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Cougars Head to Clemson on Sunday

CHARLESTON, S.C. – College of Charleston plays its second Power 5 opponent of the season on Sunday when the Cougars face Clemson at Littlejohn Coliseum.

THE GAME
Who: College of Charleston Cougars (1-1) at Clemson Tigers (4-0)
When: Sunday, December 6, 2020 | 2 p.m.
Where: Littlejohn Coliseum | Clemson, S.C.
Broadcast: ACC Network Extra
Live Stats: Statbroadcast

COUGAR PROBABLE STARTERS
0 Madison Taylor, G, 5-8, Jr., Raleigh, N.C./Ravenscroft School (7.5 ppg, 1.0 rpg, 1.5 spg)
2 Taylor Williams, F, 5-9, So., Daytona Beach, Fla./Father Lopez Catholic (9.0 ppg, 3.5 rpg)
5 Tyler Gray, G, 5-8, Fr., Bladensburg, Md./Elizabeth Seton (7.5 ppg, 2.5 rpg)
15 Arynn Eady, F, 6-1, Jr., Atlanta, Ga./St. Francis (7.5 ppg, 8.0 rpg, 1.5 spg, 1.0 bpg)
23 Tyler Collins, G, 5-6, Jr., Atlanta, Ga./Woodward Academy (5.5 ppg, 3.0 apg)

HEAD COACH ROBIN HARMONY (14-18 in second season at CofC; 260-132 in 14 seasons overall)
Robin Harmony is in her second season at CofC after leading the Cougars to a 13-17 record in 2019-20, a six-win improvement over the previous season and the most wins since going 19-15 in 2013-14. The team also doubled its CAA win total from three to six, including a 73-59 victory over Drexel, one of only two CAA losses suffered by the eventual conference co-champions.

Harmony was 131-48 in six seasons at St. Thomas (Fla.) and 115-66 in six seasons at Lamar before coming to CofC. She began her coaching career as an assistant at Fairleigh Dickinson in 1987-88 and was on the staff at her alma mater, the University of Miami, from 1988-2005.

Harmony was first women’s basketball player inducted into Miami’s Athletic Hall of Fame and is among the school’s all-time leaders in points (1,308), rebounds (750), assists (445) and steals (314).

COUGARS DOWN WOFFORD IN LAST OUTING
CofC is back in action for the first time since defeating Wofford, 69-61, on November 29 at TD Arena. The Cougars raced to a 19-point halftime lead and built their margin to as many as 27 in the third quarter before holding on. Madison Taylor led three Cougars in double figures with 15 points, followed by Chelsea Wooten with 14 and Tyler Gray with 10. Arynn Eady pulled down 11 boards, and Tyler Collins dished out six assists.

WOOTEN DISPLAYS SHOOTING TOUCH
Freshman Chelsea Wooten scored all 14 of her points against Wofford in the second quarter, hitting four 3-pointers and a pair of free throws during her 10-minute explosion. She hit three shots from long distance in the opening 4:19 of the quarter, and her final bomb came with 45 seconds left before halftime to give CofC a 41-22 lead at intermission.
ABOUT CLEMSON
The Tigers own wins over Furman, Presbyterian, Charlotte and Mercer by an average of 80.5-54.3. Delicia Washington paces Clemson in scoring at 16.3 ppg, her 28 made field goals are the second most in the ACC and she is shooting 60.9 percent from the field. Kendall Spray is averaging 14.0 ppg and leads the conference by hitting 55.2 percent of her 3-point attempts (16 of 29). Tylar Bennett’s 7.3 rpg are first on the team.

COUGARS VS. TIGERS
CofC holds a 9-8 lead in the series, but Clemson has won five of six since the Cougars began their transition to Division I in 1989-90. The lone Cougar win in that stretch was a 68-55 victory on November 16, 2009 in Charleston, which is also the only CofC triumph against a current ACC member as a DI program.

Since that victory over Clemson, the Cougars have dropped 23 in a row against Power 5 programs, including a loss to South Carolina in this year’s opener on November 25.

COUGARS RETURN BULK OF OFFENSIVE PRODUCTION
The 2020-21 Cougars feature eight players who saw action in 10 or more games and six of seven who started at least 11 times a year ago, and the group of returning players accounted for 78.5 percent of the team’s scoring. Deja Ford (10.2 ppg) is the only significant scorer from a year ago who is no longer with the team.

EADY CLOSING IN ON REBOUNDING MILESTONE
Junior forward Arynn Eady has 484 rebounds in her career, putting her 86 away from moving into the Top 10 in school history. Her average of 7.8 per contest is the fourth-highest mark in the Cougar record book.

Eady averaged 9.7 rpg last season to lead the CAA, and her 290 total boards are the second most in a season in school history. She paced the CAA in both offensive (3.6) and defensive (6.1) rebounds. Her 18 rebounds against UNCW (1/26/20) and William & Mary (2/7/20) are tied for the fourth most in program history.

COLLINS DISHES OUT THE ASSISTS
Junior guard Tyler Collins has recorded 220 assists and needs only 34 more to crack the Top 10 at CofC. As a freshman in 2018-19, Collins had 131 assists, the sixth most in a season in school history, and ranked third in the CAA with 4.4 apg. She tied the school mark with 12 assists in her collegiate debut vs. North Greenville.

PERKINS NAMED THIRD TEAM ALL-CAA
Junior guard Latrice Perkins was selected third team All-CAA last year after ranking ninth in the league with an average of 13.5 points per game. She was also fifth in the CAA in steals per game (2.0), 11th in field goal percentage (.457) and 13th with 5.4 rebounds per contest. Perkins is currently out with a lower extremity injury suffered late in the 2019-20 season.

WILLIAMS ON CAA ALL-ROOKIE TEAM
Sophomore guard/forward Taylor Williams was chosen to the CAAAll-Rookie team last year. She played in all 30 games with 18 starts and averaged 9.1 points and 3.2 rebounds per game. Williams had season highs in both points (22) and rebounds (13) vs. Northeastern (3/1/20).

COUGARS LAND OUTSTANDING RECRUITING CLASS
The CofC coaching landed the top recruiting class in school history, ranking first in the CAA and No. 47 in the nation according to the Dan Olson Collegiate Girls Basketball Report. The Cougars added wing Grace Abercrombie and point guard Bria McClure from Texas and wing Anani Humphrey from Maryland. Abercrombie was ranked No. 162 by Dan Olson, McClure was No. 187 and Humphrey was No. 209.

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