



**2013 SEC Soccer Tournament * Orange Beach, Ala.
Wednesday, November 6, 2013
Match 6 * Post-Match Quotes**

FINAL SCORE: No. 4 Ole Miss 2, No. 5 Kentucky 0

Ole Miss Head Coach Matt Mott

On his team's 2-0 win against Kentucky in the SEC Tournament Quarterfinals ...

“It was a great win for us. The girls played fantastic and worked really, really hard. It was a very good Kentucky team, certainly an NCAA team, so I’m certainly happy. I liked the way we came out and the energy we came out with. I thought we created some good chances in the first half. Mandy’s [McCalla] goal was great and then we came out in that second half and got a good penalty [kick] there from Rafaelle [Souza].”

On the importance of scoring an early goal ...

“It’s huge. It gives you motivation and gives you an excitement level. It kind of breaks the tension of the game. I’m just really happy with the way our team responded.”

On the Kentucky team that Ole Miss faced on Wednesday ...

“They’re very good, they’re tough and they’re organized. They play really hard and have a special player in Arin Gilliland. For us to shut her out, I think, was a great effort from our midfield and our defense and our goalkeeping. I’m just really happy with how we defended tonight.”

On facing Florida on Friday in the SEC Tournament Semifinals ...

“They’re a great team. They’ve won the league a number of years in a row. They whipped us up in Oxford early in the season, so we’ve got to play a lot better than we did that night, but I think we will. I think our team is excited for the match-up.”

Kentucky Head Coach Jon Lipsitz

On his team's 2-0 loss to Ole Miss in the SEC Tournament Quarterfinals ...

“I thought it went pretty much how we thought it would go. The game got pretty extended. We knew both teams were going to want to attack and we didn’t like that we had to be pretty direct but, with all the players we had out, we knew we were going to have to play a more direct style. We got all the chances that we wanted in the first 70 minutes or so and didn’t finish anything. Obviously, their second goal changes the game. Until that second goal, I wouldn’t have traded our chances for

theirs. I was very happy with how we were playing. With our style, if we're not going to score some goals, we're going to struggle."

On how his team's SEC Tournament match helps prepare Kentucky for the NCAA Tournament ...

"For us, coming down here was about getting some film and working on some things. It's the second time this year – because of all the injuries – that we've had to change everything. We've treated the last two weeks as a chance to develop for the NCAAs. I'm proud of the work we've done to put ourselves in that position. Now, we've got to point ourselves toward that moment, a week from Friday, wherever we play."

On what his team will do to prepare for the upcoming NCAA Tournament ...

"Basically, we'll get a little rest. We need to. We have a lot of players playing more minutes than they were used to and I think they're really feeling it. The irony of losing players – and it's something that I don't think I've understood until what we've gone through this year – is it's not just the players we've lost, it's what the next tier goes through now. We need to give them a real rest and we're going to get some players back. Obviously, we'd rather be playing. Congratulations to Ole Miss. They were absolutely a deserved victor today. We'll take the time to get some rest and then it's sort of like starting all over again and that's exciting."