BC tennis secures multiple wins in Florida tournament

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Brevard College men's and women's tennis took a trip to Orlando, Florida on March 8, 2020 to compete in a Spring Break tournament. Their trip extended through March 14, 2020 and included three matches for the men and four matches for the women.

The BC women's tennis team fell to the Transylvania University Pioneers from Lexington, KY in their first match of the tournament. The match was played on Monday, March 9 at Sanlando Park.

At number one doubles Samantha Sepe and Lily Farr dominated with a score of 8-5 against Transylvania's Jessica Burton and Porsche Robinson. Number two doubles team Margaret Correll and Jen Cox fell to Sheila Centina and Merrick Irwin with a score of 3-8. Freshman team Alli Kogoy and Hamrick Perry lost to Alyssa Igyarto and Christina Duvall with a score of 2-8.

Sepe fought for the second win for Brevard in singles with a close score of 6-3, 7-6 and a tie-breaker score of 7-4 against Transylvania's Robinson. Singles positions two through six fell to Transylvania bringing the overall score match score to 2-7 for Brevard.

The BC men's and women's tennis team then traveled to Lake Cane on Tuesday, March 10 to play against Curry College from Milton, MA. Both teams dominated and secured wins for Brevard College.

For the men, number one doubles team Jackson Ray and Ethan McGee defeated Curry's Isaiah Goldsmith and Andrew Barron 8-6. Troy Broska and JaMarcus Walker won at number two doubles against Kevin Meade and Nicholas Bell with a score of 8-6. Due to lack of players, there was no number three doubles team and this gave the point to Brevard.

In singles, Brevard's McGee fell to Goldsmith in a tough three-set match with a score of 6-4, 3-6, 5-7. Ray fell to Barron at two singles with a score of 2-6, 4-6. Broska secured a singles win for Brevard College against Meade with a score of 7-5, 5-7 and a tie-breaker score of 10-2. BC freshmen Miles Schafer stepped in at number four singles and fell to Curry's Bell with a score of 6-3, 3-6 and a tie-breaker defeat of 10-12. Singles five and six were forfeited by Curry due to lack of players giving BC two points.

The overall game score for the men's team was 6-3.



BC Tennis team gathers before home match earlier this season.

BC women's tennis team Sepe and Farr defeated Curry's Sophia Wiernusz and Alison Daigle in doubles with a dominating score of 8-2. Doubles spots two and three were forfeited by Curry due to lack of players.

For women's singles, Brevard put in Kogoy at number one against Wiernusz securing the win with a score of 6-2, 6-4. At number two singles Cox defeated Daigle with a score of 6-0, 6-3. Lastly, at three doubles Brooke Garland won against Curry's Kayla Connors with a score of 6-4, 6-2. Singles spots four through six were forfeited by Curry due to lack of players.

Overall the BC women's tennis team shut out Curry with a score of 9-0.

On Wednesday, March 11, the BC men's team traveled to the USTA National Campus in Orlando to play against Wabash College from Crawfordsville, IN. The men won in a close match and secured the second win for them during the break.

At number one doubles, McGee and Ray fell to Reed Mathis and Emerson Courter 7-8 with a tie-breaker score of 7-9. Broska and Walker fell to Wabash's Devin Vanyo and Paul Hargitt at two doubles with a score of 4-8. At three doubles, Schafer and Brysen Hall dominated Wabash's Gerald Randle and Diego Rocca Torres with a massive score of 8-1 securing Brevard's first win of the match.

For singles, McGee fell to Mathis at number one with a score of 3-6, 1-6. Ray fought for his match against Hargitt and won with a score of 7-6, a first set tie-breaker score of 7-5, 2-6 and deciding third set tie-breaker of 10-5. Broska pulled out another win for Brevard against Vanyo with a score of 6-2, 6-3. BC sophomore Andrew Ingram stepped in at number four singles and fell against Courter with a score of 4-6, 3-6. Schafer shut out Wabash's Randle at number five 6-0, 6-0. Walker won at six singles with a winning score of 6-1, 6-1.

The overall score for the BC men's tennis team was 5-4.

On Thursday, March 12 the men's and women's teams played The University of St. Francis from Fort Wayne, IN at Fort Gatlin in Orlando. While the women's team dominated and secured another win, the men's team suffered a tough loss on an extremely hot day of playing.

Number one doubles team for the men, Ray and McGee lost to St. Francis' Jay Stanchin and Tony Tomeh with a close score of 6-8. Broska and Ingram lost at two doubles 1-8 to Tyler Chrislieb and Tannon Dishman. Number three doubles team Schafer and Walker lost to Austin

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