

Post-Game Notes& Quotes
Preseason – Sky vs. Fever
May 28, 2009

Quoting Fever Head Coach Lin Dunn

(general)

“We still have not seen our true combinations on the floor. This is good because we can play so many players. Our energy level went up with certain players on the floor. I was disappointed we didn’t do better on the boards. We have a tough decision to make as two players must go. We will continue to evaluate during our last pre-season game and practices. It’s great to have everyone here, unlike last year when we didn’t. We’re thrilled with our draft picks and the other players we picked up.”

Quoting Sky Head Coach Steve Key

(on tonight’s game)

“We showed we need significant defensive work. We need to be more aggressive. We played reaction defense which made us too late. We were behind the eight ball.”

Quoting Fever’s Tamika Catchings

(on the later start to the season)

“I had a great off-season and it’s better to have the season start later and have everyone here for pre-season. We showed tonight the way the team is coming together. Our chemistry is good right now. For us, just being able to jell early on will help us in the end of the season.”

(on the rookies)

“Our rookies have come in and done a good job. Briann (January) at point guard, her vision of seeing the court continues to get better. She has a lot to learn but is willing to watch and listen.”

Quoting Fever’s Tully Bevilaqua

(on her new leadership role)

“I’m feeling very relaxed. Briann has come in and played very well. It’s a little like my Seattle experience, playing behind Sue Bird. I feel very comfortable and relaxed because I can watch the game a little and then come in fit the team’s need. I feel confident communicating with the other point guards when I see things that could help them and hope they feel comfortable communicating things they see that would help me. I’m very excited about the season. I feel good about our team and have a smile on my face again.”

Quoting Sky’s Candice Dupree

(on training camp)

“I think we’ve seen a lot of improvement. This is our third game. The areas that we need to improve on are taking care of the ball and executing out of timeouts. Offensively and defensively we can’t give up an open lay up as we did at the end of the game. One of the main things we are making on in training camp is building team chemistry.”

Quoting Sky’s Shyra Ely

(on playing previously with Seattle)

“It’s been a challenge learning a new system. I think from experience that the game is a little quicker in the Eastern division as compared to the Western division. It’s just nice to be back in the Midwest and close to Indianapolis.”