

# STANFORD ATHLETICS



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### **Stanford vs. Arkansas Game No. 3 - Quotes Saturday, May 31, 2008 Stanford Regional Stanford, Calif.**

#### **Arkansas Head Coach Dave Van Horn**

(Opening Statement) "Give credit to Stanford. They did a great job on the mound. I thought [Austin] Yount did a tremendous job of keeping himself balanced early. We knew his style and we tried to get as many reports on him as we could. Our guys were having trouble with it. We hadn't seen much of that from the right side this year. We've seen some left-handers that throw like him, mid to low 80's today it looked like today with a very good change-up and a breaking ball that he took down in the dirt. He did a great job, and the difference in the game was that Stanford drove in runs and we didn't. We had our chances. Probably, the biggest play of the game was made by Yount himself on the line drive that Andy hit up the middle, a one-hopper. I don't know how it went in his glove. I don't know how he fielded it. He just reacted and did a tremendous job there. That ball gets by him there and its tied 3-3 and we're feeling pretty good about things. Instead, we're down 3-1 and we never recovered. Stanford was solid. We didn't make too many mistakes. We had a wild pitch and gave them a run and then a sacrifice on a 3-0 pitch, which we figured he was swinging 3-0 with the bases loaded as good a hitter as he is. It's a tough loss. It's been a rollercoaster-type season for us and I'm disappointed as too be expected. I'm disappointed for the players and the older guys, these guys sitting next to me over here. A couple of them are probably moving on professionally. [Andy] Wilkins is a freshman and just a lot of the other guys, I'm disappointed the season's over."

(On leaving runners on base) "It was our downfall. We just couldn't get them in. A couple of them were because of some great plays and good pitching. That always plays a big part in it and that's the way it goes sometimes."

(On the Arkansas pitching) "In nine innings, combo gave up five runs. That's going to give you a shot in game two in just about any league and same yesterday. We gave up four runs and left people on base. The pitching was fine. We just didn't get the big hit or they made a good play on us and give the other team's pitching credit. When runners are in scoring position, it's harder to hit because the bear down and they make pitches. I think that's what went on a little bit as well."

(On the seniors) "It's always tough at the end of the season, especially when some guys are in the lineup and some aren't. You're playing to win and trying to make good decisions and have the best matchups. You're trying to get guys in the lineup or give them an at bat. It just didn't happen. That's always the hardest part as far as on the field. As far as on the relationship part, it's hard for me as a coach every time. I've done this a long time. I know what's going through their heads standing over there. I'm standing in the third base coaches' box thinking we've got to score four runs or their careers are over. It's hard. I get to watch them mature as people, as men and there's some guys that have come a long way in three or four years. That's always a good thing and it's a fun part of my job."

#### **Andy Wilkins**

(On the frustration of his bases-loaded at bat) "It's really frustrating. That ball gets by and we have two runs and its 3-3 and its going to change the whole complexion of the ball game. The guy snags it and its kind of a momentum killer. It's really frustrating. I just couldn't believe he caught it. I knew I hit the ball pretty hard. It found his glove."

#### **Logan Forsythe**

(On the pitchers faced in the tournament) "It was two different kinds of pitchers. Yesterday's pitcher had a bunch of offspeed stuff and a hard fastball. The guys' offspeed stuff yesterday was a little harder, a little sharper. That's what we sat on. Same with the guy today. He located a little better than yesterday's guy, saw a little offspeed. We started figuring him out a little bit the second time through the lineup. In a regional, postseason, we got to figure him out a little sooner than that."

(On his progression since coming to Arkansas) "I think tremendously. I think a lot has to do with Coach Van Horn, Coach Butler and Coach Jorn. I just worked my butt off to tell you the truth. I listened to everything they had to say and the things that worked for me, that's what I did. I couldn't be happier to be a Razorback. I hate to not be able to wear this uniform anymore."

(On the younger players) "They're great freshmen. They're going to be great players in the league. They have the right mindset, the right attitude to play the game. If I leave something with them, or one person, or all the freshmen, that's something that's better than what I did on the field. That's something that's going to help next year's team, maybe they'll see something like that."