

2009 National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship
College Park, Md. – Eppley Recreation Center
Sunday, May 10

No. 2 Stanford vs. No. 4 Hawai'i

Postgame Quotes

Stanford Cardinal

Head Coach John Tanner

On the win:

"It's so disappointing that we're playing in the third place game after the way things played out last night, it was incredibly difficult to come back here. I'm incredibly proud of our seniors and our whole team for playing really well. This was an impressive way to finish things off."

"The best thing that we could do when we woke up this morning was to play well and finish the season off with a win and send our seniors out in impressive fashion."

Senior Driver Lauren Silver

On scoring a tournament-high eight goals:

"I feel like I kept getting that extra second that other teams might not have let me get all season and it helps that I shot pretty well. One of my very first water polo coaches is here, he watched me grow up, and he gave me a few pointers after my game yesterday, like to remember to get back into a rhythm. After a disappointing loss, you have to get back to what you like doing and why you like water polo, which is what I did and it worked pretty well."

Hawai'i Rainbow Wahine

Head Coach Michel Roy

On the game:

"Stanford's a good team. They have a couple of great shooters, they have some great center forwards, and John Tanner is a great coach. Stanford's always been in the top two or three teams in the nation. That was our whole goal to beat them, to get in the top three, but I guess we'll just have to wait another year."

On which players stood out:

"I'm pleased with [Saara] Majuri, she went up and down, she swum a lot and swum with those girls. But to me the guards did pretty well. Kelly [Mason] is a good two-meter guard. Ryan [Hanson-Swaner] had some good moments too when she was at two-meter guard. (Melissa Seidemann) is a strong girl; she's a future world-class center forward, there's no doubt about that. Dagmar [Genee] played solid and I'm really happy with Dagmar and Jaime [Aoki]. Carmen [Eggens] played well. Lisa [van Raalte] scored a couple of goals so I'm pleased with that. But we expected more out of all of them to have to win this game. We got some great effort, we played hard, but we needed to be a little bit luckier on shooting the balls and scoring goals."