



# Visitor Quotes

**Mercury vs. Storm**  
**May 08, 2016**  
**Talking Stick Resort Arena**

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**Mercury 70 | Storm 76**

**STORM HEAD COACH JENNY BOUCEK .....**

**(On accomplishing goals in the preseason...)**

“The goals are different in the preseason games, but we’re trying to get better every day. We have a young team and I felt like we improved from the last game and that’s our goal. That’s one of our major goals.”

**(On the differences of preparing this offseason as opposed to last season...)**

“I think you can see it doesn’t matter the talent level, there’s a big difference between our year-two players and our year-one players. There’s a big difference in Jewell Loyd, for example, in year two than year one. That goes back to what I was just saying that experience is the best teacher. When you got talent, they’re going to get better but it just takes a lot of time and experience and learning. Their learning curve is steep, this league is so hard and these players are so smart. There’s a big difference in a 22-year-old and a 30-year-old. Those eight years of experience playing overseas, being under great coaches, it makes the difference. We just have to stick with our process of trying to really expedite the learning process for our younger players and our older players are doing a great job of assisting the coaching.”

**STORM FORWARD ALYSHA CLARK..... 20 POINTS | 2 REBOUNDS**

**(On winning the last preseason game on the road...)**

“I think more so, just the experience it takes to win on the road and just building chemistry is more important right now. It gives a chance for our younger players to see how hard you have to play game-to-game because you may see some teams a couple nights apart, so I think that is more important for us than picking up a win.”

**(On the importance of chemistry building during preseason...)**

“Obviously, it’s huge because we have such a short season and short time together with everybody playing overseas and coming back and with the break coming up, so you don’t really have time to waste during the season. The quicker we can start learning each other’s habits and building chemistry, the better it will help us get on a good start to start the season.”

**STORM GUARD JEWELL LOYD .....9 POINTS | 8 ASSISTS**

**(On the differences in preparing for her second season...)**

“I definitely feel more comfortable in the system and with our team as well, so that helps a lot. This year, I’m playing a little bit more point (guard) and really got to focus on personnel and knowing situations, managing the clock and stuff like that, but just feeling more comfortable.”