

Men's Tennis Contact: Erin Zein

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IOWA MEN'S TENNIS**HAWKEYES FALL TO NO. 67 WESTERN MICHIGAN, 7-0**

KALAMAZOO, MI – The Iowa men's tennis team faced tough competition in a 7-0 loss to 67th-ranked Western Michigan Sunday afternoon at the West Hills Athletics Club.

The Hawkeyes fell behind early after losing all three doubles contests. Iowa's closet match came at the No. 2 position where sophomores **Chaitu Malempati** and **Aaron Schaechterle** lost a 9-8 tiebreak to Dan Grupp and Jose Orozco. In the No. 1 match, freshmen **Sebastian Delgado** and **Walter Valarezo** were defeated by Ravi Pathanjali and Jeff French, 8-5. Freshmen **Jonny Hoak** and **Scott Elwell** suffered an 8-3 loss to Tommy Dennis and Brady Crosby in the No. 3 match.

Iowa was unable to come back in singles competition losing all six contests. The Hawkeyes' closest match of the day came in the No. 6 match where Elwell recorded a 6-3 first-set win over Justin Kates. He dropped the remaining sets, 6-3, 6-1. In the No. 1 match, Malempati was defeated by Pathanjali, 6-3, 6-3. Delgado lost his No. 2 match to Dennis, 6-3, 6-4. In the No. 3 match, Hoak fell to Orozco, 6-1, 6-1. Valarezo lost 6-4, 6-4 to Crosby in the No. 4 match. In the No. 5 match, Schaechterle was defeated by Erik Lindroos, 6-4, 6-0.

Iowa (0-3, 0-1) will return home to face DePaul next Sunday. Competition is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m. at the Recreation Building.

RESULTS

#67 Western Michigan	7
Iowa	0

Singles

- No. 1 Ravi Pathanjali (WM) def. **Chaitu Malempati (I)**, 6-3, 6-3
- No. 2 Tommy Dennis (WM) def. **Sebastian Delgado (I)**, 6-3, 6-4
- No. 3 Jose Orozco (WM) def. **Jonny Hoak (I)**, 6-1, 6-1
- No. 4 Brady Crosby (WM) def. **Walter Valarezo (I)**, 6-4, 6-4
- No. 5 Erik Lindroos (WM) def. **Aaron Schaechterle (I)**, 6-4, 6-0
- No. 6 Justin Kates (WM) def. **Scott Elwell (I)**, 3-6, 6-3, 6-1

Doubles

- No. 1 Pathanjali/French (WM) def. **Delgado/Valarezo (I)**, 8-5
- No. 2 Dan Grupp/Orozco (WM) def. **Malempati/Schaechterle (I)**, 9-8
- No. 3 Dennis/Crosby (WM) def. **Hoak/Elwell (I)**, 8-3

