



2015 SEC BASEBALL TOURNAMENT
MAY 19-24 | HOOVER METROPOLITAN STADIUM | HOOVER, ALA.

| GAME 8 | ARKANSAS (7), FLORIDA (6) | NOTES AND QUOTES |

ARKANSAS POST-GAME NOTES

- Overall Record: 35-20.
- Arkansas leads the all-time series over Florida 28-26. They also evened the series in the SEC Tournament with the Gators at 2-all.
- Arkansas will face LSU in Game 12 on Thursday.
- Bobby Wernes' go-ahead home run in the ninth inning was his fifth homer of the season. Wernes now has 19 two-hit games and 19 multi-hit games on the year.
- Andrew Benintendi's ninth inning home run was his 18th homer of the season. Benintendi leads the team and the SEC in home runs.
- Ryan Nomura posted three hits in the game, his fourth three-hit game and 13th multi-hit game of the season.
- Arkansas improved to 26-4 on the season when scoring first and 30-1 when out-hitting opponents.

FLORIDA POST-GAME NOTES

- Overall Record: 40-16.
- Florida will face No. 9 seed Auburn, Thursday in Game 10.
- The Gators fell to 8-4 in one-run games this season.
- This was Florida's first loss of the season when leading after eight innings. The Gators are now 37-1 in that category.
- With two tonight, Florida has tallied 56 hit-by-pitch base runners this season.
- With eight hits on the night, this was only the Gators' second loss of the season when collecting 7-9 hits and also the second loss when scoring 4-7 runs.
- Third baseman Josh Tobias snapped his 12-game hitting streak going 0-for-3 on the night.
- Designated hitter JJ Schwarz picked up his 15th multi-hit game and his 12th multi-RBI game of the season, going 3-for-4 with three RBI and one run scored.

ARKANSAS HEAD COACH DAVE VAN HORN

Opening Statement ...

"That was a tremendous at-bat by Bobby [Wernes]. He finally got one that hung up there and he hammered it, and we knew it when it left the bat. We didn't play very good and this was a late and frustrating game. We left a lot of runners out there tonight. They [Florida] had a couple of big hits to put that second three-run inning together. [Keaton] McKinney's hip was bothering him tonight, and he didn't tell us until we went to get him, so there was just a lot going on. For us to hang around and find a way to win this game was big."

NO. 7, BOBBY WERNES, 3B, JR.

On his mindset with two strikes in the ninth inning and the pitch he hit out ...

"I just had to stick to my approach. I definitely wasn't thinking I would go down. I was just competing for all the guys in my dugout. The pitch was a slider. He was throwing a heavy mix of fastballs and sliders, and he just hung a slider and I got just enough off it."

FLORIDA ASSISTANT COACH CHAD WEITZEL

Opening Statement...

“(Bobby Wernes) really battled, really put up a fight. I wish I knew how many pitches he saw that at bat because that was a good battle. We scored three runs in two different innings. We have to score more runs. You have to add on. You have to tack on runs, or that’s what happens. We let them hang around, and they came back.”

NO. 22, JJ SCHWARZ, DH, FR.

On tonight’s loss...

“It was a big rollercoaster ride. It felt like the whole game was in our favor. The last inning was a heartbreaker. We have to come back tomorrow and change things around.”