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FSU Drops Tough Match Against LSU

Senior Anca Dumitrescu won her sixth singles match of the season while junior Mihaela Moldovan remains undefeated in singles play.

Tallahassee -- The Florida State women's tennis squad (6-3) lost a tightly contested match to the LSU Tigers (7-1), 4-3 on Sunday, February 22, 2004 at the Scott Speicher Tennis Center. The Seminoles lost for the first time at home in the 2004 season and third straight loss overall.

FSU fought hard in the doubles area but dropped three close matches allowing LSU to take the doubles point. Junior Mihaela Moldovan (Bucharest, Romania/Emil Racovita) and rookie Roxanne Clarke (Cape Town, South Africa/Clapham) lost to the Tigers' tandem of Rocio Fantelli and Amanda Mang, 8-6 at the number one position. Newcomer Lindsay Deason (St.Petersburg, FL/Boca Raton Prep) and senior Anca Dumitrescu (Bucharest, Romania/VCU), playing out of the two spot against Jessica Ferguson and Marina Chiarelli, came back early in the match after being down 4-1. The pair could not take the lead, losing by a final tally of 8-4. LSU secured the doubles point with an 8-5 win at the number three position, pitting seniors Christina Denny (Canton, Ohio/Bradenton Academy) and Brooke Cordell (Soddy Daisy, TN/Tennessee) against Daysi Espinal and Lauren Seaman.

With the Seminoles needing four singles wins, Dumitrescu got the ball rolling at the number one spot. The senior leader wrapped up the first point in 45 minutes, besting Ferguson in straight sets 6-0, 6-1. Denny, who was up 5-0 in the second set before giving up two quick points, put the second point on the board for the Seminoles, winning, 6-2, 6-2. Deason played Chiarelli at the number four position, losing 6-0, 6-3 while Clarke faced Caliari in a losing effort, 6-2, 6-2.

Florida State's fate lay in the hands of the number two and six positions, both playing out simultaneously. Moldovan, the reigning NCAA South Region Rookie of the Year, defeated Mang 6-2, 7-6(7-4) at the number two position to give the Seminoles their third point. Junior Amberly Tantee (Dana Point, CA/Futures) came within two points of sending the match to a third set tiebreaker but an unforced error gave Seaman the singles point and LSU the win, five minutes prior to Moldovan's win.

Results

No. 44 LSU 4, No. 52 Florida State 3

Doubles

- No. 1 Amanda Mang/Rocio Fantilli (LSU) d. Mihaela Moldovan/Roxanne Clarke (FSU), 8-6
- No. 2 Jessica Ferguson/Marina Chiarelli (LSU) d. Lindsay Deason/Anca Dumitrescu (FSU)₅-8-4
- No. 3 Lauren Seaman/Daysi Espinal (LSU) d. Christina Denny/Brooke Cordell (FSU), 8-5 1

Singles

- No. 1 Anca Dumitrescu (FSU) d. Jessica Ferguson (LSU) 6-0, 6-1
- No. 2 Mihaela Moldovan (FSU) d. Amanda Mang (LSU) 6-2, 7-6(7-4)
- No. 3 Christina Denny (FSU) d. Rocio Fantilli (LSU) 6-2, 6-2
- No. 4 Marina Chiarelli (LSU) d. Lindsay Deason (FSU) 6-0, 6-3
- No. 5 Camila Caliari (LSU) d. Roxanne Clarke (FSU) 6-2, 6-2
- No. 6 Lauren Seaman (LSU) d. Amberly Tantee (FSU) 6-4, 7-5*

Order of finish: Doubles -2, 3, 1. Singles -1, 5, 4, 3, 6, 2.

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FSU Women's Tennis Sheet

	PLSI	Vs.	FSI	
Date	2/22/04			
Coach	Tony Minnis	Coach	Lise G	oregory
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Doubles	Figure USW y	FSU	Winner	Score (matchilength)
No. 1 -	Clarke	Fantelli		
	Moldovan	Mang	LSU	8-6 (1 hr 5m)
No. 2 -	Deason	Ferguson		/ 6
	Dumitrescu	Chiquelli	<u>LSU</u>	8-4 (45mms)
No. 3 -	Denny	Espinal		
\overline{C}	Cordell	Szaman	LSU	8-5 (Ihr =)
Singles	(1:20)			
No. 1 -	Dumidrescu	Gergassi Fergusa	m FSU	6-0,6-1 (55n
No. 2 -	Moldovan	mang.	FSU	6-2,7-6(4)
No. 3 -	Denny	Fantilli ·	FSU	(LSU) (1hr3
No. 4 -	Deason	Chiarelli.	LSU	6-0,6-3 (Ihrd
No. 5 -	Clarke	Caliari.	<u>18U</u>	6-2,6-2 (1hr)
MNO. 6 -	Tantee	Seaman.	LSU :	6-4,7-5 (Ihr:
Final Score	-		* Clinched victory	
Match Notes:	Records:	Order of Finish: Doubles	31 Singles 15	4360
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