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## Men's Tennis Blanks The Nittany Lions, 7-0

Four Seminoles win in straight sets in the victory.

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** – The Florida State men's tennis team won all nine matches Wednesday afternoon to win the match, 7-0. The Seminoles' record improves to 8-3 on the season, while the Penn State falls to 3-6. The Seminoles increase the all-time series record to 2-0 over the Nittany Lions.

The Seminoles took all three doubles matches to enter singles play with a one-point advantage. At no. 3 doubles, sophomore Romain Jurd and Gustav Bucht defeated Clint Keithley and Roddy Cantey of Penn State, 8-5. Also in an 8-5 victory, freshman Mat Cloer and sophomore Alex Herrera defeated Brad Nudell and Matt Frakes at the no. 2 doubles position. Finishing the doubles sweep, the ACC Indoor Champions senior Xavier Luscan and junior Rodrigo Laub defeated Todd Stecko and Jamie Gresh 8-6.

In singles play, Luscan easily defeated Gresh 6-1, 6-3 at the no. 1 position. After being down 3-0 in the first set, sophomore Romain Jurd won the next twelve games to take the no. 2 singles match over Stecko, 6-3, 6-0. Freshman Chip Webb extended his singles record to 8-2 with a win over Frakes 6-3, 6-2. Jarrod Owen also won in straight sets for the Seminoles.

Also in singles, sophomore Alex Herrera and Cloer overcame 7-5 losses in the second set to take their matches. At no. 3 singles, Cloer defeated Brad Nudell 6-2, 5-7, 6-1. Herrera defeated Roddy Cantey 7-5, 4-6, 6-4 at the no. 5 position.

The Seminoles open ACC action on Saturday March 9<sup>th</sup> when they travel to Charlottesville, Va. to take on the Virginia Cavaliers.

Florida State: 7 Penn State: 0

SINGLES:

No. 1 Xavier Luscan (FSU) def. Jamie Gresh (PSU) 6-1, 6-3

No. 2 Romain Jurd (FSU) def. Todd Stecko (PSU) 6-3, 6-0

No. 3 Mat Cloer (FSU) def. Brad Nudell (PSU) 6-2, 5-7, 6-1

No. 4 Chip Webb (FSU) def. Matt Frakes (PSU) 6-3, 6-2

No. 5 Alex Herrera (FSU) def. Roddy Cantey (PSU) 7-5, 4-6, 6-4

No. 6 Jarrod Owen (FSU) def. Clint Keithley (PSU) 6-1, 6-4

## DOUBLES:

No. 1 Luscan/Laub (FSU) def. Greck/Stecko (PSU) 8-6

No. 2 Cloer/Herrera (FSU) def. Nudell/Frakes (PSU) 8-5

No. 3 Bucht/Jurd (FSU) def. Cantey/ Keithley (PSU) 8-5