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News & Notes

NEC Women’s Tennis

(October 9, 2007)

NEC Player of the Week
Jackie Herb, Quinnipiac
Jr., Cherry Hill, NJ/Cherry Hill East

Herb posted a perfect record in both singles and doubles competition at the four-team Bucknell Round Robin. After defeating Emily Herb of Connecticut in a third-set superbreaker, the QU sophomore cruised past Bucknell’s Paulina Gamboa in straight sets, 6-0, 6-3. Herb’s victory by default of her NJIT opponent clinched the second flight singles title. Herb and Amanda Petruzzi played their way to the second flight doubles title as well, posting a perfect 3-0 record.

Notes
Fairleigh Dickinson was victorious in both of its dual matches, downing Hofstra, 5-2, and Seton Hall, 4-3. Sophomore Clara Smith (Paris, France/Haue de Nimes) earned a 6-3, 6-3 win over her Hofstra opponent at fourth singles and a 6-0, 6-1 victory against Seton Hall in the No. 5 position. The Knights welcome Monmouth to town on Thursday... Long Island participated in the USTA-NCT Women’s Invitational in Flushing Meadows, NY with sophomore Selma Babic (Zonica, Bosnia/Clemson) leading the way... Babic advanced to the semifinal of the Flight D singles draw before falling. Babic and junior Liliana Cortes (Cochabamba, Bolivia/Southern Utah) teamed up to win a first round doubles match. The Blackbirds’ upcoming match with Fordham has been cancelled; they will be idle this week... Monmouth came up empty-handed on its Rhode Island swing, falling to Providence, 5-2, and Rhode Island, 7-0. Sarah Ragan (Lanoka Harbor, N.J./Lacey) was victorious in her second singles match against the Friars, 6-1, 6-2. Monmouth visits FDU (Thursday) and Manhattan (Friday)... Mount St. Mary’s fell to Towson, 6-1, with sophomore Chelsea Johnson (Downington, PA/21st Century Cyber) earning the Mount’s lone win at top singles. MSM’s match with Coppin State was postponed. The Mount returns to action vs. Saint Joseph’s (next Saturday)... Quinnipiac contested the Bucknell Quads this weekend with sophomore Jackie Herb (Cherry Hill, NJ/Cherry Hill East) triumphing at both second singles and second doubles at the four-team round robin competition. The Bobcats are idle until their dual match at Siena next Tuesday... Sacred Heart returns to the court against Manhattan (Tuesday) after being idle this past week. The Pioneers co-host the New England Championships this weekend with Fairfield... St. Francis (NY) will not begin competition until spring 2008... Wagner was idle. The Seahawks resume play at Siena (Sunday).

NEC Men’s Tennis

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NEC Player of the Week
Sean Pease, Quinnipiac
Fr., Falmouth, MA/Falmouth

A week after his doubles partner Brian Mikkelson earned the moniker, Quinnipiac rookie Sean Pease is the NEC Player of the Week. Pease made it through three rounds of singles play unscathed to capture the third flight title at the four-team Bucknell Round Robin. He bested opponents from New Jersey Tech, Bucknell, and Connecticut. Teaming up with Mikkelson, the freshman earned another three wins in the No. 2 doubles competition.

Notes
Fairleigh Dickinson moved to 2-0 in dual matches by shutting out Hofstra, 7-0. Sophomore Philip Stephens (London, England/Monkton Combe) is now 8-0 in singles play after beating his Hofstra opponent in straight sets at top singles. FDU travels to the Lehigh Invitational this weekend... Mount St. Mary’s was idle after its scheduled match with Coppin State was postponed. The Mount contests the Lehigh Invitational this weekend... Monmouth did not compete. The Hawks return to the court at Drewel (Tuesday) and are one of three NEC teams contesting the weekend’s Lehigh Invitational... Quinnipiac took part in the four-team Bucknell Round Robin along with New Jersey Tech, Bucknell, and Connecticut. Freshman Brian Mikkelson (Thiensville, WI/Homestead) finished atop the No. 2 singles flight, while fellow rookie Sean Pease (Falmouth, MA/Falmouth) was perfect in the third singles flight. The two also teamed up to win the second doubles competition. The Bobcats host the Quinnipiac Invitational this weekend... Sacred Heart had the week off. The Pioneers face Connectcut (Wednesday) and then travel to intra-state and NEC rival Quinnipiac for a weekend invitational... St. Francis (NY) dropped its lone dual match of the week, 6-1, to Rider... Junior Jindrich Chaloupka (Sumeerk, Czech Republic/Lincoln Memorial University) won at No. 1 singles for the Terriers. St. Francis hosts Lafayette on Saturday... Wagner plays three matches this week after being idle last week. The Seahawks host Rider (Thursday), then visit La Salle (Saturday) and Siena (Sunday).

NEC Women’s Player of the Week
Sept. 11 Emil Bolechoz, Mount St. Mary’s
Sept. 18 Julija Korschunova, Fairleigh Dickinson
Sept. 25 Mary Wilson, Quinnipiac
Oct. 2 Selma Babic, Long Island
Oct. 9 Jackie Herb, Quinnipiac

NEC Men’s Player of the Week
Sept. 11 Josh Girling, Fairleigh Dickinson
Sept. 18 Matt Gordon, Fairleigh Dickinson
Oct. 2 Brian Mikkelson, Quinnipiac
Oct. 9 Sean Pease, Quinnipiac

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