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USC vs. Washington Galen Center • Los Angeles, Calif. Saturday, February 4, 2023 Final: USC 80, Washington 74

- With the 80-74 win tonight, USC improved to 17-6 (9-3) and Washington fell to 13-12 (5-9).
- USC has won its last 7 games against Washington.
- USC head coach Andy Enfield won his 200th game as the leader of the Trojan program. Enfield has a 200-124 record in 10 seasons as USC's head coach. Including his two seasons at FGCU (2012-13), Enfield has an overall record of 241-152 as a head coach.
- The win was also the 200th by USC at the Galen Center. USC has a 200-77 all-time record at the Galen Center.
- USC scored 80 or more points in a back-to-back games for the first time since scoring 83 vs. Mount St. Mary's on Nov. 18 and 82 vs. BYU on Nov 23.
- USC led 34-27 at halftime. USC made 43.8 percent of its first-half shots, while holding Washington to 30.0 percent shooting. USC trailed 16-9 eight minutes into the game, finishing the first half on a 25-11 run. Washington began the second half on a 10-0 run to take a 37-34 lead early in the 2nd half.
- Freshman guard Tre White scored a career-high 22 points tonight. White led all scorers at halftime with 14 points, a total he had reached only 3 times prior in a game this season. White's previous best was 20 points vs. Long Beach State on Dec. 14. White also had 8 rebounds tonight, his most in a game since also grabbing 8 boards at Washington on Dec. 30.
- Sophomore guard Kobe Johnson finished with a career-high 21 points. His previous high for points was 17 vs. Oregon State on Dec. 4. Johnson also had 3 rebounds, 4 steals, 5 assists and no turnovers.
- Senior guard Boogie Ellis scored 14 points and had 5 assists. In his last 4 games, Ellis has 19 assists and 5 turnovers.
- Fifth-year guard Drew Peterson had a near triple-double, with 11 points, 10 rebounds and 8 assists. The 8 assists were his most in a game since registering a career-high 12 assists vs. Mount St. Mary's on Nov. 18. Peterson did finish with his 5th double-double of the season.
- Freshman forward Vincent Iwuchukwu made his first career start. He played 10 minutes and had 6
 points and 2 rebounds.
- Sophomore guard Malik Thomas celebrated his birthday tonight with a career-best 3 steals. He also added 4 points.
- Sophomore forward Harrison Hornery had a season-high 5 rebounds tonight, while scoring 2 points. Hornery's career high for rebounds is 6 set against Pacific on Feb. 8, 2022.
- USC made 18.2 percent of its three-pointers tonight (4-for-22), its third-lowest percentage from beyond the arc this season. USC had made 46.3 percent of its three-pointers the previous 2 games (19-for-41).
- USC had 23 assists on its 29 baskets. The 23 assists were the second-most the Trojans had in a game this season. USC had a season-best 24 assists vs. Long Beach State on Dec. 14.
- USC is 12-1 in games it scores 70 or more points this season. Since the start of the 2019 season, USC is 65-7 when it scores 70 or more points in a game.
- 70 games
- USC had four players score in double-figures tonight. USC improved to 16-1 this season when at least three players score 10 or more points.
- USC improved to 12-1 at home this season, winning its last 12 following the 74-61 loss in the opener to FGCU on Nov. 7. USC's 12 consecutive home wins in one season is its most since winning the first 15 home games of the 2015-16 season.
- Sr. forward Josh Morgan missed tonight's game with a right ankle sprain. He was injured 5 minutes into the game against Washington State on Feb. 2.
- Sophomore guard Reese Dixon-Waters missed tonight's game with a left foot sprain. He is listed as day-to-day. Dixon-Waters was also injured in the Washington State game.
- USC's next game will be on February 9 at Oregon. The game will air on ESPN2 at 8 p.m.





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ANDY ENFIELD QUOTES:

Opening Statement:

"Great win for us; we were short-handed a little bit with our players out, but tried different lineups tonight. We were big, we went small in between, and we just made some plays when we had to. It's very impressive with some of these guys, Kobe Johnson played one of the best games I've ever seen a Trojan play with his effort and he has a sprained ankle as well. He knew he had to play because Reese (Dixon-Waters) is out and Josh (Morgan) was out and had 21 points on seven shots, five assists, four steals, no turnovers and made those big plays defensively and offensively it was really impressive."

On Kobe Johnson:

"He's a sophomore and a lot of guys make big jumps between her freshman and sophomore year. They figure it out and all freshmen get mad when they don't play big minutes. Kobe thought he should have been starting and playing 35 minutes last year. He just wasn't as good as our guys. I play our best players and they all get mad at me when they don't play, but he just wasn't good enough last year to play that big minutes. He helped us in spots. He's a very good defender and he was young. Experience and Kurtis Shultz has done a great job with him in the weight room, our strength coach, and now he looks like a darn all-league player. He played like that the entire game tonight. That's what we expect from our players, to improve. Get in the weight room, work on your skills and become a basketball player and so we give him all the opportunity to do that and happy to say that he's arrived."

On his 200th win:

"That's a milestone that I didn't even know about it until I was reminded yesterday about it, but personal milestones are nice, but you know we're in this for the program. That just means we've had stability here over the last 10 years, with our coaching staff. I'm very proud of our assistant coaches and everybody that works so hard to give us a chance to win on a daily and weekly basis. Our players, I've had a lot of good players here as a head coach and we've recruited players they've developed and they've been very successful moving on either in the NBA or on in life. Some guys are overseas playing basketball, so to have 200 wins at one school, we're very proud of that stability, but this is something that I share with our players and our staff. When I think of that, I just think of all the great people we've had here at USC and so I hope there's many more, but certainly proud of what we've done.

KOBE JOHNSON QUOTES:

On his improvement from last season:

"I'd like to just stay true to myself. I believed in myself. I just trusted the work that I put in and I knew it was all gonna pay off sooner or later. So I'm happy that it's paying off right now and just continuing to work."

On how he prepares defensively:

"A lot of film. I study their lead scorer. I want to be put on him, I want to lock them down, I want to take them out of the game. I watched a lot of film, and tonight I watched a lot of Keion Brooks yesterday. I watched a lot of film to learn what moves he does, what he likes, what his go tos are, I just study everybody."

TRE WHTIE QUOTES:

On his offense

"In a broader sense, I feel like as a team we've gotten better. So I feel like daily each person on the court can get off any night. I feel like we're learning how to actually play off each other now. Anybody's open on any possession. It could be anybody's night and I really just feel like I'm still confident in my work. I got the same routine, but I just feel like we're all gelling together at the perfect time."

On having 12 point

"I'm always just trying to be in the right place at the right time, just playing hard off my teammates and usually I feel like whenever I'm playing, just doing the little things with the ball it's gonna find me at the right time. Just getting easy buckets just to get myself going and once I see one go through, I knew it was gonna be a fun night





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WASHINGTON HEAD COACH MIKE HOPKINS:

"We were trying to put ourselves in a position to win. And I felt like we did that."

"We were really trying to target Peterson and Boogie. Those two guys had a great game. Kobe Johnson really stepped up at the end. He had some big shots. Trey White was really good."

"Boogie made most of his baskets when the game was on the line, he really stepped up when we lost the ball."

