

Volleyball sweeps UALR, 3-0

Blue Raiders run winning streak to eight

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. - The Middle Tennessee volleyball team extended their winning streak to eight matches on Friday, posting a 3-0 (25-19, 25-18, 25-17) victory over UALR at the Jack Stephens Center in Little Rock, Ark. "I was proud of the effort we put forth tonight," said head coach Matt Peck. "It was a good test for us on the road against a team like Little Rock, and I think that they're going to be good down the road." The Blue Raiders (11-4) outit the Trojans .278 to .031 in the match, led by Ashley Adams and Izabela Kozon with 11 kills apiece. Maria Szivos and Stacy Oladinni each tallied six in the category. Angela Peyton and Morgan Peterson took turns directing the offense, combining for 34 assists. Brynne Henderson posted a match-high in digs with 13, and Oladinni keyed the defense at the net with three



block solos and three block assists. Middle Tennessee raced out to an early lead in the opening stanza and would never trail, winning 25-19. The Blue Raiders impressed on offense, outitting the Trojans .351 to .075. Both Kozon and Adams tallied five kills in the frame to lead the way for MT. After falling behind early, the Blue Raiders rallied to a 25-18 victory in the second set. UALR managed to ward off Middle Tennessee in the early goings, but the Blue Raiders finally broke through to grab a slim edge at 13-12. Moments later, MT ran off five straight points to take a commanding 19-13 lead and would never look back, ultimately sending MT into the break up 2-0. Middle Tennessee took home the third set, 25-17. Each side played even early, but the Blue Raiders would take the lead for good at 9-8, pushing it out to 11-8 on a pair of Kozon kills. After UALR pulled within two at 13-11, MT ran off eight of the next nine points to put the match out of reach for the Trojans. Kozon tallied five kills to lead the way for the Blue Raiders, who outit the Trojans .333 to

.000 in the frame. Middle Tennessee will continue conference play on Sunday at Arkansas State at 1 p.m.

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