

Kozon returns to lead Middle Tennessee to 3-1 win over Georgia Tech

Blue Raiders have now won 18 of last 19 matches

October 26, 2010 · Athletic Communications

ATLANTA - Izabela Kozon, who sat out the last three matches with an injury, returned to action on Tuesday, tallying 18 kills to lead the Blue Raiders to a 3-1 (25-17, 25-15, 13-25, 25-21) victory over Georgia Tech at O'Keefe Gymnasium in Atlanta. Middle Tennessee has now won four consecutive matches and 18 of their last 19. "This was an important win for us as Georgia Tech has a number of big wins, and a result like this could help us get to the NCAA Tournament," head coach Matt Peck said. "We played very hard and very well for the most part against a good team tonight. It was great to have Iza back. She played really well, and didn't miss a beat from the last match she played before getting hurt." Aside from Kozon, three other Blue Raiders put up 10 or more kills in the match, including Stacy Oladinni, who hit at a blistering



.550 clip while recording 11 kills with zero attack errors. Brandi Waller also posted 11 kills, and Maria Szivos notched 10. Angela Peyton led the team in assists with 30, and Morgan Peterson chipped in 17 off the bench. Defensively, Brynne Henderson tied for the match high in digs with 13, and Szivos added nine, just one short of recording a second straight double-double. Lindsay Cheatham posted the team high in blocks with four, and both Peterson and Oladinni had three. Oladinni and Szivos each tallied four kills in the opening stanza, propelling the Blue Raiders to a 25-17 victory. Middle Tennessee went on an early four point run to take a 6-3 lead, and the Yellow Jackets would never get closer than three points from there on out. Szivos held serve for the final four points, culminating with a service ace and a Monique Mead attack error. MT outthit GT in the frame .531 to .161. The

Middle Tennessee offense once again featured in the second set, outhitting the Yellow Jackets .400 to -.032 en route to a 25-15 wire-to-wire win. The Blue Raiders opened with a 12-5 lead, but Georgia Tech clawed back within two at 14-12. However, MT would respond by running off 11 of the next 14 points to head into the break up 2-0. Georgia Tech won the third set 25-13, hitting .462 in the frame and leading throughout. The fourth set would prove to be the most dramatic, and the Blue Raiders prevailed in 25-21 fashion. After MT led for much of the early goings and took a 15-11 lead, the Yellow Jackets recorded seven of the next nine points to take a slim 18-17 edge. The sides would swap points down the stretch, but Kozon, who tallied eight kills in the frame, notched the final three points of the set to seal the deal. The Blue Raiders (21-5, 11-1 SBC) will return to conference action this weekend, hitting the road for North Texas on Friday.

Printed on July 22, 2014

Original URL: <http://www.goblueraiders.com/content.cfm/id/48899>