

## ASU Men's Tennis Wins SoCon Opener

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Appalachian State men's tennis opened its SoCon slate with a 5-2 victory over The Citadel on Friday afternoon at Earle Tennis Center in Charleston, South Carolina. With the win, the Mountaineers (3-7, 1-0 SoCon) improve to 2-1 in March

play, while the Bulldogs (5-6, 0-3 SoCon) are 0-4 on the month, with three conference losses including today's loss to Appalachian.

The Citadel started off strong with doubles competition. While Appalachian's No. 1 duo Zach Bost/Sebastien King defeated Oliver Dedding/David Orces in the first match of the day, the Bulldogs took the doubles decision with 8-5 and 8-6 victories at No's. 2 and 3, respectively. David Orces carried the momentum for the Citadel as he overcame Sebastien King in No. 1 flight (6-2, 6-3) to give the Bulldogs an early two point advantage. The Mountaineers responded, however, picking up wins in the remaining matches. Steve Karendal defeated Dillon Berkabile at No. 2 (6-1, 7-5), while Bost posted a 6-1, 6-1 win versus Peter Bleach in No. 3. Rounding out Appalachian's two-set victories were Andrew McKinnon, who bested James Atkinson (6-4, 7-5) in No. 4 flight, and Zeke Sansing, who defeated Jackson Pride (6-3, 6-4) in the sixth position. Matt Saltsgaver found success at No. 5, where he defeated Elliott Sperr in three sets (3-6, 6-4, 6-4).

Up next, the Mountaineers remain in Charleston, South Carolina as they continue conference play with a match against College of Charleston on Sat., March 16 at 11 a.m.

### **Appalachian State 5, The Citadel Men's Tennis 2 Mar 15, 2013 at Charleston, S.C. (Earle Tennis Center) Singles competition**

1. David Orces (CIT) def. Sebastien King (APP) 6-2, 6-3
2. Steve Karendal (APP) def. Dillon Berkabile (CIT) 6-1, 7-6
3. Zach Bost (APP) def. Peter Bleach (CIT) 6-1, 6-1
4. Andrew McKinnon (APP) def. James Atkinson (CIT) 6-4, 7-5
5. Matt Saltsgaver (APP) def. Elliott Sperr (CIT) 3-6, 6-4, 6-4
6. Zeke Sansing (APP) def. Jackson Pride (CIT) 6-3, 6-4

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### Doubles competition

1. Zach Bost/Sebastien King (APP) def. Oliver Dedding/David Orces (CIT) 8-5
2. Peter Bleach/Alex Howle (CIT) def. Andrew McKinnon/Jen-Willem Kleynhans (APP) 8-5
3. JC Pauli/Dillon Berkabile (CIT) def. Steve Lake/Steve Karendal (APP) 8-6

### Match Notes

Appalachian State 3-7

The Citadel Men's Tennis 5-6

## ASU Women's Tennis Takes Down Campbell, 5-2

Appalachian State women's tennis closed out their four-match road series with a 5-2 victory at Campbell University on Friday afternoon at Nisbet Tennis Center. The Mountaineers (10-4, 2-0 SoCon) posted a pair of disappointing losses to Gardner-Webb and UNCW earlier in the week, but bounced right back when they took down the Fighting Camels (4-9) to notch another win in their impressive start to the season. Appalachian's top tandem of Ellie Linsell and Mackenzie LaSure lead the Mountaineers in doubles action with an 8-5 win over Tamara Stanic and Karolina Chernaya at No. 1. The Fighting Camels lived up to their name, however, and redeemed in doubles competition with victories at No's. 2 and 3 to grab the first point and the early 1-0 lead.

The Mountaineers were ready to respond as senior leader Ellie Linsell defeated Campbell's Stanic a second time on the afternoon with a 6-2, 6-3 victory in No. 1 flight. Clare Cox joined with a win of her own at No. 2, where she pulled past Ana Maria Ortiz in three-sets (4-6, 6-4, 6-3) to edge the Mountaineers ahead of Campbell, 2-1.

The Camels came to life briefly when Chernaya outlasted Brianna Armellino in a three-set tiebreak at No. 3 (6-7 (4-7), 6-1, 6-4) to knot the score at two. The Black & Gold responded, securing Appalachian's win with victories at No's. 4, 5, and 6. Jennifer Ansari defeated Natasha Afridi, 7-5, 6-4, while Jessica Thaggard (6-2, 6-1) and Gabriella Celi (6-1, 6-2) rounded out the

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match for Appalachian.

Glancing ahead, the Mountaineers will return to Boone to host SoCon foe Georgia Southern on Sun., March 17 at noon at the ASU Tennis Courts.

### **Appalachian State 5, Campbell 2**

**Mar 15, 2013 at Buies Creek, N.C. (Nisbet Tennis Center)**

#### **Singles competition**

1. Ellie Linsell (APP) def. Tamara Stanic (CAM) 6-2, 6-3
2. Clare Cox (APP) def. Ana Maria Ortiz (CAM) 4-6, 6-4, 6-3
3. Karolina Chernaya (CAM) def. Brianna Armellino (APP) 6-7 (4-7), 6-1, 6-4
4. Jennifer Ansari (APP) def. Natasha Afridi (CAM) 7-5, 6-4
5. Jessica Thaggard (APP) def. Lourdes Ros (CAM) 6-2, 6-1
6. Gabriela Celi (APP) def. Kirsten Renz (CAM) 6-1, 6-2

#### **Doubles competition**

1. Ellie Linsell/Mackenzie LaSure (APP) def. Tamara Stanic/Karolina Chernaya (CAM) 8-5
2. Ana Maria Ortiz/Natasha Afridi (CAM) def. Clare Cox/Jennifer Ansari (APP) 8-5
3. Ewa Telenga/Lourdes Ros (CAM) def. Brianna Armellino/Gabriela Celi (APP) 8-6

#### **Match Notes**

Appalachian State 10-3

Campbell 4-9

Order of finish: Doubles (1,2,3); Singles (5,6,1,4,3,2)

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