Men's Tennis Takes Down Cornell College

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DECORAH, Iowa - The UW-Eau Claire men's tennis team won its fifth meet in a row, defeating Cornell College 9-0 here tonight.

The Blugolds are now 6-1 on the season and have not lost a meet to an NCAA Division III opponent yet this season. Their only loss was at the hands of Division II St. Cloud State two weeks ago. Cornell remains without a win this season with a 0-3 overall record.

In singles play, all matches were won in straight sets. As a team, the Blugolds gave up only eight points on the singles side the entire night. **Steve Lantz** *(Jr.-Rochester, MN/Century)* and **Phil Loprinzi** *(So.-Rochester, MN/Mayo)* both had 6-0, 6-0 wins at No. 1 and No. 3 singles, respectively. At No. 2, **Kevin Fawcett** *(So.-Madison, Wis./Verona)* gave up the most points but still won 6-3, 6-1. **Erik Brandner** *(Sr.-Eau Claire, Wis./Memorial)*, who remains undefeated this season, got a victory playing at No. 4 with a 6-0, 6-1 win, while **Lars Olson** *(Fr.-De Pere, Wis.)* won 6-1, 6-0 at No. 5. Playing in only his third match in the No. 6 spot this season**, Brett Gressick** *(Sr.-De Pere, Wis.)* picked up his second victory of the season, winning 6-1, 6-1.

At No. 1 doubles, Lantz and Loprinzi picked up their fifth win of the season with an 8-4 victory over their Cornell opponents and are now 5-1 this season. **C.J. Rose** *(Sr.-Lakeville, MN/Apple Valley)* and **Eric Wollum** *(Fr.-Eau Claire, WI/Memorial)* also won 8-1 at No. 2 doubles and remain undefeated with a 4-0 record this season. **Aaron Johnson** *(Fr.-Elk River, MN)* and **Mike Olson** *(Fr.-Ham Lake, MN/Blaine)*, who played their first doubles match together this season in the No. 3 spot tonight, won by a score of 8-2.

Tomorrow the Blugolds will be back in action in Decorah, Iowa. They will face Luther College at 8:30 a.m. followed by a meet at 11 a.m. against Loras College.

UW-Eau Claire 9, Cornell College 0

Singles

No. 1 - Steve Lantz (EC) def. Jay Walvaert (CC) 6-0, 6-0No. 2 - Kevin Fawcett (EC) def. Bryan Henderson (CC) 6-3, 6-1No. 3 - Phil Loprinzi (EC) def. Seth Henson (CC) 6-0, 6-0No. 4 - Erik Brandner (EC) def. John Mineck (CC) 6-0, 6-1No. 5 - Lars Olson (EC) def. Courtland Olson (CC) 6-1, 6-0No. 6 - Brett Gressick (EC) def. Brandon Wolff (CC) 6-1, 6-1

Doubles

No. 1 - Steve Lantz/Phil Loprinzi (EC) def. Jay Walvaert/Bryan Henderson (CC) 8-4No. 2 - C.J. Rose/Eric Wollum (EC) def. Seth Henson/John Mineck (CC) 8-1No. 3 - Aaron Johnson/Mike Olson (EC) def. Courtland Olson/Brandon Wolff (CC) 8-2

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