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Men's Tennis



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

BULLS CONCLUDE FALL SKED WITH WICKED TOURNEY

The University at Buffalo men's tennis team completed the fall tournament portion of its schedule over the Halloween weekend with the Cornell Wicked Invitational. There was no team scoring at the tournament that also included Duquesne, Colgate, Marist, Binghamton, Fairleigh Dickinson, Army and Navy as well as the Bulls and host Big Red.

MAZZETTO, CUSTERS REACH CONSOLATION FINALS

Sophomore *Marcelo Mazzetto (Sao Paulo, Brazil/Colegio Carlos Magno)* and freshman *Kristof Custers (Balen, Belgium/European School of Mol)* made their way through the back half of the draw to compete in the A and B singles consolation finals, respectively.

Mazzetto needed a third-set super-tiebreaker in a grueling match against Colgate's Martin MacIntyre in the consolation semifinals. Mazzetto won the first set in a 7-5 tiebreaker but lost the second set in similar fashion with a 7-2 tiebreaker loss, setting up the third set. In the super-tiebreaker, Mazzetto was able to regroup and get the best of MacIntyre with a 10-5 win. However, Mazzetto was unable to keep the momentum going in the final match as he fell to Marist's Loic Sessagesimi, 6-2, 6-3.

In the B consolation bracket, the Bulls had three players in the semifinal round as Custers defeated teammate *Alexis Lluis (Mexico City, Mexico/Colegio Americano de Tabasco)*, 6-3, 6-1, to advance to the final against Binghamton's Gilbert Wong. Wong had defeated UB's *Mitch Zenaty (Fairport, NY/Fairport)* in the other semifinal, 6-0, 6-2. Wong went on to win the title with a 6-2, 6-3 victory over Custers.

KOLOMYTS, DOUBLES TEAM ADVANCE IN MAIN DRAWS

UB junior *Kirill Kolomyts (Moscow, Russia/Moscow High School 155)* scored three victories on Friday and Saturday to reach Sunday's semifinal round in the singles A flight. Kolomyts opened play with a win over Fairleigh Dickinson's Marko Jemersic, 7-6 (7), 6-2, then picked up a second round win in his first match on Saturday with a 6-2, 6-3 victory over Duquesne's Zach Skorupka. Kolomyts later moved into the semifinal round as he downed Army's Jordan Girdley, 6-2, 6-3. He was eliminated in the semifinal round with a 6-3, 6-0 loss to Cornell's Jeremy Feldman.

In doubles action, the UB tandem of Kristof Custers and *Octavian Stane (Toronto, Ontario/Leaside)* moved into the semifinal round with two wins in the B flight. Custers and Stane opened with a tiebreaker win over Fairleigh Dickinson's Keiichiri Adachi and Diego Benavent, 9-8 (8). The UB tandem had an easier time in their Saturday match as they whitewashed Colgate's Sean Spellberg and Jamie Pellechi, 8-0. However, the UB pair was denied a spot in the finals as they fell in a tiebreaker, 9-8 (2), to Cornell's Conner Sherwood and Evan Bernstein.

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 | Boston University (at Providence, RI) | TBA |
| Sun., 25 | at Brown | TBA |
| February | | |
| Sun., 1 | at Manhattan | TBA |
| Mon., 2 | at Army | TBA |
| Sat., 7 | YOUNGSTOWN STATE | 11:00 am |
| Fri., 13 | at Niagara | TBA |
| Fri., 20 | DUQUESNE | TBA |
| Sat., 21 | CHICAGO STATE* | 1:00 pm |
| Sun., 22 | COLGATE | 11:00 am |
| Fri., 27 | ST. FRANCIS (PA) | 2:00 pm |
| March | | |
| Fri., 6 | at Kennesaw State | TBA |
| Sat., 7 | at Mercer | TBA |
| 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 | 12:00 pm |
| Thu.-Sat., 23-25 | MAC CHAMPIONSHIPS (at Buffalo) | TBA |

* Mid-American Conference matches

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All Times Eastern

2008-09 INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

| | Singles | Doubles |
|--------------------|---------|---------|
| Ezra Bernstein | 2-2 | 2-1 |
| Kristof Custers | 6-7 | 6-2 |
| Kirill Kolomyts | 11-3 | 7-4 |
| Alexis Lluis | 8-3 | 6-3 |
| Marcelo Mazzetto | 8-7 | 5-4 |
| Eric Rothstein | 5-2 | 0-1 |
| Octavian Stane | 5-6 | 6-4 |
| Juan Carlos Wynter | 6-2 | 5-3 |
| Mitch Zenaty | 6-5 | 5-4 |