

**CHICAGO SKY vs. NEW YORK LIBERTY
POST-GAME NOTES
JULY 22, 2009**

Team	Score	Record	High Points	High Rebounds	High Assists	Other Notable
SKY	70	8-9	Fowles, 15	Dupree, 11	Canty, 4	Perkins, 14 points
LIBERTY	77	6-8	Spencer, 15	Kraayeveld, 8	Moore, 4	Christon, 11 pts

- Attendance at tonight's game: 5881
- The win marks the second consecutive win for the New York Liberty.
- Sidney Spencer sunk three consecutive 3s in the final 3:30 of the game; she finished with 15 total points.
- Sylvia Fowles scored 15 points and grabbed nine rebounds to lead the Sky.
- The loss was the second of the season for the Sky at home.

KEY STATS OF THE NIGHT

- New York shot .500 from three-point range, going 12-of-24.
- The Sky were outscored 29-14 in the fourth quarter.
- There were 14 lead changes throughout the game.

KEY RUN OF THE NIGHT

After the Sky's Armintie Price stole the ball and converted a layup to make the score 65-59 in favor of Chicago, the Liberty went on a 13-2 run over the ensuing 3:30 minutes to secure the victory.

SKY-LIGHTS

- Erin Thorn scored a season-high 14 points in the first meeting with her former team the New York Liberty.
- Dupree was a point away from recording another double-double, she finished with 11 rebounds and nine points.
- The Sky outrebounded the Liberty 39-30.

LIBERTY NOTES

- Sidney Spencer made four 3s in the fourth quarter including three consecutive threes with 3:30 left in the game.
- The Liberty erased a 12-point Sky lead to hand Chicago its second home loss of the season.
- The Liberty shot .500 from three-point range and .403 from the field.
- New York outscored Chicago 28-24 in the paint.

**CHICAGO SKY
SKY COACH STEVE KEY QUOTES**

On tonight's loss:

I think we stopped playing. We expected calls to happen we expected the ball to go in whether it was offensively or defensively. We just stop playing our energy was not there, and if your energy is not

going to be there then how can we expect to win a game. The only way this game would make sense to me is if we go on the road, get on a plane tonight and get one back on the road in Washington.

On Sylvia Fowles:

I don't think she handled the officiating too well and I feel she could've handled it better. She felt that she was fouled and I feel the team should have done a better job at finding her when she is open. She's open for a split second and we are not getting her the ball when their defense is most vulnerable.

#34 SYLVIA FOWLES, CENTER

On the game:

They came back and they got us in the fourth quarter with a 3 point shot. We got away with poor defense for most of the game but it was their three-pointers that killed us, and the fact that we didn't step up our defense that they were able to catch up. I had to put the ball on the floor more because we had to be more aggressive on the court since our shots weren't falling when we thought they would.

On tomorrow's game:

Tomorrow night is very important especially going into the All Star break. You want to get a good ranking before you come back for the second half of the season.

#4 CANDICE DUPREE, FORWARD

On tonight's loss:

I am just aggravated with tonight's loss. We didn't play any defense in the fourth quarter. We can't let their bench players come into the game and score for them. We have to at least make it difficult for them to score. They were 50% from the 3-point line and they killed us. We definitely have to win home games, and the team needs to step it up, we can't just rely on one or two players.

On tomorrow's game:

I hope we all have a more aggressive mentality especially before the all-star break. I don't want to go into the break with a loss. I hope the team has the same thought process as I do. I hope they are disappointed in a loss like this and want to come out and play harder tomorrow. It's about pride, you have to be able to walk off the court and be proud of how we played, and tonight there was nothing to be proud of.

NEW YORK LIBERTY QUOTES LIBERTY COACH PAT COYLE QUOTES

On what it took to win:

We just talked about doing what we're good at. We guard a little bit, and we execute. When we do those two things in tandem I think we have a chance to win.

On Sidney Spencer's fourth quarter:

Kid can shoot the ball. That's why we got her. She's got a ton of confidence and her teammates have confidence in her. She's not afraid to shoot it, and thank God she's not afraid to shoot it

On facing off against former player Erin Thorn:

Erin Thorn can shoot it, there was never a question of that. She understands the game and this is a good situation for her. I'm happy for her, I'm happy she's getting some playing time and she's doing well.

On getting a win in Chicago:

In this league to be able to win on the road, it means a great deal. It's so hard to win in this league not only on your home court but as a visitor. If you can get a win on the road you're lucky.

#6 SIDNEY SPENCER, GUARD

On her fourth quarter performance:

I've been practicing, getting extra shots up. I know the bench is a really important part. We call ourselves the "X-Factor." I believe that's our role. I was getting open shots and my teammates were finding me. I just tried to knock them down.

On not giving up when they were down 10:

A few times this season we've been down and kind of fizzled. We were really focused on staying together, executing and guarding. We knew if we could guard them and execute our offense we'd be ok.

On coming off the bench:

That's my role. That's why I'm in the league because of my ability to shoot the ball, I'm confident I can knock down a shot.

#33 CATHERINE KRAAYEVELD, FORWARD

On the team's hot start:

I think it's good for us starting out well like that. We've had a lot of games where we didn't start out as well as we wanted to and dug ourselves in a hole. It was a game of runs today and we did a good job of coming back at the end today.

On falling down 10:

We knew that, we didn't focus on it. We tried to continue to execute. They're a good team, they're going to make runs. We just have to be able to buckle down. We were patient when we needed to be and hit open shots.

On watching Spencer:

It was great, she's a great shooter. We have confidence in everybody to come out, from starters to the bench to hit shots when they're open.