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2013 TEAM CHAMPIONS

The Virginia men's tennis team won the first NCAA Championship in program history as it defeated UCLA 4-3 in the 2013 NCAA Tournament final Tuesday at the Khan Outdoor Tennis Complex on the campus of the University of Illinois. The second-seeded Cavaliers (30-0) capped an undefeated season with the victory over the top-seeded Bruins (29-2) and became the first ACC school to win a men's tennis NCAA title.

Mitchell Frank clinched the championship with a come-from-behind 0-6, 6-4, 7-5 victory at No. 3 singles over Adrien Puget in the decisive match. Frank, who was down a break in the third set, saved a team match point before rallying for victory.

The Cavaliers took a 1-0 lead by winning the doubles point, which proved crucial. At No. 1, Jarmere Jenkins and Mac Styslinger rolled to an 8-2 win over Marcus Giron and Dennis Novikov to give the Cavaliers the edge. Julien Uriguen and Justin Shane rallied from down an early break to top Alex Brigham and Clay Thompson 8-5 at No. 3 doubles to clinch the point.

In singles, each team won three first sets as the match remained close throughout. The Cavaliers extended their lead to 2-0 as Shane cruised to a 6-2, 6-2 win at No. 5 over Thompson, snapping the Bruin's 14-match win streak. UCLA answered with a pair of victories to draw even in the match, 2-2. Giron got the Bruins on the board with a 6-4, 6-4 victory over Alex Domijan at No. 2, and Dennis Mkrtchian followed with a 6-4, 6-3 victory at No. 4 over Styslinger.

Virginia retook the lead, 3-2, as Jenkins he completed a 7-6(3), 6-3 victory at No. 1 over Novikov. Jenkins, who was named the ITA National Senior Player of the Year earlier in the day, was named the NCAA Tournament Most Outstanding Player.

The final two matches on the courts went to a third set with the Cavaliers needing to win one to claim the national title. At No. 6, Karue Sell rallied for a three-set victory over Uriguen, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2 to bring UCLA even, 3-3, and set up the dramatic ending on court No. 3.

After losing the first set to Puget 6-0, Frank responded by winning the second set 6-4 to force a decisive final set. Frank went up a break 2-1 only to see Puget break back in the ensuing game. Puget broke Frank again to take a 5-3 lead and served for the match for the Bruins. On championship point, 40-30, Puget approached the net to put away a shot that would clinch the title for UCLA, but his foot stepped on the net and the point was awarded to Frank to bring the game to deuce. Frank won the two points that followed to get back on serve, 4-5.

After Frank held his serve to draw even at 5-all, he broke Puget's serve again to allow him to serve for the match at 6-5. He won the first three points to take a 40-0 lead, but Puget saved the first two championship points for Virginia. On the third championship point, Puget sailed a shot wide that sparked the Cavaliers' celebration of their first NCAA Championship.

Virginia became the 14th school in the 67-year history of the NCAA Men's Tennis Championship to win the title.



The Cavaliers celebrate as Mitchell Frank clinches the championship.



NCAA TEAM CHAMPIONS

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2015 TEAM CHAMPIONS

The third-ranked Virginia men's tennis team captured its second NCAA Championship in the past three years with a 4-1 victory over top-seeded Oklahoma in Tuesday's final at the Hurd Tennis Center. The Cavaliers (29-3), who also won the title in 2013, become the sixth program in NCAA history to win multiple men's tennis championships.

The Cavaliers opened the match strong, winning the doubles point to take a 1-0 lead. Luca Corinteli and Ryan Shane gave Virginia the edge with an 8-4 win at No. 1 over Andrew Harris and Alex Ghilea. The other two matches finished simultaneously, giving Virginia a doubles sweep. Collin Altamirano and J.C. Aragone finished an 8-5 win at No. 3 over Axel Alvarez and Jose Salazar just seconds before Thai-Son Kwiatkowski and Mac Styslinger closed out their 8-5 win at No. 2 over Dane Webb and Spencer Papa.

The teams split the six first sets, each winning three. The Sooners drew even in the match, 1-1, as Papa defeated Alexander Ritschard 6-3, 6-2 at No. 5 singles. Virginia retook the lead, 2-1, when Altamirano closed out a 6-3, 6-3 victory at No. 3 over Webb. Minutes later Kwiatkowski made the score 3-1 with his 6-3, 6-4 win at No. 4 over Ghilea.

The final point was secured by senior Mitchell Frank, who also clinched the Cavaliers first national title in 2013. Frank had won the first set over Andrew Harris 7-5 at No. 2 singles and the second set was on serve at 5-5. After Frank held for 6-5, he had three match points by taking a 0-40 lead in Harris' service game. Harris saved those three chances, but Frank gained a fourth match point at ad-out. On that point, Harris hit a forehand into the net to give Frank the 7-5, 7-5 victory and the Cavaliers the national title.

Frank was named the 2015 NCAA Men's Championship Most Outstanding Player and was selected to the NCAA All-Tournament Team at No. 2 singles. He was joined on the all-tournament team by Shane (No. 1 singles), Altamirano (No. 3 singles), Kwiatkowski and Styslinger (No. 2 doubles) and Altamirano and Aragone (No. 3 doubles).

With the victory, the Cavaliers avenged all three of their regular season losses during the semifinals and finals of the NCAA Tournament. Virginia had lost to Oklahoma 4-3 on March 10 in Norman and had lost twice during the regular season to No. 2 Baylor, who the Cavaliers downed in the semifinals.

The championship was the 22nd NCAA Championship in Virginia Athletics history. Combined with men's soccer's title in the fall, 2014-15 becomes the third school year that the Cavaliers have won multiple titles. Virginia also won two titles in 1992-93 (men's soccer and women's lacrosse) and 2009-10 (men's soccer and women's rowing).

Virginia joins USC, Stanford, UCLA, Georgia and William & Mary as the only schools to have won multiple titles in the 70-year history of the NCAA Men's Tennis Championship.



Mitchell Frank reacts to clinching the championship with a win at No. 2 singles.



2016 TEAM CHAMPIONS

Top-seeded Virginia became just the fourth school in the modern era to win consecutive national championships when they downed Oklahoma, 4-1, on the indoor courts at the Michael D. Case Tennis Center in Tulsa, Okla.

The Cavaliers defeated Oklahoma State [4-2], Florida [4-0] and California [4-0] in Tulsa to set up a rematch of the 2015 championship.

The evening began with both teams trying to wait out a wave of strong thunderstorms. With the relentless downpours soaking the outside courts, the championship match started an hour later and was moved to the indoor courts.

The Cavaliers started off strong with J.C. Aragone and Collin Altamirano cruising to a 6-1 victory at No. 3 doubles. Thai-Son Kwiatkowski and Mac Styslinger played a tight match at No. 2, but were finally broken when serving at 5-5. Oklahoma's Alex Ghilea and Spencer Papa then held serve to take the point and tie doubles at 1-1. On court one, Ryan Shane and Luca Corinteli held serve to take a 6-5 lead and then broke the Sooners' Axel Alvarez Llamas and Andrew Harris to win 7-5 and take the doubles point.

In singles, Aragone put the Cavaliers up 2-0 with a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Florin Bragusi on court five.

Kwiatkowski, trailed 4-1 in the first set, but rallied to win it 6-4 over Spencer Papa. Kwiatkowski took the second set 6-4 to give the Cavaliers a 3-0 lead. The win was also the 100th singles victory in Kwiatkowski's Cavalier career.

On court one, Shane fell 7-6, 6-0 to Andrew Harris to give Oklahoma its point.

As court one finished, both courts four and six were headed to their deciding moments. Alexander Ritschard was facing Ghilea on four. Ritschard had dominated the first set, 6-1, but Ghilea took the second, 6-1, to send it to a third set. Ritschard rallied in the deciding set, taking a 5-2 lead and was serving for the match, but play was suspended before he could close it out.

On court six, after winning his first set 6-2, Wiersholm battled back from down two breaks in his second set to tie it up 5-5, only to go back down a break. Wiersholm again battled back and tied it back up, 6-6, to force a tiebreaker.

Wiersholm was serving with a 6-2 lead in the tiebreaker with Andre Biro's return on Wiersholm's second serve going into the net to give the Cavaliers their third championship in four seasons.

Kwiatkowski was named the Outstanding Player of the Tournament. Aragone and Altamirano were named to the All-Tournament Team at No. 3 doubles with Corinteli and Shane also earning honors at No. 1. In singles, Wiersholm, Aragone, Ritschard and Kwiatkowski all were named to the All-Tournament team. Wiersholm was 4-0 in singles in Tulsa while Aragone and Ritschard were a combined 4-1. Kwiatkowski went 5-0 in singles in the six matches of the NCAA Team Championship.



Henrik Wiersholm and Thai-Son Kwiatkowski react after Wiersholm clinches the match



2017 TEAM CHAMPIONS

The Cavaliers won their third-straight NCAA Championship and fourth in five years when they topped North Carolina, 4-2, becoming one of only four schools to have won three (or more) consecutive NCAA titles in men's tennis, along with UCLA (1952-54), Southern California (1962-64, 1966-69, 2009-12), and Stanford (1988-90, 1995-98).

For the second-straight day, the match was hampered by weather. Originally slated to be played at 1 p.m., the match was pushed back to a 4 p.m. start time and moved to the indoor courts of the Dan Magill Tennis Complex in Athens, Ga. With only four courts in the facility, court five and six singles were played after the first two singles matches were completed.

The Cavaliers took a hard-fought doubles point, clinching the early lead with a tiebreak victory, 7-6 (5), on the second court by seniors Thai-Son Kwiatkowski and Alexander Ritschard. Virginia also cashed in on a convincing 6-1 win on court three from junior Collin Altamirano and J.C. Aragone in the day's first result. In doubles, the Cavaliers needed only 23 minutes to win at No. 3, and four minutes later the Heels won at No. 1. The match at No. 2 took nearly an hour, but with the crucial doubles point at stake, Kwiatkowski and Ritschard rallied to win a tiebreaker and put Virginia ahead 1-0.

Virginia pushed its lead to 2-0 with a quick win on the top court, with Ritschard, ranked No. 91, picking up a 6-1, 6-3 win over #22 Ronnie Schneider. The Tar Heels countered with a win on the second court as No. 16 William Blumberg topped No. 14 Kwiatkowski to draw within striking distance, 2-1.

The Cavaliers built a cushion with a straight-set win by Altamirano on the fourth court, 6-3, 6-1, to push UVA to the precipice of its third-straight title, but that was delayed by Robert Kelly's two-set win on the third court to make the match score 3-2.

With the first four singles matches in the books, Aragone and junior Henrik Wiersholm finally took the court at five and six.

Aragone finished off the Tar Heels with a 7-6, 6-2 win in his delayed match on the fifth court, sealing the championship for the Cavaliers, with Wiersholm leading in his match as well when it was abandoned.

Altamirano and Aragone earned All-Tournament Team honors in both singles and doubles. Kwiatkowski and Ritschard were named all-tournament at No. 2 doubles.

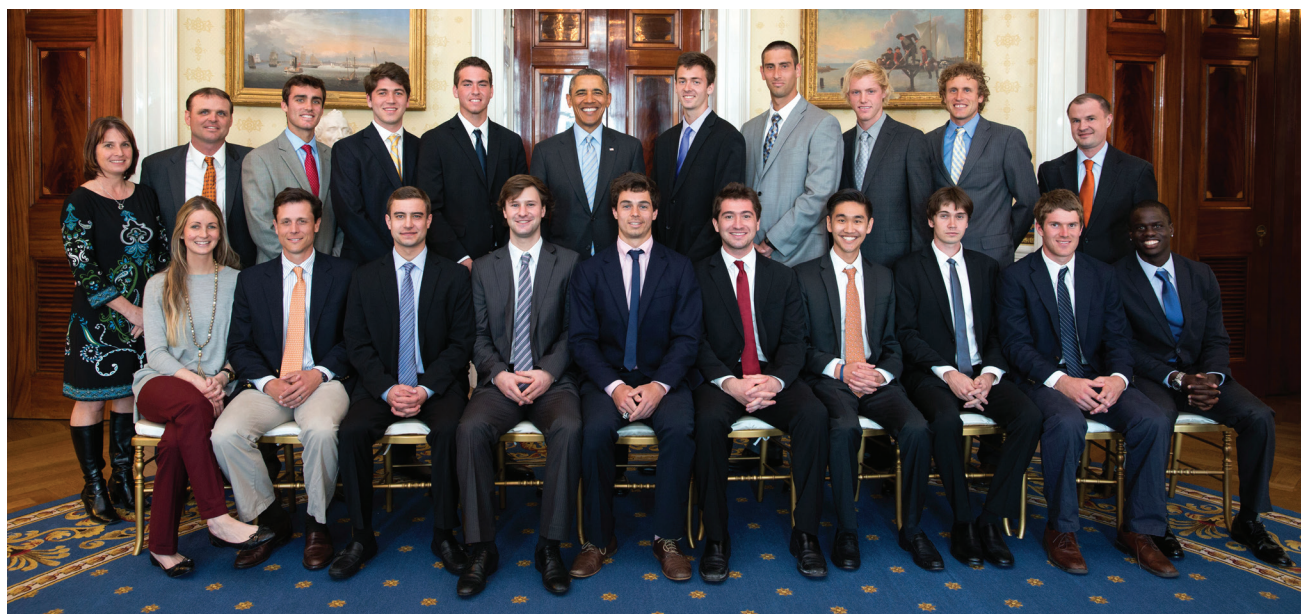
The title capped off a 34-1 season for the Cavaliers in which they also won the ITA National Team Indoors title and the ACC Championship.

The victory was the last for Virginia head coach Brian Boland, who accepted the job as the USTA Player Development Head of Men's Tennis. Boland is a two-time ITA National Coach of the Year who has, in his 16 seasons with Virginia, amassed a 453-58 record, won four NCAA Championships, six ITA National Team Indoor titles, 12 ACC Championships and led his team to a No. 1 ranking in 10 seasons.



J.C. Aragone, center, clinched the match for the Cavaliers

CHAMPIONSHIP HONORS



Two of our championship teams (2013 and 2017) have been guests at the White House. Additionally, Ryan Shane was invited to The White House for the 2016 Easter Egg Roll where he conducted youth clinics at the tennis courts on the Grounds.





CHAMPIONSHIP HONORS



Our 2015 NCAA Championship helped UVA win the Capital One Cup for men's sports that year. The award was presented at the ESPY Awards held at the Microsoft Theatre in downtown Los Angeles. Attending the ceremony and awards show to represent UVA were men's tennis coach Brian Boland and senior captain Mitchell Frank, men's soccer coach George Gelnovatch and baseball player Thomas Woodruff. Former Virginia football standout Chris Long was the presenter of the award during the nationally televised show. A school-record three NCAA men's championships and a top-10 ranking in men's basketball led the University of Virginia to its first Capital One Cup all-sports competition championship for men's sports during the 2014-15 season. The Capital One Cup competition is based on top-10 finishes in a combination of NCAA brackets and final polls and recognizes the top-achieving programs in college athletics. In addition to the trophy presentation, Capital One presented a check for \$200,000 for student-athlete scholarships to the University of Virginia.



The team has also been lauded in celebrations at the Virginia governor's mansion.



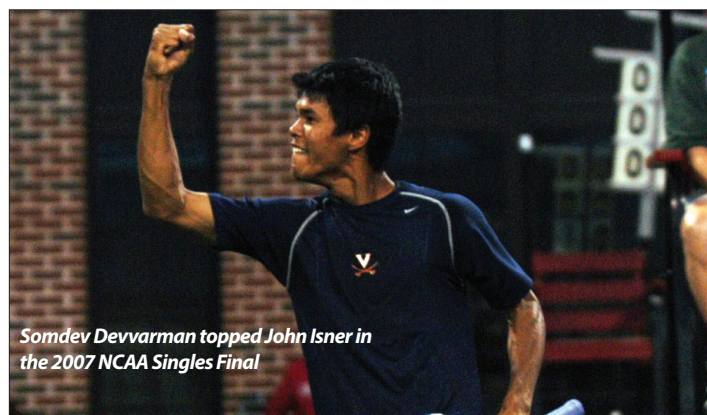
SOMDEV DEVVARMAN 2007 NCAA SINGLES CHAMPION

Somdev Devvarman became the first men's tennis player in ACC history to win an NCAA Singles Championship, downing Georgia's John Isner in the 2007 final at the Dan Magill Tennis Complex in Athens, Ga. In one of the most dramatic finals in the 123-year history of the tournament, Devvarman scored a 7-6 (7), 4-6, 7-6 (2) win over the tournament's No. 1 seed.

The first set was indicative of how close the match would be. Both second-seeded Devvarman and top-seeded Isner held in each of their six service games, with neither losing any more than two points in any game. With the first set on the line, Devvarman opened up an early 3-1 lead in the tiebreaker. Isner rallied to draw even, tying the breaker at 4-4. Devvarman won the next two points, to earn two set points. However, Isner would win the next three points to take a 7-6 lead and earn his own set point. Devvarman won the next two points on his serve to take an 8-7 lead for his third set point. Up 8-7, Devvarman took advantage of a second serve from Isner and hit a return winner past the Bulldog to take the opening set.

The second set began much like the first, with neither player in danger of losing his serve in the first six games. Serving at 3-3, Devvarman was broken by Isner, who took advantage of the first break point of the match to go up 4-3. The players held serve for the remainder of the set, as Isner forced a third and deciding set by taking the second, 6-4.

The final set featured more of the same from both players, as neither player could even force a deuce on the other's serve. With the final set tied at 6-6, the national championship came down to a tiebreaker. At 1-1 in the tiebreaker, Devvarman made a difficult return of a big Isner serve that caught the Georgia player off guard as he returned it into the net. Devvarman used that momentum to win the next three points, to take a 5-1 lead at the changeover. After an Isner ace brought him to 5-2, Devvarman won the following point to give him four championship points at 6-2. On the first of those points, as he hit an ace up the middle to close out the 7-6 (7), 4-6, 7-6 (2) win.



Somdev Devvarman topped John Isner in the 2007 NCAA Singles Final



Somdev Devvarman celebrates his second consecutive NCAA Singles title in 2008

SOMDEV DEVVARMAN 2008 NCAA SINGLES CHAMPION

Somdev Devvarman concluded his collegiate career by winning his second consecutive NCAA Singles Championship with a 6-3, 6-2 win over John-Patrick Smith of Tennessee in the 2008 final at the Michael D. Case Tennis Center in Tulsa, Okla. Devvarman needed barely an hour to win the match and complete a resume that ranks among the greatest in collegiate tennis history.

With the victory, Devvarman became the 13th player in the 124-year history of the tournament to win consecutive titles, and just the fourth to do so in the past 50 years. He joined Georgia's Mikael Pernfors (1984 and 1985) and Matias Boeker (2001 and 2002) to win consecutive NCAA Singles Championships since the current 64-player tournament format was adopted in 1977. Devvarman became the first player since USC's Dennis Ralston (1963 and 1964) to win consecutive titles without winning at least one of them on his home courts. He also joined Arizona State's Sargin Sargsian (1995) and UCLA's Benjamin Kohloff (2006) as the only players to win the ITA National Indoor Singles Championship and NCAA Singles Championship in the same season. The win was also his 18th career NCAA Singles Tournament victory, extending his record for most in the current tournament format.

The match against Smith, the first unseeded player to reach the final since Virginia's Brian Vahaly in 2001, was close early in the first set. Neither player had a chance to break until Devvarman took advantage of the match's first break point opportunity to take a 5-3 lead. He held serve in the ensuing game to win the first set 6-3.

In the second set, Devvarman's momentum continued as he won a five-deuce game to break Smith's serve in the first game of the set. After holding in his first service game, he broke Smith's serve again to lead 3-0. He held that two-break advantage the remainder of the set and closed out the 6-3, 6-2 win.

Devvarman ended the season with a 44-1 singles record, tying the school record for wins in a season he set a year before. He was the first NCAA Singles Champion to finish the season with one or fewer losses since UCLA's Jimmy Connors went undefeated in 1971. Since then, NCAA Champions have included Georgia's Pernfors, Stanford's John McEnroe, Stanford's Tim Mayotte, and Texas's Kevin Curren, all of whom went on to be ranked in the world top 20, but lost multiple times in college during their championship season.



NCAA INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS

DOMINIC INGLOT & MICHAEL SHABAZ 2009 NCAA DOUBLES CHAMPIONS

Dominic Inglot and Michael Shabaz became the first doubles team from the ACC to win the NCAA Doubles Championship, defeating No. 2 seed John-Patrick Smith and Davey Sandgren of Tennessee 3-6, 7-6(4), 6-4 in the 2009 final at the Mitchell Tennis Center in College Station, Texas.

Inglot and Shabaz were the first unseeded team to win the title since Rajeev Ram and Brian Wilson of Illinois in 2003. Ranked No. 12 entering the tournament, the Cavalier duo was the lowest ranked team to take the title since Auburn's Andrew Colombo and Mark Kovacs, ranked No. 27, won the championship in 2002, also in College Station.

In the first set, the Tennessee team jumped out to an early lead. After Sandgren held in the first game, the Volunteers rallied from a 40-0 hole to break Inglot's serve to take a 2-0 lead. That proved to be the only time the Cavalier team was broken all day. The Virginia team had three break points on Sandgren's serve when the Vol was serving for the first set at 5-3, but couldn't take advantage and Tennessee held to win the opening set.

Just like in their first round match against the top seeded team from Ole Miss and their semifinal win over UNC, Inglot and Shabaz looked to rally after losing the first set. The second set featured strong serving from both sides as neither team faced a break point and just one game went to deuce. The set went to a tiebreaker with the Volunteers looking for a title and the Cavaliers looking for a decisive third set. The UVa team went up a mini-break a 2-1 when Smith's volley went into the net. That was all the Cavalier duo needed as they won all the points on their serve and won set point off of Sandgren's to take the tiebreaker 7-4.

Inglot and Shabaz took the momentum of the tiebreaker to take an early lead in the third set. With Sandgren serving at 1-1, the Cavalier team got three break points at 0-40. The Volunteers rebounded to win the next three points to get back to deuce, but the Cavaliers followed by winning the next two for their only break of the match and a 2-1 lead. The teams held serve over the next eight games to put the match on Shabaz's racquet at 5-4. In the final game, he hit two aces and two service winners to hold at love and clinch the championship.

The title was the first doubles championship for the ACC. Inglot and Shabaz were the first ACC team to reach the final since the start of the modern NCAA Individual Championships in 1977.



Michael Shabaz and Dominic Inglot became the first ACC doubles team to win a NCAA title in 2009



Drew Courtney and Michael Shabaz won UVA's second consecutive doubles title in 2010

DREW COURTNEY & MICHAEL SHABAZ 2010 NCAA DOUBLES CHAMPIONS

Michael Shabaz and Drew Courtney won the 2010 NCAA Doubles Championship, the fourth NCAA Individual championship in Virginia program history.

The unseeded Cavalier duo, ranked No. 14 nationally entering the tournament, topped second-seeded John-Patrick Smith and Davey Sandgren of Tennessee in the final, 6-7(4), 6-2, 6-3.

It was the second consecutive doubles title for Shabaz, who won the 2009 championship with Dominic Inglot, also defeating the Volunteer team of Smith and Sandgren in the final.

In the 2010 final, the Cavalier team jumped out to a quick start, breaking Sandgren's serve in the opening game. They held that advantage until Shabaz was broken at 5-4 when he was serving for the opening set. The set went to a tiebreaker, which the Tennessee duo won 7-4 to take the first set.

Courtney and Shabaz regrouped in the second set and went up a break when they broke Sandgren's serve for a 3-1 lead. They held that advantage until they broke Sandgren's serve again to close out the second set 6-2.

The Cavalier team took a break lead early in the final set when they broke Sandgren's serve for the third consecutive time for a 3-1 lead. Each side held serve in the next four games to set up Courtney serving for the match at 5-3. He hit two service winners and two aces, including one on match point, to seal the victory.

Shabaz became the first player since Matt Lucena of California to win consecutive doubles titles. Lucena won the 1990 and 1991 titles, also accomplishing the feat by playing with different partners.

It was the fourth consecutive year that Virginia has won a NCAA individual championship. Somdev Devavrmn won the singles title in 2007 and 2008 before Shabaz/Inglot and Shabaz/Courtney have won the doubles title the next two years. Virginia was the first school to win individual titles in four consecutive years since USC did so in 1961-64.

JARMERE JENKINS & MAC STYSLINGER 2013 NCAA DOUBLES CHAMPIONS

The Virginia duo of Jarmere Jenkins and Mac Styslinger won the fifth NCAA Individual title in school history, capturing the NCAA Doubles Championship over Chris Camillone and David Holiner of Texas 3-6, 6-2, 6-4 at the Atkins Tennis Center. Earlier in the day, Jenkins' bid for the NCAA Tennis Triple Crown came up short as he suffered a 7-6(8), 6-4 loss to Blaz Rola of Ohio State in the NCAA Singles Final.

Jenkins and Styslinger become the third NCAA Doubles Champions in Virginia history. Michael Shabaz and Dominic Inglot won the title in 2009 and Shabaz defended his title the following year, teaming with Drew Courtney.

The Cavalier pair, seeded No. 4, faced a Texas pair that were alternates that gained entry into the draw and then defeated three top-five teams to reach the final.

In the final, the Texas duo took an early 4-1 lead as the match started outdoors. As it has numerous times during the individual tournaments, thunderstorms came in and the rest of the match was played indoors. Each team held serve over the next four games as the Longhorn pair closed out the first set.

The Cavalier pair took a lead in the second set as they broke Holiner's serve to go up 3-1. They later broke Holiner's serve again four games later to close out the 6-2 set and force a third set.

In the final set, the Texas team took a 3-2 lead by breaking Styslinger's serve. The Cavalier pair answered by breaking Camillone in the next game to get back on serve at 3-3. Jenkins and Styslinger had two break points on Holiner's serve two games later, but couldn't take advantage and the final set was tied at 4-4. After Styslinger held at love for a 5-4 lead, the Cavalier pair broke Camillone in the next game to clinch the 3-6, 6-2, 6-4 victory.

Jenkins was the first player in 12 years to play in both the singles and doubles final in same season. With the victory, Styslinger became the first freshman in 10 years to win a NCAA Doubles Championship.



Jarmere Jenkins and Mac Styslinger celebrate winning the 2013 NCAA Doubles Championship



Ryan Shane became the 14th player of the modern era to win the NCAA Singles Title in the same season as a team title.

RYAN SHANE 2015 NCAA SINGLES CHAMPION

Ryan Shane won Virginia's third NCAA singles title and sixth individual title by capturing the 2015 NCAA Men's Singles Championship. Shane, the No. 8 seed, rallied from down a set and a break to defeat seventh-seeded Noah Rubin of Wake Forest 3-6, 7-6(4), 6-1 at the Hawkins Indoor Tennis Center on the campus of Baylor University.

Rubin started the match strong, jumping out to a 5-0 lead in the first set. After Shane held for 5-1, he took advantage of his first break-point opportunity of the match to close to 5-2. During the changeover, rain caused the match to be moved indoors. In the first game indoors, Shane held for 5-3 before Rubin held in a four-deuce game to close out the opening set.

The second set was on serve until Rubin broke to take a 3-2 lead. He held that advantage until he served for the championship at 5-4 in the second, but Shane broke him to stay in the match. After both players held, it went to a tiebreaker. Shane was up a mini-break at 4-2 at the changeover and won the breaker 7-4 to draw even in the match.

The final set began with Shane breaking Rubin at love in the first game to take an early lead. He took a two-break lead later in the set as he broke for a 4-1 advantage. After holding for a 5-1 lead, Shane broke Rubin again to close out the three-set victory.

Shane became the 14th player in the modern era (since 1977) to win the NCAA Singles Championship after helping his school win the team title. He joins the group of Matt Mitchell (Stanford, 1977), John McEnroe (Stanford, 1978), Tim Mayotte (Stanford, 1981), Mikael Pernfors (Georgia, 1985), Dan Goldie (Stanford, 1986), Alex O'Brien (Stanford, 1992), Bob Bryan (Stanford, 1998), Alex Kim (Stanford, 2000), Matias Boeker (Georgia, 2001), Amer Delic (Illinois, 2003), Benjamin Becker (Baylor, 2004), and Steve Johnson (USC, 2011 and 2012).



NCAA INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS

THAI-SON KWIATKOWSKI 2017 NCAA SINGLES CHAMPIONS

Virginia men's tennis senior Thai-Son Kwiatkowski was crowned the 2017 NCAA Men's Singles Champion after defeating North Carolina's William Blumberg 6-4, 7-6 (5) in the final at the Dan Magill Tennis Complex in Athens, Ga.

This is the fourth time a Cavalier has won the title with Kwiatkowski joining Somdev Dewvarman (2007 and 2008) and Ryan Shane (2015) as an NCAA Singles champion. It also comes less than one week since Kwiatkowski helped lead the Cavaliers to the 2017 NCAA Team Championship.

The two players traded breaks in the first set, putting the scoring back on serve until Kwiatkowski broke Blumberg to go up 5-4 and then held serve to win the first set, 6-4. In the second set, both players again traded breaks in the middle of the set, but it finished in a 6-6 deadlock, forcing a tiebreaker. The two players battled back-and-forth to a 5-5 tie with Kwiatkowski winning the final two points to take the tiebreaker and win the match 6-4, 7-6 (5).

This was the third time this season Blumberg, the ACC Freshman of the Year, Most Outstanding Player of the NCAA team tournament and the ITA National Rookie of the Year, and Kwiatkowski had faced one another. The two played one another last week in the final of the NCAA team championship with Blumberg winning 6-3, 6-2 as well as prevailing in the ACC Championship semifinals, while their meeting at ITA National Team Indoors was abandoned in the third set before completion.

This was the third time Kwiatkowski played in the NCAA Singles tournament, but it was his first trip to the finals. Kwiatkowski ends his career having won an NCAA singles championship, three-straight NCAA team championships, including being named the MVP of the 2016 tournament, an ITA National Team Indoors title, three ACC Championships as well as winning the singles and doubles titles last season at the ITA All-American. He finished his collegiate career with a 136-24 record in singles and a 95-21 mark in doubles.



Ryan Shane - 2015 US Open



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Thai-Son Kwiatkowski



Thai-Son Kwiatkowski wins the singles title in Athens, Ga.