

Seminole Netters Whip Gators 5-4

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GAINESVILLE — Florida State's tennis team ran its record to 10-0 with a 5-4 win over rival Florida Saturday afternoon on the Gator courts.

The Seminoles' depth once again proved to be the deciding factor as they captured the five and six singles and the two and three doubles for the win.

The two doubles victories were necessary since the two schools split the singles play 3-3.

"It was a very satisfying win," said Tribe Coach Scott Bristol, whose netters had three matches rained out earlier this week. "We were a little off our best game, but our doubles play was very good and Ricardo Bernd played one of the best matches of his career.

Bernd, the Seminoles No. 1 singles player, defeated the Gators Jim Oeschler 6-2, 6-1 in the feature singles match.

Florida came back and took

the next three singles, however, with Bob Boland and Steve Diamond winning the last two for the Seminoles.

Ken Terry and Ray Heidema teamed to defeat Diamond and Bernd in the feature doubles, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, but the win was anticlimatic since the Seminoles had already captured the two and three doubles matches insuring the win.

Monday the Tribe receives another strong test, facing Wake Forest, while another Atlantic Coast Conference school, Virginia, comes to Tallahassee on Tuesday.

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Ricardo Bernd (FSU) d. Jim Oeschler (UF) 6-2, 6-1; Paul Lunetta (UF) d. Juan Ortiz (FSU) 6-1, 6-2; Ken Terry (UF) d. Reagan Genois (FSU) 7-6, 2-6, 6-1; Ray Heidema (UF) d. Richard Legendre (FSU) 2-6, 6-4, 6-2; Bob Boland (FSU) d. Ricky Knight (UF) 6-4, 7-6; Steve Diamond (FSU) d. Mike McCaffery (UF) 6-2, 6-3.

Terry-Heidema (UF) d. Bernd-Diamond (FSU) 6-3, 3-6, 6-3; Legendre-Genois (FSU) d. Oeschler-Knight (UF) 6-3, 6-4; Ortiz-Boland d. Lunetta-Ben Nobles (UF) 6-3, 6-2.