SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCKS

Katy Meredith

No. 7 South Carolina (17-3) had already won its first two games against Kentucky (13-6) this weekend, but senior first baseman Kyle Martin’s late-game heroics on Sunday clinched a sweep of the Wildcats as the lefty hit a walk-off two-run home run in the tenth inning of the Gamecocks’ 6-4 win.

Although Martin quickly fell behind in the count, he kept his composure and put a good swing on the ball, thinking about putting a good swing on the ball. “I got down 0-2 and put a good swing on it and got all of it,” Martin said. “He left a fastball up and in and I just put a good swing on it and got all of it.”

No. 7 South Carolina led for most of the afternoon, but a two-run ninth inning put Kentucky ahead 4-3 heading to the bottom of the inning. With the Gamecocks now trailing, senior left fielder Elliott Caldwell opened the frame with a solo home run to tie the game and send it to extra innings.

“Caldwell’s hot start to the season continued Sunday. He leads the team with a .411 batting average and 23 hits are only second to Martin, who has 25. He leads the team with a .411 batting average and 23 hits are only second to Martin, who has 25.

Fresh produce coming to campus from offsite delivery services

Students hungry for more healthy options on campus won’t have to wait long. Healthy Carolina has partnered with Pinckney’s Produce and AFRESH! to offer fresh produce delivery services to its students.

Each delivery comes with a basket full of fresh produce, which ranges from $21.99 to $37.98 per season. Students can exchange the next delivery for a new basket of fresh produce.

The price per season ranges from $26 for a small share to $51.60 for an extra-large share. Students will also be charged a one-time $34 delivery fee per season. AFRESH! will offer fresh fruit baskets delivered to Healthy Carolina’s lobby in McBride on a bi-weekly basis. The year-round service buys locally grown South Carolina produce, as well as other farmers market produce to ensure every month of the-year delivery.

Reported by Lauren Shirley, News Editor
Columbia police donate bikes to help veterans commute to work

The Columbia police are donating bikes to help veterans in need of a ride to work, according to WLTX. Two of the boat’s occupants managed to get to shore, but the other two were stranded in the middle of the river near the Blossom Street Bridge. The Swiftwater Rescue team, which is responsible for handling these riverfront emergencies, got the other two victims to shore.

The team is under the direction of the West Columbia Police Department in conjunction with the Fire Department.

— Lauren Shirley, News Editor

Man charged with assault after shooting victim with flare gun

A man was charged with assault on Saturday after he allegedly shot a victim with a flare gun, according to The State. According to the police, Charles Bradwell Jr. got into a verbal altercation with the victim which then turned physical. Bradwell went into his residence and came back outside with a flare gun, which he used to shoot the victim. According to the police spokesman, the police arrived to find Bradwell and the victim who was suffering from an upper body injury.

The victim was transported to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

— Lauren Shirley, News Editor
blends punk rock with southern sounds, especially in the song “Take It As It Comes,” which they performed during their set.

“I wasn’t expecting it to be laid out almost like a music festival, which I am a big fan of,” second-year psychology student Sam Erickson said. “Moon Taxi put on a hell of a show.”

Festivalgoers gathered for green tinted foods that remain a crowd favorite, such as beer, funnel cakes and jello shots to match their fun, outrageous green clothing.
Cinderella: enchanting, true to original tale

**“Cinderella”**

**Release Date:** March 13

**Directed By:** Kenneth Branagh

**Rating:** PG

**Starring:** Lily James and Richard Madden

**Lauren Gallo**

Ken Braghan’s retelling of “Cinderella” is everything you want it to be and more. Too many remakes have left out your favorite scene from the childhood story or the original production or added an unexpected spin on the original plot that didn’t sit well with its audience. The same story is the same story, no matter how you slice it. It is the story everyone knows — and probably has two different answers. Quality of execution is what sets this apart.

No new information is added to the story that isn’t already necessary to move the plot forward. Added details are not needed to expand on the story that helped better understand the tale. (Editor’s note: “Cinderella” is spoken about, but no actual words are spoken.)

Before watching the 2015 version of “Cinderella” you may have wondered the following:

- Why doesn’t the stepmother and stepfather recognize Cinderella at the ball?
- Cinderella’s fairy godmother casts a spell on Cinderella at the invitation
to the ball, but she doesn’t recognize her.
- Why is her name Cinderella?
- Because she is forced to sleep in the freezing attic, Ella would sometimes sleep
in her kitchen fireplace and wake up with cinders in her eyes and hair. Her stepsisters,
her stepmother and stepfather recognize her.
- What happened to Cinderella’s parents?
- Cinderella was raised by her mother’s full blooded and when Cinderella was
in her late teens. Her father died during an expedition.
- What is Prince Charming’s favorite food?
- He loves foods that have a real character instead of
solely a superficial prince named “Charming.” He is depicted as vulnerable and has goals, ambitions and dreams — he is not a wish granting fairy godmother at one point in time. He is as real as a man and has been and will always be.”

Lovelish remakes expand on details from beloved tale “Cinderella.”

**Things to hear:**

**Friday**

Senior recital by percussionist Brennan Davis
6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at USC School of Music Student Spoken Word/Comedy Showcase 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Drip

**Saturday**

Live music by Sunshine Delusions 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Conundrum Community Spoken Word Showcase featuring Al Black 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Drip

**Sunday**

Book and Poetry Reading 11 a.m. to noon at Green Quad Learning Center

**Remember:**

All events are free.

**Things to see:**

**Saturday**

Artists showcase 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Conundrum Performance by various members of the Columbia circus community 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Conundrum

Community film showcase 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Conundrum Performance by Ritual Abjects 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Conundrum Sean Shoppell’s Film Showcase 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Drip

**Sunday**

Performance by various members of the Columbia circus community 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Conundrum Book and Poetry Reading 11 a.m. to noon at Green Quad Learning Center

**T h i s  l a r g e r  t h a n  l i f e**

Now you know.
all but guaranteed a No. 1 seed at this point. ESPN women’s basketball bracketologist Charlie Creme predicts Connecticut, Notre Dame and Maryland will be the other No. 1 seeds.

South Carolina earned a No. 1 seed last season for the first time in program history and doing it again would be another sign of the impressive job Staley has done in her seven seasons as the Gamecocks’ head coach.

One important question that will be answered when the bracket is made public on Monday is what region will South Carolina be placed in.

Four different cities host the Sweet 16 and Elite Eight rounds of the tournament and the Gamecocks could either end up in the Greensboro, Oklahoma City, Spokane or Albany region.

Last year South Carolina had to travel to Palo Alto, California to face North Carolina in the Sweet 16. A trip to Greensboro would be the closest for South Carolina this year, but Creme currently has the Gamecocks going to Oklahoma City in his latest mock bracket.

Regardless of where South Carolina ends up traveling, the Gamecocks are determined to follow up their SEC championship with another in Tampa Bay, the site of the Final Four.

For junior point guard Khadijah Sessions, cutting down the nets after getting crowned the SEC’s best was a great feeling worth chasing.

“This right here is going to motivate us,” Sessions said. “We want a national championship, and this feeling right here is something that you want again.”
Six months ago, the world erupted in anger over the killing of unarmed teenager Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri. By the time we went to press, the Department of Justice had released its report on the investigation into the practices of the Ferguson Police Department. In short: They were claiming “race-baiting” and “making troublemakers” from August to October. They were saying that the police were “routinely violating the constitutional rights of its black citizens.” That’s why the Department of Justice, which is the government’s social and political arm, is now investigating the Ferguson Police Department. It finds severe racial discrimination, and it also finds that the police have been using excessive force.

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Squash the urge to overindulge. Re-try on your team mates to meet a deadline. A female has the member. A lesson provides valuable input today and tomorrow. Acknowledge it. Consider the situation objectively for a wonderful discovery. Go for it. Taurus
An old method doesn’t work in a new situation. Discuss creative, practical options with an expert. Make sure you get the instructions straight. Attend to career goals today and tomorrow. Verify account balances. Minimize the risks. Gemini
Consider good food for travel and study today. Try something new. Household chores out of the way first. Recuse yourself, in a conflict of interests. Don’t go out. Put your head down and get into your work. Cancer
Harmony increases. This couple can’t get enough for financial planning and research. Balance the books. Don’t waste money on frivolities. An old method doesn’t work. Try something new. Seize an opportunity. Leo
Take deep breaths when confronting a barrier. Your partner gets creative. Work together and gain more than expected over the next few days. Don’t forget the bottom line. Drive up according to your plan. Invest in your savings. Virgo
Don’t talk about your work, just do it. The pace is getting more intense. The smallest job you’ve been doing reflects well on you. You bring ideas back down to earth. Avoid clutter and keep a deadline. Carpe diem.
Libra
Put your heart and talents into your work. Intellect and emotions contribute to the quality. Fun and play are the key elements for professional discovery. Postpone discussions and meetings. Immure yourself in your game.
Scorpio
Home attracts like a magnet today and enjoyed. Take enjoyment of domesticity. Don’t talk back or overindulge. Do what you promised. An argument would be a waste of precious time. Get into some fun, and clean up afterwards. Sagittarius
Rulas, Craft your words, but don’t deliver them yet. Consider what you want to say. Study and work over the next two days, from home if possible. Work could interfere with travel. Family can help.
Capricorn
Send invoices and pay bills. Take action to correct a financial mismanagement or breakdown. Don’t make expensive promises. Partnership makes you both stronger. Share resources and your funds go further. Trust your intuition. What for results.
Aquarius
The work you do now pays later. Get assertive without stepping on anyone. Avoid provoking arguments. Stick to your budget. Don’t make purchases just yet. Establish the rules. Share responsibilities. You win through the efforts of others.
Pisces
Take quiet time for yourself today and tomorrow. Allow your thoughts to wander. Devote extra care to your physical well-being. Pamper yourself with peace and beauty. Make plans for an upcoming job, and start it later.
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The Daily Gamecock

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South Carolina entered the SEC tournament last weekend as the No. 11 seed with just six conference wins. Nonetheless, the Gamecocks surprised everyone by reaching the quarterfinals for the second year in a row under coach Frank Martin, beating Missouri and Ole Miss in consecutive games at predetermined sites due to the Confederate flag which flies in front of the State House.

However, the NCAA has since made a rule change allowing the top-16 teams to host the first and second rounds of their respective tournaments. This would allow the Gamecocks to host post-season games at predetermined sites. The Gamecocks play a post-season game at the Colonial Life Arena, which begins at 5:30 p.m. Eastern and is invited to come and watch the SEC NCAA selection show. Afterwards, South Carolina's head coach will address the audience.

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The road that the Gamecocks must travel to reach the Final Four will become clearer Monday night when the field of 64 is announced and South Carolina finds out where its first round opponent is. The Gamecocks are hosting a "hometown" Selection show event at the Colonial Life Arena, which begins at 5:10 p.m. Eastern and is invited to come and watch the SEC NCAA selection show. Afterwards, South Carolina's head coach will address the audience.

That type of finish was both foreign and refreshing for South Carolina in a season in which the Gamecocks were in position to win a lot of games, but just couldn’t finish the deal. However, South Carolina was able to fight back against the Rebels and did the same in two other tournament games.

“The vast majority of the team was just unable to make big stops,” Martin said. “Our guys didn’t do point and whine.”

So, the Gamecocks didn’t have a double-digit deficit down to two points in the second half against Alabama when Ole Miss didn’t let the Tigers come any closer. In its loss to Georgia, South Carolina committed 11 turnovers in the first half and actually held on to its lead before falling to Ole Miss.

That’s why Thornwell is still the Gamecocks’ most skilled player. He possesses a unique combination of size, strength and speed that few guards can duplicate, well, and Martin has called him South Carolina’s most disciplined defender.

The statistics may not back up Thornwell’s hot streak behind the three-point line, but South Carolina will carry over much better as the season went on.

“Kyle turned down a fair amount of money to come back to school in order to make even more money than that,” Holt said. “It was neat to see in the dugout when that happened at the end of the field of Kelin Martin.”

With everything at stake, the Gamecocks have been to SEC play, South Carolina's best start in conference play since 2011. South Carolina will host Wisconsin at 7:00 pm on Tuesday. The Gamecocks are in search of a weekend sweep against South Carolina, Missouri for a weekend series against Missouri, a team that’s come within a whisker of taking down Georgia.

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Gamecocks await selection Monday

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The South Carolina women’s basketball team has dominated for much of the 2014-2015 season.

The Gamecocks have won 15 games in the SEC regular season and tournament championships and are ranked No. 3 in the nation.

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Column: 3 observations from 2015 SEC tournament

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Here are the biggest takeaways from South Carolina’s performance in Nashville.

1. Resilience and toughness evident in South Carolina was on the verge of being a big win against Ole Miss. The Gamecocks led by three points with less than three seconds remaining in a game that had three three-point shooters. That’s exactly what sophomore guard Dennis Clifford did, and Ole Miss senior guard Jarvis Summers contributed for the Gamecocks to put the Rebels ahead by a point with just over one second left.

Just like that, victory seemed to be slipping away from South Carolina’s hands, but somehow, somehow, somehow, the Gamecocks were able to win as senior guard Ray Smith drove it strong to the basket. After Smith made a contested layup with less than four seconds, it was on to the next round for South Carolina.

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