



Big 12 Men's and Women's Tennis Championships

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

FRIDAY MATCH RESULTS

Friday, April 24, 2009 | Women's Quarterfinals | No. 6 Oklahoma State vs. No. 3 Texas A&M

No. 3 Texas A&M (14-6, 9-2) 4
No. 6 Oklahoma State (13-12, 5-6) 1

Singles

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| 1. Elze Potgieter, Texas A&M (13-9) def. JoAnne Karaitiana, Okla. State (7-12) | 6-3, 6-3 |
| 2. Morgan Frank, Texas A&M (16-7) def. Nataliya Shatkovskaya, Okla. State (10-7) | 6-3, 6-2 |
| 3. Iryna Khatsko, Okla. State (4-2) def. Christi Liles, Texas A&M (5-11) | 6-3, 6-4 |
| 4. Maryna Tkachenko, Okla. State (2-4) vs. Janelle Cuthbertson, Texas A&M (4-4) | 7-6, DNF |
| 5. Oleksandra Belova, Okla. State (5-3) vs. Lauren Santacroce, Texas A&M (5-4) | 4-6, DNF |
| 6. Sheri Olivier, Texas A&M (6-3) def. Alisa Buslaieva, Okla. State (9-9) | 6-4, 6-1 |

Doubles

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| 1. Cuthbertson/Liles, Texas A&M (4-8) def. Shatkovskaya/Karaitiana, Okla. State (9-6) | 8-3 |
| 2. Buslaieva/Khatsko, Okla. State (8-5) vs. Frank/Davidson, Texas A&M (8-4) | DNF |
| 3. Olivier/Potgieter, Texas A&M (17-3) vs. Belova/Tkachenko, Okla. State (7-8) | 8-6 |

Order of Finish

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

Quotes

Texas A&M head coach Bobby Kleinecke

On the match:

"It was a really hard day to play. With the wind and everything, I don't think anybody came out and played their best tennis. You did what you had to do. We wanted to come away with the doubles point, which we did. We did a good job at No. 1 doubles. We lost to them during the year so it was a good job of them coming away and winning that. That really helped us out.

"In the singles, I thought OSU played a really tough match. They did that the last time we played them, too. Commend them for their fight."

On the Saturday semifinal matchup with Texas:

"We're excited to play Texas. I think this is a match we've been looking forward to since the first of March when we played them the last time. A&M and Texas -- I don't think you need to say anymore."

On the Big 12 Championship environment:

"I think Oklahoma's done a great job. This is a great facility here. It brings back great memories for me because the last time we played the conference tournament here, we came away with the championship. I was standing around, thinking about that a little earlier today before things ever got started.

"I think with the addition of the indoor, that's going to help all of us in the conference. Not a lot of us have indoor places on campus, especially right next to the (outdoor) courts."

Texas A&M junior Elze Potgieter

On the match:

"The wind was pretty bad. We just all fought through it. It's just like -- it's not pretty, we're not going to get the shots we like, we're going to have to make some sacrifices. As a team, I know we really wanted this win and we really want to take on Texas tomorrow."

Oklahoma State head coach Julius Lubicz-Majewski

On the match:

"I give credit to Texas A&M. They played well and won their doubles point and changed the momentum. Our girls were a little bit fragile, you could see, and the wind didn't help us. It's emotional for our senior, Maryna Tkachenko. That's her last match. She was playing very well; she won the first set. Texas A&M is a good team. It's not a shame to lose to them. Of course, we were hoping to win."