

Bobcats Crack Win Column Against Fleet

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The Lees-McRae College men's tennis team registered a hard-fought 8-1 victory over Erskine College in Conference Carolinas play on Saturday afternoon, sweeping doubles action and winning the first three singles flights.

Lees-McRae's (1-3, 1-0 CC) duo of Pedro De Sousa Nunes (Florianopolis, Santa Catarina, Brazil) and Skylar Warren (Asheville, N.C.) opened the day with an 8-3 victory over

Erskine's (2-4, 2-2 CC) pairing of Angelo Ciarrocchi and Vincent Chauvette. Alexander Hayes (Mexico City, Mexico) and Marcelo Tatai (Sao Paulo, Brazil) posted an 8-5 win over Jack West and Connor Roy, before Graham Battle (Boone, N.C.) and Hang Lak Choi (Newton, N.C.) defeated James Hoatson and Coleman Welch by a tally of 8-5.

Nunes kicked off singles play with a 6-1, 6-1 win against Chauvette, before Hayes sealed the overall victory for the Bobcats with a hard-fought 3-6, 6-4, 1-0 (10-7) victory against West.

Warren defeated Hoatson, 6-3, 6-3, in the third singles flight, as Roy registered a 3-6, 6-3, 1-0 (10-6) win over Battle at No. 4. Tatai posted a 6-3, 6-3 win over Robert Clarke at No. 5 singles, before Choi defeated Aaron Twitty, 6-1, 6-7 (2-10), 1-0 (10-5) to close out the day.

Lees-McRae returns to the courts on Sunday when the Bobcats travel to Asheville, N.C. to take on UNC Asheville at 3 p.m.

Fleet Sweeps Bobcats, 9-0

The Erskine College women's tennis team swept both singles and doubles play en route to a 9-0 victory over visiting Lees-McRae College in Conference Carolinas play on Saturday afternoon.

Erskine's (7-2, 5-0 CC) duo of Tessa Rheault and Mike Goyette opened doubles play with a hard-fought 9-8 (13-11) victory over Lees-McRae's (0-3, 0-1 CC) pairing of Lyndsay Peagram (Greensboro, N.C.) and Samantha Wohlers (Windsor, Ontario, Canada), while Corin Hallman and Victoria Stephens defeated Kelsey Hiatt (Mt. Airy, N.C.) and Raven Harris (St. Pauls, N.C.) by a tally of 8-0. Erskine was awarded the third doubles flight by default.

Hallman gave the Flying Fleet a 4-0 advantage with a 6-2, 6-0 victory against Peagram, as Abby O'Reilly defeated Wohlers, 6-2, 6-2 to clinch the overall win for Erskine. Goyette registered a 6-1, 6-0 victory over Hiatt, while Stephens defeated Harris, 6-1, 6-0 in the fourth singles flight. Erskine was awarded the final two singles matches by default.

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Lees-McRae returns to the courts on Saturday, March 3 when the Bobcats host Lincoln Memorial University at noon.

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