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Men's Tennis



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BULLS MAKE IMPRESSIVE START AT HOME TOURNEY

The University at Buffalo opened its men's tennis season with three strong performances in the Buffalo/Bonaventure Fall Classic. The tournament was based on individual efforts and played in a "hidden duals" format with as many as eight singles and four doubles matches with no team scoring.

On Saturday, UB opened by winning 10 of 12 matches against Niagara.

UB scored four doubles victories and six singles wins over the Purple Eagles. Highlighting the Bulls' efforts was **Josh Liederman (Queens Village, NY/Benjamin Cardozo)** who scored a "double-bagel" victory over Niagara's Greg Kaufman and also combined with **Mike Rockman (Toronto, Ontario/Thornhill)** to defeat Alex Abji and Jonathan Bozanich, 8-2, in the doubles competition.

In Sunday's matches, the Bulls won eight of nine matches against Youngstown State and took six of the 10 matches from St. Bonaventure.

Against the Penguins, UB junior **Joe Popielarczyk (Buffalo, NY/McKinley)** scored a "double-bagel" victory over Zach Landgraff. Popielarczyk also combined with **Mike Zappone (Queensbury, NY/Queensbury)** for an 8-3 doubles win over Jason Trapp and Landgraff.

A sweep of the three doubles matchups was the key to UB taking the majority of the contests against the Bonnies. **Randy Rocchio (East Amherst, NY/Williamsville East)** and **Matt Kennedy (Mississauga, Ontario/Erindale)** scored a tiebreaker victory to defeat Andrew Hart and Sajeel Qureshi, 9-8 (7-2). Rockman and Liederman picked up a 9-7 win over Nikhil Murali and Alejandro Nery. **Nick Zieziula (Hamburg, NY/St. Francis)** and **Yules Hadisubroto (Jakarta, Indonesia/SMUN 21)** had an easier effort, downing Mario Arce and Dejan Stankovic, 8-2. Rockman, Hadisubroto and Zappone registered singles wins. Hadisubroto picked up a "double-bagel" over Stankovic, 6-0, 6-0.

For the weekend, the Bulls went undefeated in doubles play, winning all 10 meetings. Zieziula and Hadisubroto and Rockman and Liederman picked up three victories while the Rocchio and Kennedy and Popielarczyk and Zappone duos both went 2-0.

Regularly held at St. Bonaventure, this season's tournament was moved to Buffalo while St. Bonaventure's courts are being renovated and to accommodate player schedules for the weekend.

The Bulls travel to New Hampshire to compete next weekend at the Dartmouth Invitational.

2004-05 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

<i>September</i>			
Fri.-Sun., 10-12	BUFFALO/BONAVENTURE FALL CLASSIC	No team scoring	
Thur.-Sun., 16-19	at Dartmouth Invitational		All Day
Thur.-Sun., 23-26	at Brown Invitational		All Day
<i>October</i>			
Sat., 9	RIDER		10:00 am
Sun., 10	at Binghamton		2:00 pm
Thur.-Tue., 21-26	at ITA Regional Championships (at Va. Tech)		All Day
<i>November</i>			
Thur.-Sun., 4-7	at Dartmouth Big Green Classic		All Day
<i>January</i>			
Fri., 21	vs. Manhattan (at Columbia)		6:30 pm
Sat., 22	at Brown		1:00 pm
Sun., 23	at Boston College		10:00 am
Thur.-Sun., 27-30	at Harvard Invitational		All Day
<i>February</i>			
Sun., 6	at Western Michigan*		6:00 pm
Mon., 7	vs. Xavier (at St. Bonaventure)		7:00 pm
Tue., 8	at St. Bonaventure		9:00 am
Wed., 16	at Rochester		4:00 pm
<i>March</i>			
Sun., 6	at Duquesne		8:00 am
Fri.-Sat., 11-19	Spring Training matches in Florida		TBA
Fri., 25	TOLEDO*		7:00 pm
<i>April</i>			
Fri., 1	BALL STATE*		7:00 pm
Sat., 2	NORTHERN ILLINOIS*		1:00 pm
Wed., 13	NIAGARA		3:00 pm
Sat., 16	IPFW*		7:00 pm
Thurs.-Sat., 28-30	at MAC Championships (at Ft. Wayne, IN)		All Day

*Mid-American Conference matches

Home matches in **BOLD CAPS** • All Times Eastern

2004-05 Statistics (MAC records in parentheses)

<u>Singles</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Doubles</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Albert Alant							0-0 (0-0)	Zieziula/Hadisubroto				3-0 (0-0)
Yules Hadisubroto							2-0 (0-0)	Rockman/Liederman				3-0 (0-0)
Matt Kennedy							2-1 (0-0)	Rocchio/Kennedy				2-0 (0-0)
Josh Liederman							1-1 (0-0)	Popielarczyk/Zappone				2-0 (0-0)
Joe Popielarczyk							2-1 (0-0)	Team Totals	0-0 (0-0)	0-0 (0-0)	0-0 (0-0)	10-0 (0-0)
Randy Rocchio							2-1 (0-0)					
Mike Rockman							3-0 (0-0)					
Mike Zappone							1-1 (0-0)					
Nick Zieziula							1-2 (0-0)					
Team Totals	0-0 (0-0)	0-0 (0-0)	0-0 (0-0)	0-0 (0-0)	0-0 (0-0)	0-0 (0-0)	14-7 (0-0)					

Tournament results are included with individual totals