

NCAA Tournament Second Round Quotes: Stanford vs. UC Irvine

Stanford Head Coach Jeremy Gunn thoughts on game.

We had the better chances throughout the game. We had five clear-cut chances that could've easily gone in. We've put ourselves in a position to win but didn't quite drive it home tonight.

We carved out some great chances and had them on their back foot. In the second half, they were reeling, weren't they?

We threw everything at them, we just couldn't find that touch.

We can be proud of the way we played. We played a great game and we did enough to deserve the victory until we gave away one chance.

We're losing tremendous seniors who have put their heart and soul into the program. But we know we'll be back. We'll be one of the best teams in the country in the future, no doubt about it.

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Stanford's Jimmy Callinan on context of season.

I'm really proud of the team in the way we went about the Pac-12. We overcame a lot in that sense. We worked hard every single game and ended up getting the Pac-12 title, so that was great for our team and great for Stanford that we could get that under our belt. I just wish we could've done better tonight.

Jimmy Callinan on what was difference tonight?

Overtime games come down to fitness. We haven't lost an overtime game in I don't know how long. A game like that is decided with a flip of the coin.

Sometimes it doesn't work out how you expect it to.

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UC Irvine Head Coach Chris Volk on what has clicked for UC Irvine.

You go through a season and it's a marathon. I thought we got out early with some good results. We hit conference and our Big West conference is one of the toughest in the country. It's not easy to get results in that conference. We hit a patch where we were struggling scoring goals.

We found a rhythm here in postseason. Four of our last five games have been shutouts. We've only conceded two goals in five games so I am super proud of the defensive effort for the collective team. It's hard work. Defending is hard work. Today we had a defensive midfielder scoring the game winner. If you look at our stats we've got goals that have come from all different positions – defenders to midfielders to forwards – and we've got a nice blend of players and a good balance.

