

2017 NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S & WOMEN'S TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

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MATCH #3 RECAP

Buckeyes Come Back For 4-3 Victory

After trailing 1-0 and 3-2, Ohio State rallied to advance to the quarterfinals.

ATHENS, Ga. — The No. 3 Ohio State Buckeyes advanced to the quarterfinals of the NCAA Championships with a 4-3 victory over No. 14 Oklahoma at the Dan Magill Tennis Complex Thursday afternoon.

With the team score tied at three, the final point came down to court two between No. 46 JJ Wolf of Ohio State and No. 32 Andrew Harris of Oklahoma. The players split the first two sets and the deciding set went to a tiebreaker, which Wolf won 7-2 to clinch the match for Ohio State.

Oklahoma secured the doubles point, despite the No. 15 team of Spencer Papa and Andrew Harris dropping the first match to Ohio State's No. 30 tandem of Hugo Di Feo and Martin Joyce on court one. A 6-4 Oklahoma victory from No. 63 Alex Ghilea and Florin Bragusi evened the doubles score on court two against Ohio State's Hunter Tubert and Wolf.

With Oklahoma leading 6-5 on court three, Ohio State's Mikael Torpegaard and Alex Kobelt came back from a 40-0 deficit in the last game to force the match into a tiebreaker, before the Sooners' Jochen Bertsch and Adrian Oetzbach broke the tie 9-7 to lock in the doubles point.

In singles, Kyle Seelig's 6-1, 6-2 win over Oetzbach on court six evened the score at one. Herkko Pollanen followed on court five, providing the go-ahead point for the Buckeyes with a 6-4, 6-4 effort. On court four, Oklahoma's No. 113 Florin Bragusi recorded a 6-3, 7-6 win, topped by a 7-5 tiebreaker to even the match at two. His teammate, No. 47 Alex Ghilea, utilized a 7-3 tiebreaker victory as well, winning 6-4, 7-6 on court three to give Oklahoma the 3-2 lead.

On court one, No. 24 Papa won the first set and was up a break in the second before No. 2 Mikael Torpegaard rallied to force a second set tiebreaker, which he won a 7-1. He overtook Papa in the third set 6-3 to set up the match-clinching point for Wolf.

RESULTS

#3 OHIO STATE 4, #14 OKLAHOMA 3

Doubles

- 1. Torpegaard/Pollanen (OSU) def. #15 Papa/Harris (OU), 6-3
- 2. #63 Ghilea/Bragusi (OU) def. #30 Di Feo/Joyce (OSU), 6-4
- 3. Bertsch/Oetzback (OU) def. Tubert/Wolf (OSU), 7-6(7)

Singles

- 1. #2 Mikael Torpegaard (OSU) def. #24 Spencer Papa (OU), 2-6, 7-6(1), 6-3
- 2. #46 JJ Wolf (OSU) def. #32 Andrew Harris (OU), 7-5, 1-6, 7-6(2)
- 3. #47 Alex Ghilea (OU) def. #9 Hugo Di Feo (OSU) 6-4, 7-6(3)
- 4. #113 Florin Bragusi (OU) def. Martin Joyce (OSU), 6-3, 7-6(5)
- 5. Herkko Pollanen (OSU) def. Jochen Bertsch (OU), 6-4, 6-4
- 6. Kyle Seelig (OSU) def. Adrian Oetzbach (OU), 6-1, 6-2

Order of Finish: Doubles (1,2,3); Singles (6,5,4,3,1,2)

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