

# Postgame Quotes

## (3) UCLA vs. (7) Marist - Saturday, May 15, 2010

2010 National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship Aztec Aquaplex | San Diego State University | San Diego, Calif.

## (3) UCLA 14, (7) Marist 3

## NCAA Championship - Semifinal Day, Game 1

### **UCLA Head Coach Brandon Brooks**

#### **Opening Statement:**

"It's another day and the sun is shining. We're still proud Bruins. I thought anytime that you have a big loss, you wonder how the team is going to respond and what kind of effort the team is going to give the next morning. I thought we did a good job. We came out strong and we came out aggressive. We looked a little angry which is good."

#### On if it was a good learning experience:

"It was definitely a learning experience. Is it a good learning experience? I guess unfortunately it's going to have to be. You have to take away some knowledge and some learning from everything you go through. Like Kelly (Easterday) said, we've hit a lot of adversity this year and we've learned a lot. We've grown a lot as a team. We have one more tough game tomorrrow morning and the future is bright in UCLA."

## **UCLA** - Kelly Easterday

#### On what is wanted for the next game:

"It was a tough loss and none of us wanted to go out like that. You just have to keep your head held high. We had a great season and came over a lot of adversity the entire season. We wanted to come out here and do our best. That didn't happen, but sometimes that is just how the cookie crumbles. We all just wanted to prove today that we do deserve to be here and hold our heads up high."

#### *On being the first game:*

"After a loss like that, the best thing to do some times is just to get back at it and work through the kinks again. It was good for everyone to get back into the water again."

## Marist Head Coach Ashleigh Jacobs

#### *Opening Statement:*

"Not everyday or every two days that you get to play the two number one teams back to back. 20-5, we knew we were better than that. We can't do any worse than that, so it kind of took the pressure off. Let's get after it and see what we can do."

#### On hoping if today would be different:

"Yes, we definitely did run into some of the same problems. We definitely aren't happy with the game. I know the girls aren't happy with the game. We know we're better than that. If I thought that this was the best that we can play, then I'd be scared about tomorrow but I know we're a lot better than this."

## Marist - Jessica Getchius

On if emotions are bittersweet when she has a good game but team doesn't:

"I see it as a team thing. When I have a good game, sometimes it means that my teammates weren't always in the right

place or if they were in the right place. Walking out of that game, I think we could have done better. I could have blocked a couple more (shots)."

## On mindset for the game:

"We've been talking about this all last night and all day today. Our team was pumped up. We tried not to get the fact that they were (seeded) third in our heads too much and just think of it as a competition. We can go out and we can play our game."