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Lady Raider Manon Kruse Remains Undefeated at Furman Classic

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Greenville, SC - Middle Tennessee women's tennis player [Manon Kruse](#) knocked off No. 29 Julie Rotondi from North Carolina 7-6(8), 6-1 Saturday at the Furman Fall Classic.

Kruse's win makes her 6-0 in the fall, and she will play in the finals of the Flight One singles Sunday at 8 a.m. Kruse and doubles partner [Stacy Varnell](#) also stayed undefeated as the team defeated Megan Dunnigan and Natalie The of Furman 8-2.

"Manon played an extremely good game today," said Middle Tennessee head coach Randy Holden. "It was a great day for Middle Tennessee women's tennis."

The great day continued for the Lady Raiders because the team bounced back from tough losses. [Verena Preiss](#), [Carien Venter](#) and Varnell will play for fifth and [Emily Vest](#) and [Michaela Gridling](#) will play for seventh.

"Everyone played well today," Holden said. "We are competing at one of the toughest tournaments in the country and I think we are making a great showing."

Singles [Manon Kruse](#) (MT) def. Julie Rotondi (UNC) 7-6(8), 6-1

[Verena Preiss](#)(MT) def. Milena Stanoycheva(CU) 6-1, 7-6(5)

[Carien Venter](#)(MT) def. Deni Alexandrova(Iowa) 7-(6), 6-3

Lara Voinov (Wis) def. [Michaela Gridling](#) (MT) 6-4, 6-3

[Stacy Varnell](#) (MT) def. Lindsay Martin (Wis.) 6-2, 6-1

Catherine Brown (USC) def. [Tanja Buchheim](#) (MT) 6-0, 6-0

Ashley Brown (CU) def. [Emily Vest](#) (MT) 6-3, 6-0

Doubles Kruse-Varnell (MT) def. Dunigan-The (FU) 8-2

Kenoyer-Tan (USC) def. Preiss-Gridling (MT) 8-5

G. Holman-Bentley (FU) def. Venter-Buchheim (MT) 9-8



Sophomore Manon Kruse defeated No. 29 Julie Rotondi of North Carolina at the Furman Fall Classic Saturday. (MT)

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