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Tennis defeats Montana 4-3

Close doubles matches help lift Blue Raiders to win

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DENVER - The Blue Raiders defeated Montana 4-3 on Friday afternoon in the first of two matches it will play in the Mile High City this weekend.

Middle Tennessee began the day by winning the doubles point. Senior **Marlene Chemin** and junior **Anna Djananova** defeated Liz Walker and Martyna Nowak 9-7. Junior **Natalie Araya** and freshman **Taylor Coffey** teamed up to defeat Amanda and Rebecca Bran 9-8 (4).

The Blue Raiders kept the pace in singles as it won three straight to clinch the match. Coffey started things off as she defeated Nowak 7-6 (5), 6-1.

Then Djananova put Middle Tennessee up by three with her 6-3, 6-1 win over Kayla Moyse. Chemin handed the Blue Raiders the win as she defeated Lauren Gibson 6-0, 6-4.

Montana took the first three singles matches to even the score but not in time to make a run for the win.

Middle Tennessee will be back in action on Saturday, March 28 at 1 p.m. when it faces conference opponent Denver.

Singles

1. Liz Walker (MONT) def. **Marietta Bigus** (MT) 6-3, 2-6, 6-3
2. Rebecca Bran (MONT) def. **Andrea Herrera** (MT) 7-6 (7-1), 7-5
3. Amanda Bran (MONT) def. **Natalie Araya** (MT) 7-6 (7-4), 7-5
4. **Taylor Coffey** (MT) def. Martyna Nowak (MONT) 7-6 (7-5), 6-1
5. **Anna Djananova** (MT) def. Kayla Moyse (MONT) 6-3, 6-1
6. **Marlene Chemin** (MT) def. Lauren Gibson (MONT) 6-0, 6-4

Doubles

1. **Anna Djananova/Marlene Chemin** (MT) def. Liz Walker/Martyna Nowak (MONT) 9-7
2. **Taylor Coffey/Natalie Araya** (MT) def. Amanda Bran/Rebecca Bran (MONT) 9-8 (7-4)
3. **Marietta Bigus/Alex Dachos** (MT) def. Cara Lehman/Kayla Moyse (MONT) 8-3

Match Notes:

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

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