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Men's Tennis



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Current Record - 2-1 Overall (0-0 Mid-American)

BULLS PUT THE FREEZE TO YOUNGSTOWN STATE

The University at Buffalo men's tennis team improved to 2-1 for the spring season as the Bulls defeated the visiting Youngstown State Penguins, 5-2, Saturday afternoon at the Village Glen Tennis Center in UB's home opener. The Bulls swept all three doubles matches and then took the top four of the six singles contests for the victory.

TWO OUT OF THREE AIN'T BAD

With Saturday's doubles sweep, the Bulls have claimed the opening doubles point in two of the three matches this season, winning all three contests against Bryant in the season opener as well. The Bulls changed their combinations on Saturday with *Kirill Kolomyts (Moscow, Russia/Moscow High School 155)* and *Marcelo Mazzetto (Sao Paulo, Brazil/Colegio Carlos Magno)* scoring an easy 8-2 win at first doubles. The number two tandem of *Mitch Zenaty (Fairport, NY/Fairport)* and *Alexey Kalinin (Naberezhnye Chelny, Russia/Naberezhnye Chelny School II)* won the deciding point with their 8-5 victory over Tariq Ismail and Christopher Leson. The Bulls gained the sweep after *Octavian Stane (Toronto, Ontario/Leaside)* and *Kristof Custers (Balen, Belgium/European School of Mol)* rallied from a 5-1 deficit to force a tiebreaker, downing Steve D'Angelo and Robert Emig, 8-6, in the breaker.

KOLOMYTS FIGHTS FOR SINGLES WIN

UB took the top four spots on the singles ladder with Custers, at number four, snaring the deciding point with his 6-0, 6-4 victory over D'Angelo to put the Bulls ahead 4-1. However, the most exciting match was the number two contest as Kolomyts needed to go to a super-tiebreaker against Ismail. After dropping the opening set in a 10-8 tiebreaker, Kolomyts rallied for a 6-4 win to set up the super-tiebreaker and the eventual win, again by a 10-8 margin. Kolomyts remained perfect for the spring with his third singles win against no defeats and also is 3-0 in doubles play.

IN-STATE RIVALS NIAGARA AND BINGHAMTON NEXT UP

The Bulls travel to the Sportsplex in North Tonawanda where they will face rival Niagara on Friday. The Bulls hold a 94-3-1 record over the Purple Eagles in the all-time series. UB then travels on Saturday to face Binghamton in a neutral-site match at Ithaca. The Bulls won last season's contest against the Bearcats, 4-3, as UB rallied to take the final three matches after trailing 3-1. The final three contests to be decided, at number four, five and six, all went three sets with Kolomyts, Juan Carlos Wynter and *Ezra Bernstein (Buffalo, NY/City Honors)* earning the wins.

2008-09 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

September		
Sat.-Sun., 5-7	at St. Bonaventure Invitational	No team scoring
Fri.-Sun., 26-28	UB/NIAGARA INVITE	No team scoring
October		
Fri.-Sun., 3-5	at Dartmouth Invitational	No team scoring
Thur.-Tue., 16-21	at ITA Regionals	No team scoring
Fri.-Sun., 31-Nov. 2	at Cornell Wicked Invitational	No team scoring
January		
Sat., 24	at Bryant	W, 6-1
Sun., 25	at Brown	L, 1-6
February		
Sat., 7	YOUNGSTOWN STATE	W, 5-2
Fri., 13	at Niagara	3:00 pm
Sat., 14	vs. Binghamton (at Ithaca, NY)	12:00 pm
Fri., 20	DUQUESNE	5:00 pm
Sat., 21	CHICAGO STATE*	1:00 pm
Sun., 22	COLGATE	11:00 am
March		
Sun., 1	vs. Bucknell (at St. Bonaventure, NY)	2:00 pm
Fri., 6	at Kennesaw State	3:00 pm
Sat., 7	at Mercer	1:00 pm
Sun., 8	at Jacksonville State	11:00 am
Sun., 15	at St. Bonaventure	1:00 pm
Sat. 28	at Toledo*	12:00 pm
Sun., 29	at Western Michigan*	10:00 am
April		
Sat., 4	BALL STATE*	5:00 pm
Sun., 12	NORTHERN ILLINOIS*	10:00 am
Sat., 18	OSWEGO STATE	10:00 am
Thu.-Sat., 23-25	MAC CHAMPIONSHIPS (at Buffalo)	TBA

* Mid-American Conference matches

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2008-09 INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

	Singles	Doubles
Ezra Bernstein	2-2	2-1
Kristof Custers	8-8	8-3
Tiago Gandum	0-1	0-0
Alexey Kalinin	2-1	3-0
Kirill Kolomyts	14-3	10-4
Alexis Lluis	8-3	7-3
Marcelo Mazzetto	10-8	7-5
Eric Rothstein	5-2	0-1
Guilherme Smaniotto	0-1	0-0
Octavian Stane	6-7	7-5
Juan Carlos Wynter	6-2	5-3
Mitch Zenaty	6-7	7-5