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Men's Tennis Opens ACC Play With Two Wins

The Seminoles' record moves to 10-3, their best start under coach Dwayne Hultquist.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – The Florida State men's tennis team nabbed their first ACC wins over Virginia and Maryland this weekend. The Seminoles defeated the Cavaliers of Virginia 5-2 on Saturday in Charlottesville, Va. before traveling north to take on the Maryland Terrapins in College Park, Md. The Seminoles won all nine matches in a 7-0 rout of the Terps. The Seminoles' record moves to 10-3 on the season, their best start since the 1997 season. The Seminoles' all-time record against the Terrapins moves to 12-1.

In the Virginia match, the Seminoles swept the doubles matches to head into singles play with a one point advantage. At the no. 2 doubles position, sophomore Romain Jurd easily defeated Stephen Nolen 6-1, 6-1. Freshman Chip Webb also won convincingly at the no. 4 singles position over Jay Curtis, 6-2, 6-2. Sophomore Alex Herrera and senior Xavier Luscan also won singles points for the Seminoles.

On Sunday, the Seminoles did not lose a match in the victory. In doubles, the 37th ranked tandem of Rodrigo Laub and Luscan def Haris Causevic and Jonathan Murchison of Maryland, 8-2. Also in doubles play, Jurd and senior Gustav Bucht defeated Chris Chiu and Greg Chambers, 8-3. Herrera and freshman Mat Cloer also won their match in the Seminoles' sweep of doubles.

In singles play, freshman Chip Webb defeated Greg Chambers 6-1, 6-0 at the no. 4 singles position. Despite valiant efforts by the Terps at the no. 2 and no. 5 positions, as they forced the Seminoles into a third set in each of those matches, the Seminoles were able to pull out the singles sweep.

The Seminoles return to action Tuesday, March 12^{th} against the Clemson Tigers in Clemson, S.C. at $2\ p.m.$

Saturday 10/9/2002 Florida State at Virginia

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SINGLES:

- No. 1 Xavier Luscan (FSU) def. Michael Duquette (UVa), 6-0, 7-5
- No. 2 Romain Jurd (FSU) def. Stephen Nolen (UVa), 6-1, 6-1
- No. 3 Jason Romesburg (UVa) def. Mat Cloer (FSU), 6-2, 5-7, 6-4
- No. 4 Chip Webb (FSU) def. Jay Curtis (UVa), 6-2, 6-2
- No. 5 Alex Herrera (FSU) def. Jonathan Chou (UVa), 5-7, 6-1, 7-6
- No. 6 Gregory Alpert (UVa) def. Gustav Bucht (FSU), 7-6, 4-6, 10-9

DOUBLES:

- No. 1 Luscan/Laub (FSU) def. Duquette/Nolen (UVa), 8-6
- No. 2 Herrera/Cloer (FSU) def. Romesburg/Chou (UVa), 8-4
- No. 3 Bucht/Jurd (FSU) def. Curtis/Walker (UVa), 8-6

Sunday 10/10/2002 Florida State at Maryland

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SINGLES:

- No. 1 Xavier Luscan (FSU) def. Haris Causevic (MD), 6-3, 6-4
- No. 2 Romain Jurd (FSU) def. Chris Chiu (MD), 7-5, 6-7, 6-1
- No. 3 Mat Cloer (FSU) def. Troy Demers (MD), 7-6, 6-3
- No. 4 Chip Webb (FSU) def. Greg Chambers (MD), 6-1, 6-0
- No. 5 Alex Herrera (FSU) def. David Reichsfeld (MD), 6-3, 7-5

No. 6 Jarrod Owen (FSU) def. Jon Murchison (MD), 5-7, 7-5, 6-2

DOUBLES:

- No. 1 Luscan/Laub (FSU) def. Causevic/Murchison (MD), 8-2
- No. 2 Herrera/Cloer (FSU) def. Demers/Reichsfeld (MD), 8-5
- No. 3 Jurd/Bucht (FSU) def. Chiu/Chambers (MD), 8-3