

Abougzir, No. 22 Men's Tennis Rolls Past No. 34 NC State

FSU 5, NC State 2

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April 14, 2006 TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - Florida State junior Ytai Abougzir snapped a four-match skid in a major way Friday night, upsetting No. 46 Nick Cavaday at No. 1 singles as the Seminoles rolled to a 5-2 win over No. 34 NC State at the Scott Speicher Tennis Center.

With the win, FSU improved to 14-10 overall and 7-3 in league action.

"Ytai has done a great job of playing at No. 1 this year," Florida State head coach Dwayne Hultquist said. "During the last few matches, he barely came up short and was right there to beat three of his opponents ranked at the top of the country. I think he has been playing well and I was pleased with his performance today."

The Seminoles had a solid day in singles, picking up wins at Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6. At center court, Abougzir defeated Cavaday 6-3, 5-7, 6-2. At No. 2 singles, Jonathas Sucupira beat Val Banada in straight sets 6-3, 6-4. In the fourth slot freshman Maciek Sykut rallied and defeated Will Shaw 4-6, 6-0, 6-3. Florida State grabbed wins at No. 5 and 6 singles as Chris Westerhof and Chris Cloer won in straight sets.

No. 22 FSU (4) vs. No. 34 NC State (2) April 14, 2006 Scott Speicher Tennis Center Tallahassee, Fla.

Doubles:

1. No. 20 Abougzir/Westerhof (FSU) def. Banada/Welte (ST) 8-3
2. Noblitt/Shaw (ST) def. Sucupira/Sykut (FSU) 8-5
3. Cavaday/Weinacker (ST) def. Bailey/Chang (FSU) vs. 8-2

Order: 3, 1, 2

Singles:

1. No. 51 Ytai Abougzir (FSU) vs. No. 46 Nick Cavaday (ST) 6-3, 5-7, 6-2
2. Jonathas Sucupira (FSU) def. Val Banada (ST) 6-3, 6-4
3. William Noblitt (ST) def. Sam Chang (FSU) 7-5, 6-2, 6-4
4. Maciek Sykut (FSU) vs. Will Shaw (ST) 4-6, 6-0, 6-3
5. Chris Westerhof (FSU) def. Jay Weinacker (ST) 7-6, 6-1
6. Chris Cloer (FSU) vs. Chris Welte (ST) 6-2, 6-4

Order: 2, 6, 3, 5, 4