

AU men's tennis team opens season with victory at Elmira

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ELMIRA, NY -- The Alfred University men's tennis team opened its 2007 season with a 7-2 victory at Empire 8 Conference foe Elmira College Thursday afternoon. The match was to have been played at Alfred, but poor weather forced a move to the indoor courts at Elmira. Winning singles matches for AU were senior Garry Stratiev (Brooklyn, NY/Fort Hamilton), 7-5, 1-6, 6-1 in first singles; senior Kevin Dillon (Wellsville, NY/Wellsville), 6-1, 6-2 in second singles; sophomore Mike Christofferson (Endwell, NY/Maine-Endwell), 6-4, 2-6, 6-2 in third singles; sophomore Alex Weller (Flemington, NJ/Hunterdon), 6-4, 6-4 in fifth singles; and freshman Greg Badger (Honeoye, NY/Honeoye), 6-1, 6-1 in sixth singles. Stratiev and Christofferson won their first doubles match, 8-5, while Dillon and senior John Reagan (Skaneateles, NY/Skaneateles) claimed second doubles, 8-6. AU is in action next on Friday, March 30, at 4 p.m. at Penn State-Behrend, Erie, PA. The Saxons will take on Frostburg (MD) State the following day at 9 a.m. in a match played at Penn State-Behrend.