Florida State Falls Short To Texas A&M

The Seminoles Lose 4-3

March 9, 2006

Final Stats

COLLEGE STATION, Texas- The Florida State men's tennis team ended its three-match road trip on a sour note late Thursday, falling 4-3 to Texas A&M in front of 408 at the George P. Mitchell Tennis Center.

The teams split the first two doubles matches with FSU winning at the No. 1 line and A&M winning at the No. 3 position. A&M's Matt Bain and Jerry Makowksi then gave the Aggies a 1-0 lead as they overcame a 4-1 deficit and won the No. 2 line, 9-7, against Maciek Sykut and Andrew Bailey.

Losing the doubles team point overshadowed the fact that junior <u>Ytai Abougzir</u> and senior <u>Chris Westerhof</u> recorded its second Top 25 upset in in as many weeks. The duo first overcame the No. 1 pair against Ohio State and they also finished off the Aggies' No. 25-ranked duo of Joelson and Wooten.

A&M won the first three singles matches to be completed, clinching the victory before FSU tallied its first point. Makowski defeated Abougzir, 6-2, 6-1, at No. 1, and Mohamed Dakki gave A&M a 2-0 lead with a 6-4, 6-3 victory over Sykut at No. 5. John Nallon held off Westerhof, 7-5, 7-6 (4), at the No. 4 line to put the Aggies ahead, 4-0.

The remaining three singles matches were decided in three sets, with the Seminoles coming out on top on each court.

A&M improves to 3-4 with the win, while FSU drops to 7-7.

Florida State returns home Sunday with a 1pm match against No. 15 Georgia Tech .

(#60) Texas A&M 4, (#35) Florida State 3

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RECORDS: A&M 3-4; FSU 7-7

ATTENDANCE: 408

SINGLES

- 1. (#25) Jerry Makowski (A&M) def. Ytai Abougzir (FSU), 6-2, 6-1
- 2. (#100) Jonathas Sucupira (FSU) def. Bryan Wooten (A&M), 4-6, 6-0, 6-4
- 3. Sam Chang (FSU) def. Conor Pollock (A&M), 4-6, 6-4, 7-6 (6)
- 4. John Nallon (A&M) def. Chris Westerhof (FSU), 7-5, 7-6 (4)
- 5. Mahamed Dakki (A&M) def. (#107) Maciek Sykut (FSU), 6-4, 6-3
- 6. Chris Cloer (FSU) def. Matt Bain (A&M), 3-6, 6-4, 1-0 (8)

DOUBLES (A&M wins the point)

- 1. Abougzir/Westerhof (FSU) def. (#21) Brett Joelson/Wooten (A&M), 8-3
- 2. Bain/Makowski (A&M) def. Drew Bailey/Sykut (FSU), 9-7
- 3. Marcus Lunt/Pollock def. Chang/Sucupira (FSU), 8-5

Order of Finish: D1, D3, D2, S1, S5, S4*, S6, S2, S3

^{*} clinched match