



**GAME 2**  
**FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2016**  
**POSTGAME NOTES**

**RHODE ISLAND 5, SOUTH CAROLINA 4**

**Rhode Island Notes**

- The victory was Rhode Island's first in NCAA Tournament play. The Rams previously had gone 0-2 in 2005 against Long Beach State and Pepperdine, their only prior Regional games.
- The victory boosted URI's current winning streak to a season-long seven games.
- Left-hander Tyler Wilson earned the victory to improve to 13-1 on the season. He has won his last 13 decisions, and Rhode Island had won his last 14 appearances.
- Wilson's 13 victories lead NCAA Division I baseball.
- Wilson struck out 11 Carolina hitters, two off a career high and the most since he fanned 13 in a win over Massachusetts on May 13. It was his fifth game of the year with 10+ strikeouts.
- Rhode Island is now 1-1 all-time against the Gamecocks after dropping the prior meeting by a count of 17-8 in 2011.
- Senior Ryan Olmo and freshman Brett McManus hit consecutive one-out home runs in the 4th inning; it was the first time this season the Rams had homered in back-to-back at-bats.
- Both Olmo and McManus hit their second homers of the season in the 4th and snapped long home run droughts. For Olmo, the dinger was the first since March 5 at Winthrop, while McManus went deep for the first time since Feb. 21 at Florida State.
- Rhode Island has now hit a home run in four straight games after going the previous five games without a blast.
- McManus provided the drive that gave URI a 5-4 lead midway through the 5th inning on a two-RBI fielder's choice.
- The three-RBI game from McManus was his second in a row; he also drove in three runs in Rhode Island's 15-2 victory over Davidson in the Atlantic 10 Championship Game.
- Sophomore Chris Hess finished 2-for-5 at the plate and now leads Rhode Island with 21 multi-hit games this season.



**South Carolina Notes**

- With the loss, South Carolina is 128-65 all-time in NCAA Tournament games.
- The Gamecocks are now 60-11 all-time in NCAA postseason games in Columbia and 18-3 in Regional and Super Regional contests at Founders Park.
- The Gamecocks are 22-2 in the opening game of NCAA postseason series (Regionals and Super Regionals) played in Columbia. The loss snapped a 21-game winning streak in NCAA series openers in Columbia.
- Sophomore Clarke Schmidt took the loss to fall to 9-4. Schmidt threw 4.0 IP and gave up five runs (all earned). He struck out eight Rhode Island batters.
- Junior Gene Cone's 1st-inning home run was his fourth of the season and his first since hitting a game-winner on April 30 against Florida.
- Sophomore Alex Destino's home run in the 1st inning was his team-best ninth of 2016, and his first round-tripper since a two-homer day May 10 against Presbyterian.
- Cone's home run in the 1st inning extended his current hitting streak to a team-high eight games.
- Junior Dom Thompson-Williams went 2-for-5 at the plate. It was his Gamecock-leading 22nd multi-hit game.
- Destino now leads the Gamecocks with 15 multi-RBI games.
- South Carolina's bullpen effort was a highlight for the Gamecocks; junior Reed Scott, Taylor Widener and Josh Reagan combined to throw five scoreless innings, with Widener tallying six strikeouts in his 3.0 IP.

