

## **Mount Olive Rallies Past Lees-McRae, 5-4**

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The Mount Olive College men's tennis team rallied from a 2-1 deficit after doubles play with four victories in singles action to edge Lees-McRae College in Conference Carolinas play on Friday afternoon. Lees-McRae's (1-10, 1-5 CC) tandem of Alexander Hayes (Mexico City, Mexico) and Skylar Warren (Asheville, N.C.)

kicked off the afternoon with a hard-fought 9-8 victory against Mount Olive's (12-4, 6-0 CC) duo of Edgar Bub and Gabriel Santana.

Akio Mariano and Murilo Pelegrino answered for the Trojans with an 8-6 win over Pedro De Sousa Nunes (Florianopolis, Santa Catarina, Brazil) and Marcelo Tatai (Sao Paulo, Brazil), before Graham Battle (Boone, N.C.) and Hang Lak Choi (Newton, N.C.) gave the Bobcats a 2-1 advantage with an 8-6 decision against Diogo Sender and Brahm Moolman.

Bub evened the tally at 2-2 at No. 1 singles, registering a 6-0, 6-1 win against Nunes before Hayes countered with a 6-2, 6-4 victory over Santana. After Sender defeated Warren, 6-3, 7-6, and Battle answered with a 6-1, 7-5 win against Mariano, Pelegrino and Moolman posted a pair of 6-1, 7-5 victories against Tatai and Choi, respectively, to complete the comeback for the Trojans.

Lees-McRae returns to the courts on Saturday when the Bobcats host Barton College in conference play at 2 p.m.

## **Trojans Sweep Bobcats, 9-0**

The Mount Olive College women's tennis team swept both singles and doubles play on Friday afternoon en route to a 9-0 victory over Lees-McRae College in Conference Carolinas play. Mount Olive's (14-3, 6-2 CC) duo of Molly Lentini and Pietra Viana opened the afternoon with a hard-fought 9-8 victory over Lees-McRae's (1-9, 1-6 CC) pairing of Lyndsay Peagram (Greensboro, N.C.) and Samantha Wohlers (Windsor, Ontario, Canada), before Marine Becker and Patricia Guedes defeated Kelsey Hiatt (Mt. Airy, N.C.) and Raven Harris (St. Pauls, N.C.),

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8-0. Mount Olive was awarded the third doubles flight by default.

Becker kicked off singles play with a 6-2, 6-0 win against Peagram, as Lentini defeated Wohlers, 6-1, 6-0 in the No. 2 slot. Francesca Ceppi posted a 6-4, 6-0 victory over Hiatt in the third flight, before Viana claimed the No. 4 matchup against Harris. Mount Olive was awarded the fifth and sixth flights by default.

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