



FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2017

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Shannon Williams, South Carolina

MATCH: 1

OPPONENT: Southern California

QUOTE: "We played awesome our first game. We used the wind to our advantage once we were able to control it. If we keep up the same energy as this game I know that we can beat anybody."

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Kelly Clayes, Southern California

MATCH: 1

OPPONENT: South Carolina

QUOTE: "We really love to come out swinging in these matches. We were aggressive when we had the opportunity and played off of their mistakes. I think we did a great job with that and we finished first. We took them 4-0 so that's awesome."

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Carly Kan, Hawaii

MATCH: 2

OPPONENT: Florida State

QUOTE: "We did really well and our team is fighting really hard. We have been peaking towards the end of the season so this is the perfect time for us. We knew this game would be difficult but our team believes we can win and we have a lot of fight."

HEAD COACH: Brooke Niles, Florida State

MATCH: 2

OPPONENT: Hawaii

QUOTE: "We knew this would be a difficult match going into it and unfortunately we lost. We will be ready for the next match at 3p.m. and plan to work just as hard."

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Katie Lindelow, LSU

MATCH: 3

OPPONENT: UCLA

QUOTE: "It was a really tight match we had four of them go to three and they didn't go our way, but we will use it as a warm-up for the next match. We figured out the wind and have a better idea how to handle it going forward. We put up a fight and came back and we will continue to fight through the next match."

HEAD COACH: Russel Brock, LSU

MATCH: 3

OPPONENT: UCLA

QUOTE: "We would have preferred a different outcome, however we are here and we are competing. It really comes down to about one or two plays and in these conditions that could be fortunate or very unfortunate. It is really important to stay strong throughout both. Our position moving forward is focusing on this next match. We know that we can beat anybody here it is just about executing one or two plays better. I am looking forward to the next competition."

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Savvy Simo, UCLA

MATCH: 3

OPPONENT: LSU

QUOTE: "In the game we worked on staying composed with the wind and continued to work hard on the down side and on the good side. We didn't panic when we went down several points fortunately because it is easy to become frustrated. We kept our composure and our dynamic playing style was beneficial. We were able to switch up once they picked up on certain tactics. I believe we played well and will continue to do so."

HEAD COACH: Stein Metzger, UCLA

MATCH: 3

OPPONENT: LSU

QUOTE: "It was a close battle and they came out hot, however we knew it would be a difficult game. We have played them before and we knew they had the advantage of being closer to home. We were down in all five sets and one thing we kept repeating is "gotta love it." This reiterated the love of the game and that means working hard through the good and bad plays. We remained persistent and came out on top."

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Hailey Luke, Florida State

MATCH: 5

OPPONENT: South Carolina

QUOTE: "My teammates and I played well and enhanced our communication which proved to be beneficial in the end."

HEAD COACH: Moritz

MATCH: 5

OPPONENT: South Carolina

QUOTE: "This has been a great opportunity, and we obviously had some history with Florida State but we were ready to step up to that challenge. We had an idea of what we had to do, unfortunately we just happened to be on the wrong end."

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Jade Vitt, South Carolina

MATCH: 5

OPPONENT: Florida State

QUOTE: "This has been an awesome experience and the energy between my teammate and I is awesome. Going into the tournament I'm always aware that once you get here anything can happen and there are upsets all the time. Everyone plays awesome so you just have to go out and ball out. The energy between my teammate and I is awesome and we push each other."

HEAD COACH: Mike Campbell, Long Beach

MATCH: 6

OPPONENT: LSU

QUOTE: "The experience here has been great, the tournament looks beautiful, the venue couldn't be any better, and the people are super friendly. We love coming to Gulf Shores, Alabama. It's really bittersweet that we have to go home but we did make it to the top level. You know competing with the top 8 teams is really something to be proud of and I'm proud of my girls and the effort they put forward. They really worked hard."

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Olivia Powers, LSU

MATCH: 6

OPPONENT: Long Beach

QUOTE: "Hearing the success of the first two points really boosted energy and confidence. I knew if I did my part, my team would pull it all together."

HEAD COACH: Russell Brock, LSU

MATCH: 6

OPPONENT: Long Beach

QUOTE: "This is the program's first ever NCAA beach championship and it's a great morale boost. We came into the tournament expecting to compete and advance to the second day. It is a great combo to be super talented and believe you can beat anybody. We are looking to compete just as hard tomorrow."

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Nicolette Martin, Southern California

MATCH: 7

OPPONENT: Hawaii

QUOTE: "We all did really good and played well. Coming from a victory we knew Hawaii would play hard and come after us so we tried to step our game up. Overall we did a really great job."

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Terese Cannon, Southern California

MATCH: 7

OPPONENT: Hawaii

QUOTE: "I'm excited to advance. We played well and have been striving to get 2 percent better each game. Our performance definitely displayed our hard work. The tournament is so much fun to watch and be a part of."

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Hannah Zolopany, Hawaii

MATCH: 7

OPPONENT: Southern California

QUOTE: "Overall we played good. The conditions are heavy but we adapted well. We lived in the moment and celebrated the game one point at a time. I'm looking forward to competing tomorrow."

STUDENT-ATHLETE: Corinne Quiggle, Brittany Howard, Pepperdine

MATCH: 8

OPPONENT: UCLA

QUOTE: "The wind was a minimal factor in our gameplay. In fact, this was 'Waves' weather. We practice in this wind at home and know how to control it. We've been working towards this tournament all year so to be peaking at this tournament feels awesome. USC is a great competitor but it's our time now."

HEAD COACH: Stein Metzger, UCLA

MATCH: 8

OPPONENT: Pepperdine

QUOTE: "Our team has remained confident all year long and we have time to regroup and prepare for tomorrow. I'm sure FSU will come out with fire and it will be a good matchup. However, I'm more than confident in my team and their abilities and look forward to competing tomorrow."