

Game Four - Evansville v. Southern Illinois

EVANSVILLE

Coach Dave Schrage

On Approach: I wasn't surprised, we have been in this situation so many times during the season where we were in a must win. All we said yesterday was don't look at the brackets and don't look ahead, all we had to do was look at one game tomorrow and then go from there.

On Ben Norton: Early in the ballgame we had the bases loaded and didn't come through, but Ben Norton kept us in check so they didn't get any momentum. He just did a tremendous job.

Kern Watts

On Mindset: We had a lot of runners on base and people were hitting the ball hard even if it was at people. We knew that once we got runners on base that they might either walk us a little bit more or make some errors. We just kept trying to keep the pressure on them.

Jim Visconi

On Pressure: We know we have got to keep winning, but the thing is we can't put pressure on ourselves to win. We just have to go out there and relax because when we put pressure on ourselves we push too much and start to swing to hard and not have fun like we are supposed to.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

Coach Dan Callahan

On Game: I think today kind of optimizes the last three weeks of our season. There was just so much uncertainty as far as which team was going to show up at the ballpark. Unfortunately we picked a bad time to go down in flames. The fourth inning was a huge blow, and they are playing for a run and we always talk about trying to avoid the big inning and playing for one run.

On Ben Norton: Ben Norton did an unbelievable job as far as pitching with a lead. It is easy to get distracted at times. He was 0-1 or 0-2 on just about everybody. Sometimes you can loose concentration or start to get a little careless with a nice lead and I thought he did a nice job of pitching.

Kevin Koski

On End of Season: It is probably the worst time to get in a funk like that; everyone just looked a little uptight at the plate and weren't making adjustments.