



**2014 America East Men's & Women's Basketball Championship Presented by SEFCU  
Men's Semifinal No. 2: #2 Stony Brook 69, #3 Hartford 64  
Postgame Quotes**

**Stony Brook's Coach Steve Pikiell's opening statement:**

I'd first like to thank the University at Albany; they do a great job hosting, first class. All the people we've met in the conference, I want to thank them. Secondly, Hartford has a very good basketball team, well coached. Those guys do a really good job; we knew it would be a war tonight and it was. So, I am just happy we came out on the topside of the score. It was a very hard fought game and I tip my hat to Hartford. They are a tough team to play, they space you out. I am really pleased, and really pleased that we have another chance to play in Pritchard.

**Stony Brook's Carson Puriefoy on his mindset when driving to the basket:**

I just like to get my teammates the ball and get to the basket drawing defenders, and dishing out to them is what I do best. My mindset really is either finish or get my teammates involved with an assist.

**Stony Brook's Anthony Jackson on the last minutes of the game:**

We were trying to execute on offense and getting stops. We emphasize on getting stops on the defensive end. We took a big step last night, but today we got cracked on the glass. We just wanted to defend the last minute, and I think that is what we did.

**Stony Brook's Coach Steve Pikiell on the halftime change up:**

I said enough with the jump shots. I had enough with the jump shots, so we started to get the ball inside and we were getting them to foul. You know Eric [McAllister] is a tough cover for people and Rayshaun McGrew really helped us a lot, he has had a great weekend. He was able guard when they played the four small guards. Ray can really sit down and guard people. He gives us an added luxury of being able to guard their small guys. I knew they were going to go with that lineup today and he can guard their guys on the perimeter so that is why he played more minutes today.



**2014 America East Men's & Women's Basketball Championship Presented by SEFCU  
Men's Semifinal No. 2: #2 Stony Brook 69, #3 Hartford 64  
Postgame Quotes**

**Hartford's Coach John Gallagher's opening statement:**

I want to give credit to Steve Pikiell and Stony Brook. They came out ready to go. They are a program built on all of the right values. We at the University of Hartford have the upmost respect for them. That was also the best officiated game all year. It is unique when you try and take over a basketball program. You need the right personnel, and we have the right personnel. The two guys to my left (Corban Wroe and Mark Nwakamma) optimize what the University of Hartford is becoming, they have the heart, soul and work ethic. I want to tell my players that I love my team and I love working at the University of Hartford. These guys have changed the way people view the University at Hartford's Men's Basketball program. I cannot tell you how proud I am of my team. Am I upset we lost? Yes, but I am so proud to be the head coach at the University of Hartford.

**Hartford's Corban Wroe on where he has developed his recent confidence:**

My teammates, these are the guys that always believe in me. The coaching staff and my teammates, they never let me have a day off. If I start slacking my teammates get on me just like I get on them. That has allowed me to grow as a player. I have grown as a person, as well as defensively because of my team. It is because of them and the coaching staff that I have gained confidence.

**Hartford's Coach John Gallagher on the team's season and the future of Hartford Basketball:**

On the wall in my office it says "Run your program. Coach your team." Our approach to the summer is: what do we have to do to take that next step. We have three scholarships in recruiting. We are pretty clear on what we need. The following year we have six scholarships. It is a growing time for our program. The great thing is we have Evan Cooper and Taylor Dyson behind the six man group. We have to add some pieces for the long term. For next year, the word is excited. I want to have the right approach.