FSU slips past Flagler 5-4 in tennis thriller

Florida State University won its 20th tennis match of the season Sunday, beating Flagler College, 5-4 at Tully courts.

The match came down to a serve in a doubles match between FSU's Chris Hagman and Baber Ali Kahn and Flalger's Scott McFarland and Mike Puc. FSU was down, 5-4 in the match, but Flager blew the serve, forcing a tie breaker, which FSU won.

The victory upped the Seminoles' record to 20-8, and marked the first time since 1969 that the Seminoles had won at least 20 matches.

The Seminoles play Tulane here May 9. It will be the last match of the season for FSU. The match with Tulane will also be a conference match for the Seminoles.

SINGLES — Twigg d. Baber Ali Kahn (FSU) 4-6, 7-6, 6-4; Jose Salivineto (FSU) d. Harrington 4-6, 6-3, 6-4; Alan Bellamy (FSU) d. McFarland 6-3, 6-0; Puc d. Chris Hagman (FSU) 6-4, 6-0; Green d. Scott Gilmore (FSU) 6-3, 7-6; Bruce Knittle (FSU) d. Lege 1-6, 6-0, 6-4. DOUBLES — Twigg-Lege d. Gilmore-Nittle (FSU), 7-5, 6-1; Bellmany-Dwight (FSU) d. Greene-Harrington 6-3, 6-4; Hagman-Kahn (FSU) d. McFarland-Puc 4-6, 6-4, 7-6.