



2017 SEC Men's Basketball Tournament

Nashville, Tenn. – Bridgestone Arena



First Round – Game #2 Notes

Missouri 86, Auburn 83 (OT)

Missouri advances to face Ole Miss Thursday at approximately 8:30 p.m. CT

Series Notes:

- All-Time Series: Missouri leads 5-3
- SEC Tournament: First meeting
- Season Series: Auburn leads 2-1
- It was the second meeting in the last five days, as Auburn prevailed 89-78 in the teams' regular-season finale Saturday on the Plains.

Game Notes:

- There were 11 lead changes and four ties in the game with the final lead change occurring on Kevin Puryear's game-winning 3-pointer at the overtime buzzer. Prior to that shot, the last time Mizzou held the lead was 45-44 with 15:06 remaining in the second half.
- Trailing by six, Missouri hit two 3-pointers in the final 17.9 seconds of regulation to tie it up and send it to overtime (Cullen VanLeer with 17.9 seconds and Frankie Hughes with 1.8).
- Auburn led for 21:29 of the game and Missouri for 19:10
- Auburn committed 16 turnovers compared to 10 for Missouri.
- Auburn enjoyed a 22-12 edge in points in the paint.

Missouri Notes:

- Missouri improves to 8-23 and snaps a six-game skid.
- This marked Mizzou's first overtime game of the year and their second in SEC Tournament play. They defeated Texas A&M 91-82 in double overtime on March 13, 2014.
- Kevin Puryear posted his third game of 20 or more points this season with a career-high 30. It marked the most points by a Tiger since Jabari Brown's 30 against Davidson on March 18, 2015. It was the most ever by a Tiger in an SEC Tournament game, topping Jabari Brown's 26 against Texas A&M on March 13, 2014. Puryear has totaled 49 points in his last two games, both against Auburn.
- Cullen VanLeer registered career highs of 16 points and five 3-pointers. It was his sixth double-digit scoring game of the year.
- Jordan Geist reached double-figure points for the third time in the last four games with 14 to go with six rebounds and a career-high seven assists. He is averaging 13.5 points, 6.0 rebounds and 6.0 assists over his last two games.

Auburn Notes:

- Auburn falls to 18-14.
- Auburn drops to 1-1 in overtime games this year and 5-2 all-time in SEC Tournament play.
- Five Tigers scored in double figures.
- Mustapha Heron notched his third double-double of the year with team highs of 15 points and a career-high 14 rebounds. The double-double was the first by a Tiger in SEC Tournament play since Korvotney Barber's 12 points and 10 boards against Florida on March 13, 2009.
- Bryce Brown's four 3-pointers was one shy of his season high.
- Jared Harper tied his season high with seven assists.