



Big 12 Men's and Women's Tennis Championships

April 23-26, 2009 | Headington Family Tennis Center | Norman, Okla.

THURSDAY MATCH RESULTS

Thursday, April 23, 2009 | Women's First Round | No. 6 Oklahoma State vs. No. 11 Iowa State

No. 11 Iowa State (10-13, 1-10) 1
No. 6 Oklahoma State (13-11, 5-6) 4

Singles

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| 1. JoAnne Karaitiana, Okla. State (7-11) vs. Erin Karonis, Iowa State (15-4) | 7-6, 5-2 |
| 2. Tessa Lang, Iowa State (5-9) vs. Nataliya Shatkovskaya, Okla. State (10-6) | 3-6, 6-1, DNF |
| 3. Maria Macedo, Iowa State (5-1) def. Iryna Khatsko, Okla. State (3-2) | 1-6, 5-1, Retired |
| 4. Maryna Tkachenko, Okla. State (2-4) def. Marie Chartier, Iowa State (9-11) | 6-4, 1-6, 6-1 |
| 5. Oleksandra Belova, Okla. State (5-3) def. Liza Wischer, Iowa State (11-9) | 6-2, 6-1 |
| 6. Alisa Buslaieva, Okla. State (9-8) def. Alyssa Palen, Iowa State (3-6) | 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 |

Doubles

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| 1. Shatkovskaya/Karaitiana, Okla. State (9-5) def. Karonis/Hickey, Iowa State (4-10) | 8-2 |
| 2. Buslaieva/Khatsko, Okla. State (8-5) def. Macedo/Chartier, Iowa State (9-11) | 8-1 |
| 3. Wicher/Lang, Iowa State (6-7) vs. Belova/Tkachenko, Okla. State (7-7) | DNF |

Order of Finish

Singles - 5, 3, 4, 6
Doubles - 2, 1

Quotes

Oklahoma State head coach Julius Lubicz-Majewski

On the match:

"It was tough. We knew it was going to be tough. Iowa State moves a lot and we took that game seriously, take all the girls very seriously. Right now, the Big 12 is very, very tight. All the matches were close. We expected a tough match. Windy conditions, warm weather -- you could see it was a long match. There was a third set in almost every match."

On Friday quarterfinal matchup with Texas A&M:

"It's going to be tough. Texas A&M plays outside all the time and they play in the winds. I think if our girls are healthy, we'll give them a hard time."

On Oklahoma's facilities:

"I think its beautiful. Congratulations to OU and the athletics director. Beautiful facilities, it's really nice. It's good we have facilities like this in Oklahoma and, of course, the Big 12."

Oklahoma State senior Maryna Tkachenko

On the match:

"We won doubles. I think we won because we speak the same language, so we easily communicate. Unfortunately, we didn't play as good at the beginning of the season since we just got to know each other. I was ready mentally and physically for my last Big 12 tournament."

"In singles, I just won the first set. In the second set, I don't know, just lost control and patience. Third set, I just pulled it out because i heard somebody screaming, 'we need you, so come on!'"

Iowa State head coach Armando Espinosa

On the match:

"I think we fought very hard. My student-athletes came out and just showed a little more pride in singles than they did in doubles. Doubles was a little flat. But, overall, I'm very pleased with how the season went."