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## Women's Tennis



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**Final record – 8-11 Overall, 1-8 MAC**

### BULLS CONCLUDE SEASON WITH TOURNEY LOSS

The University at Buffalo women's tennis team was eliminated in the first round of the Mid-American Conference Tournament Thursday with a 4-2 loss to Toledo. The Bulls complete the season with an 8-11 overall record.

UB jumped out to an early 1-0 lead on the Rockets after capturing two of the three doubles matches. At number one, the UB duo of **Miglana Nenova (Rousse, Bulgaria/Eurointellect)** and **Kristen Ortman (Amherst, NY/Amherst)** downed Jen Meister and Viviana Rivero, 8-3. UB's number three team of **Michelle Kollarova (Bratislava, Slovak Republic/Sport Gymnasium)** and **Katrin Fischer (Ternitz, Austria/Borg)** knocked off Daniella Moran and Claire Smalley, 8-4. In the number two match, UB's **Lisa Wittman (Cheektowaga, NY/Cheektowaga)** and **Sheri Ugowski (Orchard Park, NY/Orchard Park)** fell to Myriam Cueva and Eunice Paravicini, 8-0.

Kollarova recorded UB's lone singles victory with a straight-set win over Meister at number five. Kollarova won the first set, 6-2, and then took the second, 7-5, to give the Bulls their second point.

Toledo wrapped up the match with four singles victories, all in straight sets. At number two, Rivero defeated Ortman, 6-4, 6-4. At number three, Paravicini downed Fischer, 6-3, 6-1. At number four, Moran defeated Wittman, 6-2, 6-1. At number six, Smalley defeated **Onessa Williams (Albany, NY/Albany/Mohawk Valley CC)**, 6-4, 6-1.

The number one match between UB's Nenova and Toledo's Cueva was stopped when Toledo scored the fourth point to clinch the victory. Cueva defeated Nenova, 6-4, in the first set, but Nenova was leading 4-1 in the second when play was halted.

### NENOVA NAMED MAC NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR

UB freshman **Miglana Nenova (Rousse, Bulgaria/Eurointellect)** has been named the Mid-American Conference's Newcomer of the Year and gained a spot on the All-MAC First Team. The All-MAC team and individual award winners were announced at the league's championship banquet in Rockford, IL Thursday night.

Nenova is the first UB women's tennis player to earn MAC postseason recognition since the Bulls joined the league in 1998. Playing at first singles during the spring season after moving up from the second spot during the fall, Nenova compiled an 18-7 overall singles record, including a 5-4 mark in Mid-American Conference play and the most individual overall wins since the Bulls joined the MAC. Her 18 singles wins were also the most by a UB individual since Amy Cohen compiled an 18-6 mark in the 1994-95 season. In doubles, Nenova was 18-8 (2-7 in the MAC), including compiling 17 wins with **Kristen Ortman (Amherst, NY/Amherst)** to form the Bulls' top duo.

During the season, Nenova gained recognition as the MAC Player of the Week following UB's 4-3 win over Akron on April 9. Nenova helped the Bulls clinch the match by winning a comeback victory over Irina Strembitsky, the top-ranked player in the MAC at the time and nationally-ranked by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association. Down a set and trailing 3-1 in the second, Nenova rallied to win the second set, 6-4. She then proceeded to finish off the match with a 6-2 victory in the third set and stop Strembitsky's undefeated streak of 15 matches.

#### 2003-04 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

September		
Sun., 14	at Rochester	W, 7-0
Sun., 21	ST. FRANCIS (PA)	W, 7-0
Fri.-Sun., 26-28	CAN-AM TOURNAMENT	No team scoring
October		
Fri., 10	CLEVELAND STATE	W, 7-0
Sat., 18	at Binghamton	W, 6-1
Sat., 18	vs. Siena (at Binghamton)	L, 3-4
November		
Sat.-Mon., 1-3	at Dartmouth Big Green Tour.	No team scoring
February		
Sun., 15	at Duquesne	L, 3-4
Fri., 27	<b>BOWLING GREEN*</b>	<b>L, 3-4</b>
Sat., 28	<b>BALL STATE*</b>	<b>L, 2-5</b>
March		
Sun., 14	vs. Wisc.-Green Bay (in Tampa, FL)	W, 7-0
Wed., 17	at Tampa	W, 6-3
Fri., 19	vs. Dayton (in Tampa, FL)	W, 5-2
Fri., 26	at Northern Illinois*	L, 3-4
Sat., 27	at Western Michigan*	L, 0-7
April		
Fri., 2	<b>MARSHALL*</b>	<b>L, 0-7</b>
Sat., 3	<b>MIAMI (OH)*</b>	<b>L, 2-5</b>
Fri., 9	<b>AKRON*</b>	<b>W, 4-3</b>
Fri., 16	at Toledo*	L, 3-4
Sat., 17	at Eastern Michigan*	L, 0-7
Thu.-Sun., 22-25	MAC Championships (at N. Illinois)	
Thu., 22	vs. Toledo	L, 2-4

\*Mid-American Conference matches

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#### 2003-04 Final Statistics (MAC records in parentheses)

Singles	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total	Doubles	1	2	3	Total
Miglana Nenova	10-4 (5-4)	4-0 (0-0)					18-7 (5-4)	Ortman/Nenova	11-7 (2-7)			17-8 (2-7)
Kristen Ortman	2-2 (0-0)	10-4 (5-3)					16-10 (5-3)	Ortman/Kollarova	0-1 (0-0)			0-1 (0-0)
Katrin Fischer		0-1 (0-1)	9-8 (3-5)	1-0 (0-0)			14-12 (3-6)	Kollarova/Fischer		4-3 (0-3)	2-2 (1-1)	6-5 (1-4)
Lisa Wittman			0-1 (0-1)	2-9 (0-5)	4-2 (0-1)		8-13 (0-8)	Fischer/Nenova		1-0 (0-0)		1-0 (0-0)
Michelle Kollarova			1-0 (0-0)	3-0 (0-0)	4-5 (2-3)		12-5 (2-3)	Ugowski/Williams			2-0 (0-0)	3-1 (0-0)
Erica Zielinski			0-1 (0-1)	1-2 (0-2)		4-2 (0-2)	7-8 (0-5)	Zielinski/Wittman		1-5 (0-2)	2-3 (0-2)	5-9 (0-4)
Sheri Ugowski				0-2 (0-2)		2-0 (0-0)	2-2 (0-2)	Zielinski/Fischer				1-1 (0-0)
Onessa Williams				0-1 (0-0)	0-1 (0-1)	4-7 (2-5)	4-9 (2-6)	Ugowski/Fischer		0-2 (0-2)	1-4 (0-2)	1-6 (0-4)
<b>Team Totals</b>	<b>12-6 (5-4)</b>	<b>14-5 (5-4)</b>	<b>10-9 (3-6)</b>	<b>6-13 (0-9)</b>	<b>9-10 (2-7)</b>	<b>10-9 (2-7)</b>	<b>81-66 (16-37)</b>	Wittman/Ugowski		0-3 (0-2)	0-3 (0-3)	0-6 (0-5)
Tournament results are included with individual totals								<b>Team Totals</b>	<b>11-8 (2-7)</b>	<b>6-13 (0-9)</b>	<b>7-12 (0-9)</b>	<b>34-37 (3-24)</b>