST TENNESSEE STATE	7:30	
Feb. 26	@ VMI	1:00	
Mar. 2-5	SoCon Tournament	TBA	
	(Greenville, S.C.)		

NOTING THE PALADINS

PALADIN POINTERS...In routing Wofford 73-55 on Monday, Furman snapped a nasty six-game losing streak and recorded its first Southern Conference win of the season. The victory over Wofford was highlighted by the return of senior forward Stanislav Makshantsev, who scored 10 points and claimed nine rebounds in 22 minutes of action in his first game of the season. Furman's top returning scorer (14.5 pppg) and rebounder (6.5 rpg) from a year ago, Makshantsev missed the Paladins' first 18 games after initially losing his athletic eligibility due to grades and later due to an eight-game suspension for violation of team rules. Appalachian State comes into Saturday's game riding an impressive seven game winning streak that includes a decisive 72-60 win at Clemson on Wednesday. The only remaining undefeated team in league action, the Mountaineers sport four double figure scorers led by junior guard Rufus Leach (17.1 ppg), who comes off the bench. Senior guard Tyson Patterson sparks Appalachian State's attack with a 126 assists and a solid +2.57 assist/turnover ratio. The Mountaineers lead the league in scoring offense (81.0 ppg), field goal percentage (48.9%), and 3-point percentage (39.8%). Furman is getting 54.8% of its scoring and 58.7% of its rebounding from its freshman class heading into the Appalachian State game. After averaging 18.3 turnovers/game a year ago, Furman has notched significant improvement in its ballhandling this year as evidenced by the 15.4 turnovers/game the Paladins has committed through 19 games. Furman's top two point guards, freshman Guilherme Da Luz and sophomore Paul Foster, have combined to tally 131 assists against 94 turnovers (+1.39 assist/turnover ratio), signifying noteworthy improvement when compared to the +0.86 assist/turnover ratio (104 assists/120 turnovers) registered by the Paladins' top two point guards a year ago. Da Luz's play this season includes a school single game record 14 assists he tallied in the Paladins' 97-75 win over Coastal Carolina (Dec. 16) and a team leading 34 steals through 19 games. Da Luz's 5.1 assists/game average currently ranks as the fifth best assists/game average in Furman history. In Monday's 73-55 win over Wofford, Da Luz came within striking distance of a triple double with nine points, a season high 10 rebounds, and seven assists (and only two turnovers) in 28 minutes. In last Saturday's 72-63 loss to Chattanooga, Da Luz tallied a season high 26 points, including 23 in the second half, to eclipse his previous high of 23, which he registered in the Paladins' 75-68 loss to South Carolina (Dec. 4). After suffering through one of the worst games of his career in last Saturday's loss to Chattanooga, going 0x9 from the field and 0x7 from 3-point range in 16 minutes, Kyle Julius gained his first start of the season against Wofford (in place on Anthony Thomas) and responded with a 12-point performance that included 3x5 FGs, including 3x4 from 3-point range. Julius' recent shooting troubles have been due, in part, to migraine headaches, one of which forced him to miss the Davidson game (Jan. 10), and another that kept him out of three practices prior to the Chattanooga game. Julius and Thomas, who converted a combined 1x17 FGs in the loss to Chattanooga last Saturday, went 7x9 from the field and 6x7 from 3-point range in the win over Wofford, helping Furman to its second best shooting performance of the season (28x49 FG, 57.1%, 7x12 3PPG, 58.3%). In the 10 games prior to the win over Wofford, Furman had converted only 40x163 3-point attempts (24.5%).