

**2008 FLORIDA VOLLEYBALL
FLORIDA 3, PACIFIC 0
SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 2008
GAINESVILLE, FLA. (STEPHEN C. O'CONNELL CENTER)**

POST-MATCH NOTES

TEAM RECORDS AND SERIES NOTES

- Florida improves to 2-0 with the win, while Pacific drops to 0-2 with the loss.
- The Gators beat the Tigers for the first time in series history. Pacific still leads the all-time series 6-1.
- With the win against Pacific, Florida head coach Mary Wise has now beaten every team she has faced during her tenure with the Gators at least once.
- Florida improve to 10-12 all-time vs. members of the Big West Conference.
- The Gators return to action on Friday when they play host to Jacksonville on the first day of the Aquafina Invitational. Opening serve is set for 7 p.m. EDT in the Stephen C. O'Connell Center.

TEAM MATCH NOTES

- Florida hit a season-best .289 for the match and has out-hit its opponents in each of its first two matches this season.
- The Gators had their streak of 12 consecutive matches with at least two players recording double-digit kills snapped on Saturday, as redshirt freshman Kristy Jaeckel was the only player to eclipse the 10-kill plateau.

INDIVIDUAL MATCH NOTES

- Redshirt freshman Kristy Jaeckel was named the Most Valuable Player of the Aquafina Invitational, recording 12 kills on an impressive .786 hitting percentage in Saturday's match.
- Jaeckel's .786 hitting percentage is the third-highest hitting percentage (min. 12 kills) in a single match in school history in the rally-scoring era. She becomes the only non-middle blocker in the rally-scoring era to hit better than .760 in a match for the Gators.
- For the weekend, Jaeckel averaged 3.86 kills per set on .345 hitting, while also averaging 1.57 digs per set and totaling six blocks and three service aces. She averaged 4.75 points per set in two matches in the Aquafina Invitational.
- Junior libero Elyse Cusack had nine digs in the match, increasing her career total to 1,150 scoops, which moved her into sole possession of eighth place on UF's all-time career digs list. She surpassed Jenni Keene, who registered 1,142 career digs from 1994-98.
- Cusack needs 21 more digs to tie Meg Fitzgerald (1992-95) for seventh place all-time on the school's all-time digs list with 1,171 scoops.
- Cusack had three service aces in the match to increase her total for the weekend to seven aces.

POST-MATCH QUOTES

FLORIDA HEAD COACH MARY WISE

"As predicted, we thought Pacific would be a much better team than they were yesterday. It really all started with their great jump server Svenja Engelhardt. I think for our team, we can use this as training to always talk about comparing great

servers to her. Tonight, we used a lineup that we had practiced the least with Lauren Bledsoe playing middle and Kristy Jaeckel playing right, and those two just had a great match."

On junior libero Elyse Cusack ...

"Elyse is both the offensive and defensive line for us. Offensively, she is the one who initiates the offense and, in terms of defense, we rely on her to dig balls. Because there are so many new players, she is the constant. More than just skill, Elyse provides leadership. She is off to a terrific junior season."

On what she and the team can take from this weekend's matches ...

"One of the best things we can take from these matches is the video. We told the team afterwards that they may be able to memorize these two matches because they're going to watch so much video."

On having six freshmen and a redshirt freshman on this year's team ...

"In college volleyball, with 12 scholarships, I think the ideal class breakdown would be three per year. With injuries and transferring, there are some things that aren't in your control. What we're fortunate about is that our freshman class is as talented as they are. Kristy Jaeckel, having redshirted, may be the strongest freshman we've had come through with what she's able to do on the left side or the right side. I believe if we asked Kristy to play middle, she'd do that as well."

On the Campus USA Credit Union Invitational scheduled for next weekend ...

"Unlike our first opponents, where we had only to rely on what they did a year ago, we'll have information on what Jacksonville runs. But we'll prepare for both Jacksonville and Long Beach this weekend because it's a two-match weekend. For the first part of the week, it's going to be all about the Gators. We're going to make our side of the net better first."

#7 ELYSE CUSACK, L

On the difference between last season and this season ...

"The difference this year is just experience. We're going to rely on a lot on our freshmen. Every match is just getting them more experience and more playing time and they're going to get a lot better."

On the team's intensity level in the second game ...

"We were not playing our best game and we were not playing tough. They were out-working us and that should never happen – we train extremely hard. She was trying to get us fired up and we were able to get it turned around. It shows because we came back in that game."

On the new 25-point sets ...

"It's a lot different. These games go by so fast. You give up a couple points and you're down, and it's hard to make that up because it's only to 25. We can't ever take any point off and we did that a couple times tonight, but luckily we were still able to come out on top. The 25-point sets changes everything. It's a lot more competitive now."

On whether she is surprised at the success of Florida's freshmen ...

"I'm not surprised at all. They're amazing. Kristy, being a redshirt, has been practicing with us and she's very experienced. Colleen and Kelly come from great teams and they're so well trained."

#16 COLLEEN WARD, OH

On the difference between high school and college volleyball for her ...

"It's a lot different, but I'm really excited to be playing. Our team gets along really well and all of the freshmen really fit in."

On the crowds at Florida volleyball matches ...

"It's a lot bigger than I am used to, but I like the crowds because we have all of the noise and the cheering."

On junior libero Elyse Cusack ...

"She is a great teammate. She really helps our team a lot and she's always talking on the court. She keeps us all together and, if we're down, she will bring the team back up."

Volleyball Box Score
2008 Florida Volleyball
Pacific vs #8 Florida (Aug 30, 2008 at Gainesville, Fla.)

#	Pacific	S	Attack				Ast	Serve			Dig	Block			Pts	
			K	E	TA	Pct		SA	SE	RE		BS	BA	BE		BHE
4	Tomaszewska, Natalia	3	4	2	12	.167	1	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	0	6.5
5	Krug, Shannon	3	1	2	4	-.250	24	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	2	1.5
7	Anderson, Alexa	3	4	2	14	.143	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	5.0
9	Gibson, Mallori	3	11	6	25	.200	0	0	4	0	1	0	3	0	0	12.5
10	Vaysburg, Masha	3	2	1	4	.250	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3.0
17	Engelhardt, Svenja	3	7	5	20	.100	3	4	2	5	8	0	1	0	0	11.5
1	Uhl, Kara	2	3	2	6	.167	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	3.0
3	Kama, Dancyne	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	2	8	0	0	0	0	0.0
8	Torres, Rebekah	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0.0
11	MimMack, Meagan	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Totals		3	32	20	85	.141	28	4	9	8	26	2	10	1	2	43.0

Team Attack By Set

Set	K	E	TA	Pct
1	8	8	30	.000
2	14	7	30	.233
3	10	5	25	.200

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7.0

SET SCORES

Pacific (0)
 Florida (3)

1	2	3	Team Records:
21	25	18	0-2
25	27	25	2-0

#	Florida	S	Attack				Ast	Serve			Dig	Block			Pts	
			K	E	TA	Pct		SA	SE	RE		BS	BA	BE		BHE
1	Bathelt, Cindy	3	0	0	0	.000	16	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0
5	Rivers, Callie	3	6	5	16	.062	0	1	3	2	3	0	0	0	0	7.0
12	Murphy, Kelly	3	8	1	16	.438	19	0	4	0	2	0	2	0	0	9.0
15	Johnson, Kristina	3	1	1	8	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	2.5
16	Ward, Colleen	3	7	4	21	.143	1	3	1	1	9	0	3	1	0	11.5
17	Bledsoe, Lauren	3	4	2	8	.250	0	1	1	0	1	1	3	0	0	7.5
3	Diaz, Christina	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
6	Jaeckel, Kristy	3	12	1	14	.786	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	13.0
7	Cusack, Elyse	3	0	0	0	.000	0	3	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	3.0
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Totals		3	38	14	83	.289	37	8	13	4	25	1	13	1	1	53.5

Team Attack By Set

Set	K	E	TA	Pct
1	12	7	29	.172
2	12	4	31	.258
3	14	3	23	.478

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7.5

Site: Gainesville, Fla. (O'Connell Center)
 Date: Aug 30, 2008 Attend: Time: 1:33 pm
 Referees: Crystal Lewis, Brian Hemelgarn