

ASU Women's Tennis Sweeps George Mason, Liberty

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Appalachian State women's tennis served George Mason University a 7-0 victory on Saturday on day one of a three day tournament. Mountaineer duo Ellie

Linsell and McKenie LaSure defeated GMU's Kiersten Pappas and Brittany Pilkington in the No. 1 doubles match (8-2), along with Jennifer Ansari and Clare Cox, who defeated Maya Hicks and E. Erdenebat who also recorded an 8-2 victory at the No. 2 position. In the No. 3 spot, Mountaineers Jessica Thaggard and Gabby Gabriel fell to E. Desiatnikova and Ashley Delaney in a 8-6 set.

App State swept through singles action, beginning with Linsell, who defeated Pilkington at No. 1 (6-3, 6-2). Cox handed Hicks a loss in at the No. 2 spot (6-1, 6-1), along with Ansari, who played past Delaney at No. 3 (6-2, 6-0).

Rounding out singles action against the Patriots were newcomer Brianna Amerllino, who won No. 4 singles over Kiersten Pappas (6-0, 6-3), and Thaggard who took the No. 5 match against E. Erdenebat (6-1, 6-0). Gabriela Celi locked down the sweep for the Mountaineers with her No. 6 victory over E. Desiatnikova (6-0, 7-5).

Appalachian State women's tennis earned its second victory over a three day tournament; today's win against opponent Liberty University.

The Mountaineers (3-1) handed Liberty (0-1) a 6-1 defeat at Greenbrier resort on Sunday, leaving the tournament with back-to-back wins.

In doubles play, the Mountaineer pair of Ellie Linsell and McKenzie LaSure joined for a victory once again as they defeated the Lady Flames' Aleksandra Sheeran and Rebekah Jenkins (9-7) in the No. 1 position. App State doubles Jennifer Ansari and Clare Cox matched up against Jessie Boda and Brittany Yang at the No. 2 spot, while Gabriela Celi and Brianna Amerllino faced Cameron Richard and Valerie Thong in No. 3 doubles; both Mountaineer pairs earning 8-6 victories over Liberty.

Appalachian played well in singles action, as well, as Linsell served Sheeran a loss in No. 1 singles (6-4, 6-0) and Cox defeated Richard for the No. 2 spot (6-4, 6-4). Brittany Yang earned the lone point for Liberty when she defeated Ansari at the No. 3 position (6-3, 6-2). Appalachian remained focused on a win, however, with Jessica Thaggard taking the No. 4 spot for the Mountaineers against Valerie Thong (6-2, 6-2), and Celi defeating Annisha Domenech (6-2, 7-5) for a victory in the No. 6 position.

The Mountaineers will return home to host Radford on February 9 at 3 p.m, followed by North Carolina Central on Feb. 17 at 2 p.m.

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Singles competition

1. Ellie Linsell (APP) def. Brittany Pilkington (GMU) 6-3, 6-2
2. Clare Cox (APP) def. Maya Hicks (GMU) 6-1, 6-1
3. Jennifer Ansari (APP) def. Ashley Delaney (GMU) 6-2, 6-0
4. Brianna Amerllino (APP) def. Kiersten Pappas (GMU) 6-0, 6-3
5. Jessica Thaggard (APP) def. E. Erdenebat (GMU) 6-1, 6-0
6. Gabriela Celi (APP) def. E. Desiatnikova (GMU) 6-0, 7-5

Doubles competition

1. Ellie Linsell/Mackenzie LaSure (APP) def. Kiersten Pappas/Brittany Pilkington (GMU) 8-2
2. Jennifer Ansari/Clare Cox (APP) def. Maya Hicks/E. Erdenebat (GMU) 8-2
3. E. Desiatnikova/Ashley Delaney (GMU) def. Jessica Thaggard/Gabby Gabriel (APP) 8-6

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1. Ellie Linsell (APP) def. Alexandra Sheeran (LIB) 6-4, 6-0
2. Clare Cox (APP) def. Cameron Richard (LIB) 6-4, 6-4
3. Brittany Yang (LIB) def. Jennifer Ansari (APP) 6-3, 6-2
4. Brianna Amerllino (APP) def. Nicola Wellman (LIB) 6-2, 6-2
5. Jessica Thaggard (APP) def. Valerie Thong (LIB) 6-2, 6-2

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2. Jennifer Ansari/Clare Cox (APP) def. Jessie Boda/Brittany Yang (LIB) 8-6
3. Gabriela Celi/Brianna Amerllino (APP) def. Cameron Richard/Valerie Thong (LIB) 8-6