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## Men's Tennis



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**Current record – 5-4 (0-0 Mid-American Conference)**

### MEN'S TENNIS PLAYS NIKE SPRING SCRAMBLE

The University at Buffalo men's tennis team continued competition in its 2002 season over the weekend at the Nike Spring Scramble at St. Bonaventure University. UB finished the two-day tournament with a 4-3 loss to Rochester, a 4-3 loss to Binghamton and a 7-0 win over Niagara University.

In competition against Rochester, the Bulls gained wins from their top three singles players. Senior **Fery Kasiman (Jarkarta, Indonesia/ESI International Academy)** defeated Colin Ryan at first singles, 6-2, 6-1. **Justin Brtko (East Amherst, NY/Williamsville East)** defeated Avinash Reddy, 3-6, 6-1, 10-2 at second singles. At third singles, **Randy Rocchio (East Amherst, NY/Williamsville East)** defeated Dan Schoenherr, 6-0, 6-0. Freshman **Josh Liederman (Queens, NY/Benjamin Cardozo)** was defeated by Aaron Arfman at fourth singles, 6-4, 7-5. At fifth singles, **Sean Kelley (Gorham, NY/Marcus Whitman)** was defeated by Brian Shenker in a close 2-6, 7-6 (7-4), 10-8 match. In doubles competition, freshmen **Nick Zieziula (Hamburg, NY/St. Francis)** and **Rohan Raikar (Albany, NY/Albany)** were defeated by Nithin Raikar and Dan Williford, 7-6, 6-2, 10-8, giving Rochester the two doubles points.

Against Binghamton, **Kasiman** defeated Akshay Rao at first singles, 4-6, 6-2, 1-0 (6). At second singles, **Brtko** fell to Dmitriy Litvak, 7-5, 6-1. At third singles, **Zieziula** fell to Brad Davidoff, 5-7, 7-6 (7), 1-0 (5). **Rocchio** defeated Ryan Rosenthal at fourth singles, 6-1, 6-2. **Kelley** took the fifth singles victory over Evan Gotlob, 7-6 (6), 6-2. In doubles play, freshman duo **Raikar** and **Liederman** fell to Brad Sherwood and Steve Spencer, 7-6 (2), 6-3.

In competition against Niagara, Buffalo swept the singles competition. At first singles, **Kasiman** defeated Jonathan Bozanich, 6-3, 6-1. At second singles, **Rocchio** defeated Mike Kelly 7-5 in the first set before Kelly retired. **Zieziula** defeated John Abella at third singles, 6-1, 6-0. **Liederman** took the fourth-singles win over Jason Pope, 6-1, 0-6, 10-8. At fifth singles, **Kelley** defeated Kris Hrisovulos, 6-1, 6-1. In doubles competition, **Brtko** and **Raikar** defeated Tom Rees and Eric Roslansky, 6-3, 6-3.

The Bulls will continue competition on February 27 at 4 pm against the University of Rochester in Rochester, NY.

### 2002 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent/Tournament</u>	<u>Site/Results</u>
February 9-10	at Cornell Duals Invitational vs. Marist vs. Cornell vs. Massachusetts	Ithaca, NY L, 4-3 L, 7-0 W, 6-1
February 15-17	at St. Bonaventure Duals Invitational vs. Rochester vs. Niagara vs. Binghamton	Olean, NY L, 4-3 W, 7-0 L, 4-3
February 27	at University of Rochester	Rochester, NY
March 16	vs. Western Michigan*	Olean, NY
March 22-30	Spring Break Matches	Hilton Head, SC
April 6	at Toledo*	Toledo, OH
<b>April 16</b>	<b>CANISIUS</b>	<b>UB TENNIS CENTER</b>
April 19	at Bowling Green*	Bowling Green, OH
April 20	at Ball State*	Muncie, IN
<b>April 24</b>	<b>NORTHERN ILLINOIS*</b>	<b>UB TENNIS CENTER</b>
<b>April 25-27</b>	<b>MAC CHAMPIONSHIPS</b>	<b>BUFFALO, NY</b>

Home matches are in **BOLD CAPS** and are held at the UB Tennis Center, Ellicott Complex

\*Denotes Mid-American Conference match