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Men's Tennis

The Seattle University men's tennis team traveled across town to face the University of Washington Huskies Jan. 19. Despite drawing a tough match against number three ranked Clement Chidekh, freshman Veselin Kiselkov put together a competitive game, though he fell by a score of 2-6, 2-6. Fellow freshmen Micheal Frank and Oliver Hall were defeated by the Huskies' Ewen Lumsden and Rikuto Yamaguchi in singles play, with scores of 2-6, 1-6 and 1-6, 1-6 respectively. Sophomore Mats Krause (0-6, 2-6) fared poorly against Han-Chih Lin and junior Lars Schmassmann (1-6, 4-6) nearly took a set off Nedim Suko. Filip Stipic started off strong, but lost both sets (3-6, 0-6) against Jack Davis.

In doubles play, the combination of fourth-year Billy Givens-Jensen and Hall lost 1-6 to Lumsden and Yamaguchi. The first-year duo Jayden Harrison and Stipic battled to a 1-6 score against a wrecking crew in Chidekh and Suko. Frank and Krause fell by the same score against Davis and Lin, handing UW the crucial doubles point.

The Redhawks' slide continued Jan. 21 against Gonzaga losing 4-0. The doubles point went to their opponents first, with Frank and Krause losing the set 3-6 against Sasha Trkulja and Matthew Hollingworth and the duo of Givens-Jensen and Hall falling 2-6 to Arthus Bassetiere and Tom Hann. Singles play was also a sweep for Gonzaga. Stipic battled Hollingworth (1-6, 0-6) while Kiselkov lost to Trkulja (1-6, 2-6) and Harrison lost to Theo McDonald (2-6, 2-6).

The team had a chance of redemption Jan. 25 in a rematch with the Huskies. Unfortunately they ended up losing 7-0, the same score as their previous matchup. The Redhawks travel to Bozeman, Mont. Jan. 28-29 for matches against Montana State and Oral Roberts.

Women's Tennis

The Redhawks flew to Salt Lake City Jan. 22 for a bout against Utah State. Doubles play went poorly for Seattle U, starting with a 0-6 rout of freshman duo Liliya Dimova and Jade Quintana by Madison Tattini and Linda Huang. This was a pattern for all of doubles, with another pair of freshman in Elena Kraveva and freshman Miriea Fehr and senior duo Jillian Rasmussen and Hannah Grossman both losing their sets in a shutout.

Seattle U would also not win a singles point, though Fehr came close by sending her game to a superset against Lindsey Hung (6-2, 2-6, 5-10) that she was nearly able to take. Quintana dropped her game to Anastasia Goncharova 6-1, 6-2, while Dimova matched up with Huang and lost 2-6, 0-6. Rasmussen (0-6, 1-6) and Grossman (0-6, 2-6) battled against Katya Hersh and Madeline Lamoreaux respectively. Kraveva did not compete in singles, which granted the final point to Utah State's Samantha Horwood.

Men's Basketball

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The men's basketball team played Abilene Christian Jan. 20. With time running out in the first half, sophomore Cameron Tyson launched the ball from half court into the basket, sending the Redhawks into the half energized and ahead by a score of 35-22. Seattle U would hold on to their lead to the buzzer, winning with a final score of 72-62. While he was mostly kept quiet from the field, sophomore guard Darrion Trammell was the key to victory, racking up six rebounds, five assists, four steals and ten points from free throws.

It was a similar story Jan. 22 at Tarleton State, with Tyson again leading the way in points, Trammell stuffing the stat sheet and senior Riley Grigsby shooting accurately and efficiently. The Redhawks led throughout the entire second half, shutting down every comeback attempt that the Texans put forth. With a 15-4 record up to this point, interim head coach Chris Victor has this team performing well above expectations.

Jan. 29 will be a big day for Coach Victor and the Redhawks to prove they have what it takes against the WAC's number two ranked Sam Houston State at home.

Women's Basketball

Seattle U faced off against a tough Abilene Christian team Jan. 20 which proved to be a nailbiter throughout the first half. As the third quarter began, senior guard Courtney Murphy made her presence known. Murphy scored 13 points in the third quarter alone, pushing the Redhawks over the Wildcats in a tense match, and passing Jessie DeLauney for third most three-pointers made in school history. Not to be outdone, Georgia Kehoe put up 17 points, a season high for the junior forward.

The bout against Tarleton State Jan. 22 was an important match for the Redhawks. Kehoe played one of the best games of her career, scoring a double-double and adding five blocks. The Redhawks pounded the backboard throughout the game, grabbing an impressive 18 offensive rebounds. After the Texans fought back, the game headed into overtime with the score tied at 51 after four quarters. With a one point lead, the Redhawks ceded a short jumper to Malaya Kendrick with eight seconds left and walked out of the gym losing by a score of 57-56.

The team is currently in the midst of a three-game road trip with their next home game scheduled for Feb. 3 against Grand Canyon University.