Lady Braves falter to visiting North Georgia

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Sports Editor

The Lady Braves tennis team suffered its third consecutive setback on Feb. 18, when Peach Belt Conference foe North Georgia easily slid by the host’s No. 6 and 3 doubles team of Winterbottom and DiNunzio, easily defeating the tandem 6-4, 6-2. In singles competition, Lady Braves sophomore Mia Winterbottom captured the 7-6, 6-7 (5-7), 10-6 victory over the visitor’s Laura Chapman, while freshman Madeline DiNunzio overpowered Tiane Ellis and Boone by a 8-5 margin in the No. 1 singles matchup. The UNCP team of Vause and Ellis beat the visitors from Wingate by a 8-1 margin, with No. 2 doubles partners Madeline DiNunzio and freshman Mia Winterbottom falling 8-3, 6-2, 6-0, No. 4 Quintero also were defeated 8-3, 6-2, 6-0, No. 3 singles play. In singles action, UNCP sophomore Mia Winterbottom knocked off Audrey Marlette defeated Matilda Watson. There were a few positives for the Lady Braves, as senior Jenna McGary fought her way back from a first-set loss to defeat Kara Stanek by scores of 4-6, 7-6 (7-5), 10-6 in the No. 1 singles match. UNCP sophomore Mia Winterbottom and Evers battled in the No. 1 doubles slot, splitting the final five singles matches in straight sets, with victories in each, before the visitors took all three doubles matches to finish the content.

In singles action, UNCP sophomore Mia Winterbottom dropped a 6-1, 6-2 match on court two, while freshman Hannah Herlocker fell 6-4, 6-1 in No. 3 singles play. On court four, Lady Braves senior Maricel Quintero dropped a 7-6, 6-2, 6-4 defeat to No. 4 Quintero slipping by a 6-1, 6-0 score and DiNunzio being de- feated 6-0, 6-1 at the No. 5 position. The Lady Braves return home and hit the courts again on Feb. 25 when they host play to Chosun.

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The Lady Braves tennis team fought back for two different three- set victories in a pair of singles matches, but that wasn’t enough to stop the visitors from Wingate from taking a 7-2 win on Feb. 15. The Lady Braves opened through doubles play and then booked four singles bouts in straight sets en route to the win, marking an eight-set victory and a six-set loss for UNCP in the series against the visiting Bulldogs. The teams’ Peach Belt Conference series are now 12-13 all-time in their series with the Black and Gold. Wingate (3-1) reeled in its sec- ond-straight win of the season as well as its second-straight Peach Belt Conference team after

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