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Men's Tennis



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Current record – 3-0 (0-0 Mid-American Conference)

MEN'S TENNIS FINISHES STRONG AT CORNELL INVITATIONAL

The University at Buffalo's men's tennis team had a strong finish to its fall season over the weekend at the Cornell Invitational.

In the A flight, junior **Fery Kasiman (Jakarta, Indonesia/ESI International Academy)** advanced in the main draw to the semifinals before losing to the number-one seed, Anthony Jagdale of Rutgers University, 7-5, 6-0. **Kasiman's** advancement to the semifinals marked the furthest point a Bull has ever reached at this tournament. **Kasiman** completed the fall season with a 7-1 overall singles record.

Also playing in the A flight, senior **Justin Brtko (East Amherst, NY/Williamsville East)** won the consolation finals with a tough third-set tiebreaker win against Ryan Richert of Assumption College, 4-6, 7-5, 7-6. **Brtko** completed the fall season with a 8-1 overall singles record.

In the B flight, freshman **Randy Rocchio (East Amherst, NY/Williamsville East)** advanced to the quarterfinals before losing a tight two-set match to Rutgers' Kevin Beilen, 6-3, 7-6 (15-13). Freshman **Nick Zieziula (Hamburg, NY/ St. Francis)** won the B flight consolation round by defeating St. Bonaventure's Mikhail Muralli, 6-2, 7-5. Both **Rocchio** and **Zieziula** completed the fall season with a 7-2 overall record.

Senior **Sean Kelly (Gorham, NY/Marcus Whitman)** won the D flight consolation bracket, defeating David Wagreich of Fairleigh Dickinson University in the finals, 6-1, 6-1. This was the first time three Buffalo players won consolation titles at the Cornell Invitational.

In doubles competition, **Kasiman** and **Brtko** advanced to the A doubles flight quarterfinals before losing to the number one seeded team from Assumption College, 8-1. **Rocchio** and **Zieziula** also advanced to the quarterfinals before losing to the number two seed from Rutgers, 8-3.

The Bulls completed their fall season with at 3-0 record and will return to action on February 9-10 at the Cornell Duals Invitational.

2001 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent/Tournament</u>	<u>Site/Results</u>
Sept. 21-23	@ St. Bonaventure Invitational	No Team Scoring
Oct. 12-15	vs. Vermont	W, 6-1
	St. Lawrence	W, 7-0
	St. Michael's	W, 7-0
Nov. 2-4	@ Cornell Invitational	No Team Scoring

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