

POST-GAME NOTES

2014 NCAA CHARLOTTESVILLE BASEBALL SUPER REGIONAL Davenport Field • Charlottesville, Va.

2014 NCAA Division I Baseball Super Regional • Game 2
June 8, 2014 • 12 p.m.
Maryland (40-22) vs. Virginia (48-14)

VIRGINIA POST-GAME NOTES

- Virginia is now 37-30 all-time in the NCAA Tournament and 6-5 in the super regional round.
- UVa accrued 17 hits on Sunday versus Maryland, tied for the second-most all-time for the Cavaliers in an NCAA Tournament game. UVa's output equals the 17 the Cavaliers had against Richmond in a 1972 NCAA Tournament game and trails only the 18 against Princeton in a 1996 NCAA Tournament contest.
- The 17 hits also tie for the second-most by UVa this season, regular or postseason, equaling a May 16 outing at Wake Forest.
- UVa has recorded at least one hit in 16 of the 18 innings of this Charlottesville Super Regional.
- Virginia hitters have been hit by a pitch six times against Maryland this super regional, bringing its 2014 NCAA Tournament total to 10.
- UVa's bullpen has gone 7.2 innings and has allowed only two unearned runs, while striking out seven in the Charlottesville Super Regional.
- Artie Lewicki made his first appearance out of the bullpen since April 8 at James Madison when he went 3.0 innings.
- Lewicki earned his first career save, going 3.1 innings to close the door.
- Going 3-for-5, Mike Papi has reached base 8-of-10 times in this Charlottesville Super Regional.
- Papi extended his reached base streak to 16 games.
- Papi finished with three hits, his team-leading 20th multi-hit game and fourth three-hit game of the season.
- Kenny Towns and Daniel Pinero each notched their second three-hit game of the season.



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MARYLAND POST-GAME NOTES

- Maryland is 5-7 all-time in the NCAA Tournament.
- Maryland is 1-1 all-time in the super regional round.
- The Terrapins suffered their first loss of the 2014 NCAA Tournament.
- Virginia's 17 hits were the most allowed by Maryland this season (Previous high was 16 at West Virginia on Apr. 22)
- Brandon Lowe had three hits to lead Maryland, his seventh three-hit game of the year.
- Jose Cuas had his third consecutive multi-hit game, his 18th multi-hit game of the year.
- Anthony Papio had two hits for his 11th multi-hit game of the year.
- Kevin Martir tied a career high with two hits, his 14th career multi-hit game.
- In three games against UVa this season, leadoff hitter Charlie White did not reach base to lead off the game. He homered in the ACC Tournament and doubled on Saturday in the super regional.
- Mike Shawaryn took the loss, snapping a four-game win streak.
- The 12 hits allowed by Shawaryn was a career high and the five runs he allowed tied his career high.



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University of Virginia Quotes

Virginia Head Coach Brian O'Connor

Opening Statement:

"Just overall, really proud of our guys. We've got a veteran offensive group. I knew last night going in to today, personally, I had a really good feeling that this team would rise up today. Certainty there is a lot of talent on this ball club and they showed that today. Losing a one-run game like we did yesterday and for us to come back and [Brandon] Waddell to be as good as he was and [Artie] Lewicki in the back half. They had a great offensive day. A number of guys had multiple hits. There were four or five players in our lineup that had two or three hits. For the first half of the game, [Mike] Shawaryn, he is talented and he knows what he's doing out there. He mixes his pitches well. We had runners on again and we just couldn't punch them home. But that is okay. Our guys didn't lose the confidence that they need to be successful. The back half of the game we found a way to punch those guys across and open the game up a little bit. Certainly, making the decision to go to Artie Lewicki at that point in the ballgame with runners on 1st and 2nd with a one-run lead. I made that decision because you are in a one game season right now. We've got a lot of confidence in Artie that he is going to go out there and throw strikes. Certainly he made three big pitches to get us out of that inning and finish the ballgame. I don't know right now where that leaves us tomorrow. I haven't decided yet what we are going to from that standpoint. But if you look at a stat sheet, there are a number of guys who have made starts for this ball club this year and whoever goes out and starts that game tomorrow we'll have a tremendous amount of confidence in.

On if he thought about taking Artie Lewicki out to hold him for tomorrow:

"I did not. We've got to win the one in front of is. We know Maryland is not going to go away and I just didn't want to get too cute and try to create too much. Artie was throwing strikes and I felt that that is what we needed at that point. I just decided to stay with him. I really wasn't worried about tomorrow. I know it's about winning the series, but tomorrow we have an opportunity to show what a complete pitching staff we have."

On the hitting performance in Game 2 versus Game 1:

"As I do in most games, I go back and reflect and watch the video of the game we've just finished with. As I go back to Game 1, we hit a lot of balls hard right at guys. That's the game of baseball. If we stayed with the same approach that we had in Game 1, which I thought we did, the big guy upstairs eventually rewards you with being consistent with an approach. Certainly we did today and a lot of those balls found holes."

On the challenge the MLB Draft happening in the middle of the post-season:

"I'll tell you, it is a lot for a young person to deal with. Fortunately a lot of those players had opportunities out of high school, so they've dealt with it before. They've dealt with the hype and the drama around the draft. I don't think we'd be sitting here today with 40-some odd wins, or however many we have and having a chance to go to Omaha if those players who were third years were not mature and did not put their team first. It is difficult because they have a dream of going to the major leagues someday and that is important to them because they worked hard for that every day. But I sent a text message to each of the individuals that went in the first round right after they got drafted. Their immediate response was, 'Coach, that's great, thank you, but this team has more work to do.' So I know in the conversations that I've had with them throughout the year that they were prepared for this. I thought they handled it really well. Certainly it is a challenge for every ball club."

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Post-Game Quotes: Maryland vs. Virginia

Kenny Towns

On his confidence in the hitting ability of the team:

"I had a lot of confidence today. Yesterday we were really squaring the balls up, but they weren't falling for us. Everybody did a good job of sticking to our approach today. We happened to have some of them fall for us."

On his hitting approach in the post-season:

"I always stick to the same approach. But I just have happened to have a little more success in the post-season."

On his double:

"Well Maryland scored a half inning before that, so I was just trying to get some momentum for us. Just get on base. I happened to get a good pitch to hit and it got a good bounce in left field, allowing me to advance to third."

Artie Lewicki

On if he was surprised to come out of the bullpen to pitch today:

"I wasn't surprised. I'd been preparing. It has been awhile since I've come out of the pen, so I was definitely excited. I just tried to go out there and throw strikes and it worked out."

On if he would be able to pitch tomorrow:

"We'll see tomorrow. Like Coach O'Connor said there are a bunch of guys available."

On what he did differently today than last time he faced Maryland in the ACC Tournament:

"Nothing. I was just pitching. I was just making better pitches today. The ball was finding people's glove instead of not."

Mike Papi

On the team's approach after yesterday's loss:

The approach that we've been taking all year is to move past what game has just happened for us. Even if it is a win or a loss, I feel that we take a lot from it and we learn from it. We come to the field with the same approach, just like these guys said, and just play Virginia baseball instead of worrying about if it is Game 3."

On how they approached today after losing in the super regional last year:

"Our coaching staff had so much confidence in us today. They had so much confidence that we were able to stay alive and keep our approach. Being experienced players we know that there is a lot on the line and that this could be our last game, too."



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Opening Statement:

"Obviously this was a disappointing day for our guys, but Virginia played very well. [Brandon] Waddell was very good and made big pitches when he had to. I thought we had a lot of good swings. We hit some balls hard right at people. We had a couple of speed bumps on the base paths, but that's going to happen at times. We've been pretty good about that for most of the year. I think it was one of those days where a lot of things didn't go our way. Mike [Shawaryn] had a good start. If you look at some of the base hits early on, it's not like he was getting hammered. There was a ground ball here and a blooper there, but good teams like Virginia will take those base hits and turn them into good things. It could have gone a lot better for us, but the bottom line is that it's a three-game series and, realistically, it's hard to come in here and beat these guys in the first two. We just have to re-gather ourselves and flush this really quick and come back mentally prepared tomorrow."

On tomorrow's matchup:

"No matter who they throw out there tomorrow, it's going to be challenging. It's not like they're going to throw a weak arm at you. We'll have to have our best effort out there offensively and defensively to get it done. At this stage of the season, you know you're going to face a challenging pitcher. We're going to need to play well to be successful. We need to get off to a good start."

On the difficulties of facing Virginia and Mike Papi:

"You have to play very clean to beat them. If you look at the two wins we have against them this year, they were both one run games. They'll take you to the end. That's why they have all the accolades and rankings this year, because they do things the right way and they have good players. Mike Papi has shown who he really is in these past two days. That's about as good as a left-handed hitter we've faced all year. He's making us really work for an out against him."

On Mike Shawaryn's performance:

"Mike's stuff was okay, but he's just a very tough kid. I've seen him in many adverse situations this year that he's gotten through. Anytime I got Mike Shawaryn on the mound, I'm feeling pretty good about things."

Sophomore Infielder Jose Cuas

On what he saw from Virginia's Brandon Waddell:

"He was making big pitches when needed and his defense was making plays behind him. He had two runners on late in the game and made a big pitch and got a ground out to third base."

On the team's mentality after the game:

"It's a loss, but it's not the biggest one of the year. We're still alive for tomorrow. As long as we put this game behind us, we can come out tomorrow from the first inning on and attack."

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On the possibility of facing Virginia's Artie Lewicki in tomorrow's game:

"If he can come out [and pitch] tomorrow, he can come out. He threw as many pitches today as we thought he'd throw. Our approach is going to stay the same. He throws with velocity. They still have a power arm out of the bullpen in their closer who can throw 96-97, so no matter if he pitches or not, our approach is the same."

Freshman Pitcher Mike Shawaryn

On moving past today's loss heading into tomorrow:

"We can't dwell over it later tonight. We have to move on and put it behind us. We have to think of the positives and take tomorrow as it comes."

On Virginia's offensive performance:

"They got to me early today and after that things kind of unraveled. It didn't go the way I wanted to. They put the bat on the ball all day and things happen. That's baseball. They are a great team and it's tough to get those 27 outs. Virginia does a good job of making it tough on us."