

## Cajuns Get Tough Tennis Win Over FSU Seminoles

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There it came, riding on the soft Spring breeze, awaiting a gentle landing on the USL side of the net. Although one couldn't tell by looking at it, the bright green ball had the word 'match' written all over it.

Waiting for the light landing of that ball Friday afternoon was the Cajuns' Carter Lomax, who has been known to relish an overhead put-away, licking his lips and readying for the clincher.

While Florida State's Gordon Jones and Enrique Andrade waited helplessly, the tall Texan then poked away the volley and the match for USL Friday. Lomax's volley, from five feet in front of the net, gave the Cajuns an insurmountable 5-2 lead and their 15th win of the year.

After Lofax calmly placed the match in the Cajuns' hip pocket, the squad went on to record another doubles win and complete a 6-3 victory over a solid Seminole team coached by Ken Vinson.

### Pleasing Victory

The number one doubles win by Lomax and Bill Shine had to be particularly pleasing since the two were the only Cajuns to drop matches in singles action.

Previous to taking that key doubles, 6-2, 6-2, Lomax was nipped by Jones, 6-7, 4-6 at

number one and Shine lost a marathon duel with Andrade, 4-6, 6-3, 5-7 at number two.

The numbers three through six singles players won for USL, along with the number three doubles combo, with two of those singles wins going three sets.

Mark Schulz was broken twice in the last three games of the first set as he fell 2-6 to FSU's Alan Bellamy. But Schultz regained his shots in the second set to knot the count at 1-1 with a 6-2 win. A break by Schulz in that set's seventh game was the key.

In the third and deciding set, Schulz broke Bellamy with a slick passing shot to move up, 4-1. He then turned the scrambling Seminole every way but loose as he raced to a 6-2 clincher. Schulz banged home a service winner down the middle for the match point.

### Barton In Key Win

At number six, Harry Barton came up with his 21st singles win of the year. But he needed three sets to pull it off and send the squad into doubles with a needed 4-2 edge. Barton took the first set in routine fashion, 6-3, but was nowhere in the second set as Gilmore sped to a 6-1 decision.

Barton broke Gilmore in the eighth game of the final set for a 5-3 lead and then served out for the match. After putting away a volley for the clincher,

...-up Barton let out a yelp of tired joy.

The other two singles matches were less lengthy, due to the steady play of Julian Hine at number four and Steve Kohler at number five.

Hine, who chased down everything in range in the first set for a 6-1 win, found rougher going in the second against the Seminoles' Bruce Knittle. Hine broke through in the third game, then (with Knittle nipping at his heels all the way) served out for a 6-4 clincher and the match.

### Hine Nervous

"Either he woke up in the second set, or I went to sleep," said Hine. "I was really nervous out there. A guy like that takes pace off the ball and hits a lot of tough angle shots."

Kohler's win came in much the same fashion as Hine's — he jumped on FSU's Rupert Green in the first set, then held on for the match. He swept to a 6-0 initial set win, then outlasted Green, 6-4 in the second.

Both the Lomax-Jones match and the Shine-Andrade matches were tight all the way. Lomax took Jones to a first set tie-breaker, then in a wild, tense scramble, was topped 5-4. Jones used a third game break to key his second set win.

Nobody could hold serve between Shine and Andrade, with some 15 breaks being

recorded, but the two traded some fine ground strokes in the grueling encounter.

### Two Of Three Doubles

After Lomax and Shine won at number one doubles, Barton and Hine recorded their customary, well - drilled win at number three, taking the measure of Knittle and Gilmore, 6-1, 6-3.

Bellamy and Green outlasted Schulz and Kohler, 7-5, 6-2 at number two in the final fatch of the day.

The 15-10 Cajuns will now get a much - deserved rest before taking a three-state trip to play Ole Miss, Memphis State, and Arkansas State next week. Their next home match will be April 21 against Nicholls in a rain check affair.

### USL 4, FLORIDA STATE 3

#### Singles

1 — Gordon Jones (FSU) def. Carter Lomax (USL), 7-6, 6-4.

2 — Enrique Andrade (FSU) def. Bill Shine (USL), 6-4, 3-6, 7-5.

3 — Mark Schulz (USL) def. Alan Bellamy (FSU), 2-6, 6-2, 6-2.

4 — Julian Hine (USL) def. Bruce Knittle (FSU), 6-0, 6-4.

5 — Steve Kohler (USL) def. Rupert Green (FSU), 6-0, 6-4.

6 — Harry Barton (USL) def. Scott Gilmore (FSU), 6-3, 1-6, 6-3.

#### Doubles

1 — Lomax-Shine (USL) def. Jones-Andrade (FSU), 6-2, 6-2.

2 — Bellamy-Green (FSU) def. Schulz-Kohler (SUL), 7-5, 6-2.

3 — Barton-Hine (USL) def. Knittle-Gilmore (FSU), 6-1, 6-3.