



2009 Phillips 66 Big 12 Baseball Championship AT&T Bricktown Ballpark: May 21, 2009

Game Notes: No. 1 Texas 9, No. 5 Kansas 3

Postgame Notes...

- Kansas and Texas met for just the second time in Big 12 Championship history today. Texas now leads the series 2-0.
- KU's triple play in the top of the ninth inning marks the first triple play ever completed at the conference tournament.

Texas (39-13-1, 1-1 Pool One)

- With today's win, Texas snapped its four-game losing streak to the Jayhawks.
- Today's victory marked the first neutral-site win for the Longhorns this season.
- After taking a 2-0 lead in the first inning, Texas extended its numbers for outscoring opponents in the first inning to 41-7. They have scored the first runs of the game in 24 of 31 games this season.
- The Longhorns have outscored Kansas 18-3 in Big 12 Championship matchups.
- Chance Ruffin earned his ninth win of the season after pitching a complete game. He allowed three runs on four hits while fanning six batters. This is his second complete game of the season with his first coming in the Longhorns' 6-2 win over Stanford on March 6.
- Texas has scored nine or more runs in the past three consecutive games for a 2-1 record.
- Cameron Rupp and Brandon Belt paced the Longhorn offense by driving in three runs apiece. Rupp finished the day 1-for-4 with his seventh home run of the season, while Belt finished the day 2-for-4 with his eighth homerun.

Kansas (37-21, 0-2 Pool One)

- The Jayhawks are 4-6 in Big 12 Championship play.
- Tony Thompson extended his hitting streak to 15 games, going 1-for-4 at the plate.
- David Narodowski, the Big 12 Newcomer of the Year, smashed his fifth homerun of the season and the second of the tournament, bringing his season total to five. This marks the first time this season that Narodowski has hit homers in back-to-back games.
- The Jayhawks' triple play in the top of the ninth inning was their first since 1999.
- Travis Blankenship extended his league-leading appearances record to 36 after one-third of an inning of relief. Blankenship has totaled four pitches, all of which have been strikes, in his two-thirds of an inning at the 2009 Big 12 Championship.
- The eight runs allowed on nine hits were a season high by Jayhawk pitcher T.J. Walz.

Today's Attendance: 4,396