Raiders Fall to No. 17 Aggies, 7-0

Middle Tennessee continues homestand on March 24

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - Texas A&M swept all three doubles and all six singles matches, as the 17th-ranked Aggies defeated Middle Tennessee, 7-0, in women's tennis action Monday at the Buck Bouldin Tennis Center. The Blue Raiders (4-8) lost their seventh match this season against a ranked foe, while the Aggies (12-2) rebounded from a loss at second-ranked Notre Dame last week. In doubles, Texas A&M won all three matches with relative ease. Sarah Foster and Tiffany Clifford defeated Hala Sufi and Claudia Szabo, 8-5, at No. 1, before the 22nd-ranked duo of Nicki Mechem and Anna Lubinsky took care of Ann-Kristin Siljestrom and Stephanie Parkison, 8-3, at No. 2. TAMU's Anna Blagodarova and Michelle Sammons won 8-5 at No. 3 over Pooja Kommireddi and Marlene Chemin. In singles the Aggies won all six matches in straight sets. Mechem defeated Parkison, 6-0, 6-0, at No. 5, and Elze Potgeiter won 6-0, 6-2, over Szabo at No. 4. Blagodarova took care of Chemin, 6-1, 6-4, at No. 3, and Sammons defeated Kommireddi, 6-4, 6-3, at No. 6. Texas A&M completed the sweep, as Foster won 6-2, 7-5, against Siljestrom at No. 2 before 17th-ranked Lubinsky defeated 61st-ranked Sufi, 6-4, 6-3, at No. 1. Monday's match was the first in a six-match homestand for Middle Tennessee, who takes on Indiana State on March 24 at 11 a.m. at the Buck Bouldin Tennis Center.

#17 Texas A&M 7, Middle Tennessee 0

SINGLES

1. (17) Anna Lubinsky (TAMU) def. (61) Hala Sufi (MT), 6-4, 6-3
2. Sarah Foster (TAMU) def. Ann-Kristin Siljestrom (MT), 6-2, 7-5

3. Anna Blagodarova (TAMU) def. Marlene Chemin (MT), 6-1, 6-4
4. Elze Potgieter (TAMU) def. Claudia Szabo (MT), 6-0, 6-2
5. Nicki Mechem (TAMU) def. Stephanie Parkison (MT), 6-0, 6-0
6. Michelle Sammons (TAMU) def. Pooja Kommireddi (MT), 6-4, 6-3

Order of Finish: 5,4,3*,6,2,1

DOUBLES

1. Foster-Tiffany Clifford (TAMU) def. Sufi-Szabo (MT), 8-5
2. (22) Mechem-Lubinsky (TAMU) def. Siljestrom-Parkison (MT), 8-3
3. Blagodarova-Sammons (TAMU) def. Chemin-Kommireddi (MT), 8-5

Order of Finish: 1,2*,3

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