

**2008 FLORIDA VOLLEYBALL
FLORIDA 3, JACKSONVILLE 0
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2008
GAINESVILLE, FLA. (STEPHEN C. O'CONNELL CENTER)**

POST-MATCH NOTES

TEAM RECORDS AND SERIES NOTES

- Florida improves to 3-0 with the win, marking the fifth consecutive season that the Gators have won each of their first three matches. The Dolphins drop to 2-2 with the loss.
- The Gators improve to 14-0 all-time vs. Jacksonville in the history of the series. Florida is 24-0 all-time vs. teams in the current alignment of the Atlantic Sun Conference.
- Florida improved to 106-20 (.840) all-time against in-state foes and 58-2 (.966) in the Mary Wise era. The Gators are a perfect 14-0 all-time vs. Jacksonville and have not dropped a match to an in-state rival since the 1994 campaign.
- The Gators return to action on Saturday when they play host to No. 23/17 Long Beach State at 5 p.m. in the Stephen C. O'Connell Center.

TEAM MATCH NOTES

- Florida hit .521 in the match, which marked its highest team hitting percentage since a .603 clip vs. Auburn on Sept. 28, 2003. The Gators hit above .500 for the first time of the season and last hit .500 on Sept. 28, 2007 when they had an efficiency of .505 at Mississippi State.
- The Gators employed a balanced offense that saw four players hit .500 or better and five players record eight or more kills.

INDIVIDUAL MATCH NOTES

- Junior libero Elyse Cusack had 15 digs in the match, increasing her career total to 1,165 scoops and remains in sole possession of eighth place on UF's all-time career digs list. She needs six 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, the Southeastern Conference's leader in service aces, had three aces in the match and has recorded three or more aces in each of the team's three matches so far this season.
- Junior middle blocker Kristina Johnson had a match-high nine kills on a career-best (min. 10 att.) .818 hitting with two blocks.
- Freshman right-side/setter Kelly Murphy charted a match-high nine kills on a career-best .727 hitting with 13 assists and three digs.
- Freshman setter Cindy Bathelt dished out a career-high and a match-high 23 assists to complement a career-best two service aces.
- Sophomore outside hitter Callie Rivers posted a season-high eight kills on a career-best (min. 10 att.) .571 hitting percentage

POST-MATCH QUOTES

FLORIDA HEAD COACH MARY WISE

"We did have a match-up advantage tonight and that's why the game plan was designed to get Kristina Johnson some swings. She took advantage of them. When

Elyse Cusack is anchoring the serve-receive, or setters have lots of choices. What I love about it is, there was such good distribution tonight."

On Florida's No. 8 national ranking ...

"I think we understand the ranking this year was a reflection of last year's team. There's no way that there are only seven teams that are better than us because there are about 700 that are older than us. It's not about where we start, it's about where we finish."

On the chemistry she sees in the 2008 team ...

"I think the players have done a great job of accepting their roles. One of the great strengths of our team is that we have an ability to intermix the parts."

On the play of freshman right-side/setter Kelly Murphy ...

"We've had about 28 practices so far this year and I'd say she's probably at about practice 14. She's splitting time – she doesn't get all the reps at setter and she doesn't get all the reps as a hitter. She doesn't get as many reps serving as others. If we took one skill and let her have as much practice time as her teammates, she could dominate. Eventually, she's going to be able to score in a lot of different ways."

#12 KELLY MURPHY, S/RS

On Florida's 3-0 win against Jacksonville ...

"I think we did really well tonight. A lot of people were on tonight and that really allowed us to run our offense."

On fitting into the team so far this season ...

"Fitting in isn't hard because everyone is really nice and the team is really a lot of fun. With adjusting to college, it's going to class and to practice every day and I'm getting a little bit more used to it."

On facing No. 23/17 Long Beach State on Saturday ...

"We're really excited. We feel that now that we're in the groove of it, we should really be a little bit more used to playing strong competition. We're really excited to get out there and play tomorrow."

Volleyball Box Score
2008 Florida Volleyball
Jacksonville vs #8 Florida (Sep 05, 2008 at Gainesville, Fla.)

#	Jacksonville	S	Attack			Pct	Ast	Serve			Dig	Block			BHE	Pts
			K	E	TA			SA	SE	RE		BS	BA	BE		
3	LEHMAN, Brittany	3	5	1	13	.308	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	7.0
5	SINGLETON, Brooke	3	0	1	2	-.500	1	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	1.0
7	YEAGER, Aidan	3	6	2	12	.333	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	6.0
8	MUNNEKE, Hannah	3	0	0	1	.000	18	0	1	0	5	0	0	1	0	0.0
11	BENDORF, Sara	3	6	4	23	.087	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	6.0
14	GRUENBACHER, Abby	3	4	0	9	.444	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4.0
1	WALROTH, Shelley	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	1	6	0	0	0	0	0.0
2	TURNBULL, Brittany	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
4	KANE, Kathryn	3	3	5	11	-.182	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3.0
9	KENT, Nicki	1	0	1	2	-.500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
13	AUGUST, Ashley	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Team									2						
	Totals	3	24	14	73	.137	19	3	10	7	18	0	0	2	0	27.0

Team Attack By Set

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 0.0

Set	K	E	TA	Pct
1	10	3	27	.259
2	5	3	16	.125
3	9	8	30	.033

SET SCORES

Jacksonville (0)
 Florida (3)

1 2 3 Team Records:
 18 18 14 2-2
 25 25 25 3-0

#	Florida	S	Attack			Pct	Ast	Serve			Dig	Block			BHE	Pts
			K	E	TA			SA	SE	RE		BS	BA	BE		
1	Bathelt, Cindy	3	0	0	0	.000	23	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	2.0
6	Jaeckel, Kristy	3	8	3	16	.312	1	2	2	0	4	0	1	0	0	10.5
12	Murphy, Kelly	3	9	1	11	.727	13	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	9.0
15	Johnson, Kristina	3	9	0	11	.818	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	10.0
16	Ward, Colleen	3	8	1	12	.583	1	0	1	2	4	0	2	0	0	9.0
17	Bledsoe, Lauren	3	2	1	5	.200	1	0	2	0	3	0	2	1	0	3.0
3	Diaz, Christina	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
5	Rivers, Callie	3	8	0	14	.571	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	8.5
7	Cusack, Elyse	3	0	0	0	.000	2	3	3	1	15	0	0	0	0	3.0
19	Hausmann, Elissa	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
21	Anderson, Cassandra	2	0	1	2	-.500	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
27	Fleming, Erin	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Totals	3	44	7	71	.521	41	7	15	3	30	0	8	1	1	55.0

Team Attack By Set

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 4.0

Set	K	E	TA	Pct
1	16	1	27	.556
2	17	5	24	.500
3	11	1	20	.500

Site: Gainesville, Fla. (O'Connell Center)
 Date: Sep 05, 2008 Attend: 2624 Time: 1:19
 Referees: Donna Carter, Ken Matz