Wild, Wild, West: Santa Barbara Shootout Recap

The blinding rains Friday did not seem to effect Samantha Zetlin. The Sophomore attack tallied her second hat-trick of the weekend in the midst of a typhoon and earned her third Sunday vs. Santa Clara.

Strong Out the Gate, Wolverines Search for a Win

Jess Stanley Cuts to the goal in the team's opener against defending National Champions Colorado State. The Michigan Women lost a close contest to the Rams, 8 goals to 7. Samantha Zetlin posted a hat-trick with three goals. A stellar, 14 save effort by goalie Emmy Scheidt almost earned the Wolverines the victory.

Reaching The Next Level

The Wolverines battled through tough conditions, tough officiating, and tough competition this weekend in one of the premiere women's lacrosse tournaments in the nation. Their road was not made easy as the team was tested by last year's number 1, 2, 5, and 6 ranked teams. Nevertheless, Michigan fought hard in each contest showing flashes of brilliance on
Julianne sums up her experience in California:
"My favorite part about this past weekend was playing against some of the best competition in the country and getting closer with everyone on the team. Also, I thought it was funny that basically our whole team made twitter accounts and tweeted throughout the weekend."

Rachel Stattler sounds off on how the team handled the challenge:

"I love playing against good competition because it makes me a better player both individually and as a teammate, no matter what the outcome at the end of the game. Playing against tough teams forces me to push myself and really step up to the next level."

Returning to Michigan, this year’s squad is hoping to make that step and elevate their game to the next level. Anxiously awaiting their upcoming home games, the Wolverines will be looking forward to get back to their winning ways. The squad will continue practicing hard taking the schedule one game at a time. Soon enough it will be time to make the push for Lindenwood, and the Wolverines expect to be ready.

**CAPTAIN’S CORNER**

The team is determined to improve on their performance this past weekend. Captain Britt Boehm speaks to their desire to win:

"I think this year our team has the inherent drive to win. When we added a day of practice to our schedule this Spring the girls were excited instead of annoyed. When games didn’t go our way this past weekend, everyone discussed how we could fix it rather than putting the blame on the weather or the refs. Santa Barbara was a rough start to our season, but this team has the drive to bounce back. We are determined to win-out."

The Wolverines intend to finish strong and extend their season into the playoffs. Stay tuned as they enter the second half of the season.