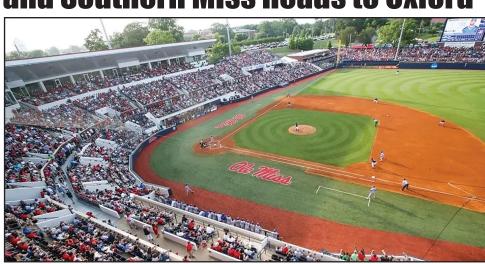
State, Ole Miss will host regionals, and Southern Miss heads to Oxford



Swayze Field will be hopping this weekend when Southern Miss, Florida State and Southeast Missouri challenge Ole Miss in the Oxford Regional. (Ole Miss Athletics)

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flavor in the 64-team field.

Mississippi State earned a No. 7 national seed and will Oxford is Southern Miss.

monwealth, entering with La. the nation's longest win-

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Dillon, Rule Pierce, Linda P.

Gercens, Bobby Killebrew,

Anissa McGinnis, Courtney

Branden Dominque Cox,

Kimberly H. Chandler, Bill

June 5 - Scott Howell, Steven Edwards, Anderson

Barrett, Claire Tate, Jana Cannon Johnson, David

June 6 - Dylan Holladay

Lowe, Brenda Russell, Christopher Bailey, Terra

Rushing Foster, Carolyne

Juanita

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Montone, Lauren Loflin

Bell, Trey Leflore, Tommy

June 9 - Kent Pepper,

Chris Cain, Paul Hager,

Lindy Bunch McCain, Pam

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Scott Ellis,

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Melton, Megan

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Xavier Black

ford, 3-seed Florida State Baseball's NCAA Division will play 2-seed Southern I Regionals were announced Miss at 2 p.m., followed by Monday and, as usual, will top-seed Ole Miss vs. 4-seed have a strong Magnolia State Southeast Missouri State at 7

There were no huge surprises where the Missishost the Starkville Regional sippi teams were concerned. beginning Friday. Ole Miss What became clear when the earned a No. 12 national brackets were announced seed and will host the Oxford Monday morning was that Regional beginning Friday. Southern Miss lost out on Among the teams playing at its chance to host its own regional when the Eagles were The first day matchups: At defeated twice by Louisi-Starkville, top-seeded Mis- ana Tech in the Conference sissippi State will play No. USA Tournament Saturday. 4 seed Samford at 2 p.m., Tech, not USM, will host an while 2-seed Virginia Com- NCAA Regional at Ruston,

Both the Southeastern ning streak, will play 3-seed Conference and Conference

Campbell at 7 p.m. At Ox- USA will be well-represented. The SEC placed nine teams in the NCAA Tournament, including half of the eight top national seeds. Seven SEC teams will host NCAA regionals.

Conference USA placed a league-record four teams in the field, most of any nonpower five conference. Both Tech and Old Dominion are No. 1 seeds, and both Southern Miss and Charlotte are

Here's what else you need to know about the Mississippi regionals:

* The bracket matches the Oxford Regional winner against the Tucson Regional winner. Arizona, the No. 5 national seed, would be oddson favorite over Oklahoma

June 7 - Bootsy and Pam Hooker, Christopher and Shannon Woo, Justin and Chrissy Branch

June 9 - Ben and Marisa Atkinson, Swayze and Rose Cheatham, Wirt and Lois Hayes, Wesley and Molly Dew, Drew and Amanda Broyles

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June 3 - Tanner and Mary June 3 - Greg Bigbee, Jax Kate Bartlett Tate, Elma Garnett, David

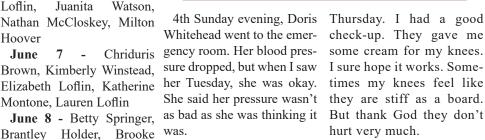
June 4 - Mike and Patty Hood, William and Bettie Holmes, Murray and Pam Burrell, Larry and Mary Killebrew

June 5 - John and Pattie Lowe, Landon and Rebecca Hood, Tracy and Karen Eldridge, Hank and Erica Wentworth

June 6 - Josh and Kaley Carpenter

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LEONA (LENA) FIELDS



Betty Levy is at home doing fine.

goes to Jackson kind of regularly to see some doctors. Pray that he gets alright.

I went to the doctor be sick.

Thursday. I had a good check-up. They gave me some cream for my knees. I sure hope it works. Sometimes my knees feel like they are stiff as a board. hurt very much.

Continue to wear a mask; even though the governor Mr. Lee Henry Wright may be letting up on wearing masks. Use common sense. When you are sick with CO-VID, the governor may not State, Cal-Santa Barbara and Grand Canyon to win and host the Super Regional. The Starkville Regional winner will be matched against the South Bend Regional, hosted by Notre Dame. Michigan, Connecticut and Eastern Michigan round out the South Bend Regional.

* Florida State will be making its 43rd consecutive appearance in the NCAA Tournament, extending the longest active streak. Although the Seminoles experienced a subpar 30-22 season, they boast the Atlantic Coast Conference Pitcher of the Year in left-hander Parker Messick, the expected starter against Southern Miss Friday. The Seminoles are led by ACC Player of the Year, catcher Matheu Nelson, considered a leading candidate for national player of the year.

* Although Southeast Missouri won't strike fear in the hearts of Ole Miss fans, SEMO ace pitcher Dylan Dodd should. Dodd, a righthander, won nine of 10 decisions and posted a 2.78 earned run average with 113 strikeouts, compared to just 14 walks for the Ohio Valley Conference champions. Against top-ranked Arkansas, Dodd struck out 10 batters over six innings and allowed only three hits and two runs in a game Arkansas

eventually came from behind league tournament.

and won in extra innings. Conference including three straight in the its last 14 games.

* Samford is not the * Samford, State's first-day only hot team coming to opponent, won the Southern Starkville. Atlantic 10 Conchampionship ference champion VCU and is no stranger to the MSU brings a 21-game winning Bulldogs or Southeastern streak, the nation's longest, Conference fans. Samford to Dudy Noble. VCU swept lost a 10-2 midweek decision two games from Virginia and to State on March 16. That split two with Virginia Tech was one of 10 games Samford and two more with CUSA played against SEC teams. champion Old Dominion Samford lost nine of those, during the regular season. but was competitive in several Campbell University, the and defeated Auburn 6-1 late 3-seed, won the Big South in the season when Samford Conference regular season won 11 of its last 14 games, championship and won 12 of

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