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Men's Tennis



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Current record – 8-11 Overall, 2-3 MAC

BULLS PULL OUT VICTORY AGAINST ROCKETS, 4-3

The University at Buffalo men's tennis team scored a 4-3 victory over Toledo Saturday afternoon in Mid-American Conference action at the UT Tennis Courts. The win improved the Bulls to 8-11 overall and 2-3 in league play while the Rockets fell to 9-10 overall, 0-3 MAC.

Toledo came into the match with just five players and was unable to field individuals at third doubles and sixth singles. UB's top doubles team of **Randy Rocchio (East Amherst, NY/Williamsville East)** and **Nick Zieziula (Ham-burg, NY/St. Francis)** clinched the opening point of the match with a victory over Freddy Gomez and Cristobal Torral, 9-8 (10-4 in the tiebreaker). At number two, UB's **Yules Hadisubroto (Jakarta, Indonesia/SMUN 21)** and **Albert Alant (Pretoria, South Africa/Niskayuna (NY))** fell to Todd Wojtkowski and Travis Curran, 8-2.

The Bulls claimed the match with two singles victories along with the default at number six as four of the five matches went to three sets. Rocchio gave the Bulls the win as he outlasted Gomez in the number one match. Rocchio took the first set, 6-4, before falling to Gomez, 6-1, in the second to force the tiebreaking set. That third set then went to a tiebreaker with Rocchio having enough left to win the breaker, 7-1 and claim the set, 7-6. **Mike Rockman (Toronto, Ontario/Thornhill)** picked up UB's other singles victory with a 6-3, 4-6, 6-0 win over Curran at number three.

At number two, Zieziula fell to Wojtkowski, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4. At number four, UB's **Josh Liederman (Queens Village, NY/Benjamin Cardozo)** was defeated by Toral, 7-5, 6-2. At number five, **Rangga Prayudha (Jakarta, Indonesia/ESI International Academy/Ventura College)** lost to Brian Rager, 7-5, 4-6, 6-3.

The victory was the second MAC win of the season for the Bulls and the first ever against a team other than Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne, a MAC member in men's tennis only. "This is a long time coming for the Bulls' program," said head coach Russ Crispell. "We've been working extremely hard for the last several years trying to get a win from the original MAC schools."

Crispell also praised Rocchio for his incredible effort on Saturday. "Randy played some amazing tennis. He picked it up big time to win that third set tiebreaker."

The Bulls now head into the MAC Championships starting April 22 in Muncie, IN.

2003-04 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

September		
Fri.-Sun., 12-14	at St. Bonaventure Invitational	No team scoring
Fri.-Sun., 19-21	at Dartmouth Invitational	No team scoring
Fri.-Sun., 26-28	CAN-AM INVITATIONAL	No team scoring
October		
Fri., 10	at Vermont	W, 7-0
Sat., 11	at Binghamton	L, 2-5
Fri.-Sun., 17-19	at Omni ITA Championships	No team scoring
January		
Sat., 24	at Brown	L, 0-7
Thurs.-Sat., 29-31	at Harvard Invitational	No team scoring
February		
Fri.-Sun., 13-15	at Bonnie Duals vs. Manhattan vs. Binghamton at St. Bonaventure	L, 3-4 W, 4-3 L, 3-4
Sun., 22	at Cornell (with Army) vs. Army	L, 1-6 L, 0-7
Wed., 25	at Rochester	W, 5-2
Sat., 28	vs. Bucknell (at St. Bonaventure)	W, 5-2
Sat., 28	vs. Duquesne (at St. Bonaventure)	W, 6-1
Sun., 29	WESTERN MICHIGAN*	L, 2-5
March		
Fri. 12	at South Carolina-Aiken	W, 4-3
Sat. 13	at Barry	L, 1-8
Sun., 14	at Stetson	L, 2-5
April		
Fri., 2	at IPFW*	W, 7-0
Sat., 3	at Northern Illinois*	L, 0-7
Sun., 4	at Ball State*	L, 1-6
Sat., 10	at Toledo*	W, 4-3
Thurs.-Sun., 22-25	at MAC Championships	All Day

*Mid-American Conference matches
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2003-04 Statistics (MAC records in parentheses)

Singles	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total	Doubles	1	2	3	Total
Randy Rocchio	6-9 (3-2)	1-1 (0-0)					12-17 (3-2)	Rocchio/Zieziula	8-5 (2-1)			13-11 (2-1)
Nick Zieziula	2-0 (0-0)	6-9 (1-4)	2-0 (0-0)				24-14 (1-4)	Zieziula/Chamdani	1-0 (0-0)		1-1 (0-0)	2-1 (0-0)
Mike Rockman	1-1 (0-0)	0-1 (0-0)	7-7 (2-2)	1-0 (1-0)			19-15 (3-2)	Rockman/Liederman		1-2 (0-0)		1-2 (0-0)
Josh Liederman		1-0 (0-0)	1-2 (0-1)	3-12 (1-3)			8-18 (1-4)	Prayudha/Alant			2-0 (0-0)	2-0 (0-0)
Rangga Prayudha				1-1 (0-0)	4-8 (2-2)	1-3 (0-1)	16-13 (2-3)	Prayudha/Hadisubroto			0-1 (0-0)	1-2 (0-0)
Albert Alant						1-3 (0-0)	8-7 (0-0)	Liederman/Prayudha	0-1 (0-0)	1-3 (0-1)	3-4 (1-2)	5-10 (1-3)
Yules Hadisubroto				1-0 (0-0)	2-4 (0-1)	5-3 (1-2)	8-7 (1-3)	Alant/Hadisubroto		0-5 (0-2)	0-4 (0-1)	0-9 (0-3)
Ivan Chamdani						1-0 (0-0)	3-2 (0-0)	Chamdani/Hadisubroto		1-0 (0-0)		1-0 (0-0)
Joe Popielarczyk						1-0 (0-0)	2-2 (0-0)	Rocchio/Hadisubroto	1-2 (1-1)	2-0 (0-0)		3-2 (1-1)
Mike Zappone					0-1 (0-0)		1-4 (0-0)	Alant/Popielarczyk			1-0 (0-0)	1-0 (0-0)
Team Totals	9-10 (3-2)	8-11 (1-4)	10-9 (2-3)	6-13 (2-3)	6-13 (2-3)	9-9 (1-3)	101-99 (11-18)	Prayudha/Rockman				0-4 (0-0)
								Rocchio/Rockman				2-1 (0-0)
								Zieziula/Alant		1-2 (1-1)		4-2 (1-1)
								Alant/Liederman	0-1 (0-0)			0-5 (0-0)
								Zappone/Chamdani				1-3 (0-0)
								Popielarczyk/Zappone			0-1 (0-0)	2-2 (0-0)
								Prayudha/Chamdani			0-1 (0-0)	1-2 (1-1)
								Team Totals	10-9 (3-2)	6-13 (1-4)	7-11 (1-3)	39-56 (5-9)

Tournament results are included with individual totals