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>> Glenn: WHAT'S GOING ON,
CANADA?

WELCOME INSIDE "SPORTSCENTRE,"
ALONGSIDE JENNIFER HEDGER, I'M
GLENN SCHILLER.

WE JUST WATCHED UCONN, PAIGE
BUECKERS AND THE HUSKIES
EXTENDING PAIGE'S CAREER.
SHE'LL BE THE FIRST OVERALL PICK
NEXT YEAR AT THE WNBA.
SARAH STRONG, THE FRESHMAN, WAS
OUTSTANDING AS WELL.

>> Jennifer: SO GOOD.
TOO BAD WE DIDN'T GET THE
MATCHUP EVERYBODY WAS LOOKING
FORWARD TO WITH JUJU WATKINS,
OBVIOUSLY GOING TO BE THE JUJU
VERSUS PAIGE GAME, BUT SHE TORE
HER ACL IN THE SECOND GAME OF
THE TOURNAMENT.

JUJU WILL BE BACK NEXT YEAR.
USC WILL BE BACK NEXT YEAR,
PAIGE BUECKERS WILL NOT.
SHE'S OFF TO THE FINAL FOUR.
FOUR NUMBER ONE SEEDS ARE
THROUGH TO THE FINAL FOUR.
LET'S GO DOWN TO KATE BEIRNESS
AND THE NURSE SISTERS, TAMEKA
AND KIA.

>> Kate: AND ALONGSIDE TAMEKA
AND KIA NURSE AND THE FINAL FOUR
IS SET AND WE WILL BEGIN ABOUT
KIA NURSE'S UCONN HUSKIES.
WE'RE SO USED TO TALKING ABOUT
PAIGE BUECKERS.
THAT IS THE THIRD STRAIGHT GAME
WHERE SHE HAS 30 PLUS POINTS.
SHE HAS BEEN ON A DIFFERENT
LEVEL, AND THEN SARAH STRONG,
THE SENSATIONAL ROOKIE.
SHE CHIPPED IN 17 BOARDS IN THIS
GAME TO ADVANCE HER TEAM,
COMBINED PAIGE AND SARAH STRONG
SCORED 53 POINTS.

>> SARAH STRONG AS A FRESHMAN
DID NOT LOOK ANY PART OF A
FRESHMAN IN THIS GAME.
SHE STEPPED OUT COMPOSED, UNDER
CONTROL.
SHE DID EXACTLY WHAT SHE NEEDED.
IN THE FIRST HALF, IT WAS ALL
THE SARAH STRONG SHOW.
IN THE SECOND HALF, OF COURSE
ENTER PAIGE BUECKERS.
>> PAIGE BUECKERS KNOWS WHEN SHE

NEEDS TO BE THERE.

PAIGE KNOWS WHEN TO GET OTHER PEOPLE GOING AND WHEN IT'S HER TURN TO TAKE OVER AND SHE DID A GREAT JOB OF BEING AGGRESSIVE.

KENNEDY SMITH OF USC, SHE WAS GOOD DEFENDING HER.

UCONN DID A FANTASTIC JOB FINDING DIFFERENT WAYS TO SWITCH HER OFF, USE THE DEFENSE AGAINST HER AND IT WAS FUN TO WATCH

>> Kate: IT WAS FUN TO WATCH AND TEXAS SHUT TCU DOWN AND IT WENT BACK TO THEIR STARS, RORI HARMON TEARING HER ACL AND COMING BACK TEN MONTHS LATER AND MADISON BOOKER WHO IS GOING TO BE A STAR.

>> THE COMBINATION OF HARMON AND BOOKER WAS IMPRESSIVE.

THE FULL COURT PRESS TEXAS CALM OUT IN DISRUPTED TCU FROM THE GET GO.

WHO THEY'RE GOING TO MATCH UP WITH IS GOING TO BE DISRUPTED BY THEM AS WELL.

>> I THOUGHT THIS WAS A GOOD GAME FOR TEXAS.

THEY SHOWED VERSATILITY AND WERE POISED.

LITTLE STAGGER, MADISON BOOKER, THAT OUT OF BOUNDS PLAY WAS RUN PROBABLY 15 TIMES AND THEY PROBABLY GOT 15 SHOTS FROM MADISON BOOKER.

SHE DOES A GREAT JOB OF GETTING TO HER SPOTS.

IT'S DEFENSE THAT WINS CHAMPIONSHIP AND COULD THAT BE WHAT GETS TEXAS OVER THE HUMP. THAT IS THEIR IDENTITY, THEY'VE LEANED IN TO IT AND DONE THE GREAT JOB GETTING THE BALL.

>> Kate: WE QUITE POSSIBLY GOT THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE TOURNAMENT. WATCH THIS, DOUBLE ZERO ALL THE WAY.

END TO END, 1, 2, PERFECT FINISH.

>> THE POST WITH SOME ACTION HERE, LITERALLY REMINDING THE GUARDS IT'S NOT THAT HARD TO GET OUT OF TRANSITION.

I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU COMPLAIN ABOUT RUNNING.

>> Kate: MY FAVOURITE IS THE

REACTION FROM THE BENCHES.

BACK TO "SPORTSCENTRE."

>> Jennifer: WHAT A TOURNAMENT FOR PAIGE BUECKERS, THREE STRAIGHT 30-POINT GAMES, 31 POINTS TONIGHT.

HERE IS BUECKERS KNEW ON SC.

>> PAIGE, COACH ALWAYS SAID THIS IS THE HARDEST GAME TO WIN, BUT WHEN YOU'VE BEEN HEALTHY FOUR TIMES, YOU'VE LED YOUR TEAM TO THE FINAL FOUR.

HOW DO YOU KEEP GETTING THAT DONE?

>> IT'S A TEAM WIN AND TEAM VICTORY.

THE COACHES DO A REALLY GOOD JOB PREPARING US FOR THE MOMENT, STEPPING TOGETHER, THROUGHOUT ADVERSITY, WE REMAIN A TEAM AND REMAIN CONNECTED AND WE JUST STAY TOGETHER, AND THAT'S HOW WE GOT IT DONE.

>> YOU HAD TO STAY TOGETHER TONIGHT.

USC PULLED WITHIN FIVE GOING INTO THE FOURTH QUARTER AND YOU COME UP WITH BIG SHOTS.

HOW DID THE TEAM FINISH THIS?

>> WE KNEW THEY'RE A MOTIVATED TEAM.

WE'VE BEEN IN THAT POSITION WHERE WE'VE HAD PLAYERS GO DOWN AND YOU STEP UP FOR THEM AND PLAY WITH THE EXTRA CHIP ON THE SHOULDER.

THEY'RE A GREAT TEAM, BUT WE JUST WEATHERED THE RUNS, WEATHERED THE STORM AND WE KNEW THEY WEREN'T GOING TO QUIT.

IT WAS GOING TO A BATTLE AND WE'RE GOING TO COME OUT ON TOP.

>> I KNOW YOU HATE TALKING ABOUT YOURSELF, BUT 40 POINTS IN THE LAST GAME, 30 POINTS TONIGHT. THIS IS AN EPIC RUN THAT WE DO NOT SEE AT THIS LEVEL.

WHAT DO YOU APPRECIATE ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE FINDING WITHIN YOURSELF RIGHT NOW?

>> MY TEAMMATES.

SARAH STRONG PLAYED AMAZING TONIGHT.

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EVERYBODY, DEFENSIVELY, K.K.

ASH, AZ, EVERYBODY ON THE BENCH

PROVIDING ENERGY FOR US.
EVERYBODY.
IT TAKES A VILLAGE AND IT'S
EVERYBODY'S DOING.
>> I HEAR YOU.
THERE'S NO YOU WITHOUT THEM.
>> EXACTLY.
>> ALL RIGHT, FINAL FOUR, LET'S
GO!
>> I'M GLAD IT WASN'T WATER!
>> Jennifer: UCONN IS A TWO SEED
AND WILL JOIN THREE NUMBER ONE
SEEDS IN THE WOMEN'S FINAL FOUR.
ON THE MEN'S SIDE, THERE ARE
FOUR NUMBER ONE SEEDS GOING AT
IT.
THE MEN'S FINAL FOUR IS
SATURDAY.
FLORIDA TWO AND A HALF POINT
FAVOURITE BEGINS AUBURN AND DUKE
IS FAVOURED OVER HOUSTON.
THE BLUE DEVILS, THE FAVOURITE
TO WIN THE CHAMPIONSHIP.
AS FOR DUKE'S COOPER FLAGG, HE'S
+250 TO SCORE 25 OR MORE POINTS.
>> Glenn: ON TO THE NBA, SGA AND
THE THUNDER LOOKING FOR THEIR
10th STRAIGHT WIN PLAYING HOST
TO THE BULLS TONIGHT.
OKC IS 27-1 AGAINST THE EAST
THIS SEASON COMING IN TO MONDAY.
EARLY FIRST QUARTER, WATCH SHAI
JUST BLOW BY THE DEFENSE FOR THE
LAYUP.
NEXT POSSESSION, HE CONTINUES TO
MAKE THEM LOOK SILLY.
SHOWS OFF THE HANDLES FOR
ANOTHER BUDGET, AVERAGING JUST
OVER 35 POINTS PER GAME THIS
MONTH.
OKC LED BY 34 HEADING INTO THE
SECOND HALF.
CLINICAL.
THIRD QUARTER, THUNDER UP 31,
SHAI WITH RIDICULOUS FEED,
THREADING THE NEEDLE FINDS JALEN
WILSON FOR THE "AND ONE."
STILL IN THE THIRD, SHAI TOUGH
STEPBACK, STILL HITS IT.
NEXT POSSESSION, SEASON OPENING
DRIVES, AND HE PUTS IT IN OFF
THE GLASS, HE FINISHED WITH 27
POINTS AND A LITTLE OVER 27
MINUTES.
SEASON HIGH 12 ASSISTS AS WELL
FOR THE CANADIAN, THE THUNDER

WIN THEIR 10th STRAIGHT, IMPROVE TO 28-1 AGAINST THE EAST, THE BEST RECORD OF AN OPPOSING CONFERENCE IN NBA HISTORY.

>> Jennifer: CELTICS AND GRIZZLY, MAVERICKS PLAYS THEIR FIRST GAME SINCE FIRING HEAD COACH.

JA MORANT GETS THE BUCKET TO DRAW AND HE WILL DRAW THE FOUL. SECOND QUARTER, OFF THE MISS, MORANT THROWS DOWN THE PUTBACK JAM.

MORANT HAD 19 AND A HALF, FINISHED WITH 26 IN THIS ONE.

GRIZ DOWN FIVE.

THIRD QUARTER, JAYSON TATUM IN THE POST, SPINS INSIDE, AND HE'S GOING TO GET THE LAYUP TO GO.

CELTICS HAVE THE BEST ROAD RECORD IN THE LEAGUE THIS SEASON.

THEY'RE 31-7 ON THE ROAD.

TATUM OUTSIDE THE KEY, AND HE WILL GET THE FADE-AWAY JUMPER.

CELTICS TAKE IT 117-103.

TOMORROW, THE RAPTORS AND BULLS ON TSN 4.

COVERAGE STARTS 8 EASTERN TIME.

CHICAGO IN THE 10th SPOT IN THE EAST AS THE FINAL PLAY-IN GAME, THEY'RE FIVE UP ON 11th PLACE TORONTO.

>> Glenn: TORONTO BLUE JAYS HOSTING THE NATIONALS, ANDRES GIMINEZ STARTING THE SEASON ON A FOUR-GAME HIT STREAK FACING CANADIAN PITCHER MICHAEL SOROKA.

GIMINEZ BELTS THE FOUR-SEAMER DEEP TO RIGHT, IT'S GONE.

GIMINEZ WITH HIS THIRD HOMER ALREADY SETTING THE FRANCHISE

RECORD FOR THE MOST IN A

PLAYER'S FIRST FIVE GAMES WITH

TORONTO, SPORTING THAT JACKET A FEW TIMES ALREADY.

JAYS UP 1.

NOW 2-NOTHING IN THE 4th.

ALEJANDRO KIRK AT THE PLATE.

GIMINEZ ON FIRST.

LOOK AT HIM DODGE THE TAG TO STEAL SECOND.

HIS 100th CAREER STEAL.

OF TWO PITCHES LATER, KIRK SENDS IT DOWN THE RIGHT FIELD LINE FOR FIRST EXTRA BASE HIT OF THE

SEASON AND THAT WILL PLATE
GIMINEZ, 2023 PLATINUM GLOVE
WINNER GETTING IT DONE.
CHECKING IN ON BOWDEN FRANCIS,
SUCH A SOLID SECOND HALF LAST
YEAR, A NO-HITTER THROUGH FIVE
AND A THIRD.
SECOND PITCH TO C.J. ABRAMS,
TURNED TO RIGHT FOR A SOLO SHOT.