

Kentucky first, Seminoles fifth in tennis tournament

MONROE, La. — A victory by Kentucky's No. 3 doubles team of David Keevins and Andrew Varga on Sunday gave the Wildcats a 5-4 victory over Illinois and the championship in the third annual State Farm National Invitational Tennis Tournament.

Florida State finished fifth after California-Long Beach State defaulted.

Kentucky's No. 1 player, Paul Varga, who won all four of his singles matches and his only doubles match, was named most valuable player of the four-day tournament.

Arkansas-Little Rock finished third among the tournament's 16 teams, followed by Maryland. California-Long Beach State was sixth, followed by host Northeast Louisiana, Southwestern Louisiana and consolation winner Northwestern (La.) State.

Cal State was forced to default because the team couldn't wait until late today to return back to the university.

FSU has won its 30th match of the season, a school first, putting its record at 30-8. The Seminoles also add a Metro Conference title to their record.

In the latest rankings, the doubles team of Scott Blessing and Jeff Horine was ranked 26th in the nation for college tennis. Joey Rive is No. 52 in singles.