

Sports Information **KENTUCKY**

UK MEDIA RELATIONS

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UK WOMEN'S TENNIS DEFEATS FLORIDA STATE

Lexington, Ky--The University of Kentucky women's tennis team picked up its fourth victory of the season with a 7-1 win over Florida State this afternoon.

"This was a fantastic win for us," said head coach John Dinneen. "The match was much closer than the score indicates. Florida State is a team like us that is vying for the NCAA Championships."

"This win will go a long way in helping us reaching our goal," said Dinneen. "We will have to play a lot better against Georgia on Sunday."

At No. 1 Susan Bartl held off Florida State's Audra Brannon 6-2, 3-6, 6-2. Freshman Erica Gianci beat Lori Sowell at No. 2 and Freshman Kristen Pietruch beat Elke Juul 6-3, 7-5. Florida State's Laura Randma beat Kentucky's Sheri Bash 7-6, 6-1 at No. 4 and Junior Bethany Avington held off Florida State's Jen Hyde 6-3, 5-7, 6-3 at No. 5.

In doubles, Kentucky's No. 1 Bash and Gianci held off Florida State's Brannon and Juul 6-4, 3-6, 6-3. At No. 2 Allen and Bartl downed Florida State's Eccelstone and Randma in straight sets 6-1, 6-2.

The win improves Kentucky's overall record to 4-1. Kentucky will host the No. 4 Georgia Bulldogs on Sunday at 11 a.m. at the Boone Indoor Tennis Center. Admission is free.

AGGATE

KENTUCKY 7, FLORIDA STATE 1

SINGLES

1. Susan Bartl, Kentucky def. Audra Brannon, Florida State 6-2, 3-6, 6-2. 2. Erica Gianci, Kentucky def. Lori Sowell, Florida State 6-3, 7-6. 3. Kristen Pietruch, Kentucky def. Elke Juul, Florida State 6-3, 7-5. 4. Laura Randma, Florida State def. Sheri Bash, Kentucky 7-6, 6-1. 5. Bethany Avington, Kentucky def. Jen Hyde, Florida State 6-3, 5-7, 6-3.

DOUBLES

1. Bash and Gianci, Kentucky def. Brannon and Juul, Florida State 6-4, 3-6, 6-3. 2. Allen and Bartl, Kentucky def. Eccelstone and Randma, Florida State 6-1, 6-2.

