



NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP

POSTGAME QUOTES

First Round • Columbia, S.C. • Eugene E. Stone III Stadium
Nov. 14, 2014

(3) SOUTH CAROLINA 0, CLEMSON 0 - SC ADVANCES ON PKS 4-3

Clemson Head Coach Eddie Radwanski

Opening Statement...

First off I'd like to say congratulations to South Carolina on advancing, we wish them good luck going forward. I want to just say that I'm really proud of our team – what a fabulous season they've had for such a young group – and they have a never say die attitude. They showed that in the overtime, coming out and really trying to change the rhythm of the game, and trying to get the results. We can never be more proud of them than we are at this moment. Unfortunately sometimes when you get into a shootout with penalty kicks, it is a bit like the flip of a coin, and tonight it went South Carolina's way. I've been in scenarios where it's gone my way and it hasn't gone my way. Congratulations to them, we wish them the best.



On lack of shots throughout the game...

It was strange because it was a little bit of a stalemate. To be honest, these two teams should not have been playing each other in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. In one poll were ranked ahead of them, in another they're ranked ahead of us. We're so close to one another. To be quite honest, I thought we would be hosting the first round, never mind playing down here. But when you put two good teams together like that, you just end up neutralizing each other, and I think a lot of that was going on. It was hard for either team to get a rhythm. I think there was a little bit of anticipation and nerves since it was the NCAA Tournament and that definitely factors in. Both teams are at a stalemate. I think each of us would say that other one neutralized the another. That would have been the one critique of my own group, we didn't threaten the goal enough, but neither did they.

On losing the season on penalty kicks...

I've been doing this long enough to know when you get to a shootout it can go one way or another. To be honest, I've moved into the stage of I'm really proud of our players and what our girls have done. These two girls [Savannah Coiner and Kailen Sheridan] played the back line, and to come down here and post two shutouts [this season] is impressive against a good team. For our girls, we only lost three games this year. We lost to North Carolina, Virginia Tech and Notre Dame. In 2012, we were at the bottom of the ACC. This year, we finished a few points out of fourth place. We're proud that this group of kids here represent a group that has resurrected the program at Clemson, and we're not going anywhere for a while. We're going to be here for a while. We're going to be banging on the door. This will be one of those experiences that we hope that we can use as a learning experience moving forward.

On senior Savannah Coiner...

I can't thank Savannah enough, she's one of our seniors and she has joined me through the thick and thin and has been instrumental in rebuilding our program. Her leadership and her development as not just a player, but as a person, a student and a young lady, have been nothing but overwhelmingly impressive for me. I'm going to miss the hell out of her, but I'm smiling because Kailen's going to stick around for another two years.

Kailen Sheridan - GK - SO

On her relationship with South Carolina goalkeeper Sabrina D'Angelo...

We trained together for about year back home. We were on the same provincial team. She was always two steps ahead of me, by being two years older than me. She was 17, then I was 17. She was the U-20 keeper, and then I was the U-20 keeper. Now in college we're in the same pool. It's always been competitive, but she's always been someone that I look up to because she's always been up there before me. It is competitive and now that we've been rivals with both of us playing for Clemson and South Carolina, I don't think it's ruined our relationship, but it hasn't helped it too much either. We're goalkeepers. We just get in the net, and we save the shots and help our team out. That's what we're here to do. That's what we came here to do.

On the shootout...

They did have several good PKs. I was trying to read them. There was one I just got wrong, I'm not going to lie. Putting it right in the corner makes it extremely difficult for us as goalkeepers. You can't go forward until they hit the ball, which makes it even harder. If you get that read off you've got it. She seemed to get the read off a little bit more than I did, unfortunately. I kind of wish I had gotten the one I had a little fingertip to, little frustrating but it's not the end of the world. We're going to come back next year and going to be stronger.

COACH – “To South Carolina’s credit, I thought they took some very good PKs. You stick them in the corner, and you just have to tip your hat.”

Savannah Coiner - D - SR

On the physicality of the game...

“I’ve played this team for four years now, and every time we get together, it’s a physical game. They tend to play the physical game a lot more in the SEC than we do but it’s the rivalry. There’s a lot of emotions flying, and fouls happen. We always tell ourselves when we come down here to keep our heads and just play soccer and try not to let the fouls get so out of hand”

COACH- “I though the first game was a lot more physical. Fouls accumulated, but it was not the same environment as the first game.”

