



CWS Game 8 Notes: Florida vs. Louisville Tuesday, June 20, 2017

Florida 5, Louisville 1 – Attendance 22,222 (MCWS Total: 177,206; Avg. 22,151) – Time of Game: 3:01

Florida (49-18):

- Florida is 8-8 in six CWS appearances under head coach Kevin O'Sullivan and 16-21 all-time in 11 CWS appearances, overall.
- The Gators are now 1-0 in CWS play against Louisville.
- Florida improves to 5-6 in second games at the CWS.
- The Gators have won their first two games for the third time in 11 College World Series appearances. Florida reached the championship game both times they started 2-0, but haven't reached it in eight trips when they lost one of their first two games.
- Florida's 1-4 hitters went 0-for-14 with four strikeouts and a run. They were 5-for-14 with two runs and two RBI in Game One. The rest of the lineup went 5-for-18 with four RBI.
- Dalton Guthrie, who has eight hits in his CWS career, went 0-for-4 vs. Louisville. The school record is nine hits at the CWS, shared by Mike Zunino and Preston Tucker.
- Mike Rivera extended his reached-base streak to 27 games with a double in the seventh inning.
- Florida pitching's scoreless-inning streak came to an end at 24.2 innings on a Colin Lyman RBI single in the seventh. The last time a Gator pitcher surrendered a run prior to tonight was a two-run home run in the bottom of the 11th to Wake Forest's Ben Breazeale on June 11th.
- Brady Singer's scoreless inning streak also came to an end on the play, stopping at 12.2 innings.
- Singer earned his eighth win of the season, tying him for the team lead with Alex Faedo. It's Singer's first win in his last four appearances (32 days).
- Singer has struck out 28 batters in his last four appearances.
- Singer's nine strikeouts is a personal-best for most strikeouts in a postseason game.
- Langworthy's solo home run in the third was his fourth of the season, hitting the left field foul poul.
- Liput's three-run home run in the fourth was his third round-tripper of the season and marks his eighth multi-RBI game of the year, which is second-best among Gators hitters.
- Prior to the start of the NCAA Tournament, Liput's last home run came Feb. 19 and Langworthy's was March 3. Each have now hit two home runs during the postseason.
- Florida has hit seven home runs during the NCAA Tournament.
- Florida has 11 of the 60 CWS home runs hit at TD Ameritrade Park.
- Florida is 12-2 when hitting 2+ home runs.
- Florida has won three games in the CWS on five occasions.
- Nick Horvath made his 27th relief appearance of the season, throwing 0.2 innings. His 27 showings from the bullpen are second only to closer Michael Byrne (35).



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Louisville (53-11):

- Louisville drops to 2-7 in College World Series games. The Cardinals have yet to win a non-Sunday CWS game. Both of their wins have been on Father's day.
- The Cardinals broke their six-game winning streak and earned their first loss in the month of June. Prior, the Cardinals had not lost since May 26 when the team lost to Florida State.
- Louisville's one run tonight against Florida is tied for the least number of runs of the season. The Cardinals previously scored one run on March 24 against NC State.
- The Cardinals single run was scored with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning.
- Louisville fell to 38-3 on the season when collecting more hits than its opponent.
- The Cardinal batters struck out 11 times tonight. It was just the ninth time this season that the team has recorded double-digit strikeouts.
- RHP Kade McClure gave up his seventh HR of the season in the top of the third to Austin Langworthy.
- RHP Kade McClure recorded nine strikeouts against the Gators, marking the 15th time this season he's earned five or more. McClure earned at least seven strikeouts for the ninth time this season.
- McClure's nine strikeouts were the second-most strikeouts of the season. He had 10 strikeouts back in April against Wake Forest.
- McClure gave up two home runs, tying his season high. He also gave up two home runs against Clemson on May 13.
- With one hit, SS Devin Hairston extended his reach-base streak to seven
- The Cardinals did not get a runner in scoring position until the sixth inning.
- LHP Adam Elliott gave up his first earned run since May 19. He had previously pitched two consecutive games where he didn't give up a run.
- LHP/1B Brendan McKay has had three hits in the last four games, dating back to June 9. He had 11 hits in the previous 10 games, including seven consecutive games with at least one hit from May 18 to June 4.
- McKay earned his 22nd multi-hit game against Florida.
- McKay has typically been much more productive for the Cardinals when he is not pitching, batting .372 compared to .254 while on the mound. Tonight he did not pitch and went 2-4, including a double and a run.
- LF Josh Stowers reached base for the 13th consecutive game against the Gators.
- The four-run loss against the Gators ties for the third-largest loss of the season for the Cardinals. The Cardinals have previously lost by nine, six and four twice, prior to tonight.
- The Cardinals earned less than eight hits for the 18th time on Tuesday night.
- Louisville has yet to win multiple games in a single trip to the College World Series. They are currently 2-7 in four trips to Omaha.
- Louisville will next play on Thursday at 7 pm Central against TCU. The Horned Frogs will be the home team in that game, which will air on ESPN2.



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2017 College World Series Notes

Offense Notes:

- Teams to score first at the 2017 CWS are 6-2, with six straight wins. At the 2016 CWS, teams to score first went 14-3.
- Teams to hit a home run are 5-4 at the 2017 CWS ... 10 home runs have been hit through eight games.
- Of the last 61 teams to score five or more runs at the CWS, 56 of them have won.
 - Virginia lost 10-5 to Florida/2015,
 - Virginia lost 9-8 to Vanderbilt/ 2014,
 - Texas Tech lost 7-5 to Coastal Carolina/2016,
 - TCU lost 7-5 to Coastal Carolina/2016,
 - Cal State Fullerton lost 6-5 to Oregon State/2017
- Since the CWS moved to TD Ameritrade Park, teams that score at least 5 runs are 50-5 (.909).
- Texas A&M pinch-hitters went 0-for-2 in Game 7. Pinch-hitters are now batting 4-for-15 during the 2017 CWS.

Pitching Notes

- The pitching staff with more strikeouts has won 7-of-8 games so far in the 2017 CWS, with Game 6 (Oregon State/LSU) being the only exception.
- The pitching staff with more walks has lost 7-of-8 games so far in the 2017 CWS, with Game 2 (Florida State/LSU) being the only exception.

Defense Notes

- Teams to make an error are now 4-8 in the CWS, while teams to play without an error are 4-0.

Taking The Lead Notes:

- Teams leading after eight innings have won 105 of their last 107 CWS games.
 - Vanderbilt overcame a 3-1 deficit to defeat Cal State Fullerton 4-3 in Game 4 of 2015
 - TCU scored three runs in top of ninth to beat Texas Tech in Game 3 of 2016.

Miscellaneous Notes

- The fourth video replay review in the CWS history came in the bottom of the 3rd inning of Game 8; Louisville's Logan Taylor was originally sent to first with a walk. Upon review, Taylor was called back as the count should have been 3-2. He went on to strike out.
 - The third video replay review in College World Series history came during the top of the 4th inning of Game 5; original call was safe at home (Florida State's Cal Raleigh) on a sacrifice fly – first ever review of a safe or out call at home plate ... The call on the field was upheld
 - Second video replay of the CWS ... Video review also occurred during the top of the 8th inning of Game 1; original call was a catch by Cal State Fullerton's Scott Hurst against the left-center field wall ... Call on field was upheld – the first time a call was upheld after replay.
- Five national seeds are in this year's field (No. 1 Oregon State, No. 3 Florida, No. 4 LSU, No. 6 TCU, No. 7 Louisville); the most since 2011 (six) ... 2011 is the last year a national seed claimed the national championship when South Carolina won during the first CWS at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha. Of the six remaining teams in the 2017 CWS field, only Florida State is unseeded. Seven national seeds have won the national championship during 18 years of seeding (since 1999).
- The national seeds are 4-0 in the CWS against unseeded teams. In addition, the higher seed has won all three seeded matchups.
- Oregon State is seeking to become only the second No. 1 national seed to win the title as Miami (FL) won the 1999 crown during the first year of national seeding.
- Each of the eight schools at this year's College World Series have played during at least one CWS at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha (park opened in 2011) ... Two were in last year's field as TCU advanced to its fourth consecutive CWS and Florida is in Omaha for the third consecutive year.
- For the second time in the past three years none of the participating teams are making their first appearance in Omaha.
- The eight teams have combined to win more than 74 percent of their games and have the best winning percentage of a CWS field since 2013.
- Every team in the 2017 field has appeared in at least four CWS but only three teams (Oregon State, Cal State Fullerton and LSU) have won national championships.
- Every team has had multiple CWS appearances this decade (since 2010) and every team has appeared in a CWS at TDAPO.
- The 2017 field features teams that have made a total of 26 CWS appearances this decade (since 2010) representing more than 40 percent (26 of 64) of the appearances in that span.
- In the past 36 years, only 4 teams have lost their opening CWS game and bounced back to win the championship (Coastal Carolina 2016, South Carolina 2010, Oregon State 2006, USC 1998).
- Twenty-three of the past 27 champions have been won by a team that started 2-0 in Omaha.
- The US Open Golf Championship was won by Florida State product Brooks Koepka on Sunday. Last year, Coastal Carolina product Dustin Johnson won the US Open, and a week later the Chanticleers won its first CWS title in program history.
- The designated home teams are 5-3 in the 2017 CWS.