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## Blue Raiders fall to Marshall 6-1

### Araya posts lone win

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**HUNTINGDON, W.V.** - Middle Tennessee fell to No. 64 Marshall on Saturday afternoon.

Middle Tennessee began the match with doubles as junior **Natalie Araya** and **Taylor Coffey** paired up to defeat Deanna Bailey and Jessica Keener for the only doubles win.

"Overall I thought we played well. We have been working on a few things in doubles and it is working. Natalie and Taylor played very well and we had chances in the other two doubles matches," head coach Alison Ojeda said.

Marshall maintained control of the match as the Blue Raiders would post only one win. Araya won her match in a super tiebreaker 6-4, 4-6, 10-8 over Keener.

"Natalie played really well today in her match. Taylor and Andrea both had a good chances today where it good have gone either way," Ojeda said. "This match will give us confidence going into our match with UAB next week."

Coffey lost her match to Karolina Soor in No. 4 singles but not before forcing a super tiebreaker 2-6, 6-4, 10-7.

The Blue Raiders will play host to two matches next weekend to round out the regular season before the Sun Belt Conference tournament.

#### Singles

1. Kellie Schmitt (MAR) def. **Andrea Herrera** (MT) 6-4, 6-0
2. Isabell Raich (MAR) def. **Marietta Bigus** (MT) 6-2, 6-1
3. **Natalie Araya** (MT) def. Jessica Keener (MAR) 6-4, 4-6, 10-8
4. Karolina Soor (MAR) def. **Taylor Coffey** (MT) 3-6, 6-4, 10-7
5. Catherine Kellner (MAR) def. **Anna Djananova** (MT) 6-1, 7-5
6. Deanna Bailey (MAR) def. **Alex Dachos** (MT) 6-2, 6-3

#### Doubles

1. Kellie Schmitt/Karolina Soor (MAR) def. **Anna Djananova/Marlene Chemin** (MT) 8-3
2. **Taylor Coffey/Natalie Araya** (MT) def. Deanna Bailey/Jessica Keener (MAR) 8-5
3. Thaddea Lock/Catherine Kellner (MAR) def. **Marietta Bigus/Alex Dachos** (MT) 8-5

#### Match Notes:

Middle Tennessee 8-11

Marshall 11-9; National ranking #64

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