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| GAME 13 | TEXAS A&M 13, VANDERBILT 3 | NOTES AND QUOTES |

TEXAS A&M POST-GAME NOTES

- The Aggies registered the first run-rule of the 2016 SEC tournament with a 13-run output against the Commodores, their most since putting up 14 on Texas State in April.
- In their 11th game in the SEC tournament, the Aggies matched up with Vanderbilt for the sixth time. In its 13-3 victory, A&M evened the series for tournament games at three wins a piece.
- The Aggie bats surpassed their best ever SEC Tournament run total in just one inning of play when they broke out for seven in the first inning. No team during the 2016 tournament had scored more than four in a frame before today. It was also the most in an inning since LSU tagged Georgia for a seven-spot in the 2009 Tournament. A&M has now out-scored their opponents 61-21 in the first innings during the 2016 campaign.
- Kyle Simonds registered a career-high in 10 strikeouts.
- The run and hit outputs were all best for the Aggies during the SEC tournament. They improved to 6-5 at the SEC tournament as they issued Vanderbilt their worst lost since 2013.
- Michael Barash went 3-for-4 on the day tying a season high in hits. The senior extended his hitting streak to nine and registered his third hit of the ballgame in just the fourth inning.

VANDERBILT POST-GAME NOTES

- Vanderbilt fell to 47-35 all-time in SEC Tournament play.
- Vanderbilt starter Kyle Wright allowed career highs in runs (10) and hits (11).
- Vanderbilt has allowed double-digit runs on consecutive days in the SEC Tournament after only giving up double-digit runs twice during the regular season.
- Texas A&M's seven runs in the first inning are tied for the most runs Vanderbilt has given up in an inning this season. The Commodores allowed seven runs to LSU in the third inning on April 7.
- Jeren Kendall stole his SEC-leading 28th base.
- Bryan Reynolds went 2-for-3 with an RBI today and is tied with LSU's Antoine Duplantis and Henri Lartigue of Ole Miss for the most hits in the tournament with seven. Reynolds is also second in the tournament with six RBI.

TEXAS A&M HEAD COACH ROB CHILDRESS

Opening Statement ...

"This is what I do for a living. I stress for nine innings, sometimes 14 innings or however many innings we have to play. There's never really any time to relax. The only time to relax is when that last out is squeezed by your first baseman, and you know the ballgame is over and you have it in the books. I thought tonight was really a very solid performance by our team in every facet. Jared Poche' was as good as he's been all year. You could tell even in the first inning that he was commanding his fastball and his breaking ball. He had life on his fastball. I thought Poche' was outstanding, and of course, Parker Bugg did a tremendous job. We played good defense with the exception of that pop fly that we dropped. I still thought we swung the bats. We had 12 hits today and faced one of the best pitchers in the league (Dakota Hudson). I thought Papierski had a great game, drove in three runs. It was just a solid game all-around, maybe one of our better games we've played all year."

On Michael Papierski...

"Nobody works harder than Michael Papierski. You guys don't see him, but he's always the first guy to the field and the last guy to leave. He's in the batting cages. He's got a lot of pride. He was a really good hitter in high school and just hasn't performed at that level here at LSU. He wants to, and he's working at

it. Today, batting right-handed helped him a little bit. He had a big base hit and got the big sacrifice fly with two strikes on him. That was huge. Sometimes in the season you go through ebbs and flows, some real peaks and some really big valleys. When you're 18, 19 years old sometimes those things are hard to handle, and I think he's handled them really well. He's growing up as a man."

BEAU JORDAN, LF

On catcher Michael Papierski's two-RBI single ...

"I love Pap. He works just as hard as everybody. He was due for a hit, and it was the biggest hit of the game. It worked out perfectly."

On not having to come back from behind to win the game ...

"It felt really good, but you take a win however you can get it. It felt good not to have to come back from behind. That's what we tried to do today. Before the game, (Jared) Poche' was like 'Hey man, can y'all score some runs early?' We came out and started swinging it. The first inning he put us down pretty fast, but after that, we started battling, seeing better pitches and hitting them."

VANDERBILT HEAD COACH TIM CORBIN

On thoughts on LSU approach at plate ... "In 27 at bats against Dakota (Hudson), they hit three balls and made it in the outfield in the air."

On runs against Dakota...

"He got underneath their bats and hit ground balls where we weren't standing. Three balls out of 27 at bats; that means you have sync, and you're making them hit them on the ground. That's what we want."

JACOB ROBSON, CF

On team being out of sync ...

"I think some things didn't go our way offensively and some things went there way against Dakota. They had a lot of infield hits, balls off the end of the bat, or they got jams that ended up being hits. They capitalized on that and our errors. We're going to look to minimize that and move forward tomorrow with confidence."