Paoliello-Cowden Fall in Finals

Singles play begins Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - Joao Paoliello and Richard Cowden won twice in doubles but fell in the finals Friday at the 21st Annual Middle Tennessee Fall Invitational. Because of rain Thursday night and Friday morning, the tournament was pushed indoors and all four doubles draws were played out completely. Singles action will take place Saturday and Sunday at the Buck Bouldin Tennis Center, with action starting at 8:30 a.m. Saturday. In Flight A1 doubles, Marc Rocafort and Morgan Richard defeated Morehead State's Greg Johnstone and Doug Song, 8-5, in the quarterfinals, but the Blue Raider duo lost 8-3 in the semifinals to Mississippi State's Phillippe Frayssinoux and Pjotrs Necajevs. Also in A1 doubles, Joao Paoliello and Richard Cowden won 8-6 over Amrit Narasimhan and Jimmy Khougassian of Memphis in the quarterfinals before defeating Mississippi State's Ryan Farlow and Maximilien Genuini, 8-6, in the semifinals. In the finals Frayssinoux and Necajevs defeated Paoliello and Cowden, 8-1. In Flight A2 doubles, Alex McCann and Marc Boiron dropped an 8-4 decision to Western Kentucky's Thomas Krug and Currie Martin in the Round of 16. Blue Raider newcomers Chris Nowak and Derrick Davison won, 8-6, over Belmont's Felipe Cirne Lima and Ignacio Gesto in the quarterfinals but dropped an 8-4 decision in the semifinals to Benedikt Fischer and Michael Gaerthoeffner of Memphis. In singles play Satuday, Rocafort will take on Louisville's Viktor Maksimcuk in the first round at 10:30 a.m. in the Championship Flight, while Richard takes on Morehead State's Johnstone at 9:30 a.m., also in the Championship Flight. In Flight A1 singles, Paoliello plays Belmont's Lima at 8:30 a.m. and Cowden faces Morehead State's Charles Williams at 9:30 a.m. In Flight A2, McCann takes on Belmont's Zach Zola at 8:30 a.m. and Nowak plays Austin Peay's Jay Wilkinson, also at 8:30 a.m. Davison faces Western Kentucky's Martin 8:30 a.m. and Boiron takes on Austin Peay's Bret Shaw at 8:30 a.m. in A3 singles. Draws for the tournament and complete results may be found at http://www.goblueraiders.com/content.cfm/id/27519. **FLIGHT A1 DOUBLES**
Quarterfinals

Marc Rocafort-Morgan Richard (MT) def. Greg Johnstone-Doug Song (Morehead State), 8-5
Joao Paoliello-Richard Cowden (MT) def. Amrit Narasimhan-Jimmy Khougassian (Memphis), 8-6

Semifinals

Phillippe Frayssinoux-Pjotrs Necajevs (Mississippi State) def. Marc Rocafort-Morgan Richard (MT), 8-3
Joao Paoliello-Richard Cowden (MT) def. Ryan Farlow-Maximilien Genuini (Mississippi State), 8-6

Finals

Phillippe Frayssinoux-Pjotrs Necajevs (Mississippi State) def. Joao Paoliello-Richard Cowden (MT), 8-1

FLIGHT A2 DOUBLES

Round of 16

Thomas Krug-Currie Martin (Western Kentucky) def. Alex McCann-Marc Boiron (MT), 8-4

Quarterfinals

Chris Nowak-Derrick Davison (MT) def. Felipe Cirne Lima-Ignacio Gesto (Belmont), 8-6

Semifinals

Benedikt Fischer-Michael Gaerthoeffner (Memphis) def. Chris Nowak-Derrick Davison (MT), 8-4

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