



2016 NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Second Round · Notre Dame vs. Indiana
Purcell Pavilion at the Joyce Center · Notre Dame, Indiana
Sunday, March 20

PRACTICE DAY 2 QUOTES – Notre Dame

Muffet McGraw, Notre Dame Head Coach:

On competing with Indiana for in-state recruits...

"I think there's a lot of competition in the state for the best players. Skylar [Diggins] got us off to a great start. I think we've had really good players. Ruth [Riley] probably wasn't Player of the Year but she probably could have been. Jackie Batteast is another one, I feel like. We have to get those players in the state. I think that's really important for us. Jackie Young, Miss Basketball for this year, it's really important that we are able to get the best players from the state."

On preparing for Indiana...

"Well [Tyra] Buss gets to the free throw line 256 times, which is amazing. The leader on our team is about 120. She really drives the ball well. She's on attack mode all the time. We've got to be alert. Our rotations have to be really good. We've got to be able to find her and slow her down in transition, which is really hard to do. I don't think anyone has been successful at it all year long. So I think that she's the key to their team."

On last night's crowd...

"I was excited about the crowd last night. We were the second-most attended in the First Rounds of the 16 host sites. We had over 6,000 [6,310] and hope that tomorrow night we get an even bigger crowd, especially with an in-state game. I think that will bring a lot of fan interest."

Lindsay Allen, Notre Dame (Guard):

On getting off to a quick start against North Carolina A&T...

"It was a point for us to set the tone early. We talked about that before the game. I think it shows how unselfish this team is, how we are willing to make the extra pass and get the extra shot for our teammates. I think that was really important yesterday."

On individual players going on scoring runs for Notre Dame...

"I think it kind of just happened that way. It's not that they are taking something away, it's the way the defense is playing us. It's the reads that we are making on offense, back-door cuts, flare screens, regular screen-and-rolls. It's things like that, which we are reading from the defense."

Michaela Mabrey, Notre Dame (Guard):

On whether they entered the game with a mindset to share the ball...

"I don't think it's a mindset, we just do that naturally. Our whole team is very unselfish. We are always trying to make the extra pass and get a better shot. We made our shots last night and made great passes. I think it showed up on the stat sheet."

On studying for Indiana...

"We just watched film, right now before we came in here. Indiana is a good team. They have a really good point guard in Tyra Buss. We have to limit her touches and make the other players make plays for them because she controls the team."

On if she knows Indiana's Karlee McBride...

"Yes, just because of [Kayla McBride]. She came here a bunch of times with [Kayla], so we are definitely familiar with her and her family."

On whether she has heard from Kayla McBride...

"Yes, she's not cheering for us."