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Blue Raiders down Owls 3-0

Kozon, Mead guide team in kills; Oladinni with six blocks

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BOCA Raton, Fla. - Middle Tennessee took a 3-0 (25-21, 25-12, 25-12) win over Florida Atlantic on Friday night to remain undefeated in Sun Belt action and extend its win streak to four.

The Blue Raiders (9-6, 2-0 SBC) notched 43 kills for a .383 hitting percentage with 12 total blocks on its way to the win.

"We played a very good match. We had very few unforced errors and served aggressively. For the first time in two years we are 2-0 to open conference play as we have lost to Western Kentucky opening weekend so that is a very good feeling," head coach Matt Peck said.

Senior [Ashley Mead](#) continued her impressive performance as of late notching 11 kills while junior [Izabela Kozon](#) added 10 of her own.

Kozon had a team high 11 digs to post a double-double on the night while Mead added four digs of her own.

Sophomore [Stacy Oladinni](#) guided the defense at the net with six block assists while seniors [Leslie Clark](#) and [Janay Yancey](#) and sophomore Lindsay Cheatham each had three block assists.

"We did a good job of staying in system and for the second straight match the block came up huge for us," Peck said.

Oladinni also had eight kills on the night to help the offense as well.

Florida Atlantic (3-9, 2-2 SBC) had just 19 kills in the match and three blocks. No Owls had double-digit kills in the match as the team hit just .026.

Middle Tennessee's defensive specialists and libero, senior [Ashley Waugh](#), sophomore [Brynne Henderson](#) and freshman [Halie Vannoy](#) combined for 15 digs to guide the backcourt defense.

The Blue Raiders will have Saturday off before facing preseason favorite Florida International and preseason Player of the Year Yarimar Rosa on Sunday, Oct. 4 at 12 p.m.



Junior Izabela Kozon notched a double-double against FAU with 10 kills and 11 digs. (Bradley Lambert)

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