

In beating Maryland, Dante Taylor, right, and Pitt advanced to the 2K Sports Classic title game vs. Texas.

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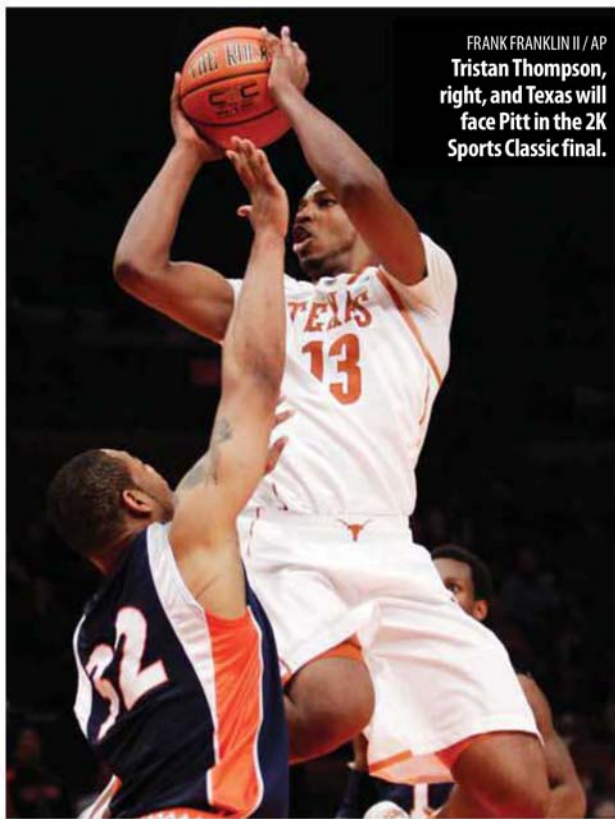
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Tristan Thompson, right, and Texas will face Pitt in the 2K Sports Classic final.

TEXAS 90, NO. 13 ILLINOIS 84, OT

Johnson keys Horns' OT surge

NEW YORK—Texas' two young frontcourt players had impressive numbers. When it came to overtime, though, the senior man up front made sure the Longhorns took the lead for good.

Sophomore Jordan Hamilton had 25 points on 9 for 17 shooting and freshman Tristan Thompson had 20 points on 8 of 11 shooting, four assists and five blocks for Texas in the semifinals of the 2K Sports Classic. Senior Gary Johnson had 16 points, four of which came in the Longhorns' 8-0 run to start overtime. All three of them had seven rebounds.

"They were terrific, those guys have done a good job for us," Texas coach Rick Barnes said of Hamilton and Thompson. "You don't understand how hard (Illinois' Demetri)

McCamey is to guard and we went after him all night long. ... There's little subtle games that went on in the game that won't show up in the stat sheet that were huge."

Like Johnson's two free throws, rebound basket and assist out of the post that meant six of the eight points to start the deciding five minutes.

"It was a great team win," Barnes said. "We had a lot of good things happen tonight with a lot of players. ... Overall, I thought we really showed some toughness and we got it done against an outstanding basketball team."

Now Texas (3-0) gets to play another one.

The Longhorns will face No. 5 Pittsburgh in tonight's title game.

—The Associated Press

NO. 5 PITTSBURGH 79, MARYLAND 70

Zanna does the work that's most impressive

NEW YORK—When the No. 5 Pittsburgh Panthers arrived in New York for the semifinals of the 2K Sports Classic, the talk was all about their veteran backcourt of Ashton Gibbs and Brad Wanamaker.

As they head to the championship game, a freshman forward drew all the raves.

Talib Zanna had 14 points and 12 rebounds to lead the Panthers.

The 6-9 Zanna, who averaged 8.3 points and 8.0 rebounds in his first three games, led the Panthers (4-0) on a night when Gibbs and Wanamaker barely combined to match the 19.3 average they both came in with.

"He played well this summer and continues to improve. He works very hard," Pittsburgh coach Jamie Dixon said of the native of Nigeria who played at Bishop McNamara H.S. in Forestville, Md., 15 miles from Maryland's College Park campus. "He's a guy that wasn't ranked high, and you know what that means, but he's good, and again, we recruit guys where they're going to be, not where they're at, and if you have a desire to get better and want to get better and you're willing to pay the price, that's what you get. He's getting better."

—The Associated Press

| Illinois | 45 | 30 | 9 | — | 84 |
|----------|----|----|----|---|----|
| Texas | 45 | 30 | 15 | — | 90 |

| ILLINOIS | Min | FG | FT | Reb | A | PF | PTS |
|------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|----|----|-----|
| Davis | 39 | 2-6 | 4-8 | 4-12 | 0 | 4 | 8 |
| Cole | 17 | 2-5 | 3-4 | 0-0 | 0 | 2 | 9 |
| Tisdale | 21 | 3-7 | 0-0 | 4-6 | 1 | 5 | 7 |
| Richardson | 40 | 4-15 | 4-4 | 0-2 | 1 | 3 | 15 |
| McCamey | 42 | 8-16 | 4-4 | 0-6 | 6 | 4 | 22 |
| Paul | 32 | 5-15 | 0-0 | 2-5 | 2 | 4 | 12 |
| Leonard | 9 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Berardini | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Richmond | 21 | 4-8 | 3-8 | 3-5 | 0 | 5 | 11 |
| Griffey | 3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 225 | 28-73 | 18-28 | 19-46 | 10 | 29 | 84 |

Percentages: FG .384, FT .643. **3-Point Goals:** 10-29, .345 (Richardson 3-9, Cole 2-4, McCamey 2-5, Paul 2-8, Tisdale 1-2, Richmond 0-1). **Team Rebounds:** 9. **Blocked Shots:** 7 (Cole 2, Davis 2, Richardson, Richmond, Tisdale). **Turnovers:** 12 (McCamey 4, Paul 4, Richardson 2, Davis 2). **Steals:** 4 (Davis, Richardson, Paul, Tisdale). **Technical Fouls:** None.

| TEXAS | Min | FG | FT | Reb | A | PF | PTS |
|----------|-----|-------|-------|-------|----|----|-----|
| Johnson | 36 | 6-15 | 4-7 | 2-7 | 3 | 1 | 16 |
| Hamilton | 32 | 9-17 | 5-9 | 4-7 | 2 | 4 | 25 |
| Thompson | 40 | 8-11 | 4-12 | 5-7 | 4 | 4 | 20 |
| Balbay | 30 | 1-5 | 3-4 | 2-8 | 5 | 0 | 5 |
| Joseph | 38 | 2-9 | 6-8 | 0-3 | 1 | 1 | 10 |
| Lucas | 16 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Brown | 16 | 3-8 | 1-2 | 1-2 | 0 | 4 | 8 |
| Wangmene | 13 | 2-2 | 2-2 | 0-1 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| Hill | 4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | 225 | 31-69 | 25-44 | 21-50 | 15 | 18 | 90 |

Percentages: FG .449, FT .568. **3-Point Goals:** 3-12, .250 (Hamilton 2-4, Brown 1-3, Lucas 0-1, Joseph 0-4). **Team Rebounds:** 13. **Blocked Shots:** 10 (Thompson 5, Joseph 2, Brown, Johnson, Hamilton). **Turnovers:** 10 (Hamilton 6, Balbay, Thompson, Lucas, Johnson). **Steals:** 6 (Thompson 3, Hamilton 2, Joseph). **Technical Fouls:** None.

A: 12,210. Officials: Roger Ayers, Mike Eades, Sean Hull.

| Maryland | 27 | 43 | — | 70 |
|------------|----|----|---|----|
| Pittsburgh | 31 | 48 | — | 79 |

| MARYLAND | Min | FG | FT | Reb | A | PF | PTS |
|----------|-----|-------|-------|------|----|----|-----|
| Williams | 30 | 6-9 | 2-7 | 1-8 | 0 | 3 | 14 |
| Gregory | 35 | 3-7 | 1-2 | 1-2 | 0 | 5 | 7 |
| Bowie | 28 | 3-6 | 3-4 | 0-3 | 4 | 4 | 9 |
| Mosley | 32 | 3-9 | 1-3 | 1-6 | 3 | 4 | 7 |
| Tucker | 33 | 7-15 | 2-3 | 0-3 | 5 | 3 | 17 |
| Wejjs | 2 | 1-1 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| Stoglin | 16 | 3-6 | 2-3 | 1-1 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| Palsson | 3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Howard | 11 | 1-2 | 2-2 | 1-1 | 0 | 3 | 4 |
| Padgett | 10 | 0-1 | 0-5 | 1-1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Totals | 200 | 27-56 | 14-30 | 6-28 | 12 | 28 | 70 |

Percentages: FG .482, FT .467. **3-Point Goals:** 2-14, .143 (Stoglin 1-2, Tucker 1-6, Howard 0-1, Bowie 0-2, Mosley 0-3). **Team Rebounds:** 3. **Blocked Shots:** 6 (Gregory 4, Padgett, Mosley). **Turnovers:** 9 (Bowie 4, Howard 2, Stoglin, Tucker). **Steals:** 5 (Bowie, Tucker, Palsson, Williams, Mosley). **Technical Fouls:** None.

| PITTSBURGH | Min | FG | FT | Reb | A | PF | PTS |
|------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|----|----|-----|
| Brown | 28 | 2-4 | 7-8 | 1-7 | 2 | 3 | 11 |
| Zanna | 23 | 5-7 | 4-7 | 3-12 | 0 | 4 | 14 |
| McGhee | 20 | 0-3 | 1-2 | 2-4 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Gibbs | 33 | 3-8 | 5-6 | 1-7 | 2 | 1 | 13 |
| Wanamaker | 25 | 4-8 | 2-5 | 1-4 | 2 | 4 | 10 |
| Woodall | 29 | 4-8 | 3-4 | 1-2 | 5 | 1 | 11 |
| Taylor | 16 | 3-5 | 2-2 | 2-4 | 0 | 3 | 8 |
| Patterson | 15 | 3-7 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 1 | 4 | 7 |
| Robinson | 7 | 1-3 | 2-3 | 0-1 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| Moore | 3 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Richardson | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | 200 | 25-54 | 26-37 | 15-49 | 12 | 26 | 79 |

Percentages: FG .463, FT .703. **3-Point Goals:** 3-10, .300 (Gibbs 2-3, Patterson 1-3, Brown 0-1, Moore 0-1, Woodall 0-2). **Team Rebounds:** 6. **Blocked Shots:** 2 (Zanna, McGhee). **Turnovers:** 16 (Gibbs 6, Wanamaker 3, Woodall 3, Brown 2, Taylor, Robinson). **Steals:** 4 (McGhee, Zanna, Woodall, Robinson). **Technical Fouls:** Brown.

A: NA. Officials: Bryan Kersey, Brian Dorsey, Tim Kelly.