

East Lake Cup Women – Match Play
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Q. Last event of the fall, you guys closed strong this week. How does that make you feel heading towards the spring?

COACH JUSTIN SILVERSTEIN: Happy to get out of here with a win. Yesterday was a tough one. I actually think it benefited us to have a quick turnaround, didn't have to sit around all morning might have let that frustration linger a little longer from yesterday. So feels good. Happy with the way they came out and battled the elements. We're a pretty spoiled warm weather team so this is different for us, but we had minimal complaining. Everyone was prepared and ready to go. I think we can leave here with a good taste in our mouth and get ready to go in the spring.

Q. What sort of strategic or tactical considerations go into a day like this with the conditions?

COACH JUSTIN SILVERSTEIN: We do a lot of yardage work at home in optimal conditions so having to kind of figure out what your adjustment is. So we -- on the course we're talking it's playing 140 at home, it's playing 155 here. It's kind of how we started the day, with a 15-yard adjustment. Kind of playing that yardage game all day was good.

I think we started a little slow because of that, but then they made a second adjustment quick and then we kind of got some things going and made up some ground.

Q. This is known as a tough golf course, obviously playing even tougher today. Is that a good final sort of like workout before the spring season?

COACH JUSTIN SILVERSTEIN: Yeah, it's good. This place points out your flaws. If you don't drive it well, it's really difficult. We're a really good driving team and we drove it horrifically this week, which caused a lot of problems. I think that might be an aberration, but we'll see if that develops as a pattern. This place is something that could identify it. We'll analyze it and go from there.

Q. Last question: It's obviously an honor to play here, you guys have to earn it. What does that mean for you and your team getting the -- earning the privilege to play here?

COACH JUSTIN SILVERSTEIN: Yeah, I think we've been here seven times now, won four of them. It's awesome. It's the reward for a great season but also a great opportunity for our new players to enjoy basically a mock (indiscernible) championship format at an elite golf



course. So it's really cool, really rewarding. They get more excited about this tournament than any one we play all year except for maybe NCAAs. So it's really cool. We're very appreciative of the club for what they do. They open their doors and say whatever you need, it's all yours. It would be nice if more clubs around the country followed their lead, but this is a premiere event, they're so happy to have us.

Q. I'm here with Coach Justin Silverstein. What impressed you the most about your players' effort and attitude this week?

COACH JUSTIN SILVERSTEIN: I think the way we dealt with the weather today and the first day. We're pretty weather spoiled kids, they go to school in L.A. I think the way they dealt with it, no complaining. They were prepared and ready to go, so happy with that.

A good bounce-back this morning after a tough loss yesterday, that one beat us up pretty good. A 12-hour turnaround was probably good for us, had to get over it quick and move forward.

Q. What do you hope your team takes away from competing at East Lake?

COACH JUSTIN SILVERSTEIN: I think it's a good -- it's such a good test. It points out things in your game you need to get better at. So I think as we decompress and look back over the week, we'll see things we need to improve. As a coaching staff, I think the things we saw yesterday that hurt us are things that have been hurting us all semester, so I think it just pointed those out in a little more detail this week and we can go into the offseason and work on those.

