

AL Championship Series: Mariners vs Blue Jays

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Q. Can you describe your personal shift from the Game 5 mayhem aftermath to prepping for the ALCS? When did you start thinking about the Blue Jays?

DAN WILSON: You know, it is a quick turnaround, no question. But I think we had a great chance to celebrate last night. It was a great moment here at the ballpark. Fans were absolutely incredible from beginning to end last night, so it was nice to enjoy that.

But it quickly goes, and you wake up the next day, and it's about preparing for what's ahead. There were even conversations last night about what's ahead.

Our guys will be ready. We'll get there tonight, get some rest, and we'll be ready to go.

Q. Is there a specific memory from Game 5 that you think is going to be burned into your mind forever?

DAN WILSON: Oh, man. I think -- there's so many. I think just seeing Polo's ball get to the outfield, and seeing Leo Rivas's hit to left field, those two big hits for us were just moments in time for sure. Those will be things that are sort of branded in the brain.

Q. What's the most daunting challenge about the Blue Jays?

DAN WILSON: They're a good team. We had a good series with them at their place earlier this season. They're a tough club, no question.

They swing the bat well. They're young. It's a team that -- we'll have our hands full. But I think we feel like we're in a good spot with our club. We're coming off a highly emotional series and have gained some momentum from that. I feel like we're in a good spot, and looking forward to getting it started.

Q. What is the fatigue, whether it's mental or physical, and when does that really set in for the players?

DAN WILSON: I don't know if it's really fatigue. I think a lot of times players will gain some energy from that. This is a team that -- the Mariners do a lot of traveling. We do a lot of East Coast traveling. This is something that we're actually pretty used to. I think in a lot of ways, these guys will be able to be -- it'll just be an extension of the season in some ways.

We should be good to go.

Q. Do you have a plan for Woo for this series?

DAN WILSON: We're continuing to assess his availability. He seems to be rebounding pretty well. He's coming back. Right now, we're continuing to weigh what that timetable might be and when he'll be available.

Q. Because you used so many arms last night, do you expect to add another pitcher for the LCS?

DAN WILSON: We're certainly talking about that. That's something that we have weighed. Again, as our attention has turned to the Toronto series and what we're going to do, certainly using a lot of guys last night, we have to kind of approach it a little bit differently this time around. That is certainly something that we're considering.

Q. Jerry Dipoto said he's hoping Woo can be available by the middle of the series. What kind of things do you need to see from him to know that he's ready and can keep pushing?

DAN WILSON: Yeah, it's really depending on his bullpen sessions. Yesterday he had a bullpen session that really went well, so we'll see -- get a chance to see how he bounces back from that today.

Then getting a chance, again, to stretch it out a little bit more in the next few days, and that'll give us a really good indication of where he's at and whether or not he'll be available at some point during that series.



Q. If it ends up being Bryce Miller Game 1, how far do you think you can push him on short rest?

DAN WILSON: Yeah, it's going to be interesting. It will be Bryce Miller. He will be our Game 1 starter. I think we understand that he's coming back, some short rest. He didn't have a ton of pitches in his outing in Detroit, so that's kind of a blessing for us in some ways.

He's excited to get the ball. We're excited to hand him the ball. We'll take him as far as he can go.

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