

# SPORTS NEWS



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## Men's Tennis

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### Bearcats fall to NCAA champion Williams 5-2

At Williams College, Binghamton (2-1) suffered its first defeat of the season at the hands of the two-time defending NCAA Division III champions. Sophomore No. 1 player **Akshay Rao (New Delhi, India)** rolled to a 6-2, 6-2 victory, and freshman No. 6 **Jordan Steinberg (Suffern, N.Y.)** recorded a 2-6, 6-2, 6-2 win. In doubles, Rao and senior **Brad Sherwood (Bronx, N.Y./Fordham Prep)** teamed up for an 8-6 win at first doubles. The Bearcats, however, lost a narrow match at second singles, a three-set match at the fourth spot, and dropped two doubles matches by 8-6 margins.

### Rao remains unbeaten in singles

Sophomore **Akshay Rao (New Delhi, India)** raised his record to a perfect 10-0 this fall. Dating back to last spring, Rao is 24-5 overall.

### Alumni Match on October 12

The men's tennis alumni match will take place Saturday, October 12 at 11:30 a.m. at the West Gym Courts.

### Up Next: Renewing rivalry with Buffalo

The Bearcats will host Buffalo Saturday at 3 p.m. in a match pitting two former SUNYAC Division III rivals. Binghamton edged the Bulls 4-3 last February.

### 2002 Schedule/Results (2-1)

#### SEPTEMBER

5 Thu.	ITHACA	W 7-0
7 Sat.-	@ Bloomsburg Duals	no scoring
8 Sun.	w/ Villanova, Lehigh	
17 Tue.	@ Siena	W 7-0
21 Sat.-	@ Cornell Invitational	no scoring
22 Sun.		

#### OCTOBER

6 Sun.	@ Williams	L 2-5
12 Sat.	BUFFALO	3 p.m.
25 Fri.-	@ ITA East Regional	9 a.m.
27 Sun.	hosted by Penn	

### Individual Records

Name	Pos.	Singles	Career
Akshay Rao	#1	10-0	24-5
Brad Davidoff	#2	4-3	54-35
Brad Sherwood	#3	3-2	30-24
Steve Spencer	#3	1-2	27-28
Jordan Steinberg	#4	5-3	5-3
Brian O'Connor	#5	4-3	4-3
Ryan Rosenthal	#6	5-1	23-15

Team	Pos.	Doubles
Rao/Sherwood	#1	5-1
Spencer/Vallabhaneni	#2-3	0-1
Davidoff/Rosenthal	#2-3	1-1
O'Connor/Steinberg	#3	1-4
Valle/Caiello	#3	1-2