

No. 23 UC San Diego vs. No. 20 Colorado Mesa Quotes, Feb. 3, 2013

Senior 1B Richard Seigel

On his big day at the plate:

"The first two games (of the series), I struggled a little bit (going 0-for-7), just getting into the swing of things. Coach (Eric) Newman and Coach (Jonathan) Johnston told me just to stay with the approach. It'll happen. They'll fall, and it showed today. I just kept hunting the fast ball."

On answering every time that Colorado Mesa scored:

"Coach Newman always talks about how we have to punch back. You get knocked down. You have to get back up. We made a big play with turning the double play. Then I just came up, got a pitch I could handle and that was it."

On winning this opening series against a higher-ranked team:

"It's definitely a great win for the team. We've been working so hard all fall and coming into this new year. To get this (series) win over a team who is ranked ahead of us, that was just huge."

Freshman IF/RHP Troy Cruz

On his first collegiate hit and offensive contribution on the day:

"I'm just trying to put quality at-bats together. I felt pretty good at the plate all weekend. I'm just trying to put my team in a position to win."

On playing such an active role so early in his college career:

"It feels great. I'm just trying to give the team a chance to win every day, whether it's playing second base or pitching in the late innings."