LIVE: Texas v. Arkansas at the College World Series

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The Old Coach's Jeff Power is on the scene in Omaha, Nebraska for Texas' opening round matchup against Arkansas.

NOTES: The Longhorns were 9-9 following their two losses at Arkansas in mid-March. The Horns lost their former legendary head coach <u>Augie Garrido</u> to a stroke in March. Since March 14th, Texas not only snapped a five-game losing streak by sweeping Kansas but proceeded to win 33 of their next 44 games. Longhorns' second year head coach <u>David</u> <u>Pierce</u> is honoring the late <u>Augie Garrido</u> by wearing his famous number 16 for the duration of the CWS. Garrido won 1,975 college baseball games, an NCAA record, while making 15 CWS trips and earning 5 national championships. Garrido won two of those titles at Texas (2002, 2005), where he coached the Longhorns from 1997-2016. The Longhorns also won five Big 12 titles under Garrido. The Horns are making their 36th College World Series appearance, the most in college baseball. Texas has won six national championships overall (1949, 50, 75, 83, 2002, 05) and were the runner-ups six more times.

1st Inning

The Horns go down in order in the top half of the inning as Blaine Knight only needs 12 pitches to get his three outs, including two strikeouts. In Kody Clemens' first at-bat, the Golden Spikes Finalist went down on strikes.

Arkansas draws first blood after a lead-off double by Eric Cole, followed by an RBI single by Heston Kjerstad. The Hogs leave a runner stranded in scoring position.

Hogs on the board in Omaha! #CWS pic.twitter.com/dsoZ93fIz5

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TEXAS 0 ARKANSAS 1

End of 1st

2nd Inning

Zach Zubia recorded a lead-off single for Texas' first baserunner and advanced to second but his teammates could not drive him in.

Jared Gates also recorded a lead-off single in the bottom half for Arkansas before advancing in the next at-bat on a balk. Gates got around to third but was stranded after a foul out and a Nolan Kingham punch-out, his second of the day.

TEXAS 0 ARKANSAS 1

End of 2nd

3rd Inning

Tate Shaw led off the top half with a triple that rattled off the wall in deep center. Shaw would come in to score on a sacrifice by Ryan Reynolds. The Horns leave one on base after a David Hamilton walk.

All tied up in Omaha thanks to Ryan Reynolds and Tate Shaw <u>pic.twitter.com/XTnjTpEA9F</u>

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Heston Kjerstad gets his second hit of the day, a one-out double to right field, but Kingham responds with a strikeout and a pop-up in the infield to get out of trouble.

TEXAS 1 ARKANSAS 1

End of 3rd

4th Inning

Nothing happening for the Longhorns in the fourth as they go 1-2-3 at the hands of Blaine Knight.

Jared Gates gets his second hit of the day with one out, but is stranded on first as Nolan Kingham has settled in against the Razorbacks.

Through 4 innings, Kingham is up to 62 pitches while Knight has hurled 63.

TEXAS 1 ARKANSAS 1

End of 4th

5th Inning

Texas opens the inning with back-to-back singles before Ryan Reynolds moves the runners to second and third on his second sacrifice bunt of the season. David Hamilton followed with a sacrifice fly to right field to give the Longhorns their first lead of the day. Duke Ellis leaves Tate Shaw stranded on third base after striking out.

Do a job, kid! **@** <u>@</u>TexasBaseball baseball takes the lead with a sac fly from Hamilton! <u>#CWS</u> | B5 | TEX 2 | ARK 1 <u>pic.twitter.com/HRUmHkchI7</u>

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Arkansas got a one-out walk before Heston Kjerstad grounded one to first base that should have been a double play, but David Hamilton threw the return throw to first base wide, resulting in Kjerstad staying at first with two outs. In the next at-bat, Luke Bonfield lauched one over the wall in left field to bring in two unearned runs and regain the lead for the Razorbacks.

Flip the script! •

Our first BLAST of this #CWS puts @RazorbackBSB back on top!

T6| ARK 3 | TEX 2 pic.twitter.com/u8qIaU5Q53

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TEXAS 2 ARKANSAS 3

End of 5th

6th Inning

Blaine Knight exits the game for Arkansas after 5 innings that saw him allow two runs on four hits while recording four strikeouts.

Texas goes away quietly in the top of the sixth despite a lead off single by Kody Clemens.

Arkansas makes a lot of noise in the bottom half as they open the inning with back-to-back hits followed by three consecutive walks to extend their lead to 5-2.

The game experienced a 2 hour and 47 minute weather delay with no outs and the bases loaded, but the Arkansas bats stayed scorching hot after the break as they knocked in six more runs before Texas could get out of the inning.

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Call the "s! <u>@RazorbackBSB</u> has busted things open after the delay!<u>#CWS</u> | ARK 8 | TEX 2 pic.twitter.com/K0PKZjb3wi

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TEXAS 2 ARKANSAS 11

End of 6th (finally)

7th Inning

Texas gets two on, including a hit from Tate Shaw, his third of the day, and chases reliever Barrett Loseke from the game but can't cut into the Razorback lead.

Arkansas gets a lead off single from Casey Martin but Andy McGuire makes quick work after that to leave the runner stranded.

TEXAS 2 ARKANSAS 11

End of 7th

8th Inning

Texas makes some noise in the eighth, but it may be too little, too late. The Longhorns get two runs in on a 2 RBI single from Austin Todd, but David Hamilton leaves the bases loaded on a 3-2 pop-up.

Horns still Hustlin'! <u>@TexasBaseball</u> plates two, and has two more on with two outs! <u>#CWS</u> | T8 | ARK 11 | TEX 4 pic.twitter.com/lTuDn0kvBl

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Matteo Bocchi comes in for Texas and allows a two-out single, but nothing more as Arkansas goes down quietly.

TEXAS 4 ARKANSAS 11

End of 8th

9th Inning

Texas gets another run, this time on a Zach Zubia double, but that is the extent of the damage as the Longhorns leave two runners on to end the game.

TEXAS 5 ARKANSAS 11

FINAL

WOO PIG! **@**RazorbackBSB explodes for 8 runs in the sixth to take down Texas, 11-5 in game three!**#**CWS pic.twitter.com/gXLWfjQLIH

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