**2017 SEC BASEBALL TOURNAMENT**



**MAY 23-28 | HOOVER METROPOLITAN STADIUM | HOOVER, ALA.**

| GAME 7 | FLORIDA (5), AUBURN (4) | NOTES AND QUOTES |

**FLORIDA POST-GAME NOTES**

• Florida improved to 40-16 on the season, 66-61 in the SEC Tournament and 8-2 all-time in the tournament vs. Auburn.

• The Gators improved to 12-3 in games that Alex Faedo started.

• JJ Schwarz extended his hitting streak to 10 games and on-base streak to 17 games.

• Schwarz recorded his 15th multi-hit game.

• Ryan Larson has reached base in 17-straight games.

• Alex Faedo leads the SEC in strikeouts with 113.

• Michael Byrne picked up a school-record 14th save of the season.

**AUBURN POST-GAME NOTES**

• Auburn fell to 35-23 on the season, 32-45 in the SEC Tournament and 2-8 all-time in the tournament versus Florida.

• When trailing after six, Auburn is now to 3-17, and when recording a big inning (four or more hits), Auburn drops to 15-5.

• With his walk in the top of the seventh, first baseman Dylan Ingram has now reached safely in 21-straight games. His 13-game hit streak was snapped after going 0-3 with 1 BB and 1 K.

• Centerfielder Jonah Todd recorded two base hits for his team-best 26th multi-hit game of the year.

• Mize set a career-high with six strikeouts. His previous high was three, which he recorded on four separate occasions.

**FLORIDA COACH KEVIN O’SULLIVAN**

*Opening Statement …*

“Michael Burn, what a great story. He broke the school record tonight with his 14th save and we had no idea he was going to be our closer until about a month into the season so congratulations to him. I thought we had some really good at-bats in the third and fourth inning, especially with two outs. It was one of those nights that we scored just enough. Jonah Todd is a tough out. Those two guys at the top of their lineup, Todd and (Daniel) Robert, are really, really good hitters, and I knew we had to get through those two guys to win the ball game. I’m glad that we get to have a day off tomorrow, and that we are assured two more games in this tournament.”

*On Alex Faedo …*

“I thought he was good tonight. His fastball was about 92-94. He located his pitches for the most part and threw some really quality changeups. Auburn’s hitters did a nice job of laying off of a few of them because out of the hand they looked like fastballs, and I thought he might get some swings and misses on some of those. His changeup is a pitch that is much improved for him and his slider was really good. He fastball was good too.”

**ALEX FAEDO, PITCHER**

*On tonight’s performance …*

“It was a good game. Auburn has a good team, and they hit me pretty well early in the season. I wanted to go out and put our team in a better place to win the game. I was happy we won. It wasn’t good that we gave up the lead but it was good that we had to fight back and that it wasn’t just given to us. That is what our team is all about, finding ways to win.”

**AUBURN COACH BUTCH THOMPSON**

*Opening Statement …*

“They battled their heart out. I love it. We got down two nights in a row and continued to battle back and even tied the game. I though both pitchers, after extending both of them, bit me twice. We got the open base three times with Cole and couldn’t get it, but then Calvin Coker came in and did a tremendous job. We probably just ran out of gas with both guys just a little bit. Of course, walked in the run there which was kind of a tough situation. I just want to keep my guys fighting in their at bats. I love how we play and it is a great lesson learned that we get to play one of the premier teams in the country. We need to keep making these adjustments like turning and running for the baseball and making sure we are interested in hitting and not umpiring. Other than that I thought we fought for every pitch tonight and played as hard as we possibly could. It is a great night with the loss. I thought we played good and lost the game rather than playing bad and losing. We took a lot of positives away tonight. “

**CONOR DAVIS, DH**

*On … the games intensity*

“It was just back and forth. They jumped out early, and we were just chipping away. The coaches talked the whole game about getting your pitch and getting back into it and in that one inning we got back 4 and it was a real fight. We played well, they played well, and we just fell a little short in the end.”

*On… his at bats*

“I came out knowing he was going to be throwing fastballs. He threw me a few early on, and I was on time for the fastball and it happened to be a changeup that I just hit it over the first baseman’s head. I just got the barrel to it. “

*On… what they learned about themselves tonight*

“We learned as a team that we have to keep fighting. We have more than we think. People get down on us sometimes when we get behind but we are a lot better than people think and we have a lot of heart on our team.”