

Let's go simple"...The team's batting average of the "five consecutive losses" is the lowest, and the head coach's special order

Lotte Giants manager Larry Sutton talked about the team's batting lineup, which has recently been sluggish ahead of the "2023 Shinhan Bank SOL KBO League" kt Wiz match at Sajik Stadium on the 26th.

Lotte is currently in a five-game losing streak. According to the baseball statistics site "Statties," the team has a batting average of 0.191 (30 hits in 157 at-bats), two home runs and 13 RBIs (on-base percentage + slugging percentage) of 0.554. Major attack indicators remain at the bottom.

Time for a rebound in the mood. Sutton delivered a message to the fielders. "We are continuing to deliver messages (to the batting part). The main message among them is 'Let's go simple'. When I had a good sense of hitting, I was sure of what the batters had planned (before the game) and hit it simply. However, now that the batting sense is not good, I follow the ball that goes out a lot, such as reaching out to a ball that is different from the plan," he said, pointing out what the current lineup needs to improve.

"When comparing good times and bad times, especially when it's a one-strike, I feel rushed even if it's a one-time strike, so I swing the ball coming into the borderline or I can't reach the ball coming out." This means it's urgent. On the contrary, he said, "When the team was good, I was able to endure such a ball well and take the count to my advantage."

Despite the slump in the batting lineup, foreign pitcher Aaron Wilkerson's good pitching was clearly impressive. He pitched well with a qualitative start plus (less than three earned runs in seven innings) with six hits, four walks, eight strikeouts and two runs (one earned run) in seven innings (against KT on the 25th). He joined as an alternative foreign player in the middle of the season and is currently making a soft landing in the KBO League with a 1.96 WHIP (on-base percentage per inning) of 6 games, 2 wins, 1 loss, and 36⅔ innings.

Coach Sutton said, "Wilkerson really pitched well yesterday (25th) to take the victory. He showed good execution on the mound with his plan. Both the ball mix and the way he became a command were amazing. "In particular, it was impressive to finish strongly in the seventh inning, saying that he would take the mound," he said.

Meanwhile, Lotte will make up Yoon Dong-hee (right fielder), Ahn Chi-hong (second baseman), Junghoon Lee (left fielder), Jeon Joon-woo (designated hitter), Ko Seung-min (first baseman), Niko Goodrum (third baseman), Noh Jin-hyuk (shortstop), Jung Bo-geun (catcher), Ahn Kwon-soo (center fielder), and starter Park Se-woong (57 losses, 119 innings average 421)

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