

Belmont Abbey Nips Bears, 5-4

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The Lenoir-Rhyne Men's Tennis Team (1-13) came very close to winning its second match of the season but fell to Belmont Abbey (4-11), 5-4, Wednesday afternoon at Sacred Heart Courts. Despite falling, Lenoir-Rhyne senior Graydon Dunn (Charlotte, N.C.) and

freshman Jarod Styres (Chapel Hill, N.C.) prevailed at singles and doubles for the Bears. The pair defeated Belmont Abbey's Tim Tanko (Kennesaw, Ga.) and Patrick Noelke (Pinehurst, N.C.) by a score of 8-3 at second doubles.

In singles play, Dunn defeated Noelke (6-2 and 7-5) and Styres downed Tanko (4-6, 6-3 and 6-2) while junior David Richardson (Wake Forest, N.C.) and senior Michael Owens (Clinton, S.C.) won at third doubles for L-R as well. Lenoir-Rhyne's final match of the year takes place on Monday, April 16, on the road against Lees-McRae beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Belmont Abbey next hosts Anderson next Wednesday beginning at 2:00 p.m.

NCAA Division II Men's Tennis Final

Belmont Abbey 5, Lenoir-Rhyne 4

April 4, 2012

Belmont, N.C.

(Sacred Heart Courts)

Singles

1. Conner McMann (BAC) def. Aroon Khatter (L-R), 6-2, 6-0
2. Alex Gradenwitz (BAC) def. David Richardson (L-R), 6-2, 6-0
3. Gabriel Trombini (BAC) def. Robby Blackburn (L-R), 6-2, 6-4
4. Graydon Dunn (L-R) def. Patrick Noelke (BAC), 6-2, 7-5
5. Jarod Styres (L-R) def. Tim Tanko (BAC), 4-6, 6-3, 6-2
6. Idris Moya (BAC) def. Michael Owens (L-R), 4-6, 7-5, 6-3

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Doubles

1. Conner McMann/Alex Gradenwitz (BAC) def. Aroon Khatter/Robby Blackburn (L-R), 8-1
 2. Graydon Dunn/Jarod Styres (L-R) def. Tim Tanko/Patrick Noelke (BAC), 8-3
 3. Michael Owens/David Richardson (L-R) def. Idris Moya/Gabriel Trombini (BAC), 8-3
- Records: Lenoir-Rhyne (1-13), Belmont Abbey (4-11)

Belmont Abbey Downs L-R Women, 7-2

The Belmont Abbey Women's Tennis Team (6-11) defeated Lenoir-Rhyne (2-13) by a 7-2 score on Wednesday afternoon in a non-conference match at Sacred Heart Courts. The match was the final of the season for the Bears. L-R did receive victories at second and fifth singles on the afternoon despite the loss.

At No. 2 singles, L-R junior Ivey Tant (Lansing, N.C.) beat Belmont Abbey's Katharine Miller (Houston, Texas) by scores of 6-0 and 7-5.

The Bears also received a win at No. 5 singles from freshman Maggie Brown (Cranford, N.J.), who defeated the Crusaders' Bridget Franer (Fayetteville, Ohio), 6-0 and 6-2. Belmont Abbey does not play again until next Wednesday when it hosts Anderson beginning at 2:00 p.m.

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Singles

1. Kirstie Jenkins (BAC) def. Kelsey Love (L-R), 6-2, 6-0
2. Ivey Tant (L-R) def. Katharine Miller (BAC), 6-0, 7-5
3. Brooke Ingram (BAC) def. Mariel Mena (L-R), 6-1, 3-6, 7-6
4. Shannon Ramsey (BAC) def. Amanda Young (L-R), 6-1, 6-0
5. Maggie Brown (L-R) def. Bridget Franer (BAC), 6-0, 6-2
6. Abby Poetker (BAC) def. Blair McDonough (L-R), 6-1, 6-3

Doubles

1. Kirstie Jenkins/Katharine Miller (BAC) def. Ivey Tant/Amanda Young (L-R), 8-0
2. Brooke Ingram/Molly Gwaltney (BAC) def. Mariel Mena/Maggie Brown (L-R), 8-3
3. Bridget Franer/Abby Poetker (BAC) won by default

Records: Lenoir-Rhyne (2-13), Belmont Abbey (6-11)