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Moldovan Ties Record in Seminole Victory

Junior Mihaela Moldovan picked up her 13th consecutive victory to remain undefeated in singles this season.

Tallahassee – The Florida State women's tennis team (9-4) defeated the Michigan State Spartans (4-6) by a tally of 5-2, at the Scott Speicher Tennis Center in Tallahassee, FL on Monday afternoon. Junior **Mihaela Moldovan** (Bucharest, Romania/Emil Racovita) won her 13th straight singles match tying the previous record dually held by Kia Asberg (1999) and Marina Raic (1999).

The Seminoles began the day taking two of three doubles matches to win the point. At the number one position, newcomer **Roxanne Clarke** (Cape Town, South Africa/Clapham) paired with Moldovan bested the Spartans' Thompson/Lay, 8-3. In the three slot for the first time this season, senior **Anca Dumitrescu** (Bucharest, Romania/VCU) and sophomore **Lindsay Deason** (St. Petersburg, FL/Boca Raton Prep) clinched the doubles point, facing the MSU tandem of Schnitzer/Baron, 8-2. Seniors **Brooke Cordell** (Soddy Daisy, TN/Tennessee) and **Christina Denny** (Canton, Ohio/Bradenton Academy) lost at the two position to Brady/Andrews, 8-5.

After picking up the doubles point, the Tribe looked to the secure the win with singles victories. Moldovan picked up her 13th win of the season 6-0, 6-1 against Caroline Lay at the number two position to put Florida State ahead 2-0. Denny followed suit, besting Shelley Brady 6-2, 6-4 in straight sets in the three slot. Dumitrescu's win at the top of the lineup clinched the team victory, beating Keri Thompson 7-5, 6-3. Deason rounded out the Seminoles' scoring with a come from behind win at the number four position, battling Sarah Andrews, 6-2, 7-6(1). The former Boca Raton Prep standout was down 4-1 in the second set before tying the score at 6-6 before picking up the points and the win.

The Seminoles will take tomorrow to spend time with a group from the Special Olympics of Leon County. The activity will start at 10:00 a.m. at the Scott Speicher Tennis Center. This is the second time this year the women's tennis team will host a tennis clinic with the organization.

The final match of a five contest homestand, dating back to Feb. 26, will take place Wednesday, March 10, 2004 when the Garnet and Gold face Penn State at noon.

Results

Florida State 5, Michigan State 2

Doubles

- No. 1 Moldovan/Clarke (FSU) d. Thompson/Lay (MSU) 8-3
- No. 2 Brady/Andrews (MSU) d. Denny/Cordell (FSU) 8-5
- No. 3 Dumitrescu/Deason (FSU) d. Schnitzer/Baron (MSU) 8-2

Singles

- No. 1 Anca Dumitrescu (FSU) d. Keri Thompson (MSU) 7-5, 6-3*
 - No. 2 #47 Mihaela Moldovan (FSU) d. Caroline Lay (MSU) 6-0, 6-1
 - No. 3 Christina Denny (FSU) d. Shelley Brady (MSU) 6-2, 6-4
 - No. 4 Lindsay Deason (FSU) d. Sarah Andrews (MSU) 6-2, 7-6(1)
 - No. 5 Pascale Schnitzer (MSU) d. Roxanne Clarke (FSU) 7-5, 6-4
 - No. 6 Jessica Baron (MSU) d. Alina Mihailescu (FSU) 6-0, 7-6(4)
- Order of finish: Doubles – 3, 1, 2. Singles – 2, 3, 1*, 6, 4, 5

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FSU Women's Tennis Sheet

Date 3/2/4 vs. FSU
 Coach Tim Baues Coach Lise Gregory

Michigan State

Doubles	FSU	vs.	FSU	Winner	Score (match length)
No. 1 -	Thompson		Clarke		
	Lay		Moldovan	FSU	8-3 (50 min)
No. 2 -	Brady		Denny		
	Andrews		Cordell	MSU	8-5 (60 min)
No. 3 -	Schnitzen		Deason		
	Baron		Dumitrescu	FSU	8-2 (45 min)

Singles					
No. 1 -	Keri Thompson		Dumitrescu	FSU *	7-5, 6-3
No. 2 -	Caroline Lay		Moldovan	FSU	6-0, 6-1 (60 min)
No. 3 -	Shelley Brady		Denny	FSU	6-2, 6-4 (1hr 25)
No. 4 -	Sarah Andrews		Deason	FSU	6-2, 7-6(1)
No. 5 -	Pascale Schnitzen		Clarke	MSU	7-5, 6-4
No. 6 -	Jessica Baron		Mihailescu	MSU	6-0, 7-6(4)

Final Score 2 5 * Clinched victory

Match Notes: Records: Order of Finish: Doubles 3 2 2 Singles 2 3 1* 6 4 5