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Florida State Women's Tennis Advances To Semi-final Round Of ACC Tourney Lady Seminoles defeat Georgia Tech in thriller, 4-2

TALLAHASSEE, **FL**.-- The No. 4 seeded Florida State Seminoles downed the No. 5 seeded Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets 4-2 in the first quarterfinal match of the 2001 Atlantic Coast Conference Women's Tennis Championship at the Lake Cane Tennis Center in Orlando, Fla. FSU improves its record to 14-9 with the win while the Yellow Jackets drop to 11-11 overall.

Marina Raic and Natalie Carratala' led the way for FSU in doubles with an 8-4 win over Mason Miller and Fallon Koon at the No. 3 position. Florida State's No. 1 tandem of Jessica Balbuena and Samantha Schoeffel clinched the crucial doubles point as they defeated Mysti Morris and Bobbi Guthrie, 8-5.

In singles action, Florida State got a straight set win from Samantha Schoeffel at No. 2, moving the Seminoles ahead 2-0. Georgia Tech would even the score with victories at No. 3 and No. 6 singles, but FSU would once again take the lead with a win from Alida Gallovits at the No. 1 position.

Needing one more singles match to go their way, FSU put their faith in Nanette Duxin at No. 4 and Christina Denny at No. 5. Both players would battle their opponents over three tough sets, with Duxin clinching the overall match for the Noles with a 6-4, 1-6, 7-6 victory over Bobbi Guthrie.

The Seminoles will face the top-seeded Duke Blue Devils on Saturday, April 21 at 10:00 a.m.

Box Score

Florida State 4 Georgia Tech 2

Singles

No. 1 - Alida Gallovits (FSU) d. Debbie Reynolds 6-4, 6-3

No. 2 - Samantha Schoeffel (FSU) d. Mysti Morris 6-2, 6-1

No. 3 - Jaime Wong (GT) d. Jessica Balbuena 7-6 (6), 6-4

No. 4 - Nanette Duxin (FSU) d. Bobbi Guthrie 6-4, 1-6, 7-6 (6)

No. 5 - Christina Denny (FSU) vs. Mason Miller DNF

No. 6 - Laura Ozolins (GT) d. Marina Raic 6-3, 1-6, 6-1

Doubles

No. 1 - Schoeffel/Balbuena (FSU) d. Morris/Guthrie 8-5

No. 2 - Gallovits/Duxin (FSU) vs. Wong/Ozolins DNF

No. 3 - Carratala/Raic (FSU) d. Mason Miller/Koon 8-4