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Virginia Tech Baseball Head Coach John Szefc Q&A Highlights Game Two Presser June 3, 2022

Opening Statement:

"Just a really well fought game. Not a lot that happened tonight surprised me. Typically, we wouldn't use that many guys to pitch and typically we're going to pitch a little bit better than that, as far as each guy. We hadn't play in six or seven days, so it took us kind of a [little bit] to get back in a groove. That's the one negative of playing in a tournament like this – that's the days you have off. Whatever. Obviously, offensively we were very good. I mean, to have two guys in a game with five hits. Biddison was on base six times, Cross drives in five runs. We had some really big contributions. Carson Jones [did] very good in that game driving in two runs with two doubles. DeMartini was big in the end there. That's kind of the way we've been playing. Getting contributions from a lot of guys and [it was] just another day doing it."

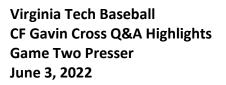
On the atmosphere:

"The atmosphere was great. I don't know that we're ready to celebrate anything yet to be quite honest with you. I would say though that a night like tonight with the crowd and hosting an NCAA Tournament game here takes a lot. There's a lot of work that goes into getting to this stage amongst coaches, players, and administrators. To have the support of all these people here means a lot. That's a four hour plus game and they hung in there. We're really appreciative of that and I need them to come back. I think our guys enjoy playing in front of that crowd. If you like watching college baseball, that was a good game to watch. There was a lot of offense in that game, ups and downs, and pitchers having to come in and dig deep for things. I think hopefully Blacksburg is getting to be more and more of a baseball place. It's already a football place. It's a sports place in general, but hopefully our guys are starting to turn it into a baseball place too."

On preparing for Columbia:

"You get to watch it because it's at the same tournament you're playing. Colombia's good, everybody in this tournament is good. Once it starts the seeds, stats, and records are out the window, it doesn't mean anything. They were very good. They won that game going away 8-2. We knew looking at their numbers that they could hit. To hold Gonzaga to two runs is a pretty complete game. They went out and played and we'll have our hands full tomorrow but so will they."





On what it was like having family here while playing in a regional:

"My family is the reason why I play and is kind of what brought me here. Anytime they can come it's great. They come to as many games they can. They're at a majority of them. I talk to them after the game. It's fun. It's why I play."

On what was helping swing the bat:

"I think the rest throughout week. We had some good practices. Just sticking with our approach. Baseball is baseball. We had one bad game in Charlotte, but the offense has been good all year. Sticking with the plan the coaches gave us and going out there and playing as hard as we can. If we don't play well our season is over."

Virginia Tech Baseball RF Nick Biddison Q&A Highlights Game Two Presser June 3, 2022

On what it's like having Gavin Cross hit behind him:

"I think we have a really good offense top to bottom. Not just the two of us at the top. I think having Gavin [Cross] and the other guys behind me just enables me to simplify my at bats and just try to get on base. Not try to do much. Just be simple and let those guys drive me in."

On what everyone was thinking when Wright State tied the game at five:

"No deficit is too big for us, really. Just try to our play game. We don't really pay attention to the score just try and treat each inning like its own and go pitch by pitch. That's really it."



Virginia Tech Baseball P Christian Worley Q&A Highlights Game Two Presser June 3, 2022

On how exciting it was being involved in big outs:

"I know the bases were loaded when I came in in the sixth and I just tried to slow the game down and let my stuff do its thing."

On how he's been able to put his early season struggles behind him:

"I struggled at the beginning of the year, and I knew I had to flip a switch. I think JMU, I came in and closed the game during the year. After that, something switched."