

NCAA Men's College World Series
Game 11 Notes (#8 Georgia vs. #Stanford)
Saturday, June 21, 2008 (Attend: 15,828)

- With the win, Georgia advances to the MCWS Championship Finals beginning Monday night. The Bulldogs will play for their first baseball national championship since winning its only national title in 1990. Georgia will bid to become the first champion from the SEC since LSU won the last of its five national crowns in 2000. South Carolina (2002) and Florida (2005) both finished second.
- Georgia will be the second SEC team to play in the MCWS Championship Finals since the format was enacted in 2003. The Bulldogs joined Florida, which played for the 2005 national title before losing to Texas.
- Today's crowd of 15,828 is the smallest MCWS crowd since June 18, 2004, when Georgia beat Arizona in front of a crowd of 14,697.
- Of the 11 games in the 2008 MCWS, nine have been won by relievers following Dean Weaver's win on Saturday
- Georgia improved to 9-9 all-time in its six MCWS appearances, including 5-4 under Coach Dave Perno.
- This is the first time in six MCWS appearances that Georgia has won its first three games in Omaha. Georgia lost to Stanford, 4-2, in its third game in the 1990 MCWS.
- Georgia is now 4-3 all-time against Stanford, including 4-2 mark against the Cardinal in the MCWS. The only other time that Georgia defeated Stanford twice in a season was during its 1990 national title season.
- Georgia improved to 23-11 against ranked teams, including a 12-4 mark against top-10 teams in 2008
- Georgia has scored double figures in five of its 11 NCAA Tournament games and its 15 hits marked the 10th time in NCAA postseason games that the Bulldogs have reached double figures in hits.
- Georgia is hitting .379 (159-for-420) as a team with 16 homers and 102 RBIs in 11 NCAA Tournament games.
- With his three hits today, Ryan Peisel became the fifth Georgia player to record 100 hits in a season. Peisel is hitting .500 (7-for-14) with two homers and seven RBIs during the MCWS, leading all players in homers (tied) and RBIs.
- Peisel now has a team-best 32 multi-hit games after going 3-for-5 with a homer, three RBIs and three runs scored against Stanford.
- Rich Poythress' three doubles against Stanford tied a single-game MCWS record, set seven other times (complete list is on page 79 of the MCWS guide). The last time a player had three doubles in the MCWS game was by Florida's Jeff Corsaletti against Nebraska on June 19, 2005. His three doubles was a career high and one off of UGA's single-game mark for doubles.
- Poythress' four RBIs on Saturday is the second time in the NCAA Tournament he has driven in at least four runs in a game. His season high for RBIs is five against Lipscomb on June 1. Poythress is hitting .419 (18-for-43) with three homers, a team-best 18 RBIs and a team-high six doubles in the 2008 NCAA Tournament.
- Gordon Beckham had two hits against Stanford, picking up his 29th multi-hit game of the year and extending his hit streak to 12 games. Beckham now has 106 hits on the season, a total that ranks fifth nationally entering tonight's game
- It is the first time that Georgia has had two players over 100 hits in a season (Beckham, 106; Peisel, 102)
- The five strikeouts by Matt Cerione was the first time a player had struck out five times in the MCWS game since Texas' Drew Stubbs accomplished the feat on June 26, 2004, against Cal State Fullerton.
- The Bulldogs are 16-2-1 when scoring at least 10 runs in a game this season
- Stanford finished its 2008 season with a 41-24-2 record, reaching 40 wins for the first time since going 46-14 in 2004. Stanford has 20 seasons with at least 40 wins in program history.
- Stanford is making its 16th MCWS appearance and has a 40-29 all-time record and finished tied for third at the 2008 MCWS. It is the 11th time Stanford has finished in the top three at the MCWS, including the first time since 2003.
- Stanford finished 8-3 in the NCAA Tournament and had won eight of their last 10 games following its lost to UC Davis in the NCAA Palo Alto Regional, with both losses coming to Georgia in Omaha
- The Cardinal scored at least eight runs in seven of its last 10 NCAA Tournament games.
- Stanford has committed only one error in its four games in Omaha games (MCWS best .992 fielding pct.)
- The six earned runs allowed by Stanford Starter Jeremy Bleich on Sunday was more than he had allowed the entire season (44 IP entering Saturday). Bleich allowed a season-high seven runs – all unearned – in a start against Pacific on March 21.
- Ben Clowe's ninth-inning pinch-hit homer was the first in the MCWS since Benji Johnson of North Carolina hit one against Oregon State on June 23, 2007.
- Stanford scored six of its eight runs in two-out situations against Georgia on Saturday.
- Stanford finished 1-9 when allowing at least 10 runs in a game this season