



**2012 America East Men's and Women's Basketball Championship
presented by Newman's Own**

**Thursday, March 1: West Hartford, Conn.: Women's First Round
Final Score: #8 Maine 49, #9 Stony Brook 43**

Maine Head Coach Richard Barron, opening remarks:

"I'd like to thank Hartford and Newman's Own and the job that everyone does putting on this tournament. And I'm very happy for Maine fans to see us get out of the play-in game for the first time since 2006. Tough game. Stony Brook is very feisty and well coached. We got very fortunate down the stretch. Very happy for our team, we were able to double last season's win total and we can use that progress looking forward."

Barron on the second half

Stony Brook did a very good job making us pay for our mistakes for most of the second half. Whitney Davis hit some shots and made us pay. They did a really good job taking advantage of our defensive hiccups. One thing we did much better in the second half was rebound. I was disappointed in our rebounding effort in the first half but I thought rebounding was in our favor in the second half."

Maine forward Samantha Baranowski on the program's first tournament win since 2006:

"It's exciting, as coach said, for the first time in a while to get out of the play-in game. We are excited for tomorrow now."

Maine guard Brittany Williams on the program's first tournament win since 2006:

"It's definitely a weight lifted off our shoulders and now we can finally move forward to Boston U."

Baranowski on the foul trouble and maintaining aggressiveness...

"I just tried to stay calm down and play a little bit smarter so it wasn't too hard to get back out there."

Stony Brook Head Coach Beth O'Boyle, opening remarks:

"First off, I'd like to congratulate Maine. It was a defensive game and I was very happy with our effort level. Whitney had a tremendous game and we got some great production off the bench. It came down to our scoring. They hit the and 1 in the last minute and hats off to Maine for being able to execute down the stretch."



O'Boyle on the early second half run:

"Whitney came out and hit two big baskets for us. We only had 3 turnovers and took 15 more shots. On the offensive glass we were getting second chance opportunities. Baranowski for Maine was great – 6-6. For us it's been an issue to score points. Defensively I think we're right there with any team in

O'Boyle reflecting on her first year...

"I'm very excited to be at Stony Brook. We are so well supported by our administration. It's such an easy school to recruit to. Great campus, great academics. This year was about building the culture and where we want to be. The result wasn't in our favor tonight but I think we competed and that's been a huge emphasis this year."

Stony Brook senior guard Whitney Davis, on the effort tonight:

"It was a pretty long season but I think we fought the whole season. Appreciate the opportunity to play. The game really came down to the small plays – boxing out and hustling. We fell short but we really fought.