

# FSU Shoots for Top 10 In Tennis

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ATHENS, Ga. — Florida State Tennis Coach Scott Bristol, setting a "realistic goal of the top 10," sends the schools' fourth athletic club this season into post-season play when the NCAA national tennis tournament opens here Monday.

The football, basketball and baseball teams have already played in post-season tournaments this season.

Coach Bristol has brought a five-member team here for the tournament which has Trinity University of Texas as the favorite.

"We could say we are shooting for No. 1 this year," said Bristol. "But that is not realistic. If we are playing well and get a fair break in the draw, the top 10 is not at all out of reach."

Ricardo Bernd, a sophomore from Brazil who has been the

Tribe's No. 1 singles player the last two years, leads the Seminole group.

He is joined by Steve Diamond from Coral Gables, Canadians Rejean Genois and Richard Legendre along with Charlie Diggans of Delray Beach.

Bernd, Diamond, Genois and Legendre will participate in the singles while Diggans, Bernd, Genois and Legendre will enter the doubles.

"Everyone on the club is eager to get started," said Bristol. "We are in good shape and the last three weeks everyone has looked especially sharp in practice."

Meanwhile, Trinity is heavily favored to break the West Coast's domination of the tournament.

Trinity has been the NCAA runnerup the last two seasons in a race with UCLA for the team crown. UCLA and Southern California have dominated the event, accounting between them for the last 12 titles.

However, Trinity logged a 270 record this year and holds the longest current winning streak among tennis powers. UCLA and Southern Cal weren't even the best in the West this year. That honor went to Stanford.

The Indians, led by southpaw sensation Roscoe Tanner, won the Pacific 8 championship, beating the Trojans in the finals and UCLA in the semifinals.

Miami of Florida also ranks among the top contenders. The Hurricanes feature

All-Americans Eddie Dibbs and Raz Reid. Dibbs lost only one set during the 1972 season.

Half of the 10-man United States Davis Cup team will participate during the six days of tournament action—Tanner, Dibbs and Trinity's Dick Stockton, Brian Gottfried and Paul Gerken.

# FSU Eliminated In Tennis Singles

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Florida State was eliminated from singles competition at the NCAA tennis tournament on the first day Monday, while five teams all scored a perfect eight points to share the lead after two rounds.

Richard Legendre was the only Seminole to make it into the second round, and he was beaten there by Georgia's Manuel Diza, 6-3, 7-5.

Georgia was one of the teams sharing the lead. The others were Trinity University, Stanford, Houston and defending champion UCLA.

Legendre defeated John Young of Eastern Kentucky 6-1, 6-1 in the first round.

Two of the other three Seminoles went down in two sets in the first round, Steve Diamond losing to Allan Boss of Rice 6-3, 7-6 and Ricardo Bernd losing to Arizona's Tom Mazer 6-2, 6-4.

Reggie Genoie took Arizona's Mark Hardy three sets, but lost 2-6, 6-3, 6-1.

Top-seeded Dick Stockton, one of four All-Americans on the Trinity team, whipped Tim Marks of South Carolina 6-4, 6-1, while second-seeded Eddie Dibbs of Miami knocked off James Ratliff of Virginia, 6-2, 6-2.

"I hit some good serves and actually I used my first-round match to experiment a little," said Stockton. "I'm the kind of player who needs tournament action, not practice to get sharp."

The third and fourth rounds in singles will be played today, trimming the field to 16 players. The first round of doubles action also starts today.

The 1971 NCAA runner-up from Stanford, Roscoe Tanner, swamped Brad Wyche of Princeton 6-0, 6-0. Fourth-seeded Bryan Gottfried of Trinity got by Audley Bell of Wake Forest 6-3, 6-4 while Stanford's fifth-seeded Alex Mayer whipped Harry Tannebaum of Vanderbilt 6-0, 6-3.

## Trinity and Stanford Deadlocked in Tennis

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Four Trinity University All-Americans entered the third day of play unbeaten today in the 88th annual NCAA tennis championships at the University of Georgia.

The favored Trinity team was tied for first place with Stanford after Tuesday's third and fourth round play. Each team had 16 points.

UCLA was next with 13, Georgia and Southern California had 11 each and North Carolina and Houston shared fourth place with 10 points.

Trinity's Dick Stockton, the top-seeded player, had little trouble disposing of George Hardie of Southern Methodist, 6-1, 6-1. Stockton meets Marcelo Lara of Southern California in the fifth round today.

Second-seeded Eddie Dibbs of Miami defeated Georgia's Bob Tanis, 6-3, 6-4 and plays Trinity's Paul Gerken today. Third-seeded Roscoe Tanner of Stanford a 7-5, 7-5 winner Tuesday over Guy Fritz of San Diego, takes on Georgia's Danny Birchmore in the fifth round.

Raz Reid, the No. 10 seed, went down to Chico Hagey of

Stanford 6-3, 4-6, 6-3. Reid was the only seeded player to be knocked out Tuesday.

Following North Carolina and Houston in team standings were Arizona and Miami with 9 each, Rice and Southern Methodist at 8, and Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and San Diego with 7 apiece. Thirty-one other teams had from one to six points.

Florida State's Ricardo Bernd and Charley Diggans defeated George Berman and Ronald Boss of Rice, 7-6, 6-3, in the first round of the doubles. Reggie Genois and Richard Legendry had an opening round bye.

The latter were to meet Michigan's Mike Karzen and Doug Senich today in the second round and the match was worth two points because of the first-day bye.

The Seminoles as a team had two points following the second day of play. Legendry won one point in the singles before losing.

The University of Florida had three points.

## Trinity Has Tennis Lead

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Top-seeded Dick Stockton of Trinity University faces UCLA's Jeff Austin in today's quarter-finals of the 88th annual NCAA tennis championships.

Other quarter-finals tennis bouts today feature Roscoe Tanner of Stanford against Bob McKinley of Trinity, Charlie Owens of Stanford facing Trinity's Brian Gottfried and Alex Mayer of Stanford playing ninth-seeded Paul Gerken of Trinity.

Stockton was among three Trinity players Wednesday to make the eighth-round matches being played at the University of Georgia.

And in an upset victory, Gerken trounced second-seeded Eddie Dibbs of Miami to lead the favored Trinity team into the last stages of the tournament.

Team scores Wednesday were: Trinity, 26, Stanford, 22, UCLA 20, Southern California 17, North Carolina 15, Houston, 15, Southern Methodist 14, Georgia 11, Miami 11, Southern Illinois 10 and Arizona 10.

## Trinity Wins Tennis Title

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Trinity University aces Dick Stockton and Bryan Gottfried defeated a pair of Stanford All-Americans in the semifinals of the NCAA tennis championships Friday and swept the Bengals to their first team title.

Stockton downed hard-serving Roscoe Tanner of Stanford, 7-5, 3-6, 6-7, 6-2, 6-4, in a match that lasted nearly three hours.

In the other semifinals, the fourth-seeded Gottfried ousted fifth-seeded Alex Mayer, 7-6, 6-1, 6-3.

The two Trinity players will meet for the singles championship at 10 a.m. Saturday.

The team victory by Trinity ended a UCLA-Southern California domination that began in 1959. UCLA was the defending champion.

Stockton fell behind 2-1 in sets, but after a 10-minute rest the rangy senior ran out the final two sets. He broke Tanner's service in the first game of the fourth set, broke again in the next game and the Stanford junior never recovered.

Tanner's powerful serve made it difficult for Stockton in the second and third sets. He repeatedly served aces, but he could not sustain his power game in the last two sets.