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TWIN SPIRES TO GLOW MAROON IN SUPPORT OF BELLARMINE UNIVERSITY FOR A-SUN CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Monday, March 7, 2022) – Churchill Downs – the home of the Kentucky Derby – will illuminate its iconic Twin Spires with a maroon glow in support of nearby Bellarmine University as the Knights men's basketball team hosts Jacksonville at historic Freedom Hall on Tuesday at 5 p.m. in the Atlantic Sun Tournament Championship final.

In just their second year of NCAA Division 1 play, the Bellarmine Knights are 19-13 overall and 11-5 in the ASUN. They scored a 53-50 road upset at Liberty on Saturday night to reach Tuesday's championship against the Jacksonville Dolphins.

Scott Davenport, in his 17th year as the head coach of Bellarmine, grew up less than a mile from Churchill Downs in the city's South End and remains an avid visitor to the legendary track on a regular basis.

Tuesday's ASUN Championship game at Freedom Hall is scheduled for 5 p.m. and will be broadcast on ESPN2.

The Twin Spires, a popular and signature symbol of Churchill Downs and the Kentucky Derby since their completion in 1895, will glow in maroon on Monday and Tuesday night.

The 148th running of the Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve, the iconic American sports and Thoroughbred racing celebration held each year on the first Saturday in May, will be staged in 12 weeks on Saturday, May 7.

ABOUT CHURCHILL DOWNS RACETRACK

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