

2002 NCAA Division I Baseball Championships South Bend Regional May 31-June 2, 2002 Frank Eck Stadium

Ohio State vs. Kent State (Game #3) Notes

OHIO STATE

- Ohio State faced Kent State in the second game of the 2001 Columbus Regional and dropped a 9-8 decision to the Golden Flashes. The Buckeyes are 33-13 versus Kent State in the all-time series.
- Ohio State recorded a season-high eight stolen bases versus Kent State. The previous high was five versus Alabama-Birmingham (2/23).
- Ohio State's eight stolen bases (**Drew Anderson -3, Brett Garrard -3, Mike Rabin -2**) versus Kent State is a new NCAA tournament record for the Buckeyes.
- Ohio State second baseman **Christian Snavely** has three hits in the first two games but made the most of them with two home runs, a single and six rbi. He had a two-run homer in Ohio State's loss to Notre Dame (Game 2) and then added a three-run homer and a run-scoring single in the 12-8 win over Kent State. He now has 10 homers and 45 runs batted in on the season.
- Ohio State's 17 hits equals an NCAA tournament record for the Buckeyes.
- Freshman third baseman **Drew Anderson** and freshman shortstop **Brett Garrard** each stole three bases versus Kent State to equal an Ohio State individual NCAA tournament record.
- Freshman relief pitcher Matt Davis turned in a career-high 4.2 innings of relief work to pick up his sixth win of the season (6-0). His previous longest stint was 2.2 innings.
- Brett Garrard (4-4, two rbi) had a career-best four hit game versus Kent State.
- Ohio State is 37-19-1 this season and has won 14 of its last 20 games. The Buckeyes are 25-23 all-time in the NCAA tournament.
- Ohio State snapped a five-game NCAA tournament losing streak with the 12-8 win over Kent State. Prior to the Game 3 win at the South Bend Regional, the Buckeyes lost to Notre Dame in the 2002 Regional's first game, to Delaware and Kent State in the Columbus Regional last season and lost the final two games to Cal State Fullerton in the 1999 Columbus Super Regional after sweeping through the Columbus Regional and taking the opening game of the Super Regional.

KENT STATE

- Kent State and Ohio State have met 46 times in the all-time series between the two schools. The Golden Flashes are 13-33 versus the Buckeyes. In the last meeting between the two schools, Kent State defeated Ohio State in the second game of the 2001 NCAA tournament in Columbus, Ohio.
- The eight stolen bases surrendered by Kent State is a season-high by the opposition. The previous high was six opponent stolen bases on March 1 versus Kansas State.
- Sophomore RHP **Matt Lorenzo** pitched four innings giving up six runs (four earned) and nine hits. He had pitched at least five innings in each of his previous six starts and had not given up more than four earned runs (once) in those six games.
- Kent State closes the 2002 season with a 37-22 overall record. The Golden Flashes are 5-12 all-time in the NCAA tournament.
- Kent State has now lost three consecutive NCAA Tournament games dating back to the 2001 Columbus Regional where the Golden Flashes were 2-2.