

**Men's basketball, Michigan vs. Louisville (partial transcript)**

**Michigan Wolverines (4) vs Louisville Cardinals (1)**

**04/08/13 9:23 p.m. at Georgia Dome (Atlanta, Ga.)**

**Michigan 76 Louisville 82**

**Attendance: 74,326**

**Announcers: Jim Nantz (play-by-play), Clark Kellogg and Steve Kerr (color)**

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The sixty-seventh game of this nearly month-long festival, and it all comes down to this. Michigan and Louisville. The officials who draw the assignment, John Cahill, Tony Greene, John Higgins. Gentlemen, here we go!

And it's Siva. Run a little pick-and-roll, and that gets shut off quickly by McGary and Michigan.

The Cardinals, who have won 15 straight.

Siva drives in, too strong of a lay-up.

And Hardaway. Finally able to pick up the handle. And guys, what are you expecting at the start?

Well I think it will be up and down, both of these teams love to play in the open court. Michigan has so much ability to sprint the floor offensively in the half court, because of the three-point shooting, but this guy has been the player of the tournament, outside of Russ Smith, Mitch McGary.

And for Michigan you are going to go against this match-up zone defense, a little tricky to figure out, but they got a kick start with Trey Burke.

Wow, what a big shot that is, he hits his first one of the night, and he made a beautiful move to gauge it just right, over Dieng.

Nothing like settling a player down at the start of his last game. Nothing does it better than knocking down your first shot.

And here's Smith at the other end, [??] one, from the wild [?], but rolls off the rim. Jumps to get the rebound, Try Burke. He takes off. Down the middle of the floor. To Robinson, to Burke. He wants it. Puts up the three, and [??] championship night.

Just what the doctor ordered for the consensus player of the year in college basketball. Shot-making [??], tonight not only him, but his teammates, too.

Almost ends up with a steal. Now right back to Dieng. And that's Blackshear with a two for the Cardinals.

Well, this game is starting out exactly as what we expected. Both teams up and down, I think both sides might be a little looser tonight than they were on Saturday, when they had to, kind of, shake off some early nerves.

Here's Hardaway driving in, and Dieng block, no goaltending!

Siva, racing ahead, and he slipped, but he's fouled outside. How about the block by Dieng.

Nobody does it better in college basketball than Gorgui Dieng. Eyeing the driver, which is Tim Hardaway's junior. Perfect timing...Ooh!

Ooh, it was goaltending. He actually hit the backboard before he blocked it, so got away with one there.

Yeah, he sure did.

Yep.

At the other end, the foul's on Burke. Here is Smith, jumper. And...Stauskas. Able to recover, they get up. Got Smith behind him...or...running side by side with him. Smith is so dangerous, had eight steals in the first game of the tournament, for the Cardinals, tied him with the all-time tournament record. Stauskas...To Hardaway with a three.

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**32:10**

(Coming out of a time-out, the score is 35-23)

Pretty big three minutes here, would you say [inaudible]

Without question, Steve, Louisville has to find some level of rhythm and continuity on offense.

There's Hancock. Hitting the three.

That's a good start. Now they're getting into the pressure.

They don't want to open up the floor with useless gambling, and they also don't want to foul. If that's because of the gamble, by Montrezl Harrell, he put his team in a tough position defensively there.

Hancock hitting that shot, the first field goal in 4 minutes and 55 seconds for the Cardinals. And Hancock actually gets the whistle at the other end. His second.

That's a one-and-one for Glenn Robinson III.

[Inaudible] you guys have heard of RG3 [Robert Griffin III, an American football player], well he's known by his teammates as GR3.

GR3.

And he's been something in this tournament, shooting 62% in the five games coming in. Averaging 13 points. How about this number: Michigan is 21 [wins] and 1 [loss] when Robinson gets to double figures. This evening, in a lot of ways, he is the [barometer?], you know, the X factor for the Wolverines.

Agree, [inaudible] he does need playing time...

[Inaudible]

...is instilled with confidence.

He's starting to get a little bit of flashback, his last two trips down the floor, of what he did the other night.

Henderson. So he puts up six in 36 seconds.

Look at this match-up, Dieng outside, on Albrecht.

That means his teammates to be ready to help him, if he gets beat.

He's got four to shoot.

Outside, from Burke, that's wide.

And Siva, surveys up ahead.

Pretty good [inaudible] by Dieng.

[inaudible]

Ready for another one! It's Hancock again!

[unclear] Russ Smith can get transition baskets here.

If you can get a long jumper from Hancock, he's on fire!

Now a time out. I mean, Hancock [inaudible] Albrecht.

Let's take this man-on-man, one-on-one, and shoot this out for the championship!

(commercial break, 34:38)

Boy, Luke Hancock saved the day for the Cardinals on Saturday, he might just do it again, here on Monday night. Three consecutive three-pointers we've seen in a big moment, and now emotionally, confidence-wise, hell, right back where it need to be.

Three shots of espresso there! Compliments of Luke Hancock! (Ha, ha, ha)

From Roanoke, Virginia, the son of a retired CPA [certified public accountant], and he knows a thing or two about how to put up numbers himself. (35:10)

Had 20 on Saturday and nine here in this first half. McGary...Nice rebound, [inaudible] to Blackshear.

Here's another three... Van Treese, pass with one arm. And it's going to stay with the Cardinals.

I think you've got to be intentional about trying to find Luke Nancock. He's just knocked down three and first continues to assist, with the two personal fouls. Gorgui Dieng returns, Van Treese had a nice defensive stand against McGary and a big couple of rebounds. Jordan Morgan comes in for Michigan. Shuffling of the deck. McGary, does he have two fouls? Or is it just one?

Just one.

(Statistic on screen here)

Here's Hancock... (Laughs)

Oh, my goodness!

That is four in a little less than a minute and a half.

Single-handedly bringing Louisville back into this game. With a Louisville crowd in the background, chanting to Luke.

He's the one guy that can knock Michigan in three-point shooting, Luke Hancock, and he's done it to the tune of tying his team for the lead.

Up ahead, to Siva [inaudible].

And just like that, in the blink of an eye, Louisville comes from twelve down, to take the lead. Its first of the night.

Eight seconds to go in the half.

Albrecht, drive it in, gets it up, and a push foul called. On Louisville. With 2.5 seconds to go in the half, it's called on Blackshear.

A blitz-krieg from the Cardinals, and this is the tail end of it. Montrezl Harrell wrecking that rim, beautiful pass by Siva off the turnover. And boy, it didn't take long, guys!

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