

AU men's tennis team whitewashes Keystone

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LA PLUME, PA -- The Alfred University men's tennis team shut out host Keystone College, 9-0, Friday afternoon, April 19, and in the process tied a school record for wins in a season. With the victory, the Saxons improved to 8-5 overall, with the eight wins equaling the school mark set in 2000. AU got singles wins from freshman Connor Houghton (Orleans, MA/Nauset Regional), 6-1, 6-2 in first singles; freshman Gary Kwiecien (Perry, NY/Perry), 6-2, 6-2 in second singles; freshman Nick Schneider (Liverpool, NY/Liverpool), 6-3, 6-2 in third singles; junior Nick Middaugh (Belmont, NY/Genesee Valley), 6-1, 6-0 in fourth singles; freshman Andrew Carucci (Olean, NY/Olean), 6-3, 6-0 in fifth singles; and senior Rob Festa (Fairport, NY/Fairport), 6-0, 6-2 in sixth singles. Kwiecien and Schneider set a new single-season school record for wins by a double tandem with nine when they won first doubles, 8-2. Kwiecien also set a school record for combined singles and doubles wins in a season with 19. Other doubles winners for AU were Houghton and Middaugh, 8-1 in second doubles, and Carucci and freshman Ryan Parlia (Valley Stream, NY/Valley Stream South), 8-1 in third doubles. Alfred's next scheduled match is Saturday afternoon, April 19, at 1 p.m. at Stevens Institute of Technology. Following are the results of Friday's match at Keystone: SINGLES 1. Connor Houghton (AU) def. Dennis James (KC) 6-1, 6-2. 2. Gary Kwiecien (AU) def. Ryan Smith (KC) 6-2, 6-2. 3. Nick Schneider (AU) def. Ryan Cox (KC) 6-3, 6-2. 4. Nick Middaugh (AU) def. Shane Conway (KC) 6-1, 6-0. 5. Andrew Carucci (AU) def. Phil DelToto (KC) 6-3, 6-0. 6. Rob Festa (AU) def. Keith Garubba (KC) 6-0, 6-2. DOUBLES 1. Kwiecien/Schneider (AU) def. James/Conway (KC) 8-2. 2. Houghton/Middaugh (AU) def. DelToto/Smith (KC) 8-1. 3. Carucci/Ryan Parlia (AU) def. Cox/Gartubba (KC) 8-1.