



## **2016 SEC BASEBALL TOURNAMENT MAY 24-29 | HOOVER METROPOLITAN STADIUM | HOOVER, ALA.**

### **| GAME 6 | OLE MISS 10, SOUTH CAROLINA 4 | NOTES AND QUOTES |**

#### **OLE MISS POST-GAME NOTES**

- Ole Miss is now 32-36 all-time in 21 SEC Tournament appearances, 23-23 under coach Mike Bianco.
- Ole Miss has won its first two games in the SEC Tournament for the first time since 2008.
- In the first inning, JB Woodman recorded his 14th double of the season. He leads the team with 53 RBIs for the season. Woodman went 2-2 in today's game.
- Colby Bortles had two RBIs in the top of the third inning to give him 45 for the year.
- Henry Lartigue scored his fourth home run of the season and added four RBIs, his highest in a single game.
- Ole Miss improved to 40-3 when scoring four or more runs and 37-0 when leading after eight innings this season.

#### **SOUTH CAROLINA POST-GAME NOTES**

- South Carolina falls to 25-43 all-time in the SEC Tournament, 0-6 under head coach Chad Holbrook.
- With today's loss, South Carolina has a 7-game SEC Tournament losing streak dating back to 2012. South Carolina's last win in the tournament was a 5-3 victory against Auburn on May 24, 2012.
- South Carolina has now lost its opening game in the SEC Tournament five years in a row. The Gamecocks' last win in an opening game was 7-3 against Auburn on May 25, 2011.
- Madison Stokes was 2-for-4 today, his fourth consecutive multi-hit game. Over that stretch, he is 9-for-13 (.692) with three doubles, a pair of RBI and three runs scored. Stokes has five multi-hit games this season and eight in his career.
- Gene Cone went 3-for-5 at the plate today with a double and an RBI. It was his fourth game of the season with at least three hits and the eighth of his career. Cone is 46-for-115 (.400) in 30 games vs. SEC teams this season.
- Alex Destino doubled and drove in two runs today, giving him 52 RBIs on the season, ninth most in the SEC.

#### **OLE MISS HEAD COACH MIKE BIANCO**

##### *Opening Statement ...*

"I thought again in Day 2 we played some really good baseball. Of course it always starts on the mound, and the pitchers gave us great effort today. They did tremendous against a very talented South Carolina team. The middle lineup did it again today, and I thought it was a well-played game for us. We got some timely hits. I thought we played really well tonight."

##### *On Parkinson's pitching ...*

"He really has been tremendous. We were hopeful that today, he could give them a little bit of a different look than the last time we faced them. I thought he did better as the day went on, his rhythm and command were a little bit better. He was terrific today and I am really proud of him

##### *On J.B.'s great year so far...*

"He's always been a superstar; we love that guy right now. He has been a star since he stepped on campus. He is such a talent, a smart kid and a great competitor."

**J.B. WOODMAN, CF**

*On J.B.'s improvement...*

"I have seen the ball well. My swing has been really short. I've hit some good swings on some balls, and things have worked out."

**DAVID PARKINSON, P**

*On today's pitching ...*

"It felt pretty good today. I have talked to coach about it, and I threw my own pitches. He said to just hit your own spots and see what they can do with it. I think I threw better than I was as the game progressed. Later in the game I felt strong."

**HENRI LARTIGUE, C**

*On Schmidt's difference...*

"We had some success against him last time we faced him. It was all about timing here today. We got hits with runners on. Last time we had all singles, and we weren't able to push a run across. Today we were able to."

*On playing Vanderbilt...*

"We know that they pitch it really well, but nothing changes for us. We play the game. That is what we have been doing so far this week, and hopefully it pays off tomorrow."

**SOUTH CAROLINA HEAD COACH CHAD HOLBROOK**

*Opening Statement ...*

"Well, you have to congratulate Ole Miss. They played a better game than we did today. But we pride ourselves on pitching and defense, and that is what has gotten us to this point of the season. We pitched very well and played great defense on our pitching staff. Clarke did the best that he could; he just didn't have his normal stuff. We didn't help him out either, so we have to get back to what we do well, and that's pitch and play defense. They did a lot of damage so you have to congratulate [Ole Miss] on the win."

*On the performance of pitcher Clarke Schmidt ...*

I thought his stuff was good he had seven trike outs and good enough stuff. You know we got the first two guys out and kind of had the defensive lap on the ball. Marcus contributed to two runs and we were playing up hill the rest of the way. I had no problem with Clarke's stuff, I would've been worried if his stuff wasn't electric and his slider wasn't as good. He had good life on his pitches just need better rhythm and tempo."

**ALEX DESTINO, LF**

*On Thursday's game ...*

We look forward to every game, and we know [Texas A&M] is a very good. We're excited to get on the field with them. Coach told us to pride ourselves on playing good defense this year, so today was kind of tough seeing that those errors affected us a lot. We're not worried about Clarke; we think he's the best pitcher in the country. Today we didn't have our best stuff on defense, but I know we'll fix that tomorrow."

**CLARKE SCHMIDT, P**

*On competing ...*

"When you're coming into the postseason, you have to be ready for anything. I still have to get better and make better pitches. I'm ready for whatever is next, and I'm ready for the next game. My typical command wasn't there, and I wasn't in the zone as much as I needed to be. My stuff is still good, and there's some command things that I need to work, on but I'll be fine."