



GAME 23 — Saturday, February 5, 2000
Furman Paladins (8-14, 1-7 SoCon South) vs. Chattanooga Mocs (8-12, 5-4 SoCon South)
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	9.5	2.9
G 3	Anthony Thomas	6-4	190	So. Atlanta, Ga.	10.2	3.7
F 15	Marcus Dilligard	6-5	200	Jr. LaBelle, Mo.	8.1	4.1
F 43	Karim Souchu	6-6	190	Fr. Paris, France	15.7	7.5
C 42	Stas Makshantsev	6-8	230	Sr. Alma-Ata, Kazakhstan	7.4	4.6
Larry Davis (Asbury '78)						
29-50 (3rd Year at Furman), 29-50 (3rd Year Overall), 0-5 vs. Chattanooga						

Chattanooga Mocs					ppg	rpg
G 24	Idris Harper	6-3	180	Jr. Tucson, Ariz.	7.2	3.2
G 34	Rashun Coleman	6-5	205	Sr. Pulaski, Tenn.	16.8	6.2
F 21	David Phillips	6-5	195	Sr. Monticello, Ky.	11.7	6.5
F 3	Greg Clark	6-8	220	So. Atlanta, Ga.	1.8	1.8
C 00	Oliver Morton	6-10	250	Jr. Gatlinburg, Tenn.	11.5	5.9
Henry Dickerson (Morris Harvey '73)						
37-39 (3rd Year at Chattanooga), 37-39 (3rd Year Overall), Dickerson vs. Furman 5-0						

FURMAN-CHATTANOOGA SERIES INFORMATION
(Chattanooga leads 40-13)

Saturday's game between Furman and Chattanooga will mark the 54th meeting between the Paladins and Mocs in a series that got its start during the 1921-22 season. Chattanooga leads the series 40-13 and has completely dominated Furman of late with eight straight wins and a 37-4 record against the Paladins over the past 41 games. Furman's last win over UTC was a 69-59 decision registered in Greenville during the 1995-96 season. Furman's futility versus the Mocs has been near total in Chattanooga, where the Paladins have lost 20 straight decisions, including a 72-63 verdict on Jan. 15. Chattanooga is 20-3 overall versus Furman in Chattanooga and 14-10 against the Paladins in Greenville. The Mocs downed the Paladins 70-60 in Timmons Arena last year. UTC is 6-0 versus Furman in neutral site clashes.

1999-00 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE STANDINGS/SCHEDULE

North Division	Conference	Overall	Saturday, February 5
*Appalachian State	9 - 0	1.000	16 - 5 .762
Davidson	6 - 3	.667	11 - 9 .550
UNC Greensboro	5 - 5	.500	11 - 10 .524
East Tennessee State	4 - 5	.444	9 - 11 .450
Western Carolina	2 - 7	.222	9 - 11 .450
VMI	0 - 9	.000	5 - 16 .250
Monday, February 7			
Furman @ Western Carolina, 7:00			
The Citadel @ College of Charleston, 7:00			
VMI @ Wofford, 7:00			
Chattanooga @ Georgia Southern, 7:30			
Tuesday, February 8			
East Tennessee State @ Davidson, 7:00			
Wednesday, February 9			
UNC Greensboro @ Appalachian State, 7:00			

South Division	Conference	Overall
^College of Charleston	7 - 2	.778
Georgia Southern	6 - 3	.667
Wofford	6 - 4	.600
Chattanooga	5 - 4	.556
The Citadel	3 - 5	.375
Furman	1 - 7	.125

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

1999-00 FURMAN PALADINS RESULTS/SCHEDULE
(8-14, 1-7 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	63-72	L
Jan. 17	WOFFORD	73-55	W
Jan. 22	APPALACHIAN STATE	63-73	L
Jan. 24	@ College of Charleston	50-77	L
Jan. 31	@ UNC Greensboro	69-79	L
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...Furman returns to action this Saturday when it takes on Southern Conference South Division member Chattanooga at 7:30 p.m. at Timmons Arena. UTC knocked off the College of Charleston, 70-68, in Chattanooga on Monday and, in the process, handed the Cougars only their second league defeat since joining the Southern Conference last year. Leading the way for the Mocs in the win over Cougars was junior center Oliver Morton, who scored 22 points en route to earning league player-of-the-week honors. In a 93-90 UTC loss to Appalachian State last Saturday, Morton scored a career high 34 points. In his last two games, the Mocs' starting center has averaged 28.0 ppg and 8.5 rpg while shooting a blistering 92.6% from the floor (25x27). Morton tallied 16 points and 10 rebounds in the 72-63 win over Furman on Jan. 15. Senior guard Rashun Coleman, the Southern Conference's leading scorer (16.8 ppg), also played a big role in the Mocs' win over the College of Charleston, scoring 19 points on the strength of 4x6 shooting from 3-point range. UTC ranks third among league teams in 3-point shooting (37.4%). Furman, meanwhile, is 11th in 3-point shooting (30.3%). The Paladins have now dropped three straight games and nine of their past 10 contests, with the only win being a 73-55 triumph over Wofford on Jan. 17. The Paladins' latest loss, a 79-69 setback, came on Monday night at UNC Greensboro. The loss to the Spartans extended the Paladins' road losing streak to 12 games. Furman's last road win was a 58-55 triumph over East Tennessee State on Feb. 1, 1999. Senior Stanislav Makshantsev gained his first start of the season on Monday against UNC Greensboro. Stepping in ahead of freshman Darrell Arbaugh, Makshantsev scored 14 points and claimed three rebounds in 28 minutes. 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. Freshman forward Karim Souchu, the Paladins' leading scorer, has tallied double figures in 18 of his 19 games this season, including a squad high 15 points in the Paladins' loss to UNC Greensboro. Souchu's 15.7 ppg average is the highest by a Paladin freshman since George Singleton averaged 16.1 ppg as a freshman for the 1980-81 season. Furman was forced to cancel last Saturday's home game against The Citadel as a result of the Paladins' recently discovered scheduling error that determined Furman had 29 games on its season slate, one more than the NCAA 28-game limit. The cancelled game will not be a forfeit loss for Furman or a win for The Citadel but will be only used for seeding purposes. The Paladins converted only 5x32 FGs (15.6%) and 1x15 3-pointers (6.7%) in the first half (37-16 halftime deficit) in the 72-63 loss to the Mocs in Chattanooga earlier this season. Furman's top two point guards, freshman Guilherme Da Luz and sophomore Paul Foster, have combined to tally 147 assists against 102 turnovers (+1.44 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 36 steals through 22 games. In the Paladins' 72-63 loss to Chattanooga (Jan. 15), 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). Furman has converted only 27.6% of its 3-point attempts (60x217) over the past 14 games.