

# SPORTS NEWS



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## Women's Tennis

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### Red-hot Binghamton to face Colgate

Having won its past six matches, the Binghamton women's tennis team (11-5, 3-0 AE) returns home to face Colgate in a 3 p.m. match on Tuesday. It marks just the second dual match the Bearcats have played at home this year and just the first home action of any kind since the Binghamton Invitational Oct. 9-10.

The Bearcats' two latest wins came against Stony Brook (4-3) and Providence (7-0) this past Saturday. The win over the Seawolves gave the Bearcats a perfect 3-0 mark in the America East Conference.

"It's good to be coming home with a lot of momentum," head coach Mike Stevens said. "Colgate beat us 5-2 last season so this is going to be a good non-conference test for us."

### Altinay breaks single-season win record

Sophomore Zeynep Altinay (Antalya, Turkey) won her 25th and 26th matches of the year this past week. In the process, she broke the school record held by Lisa Denerstein for the most victories in a season. During the 1991-92 season, Denerstein was 25-7 at No. 1 singles. Altinay is currently 26-4 at No. 1 singles.

"This is a great record for Zeynep," Stevens said. "She has worked very hard this season and has improved tremendously. Her three-set win at Stony Brook was the key to our winning this past weekend. She didn't play well at the start of the match but the great players find a way to turn things around and that's just what she did."

### 2005 vs. 2004

Last season, the Bearcats finished the season 5-11 through. This season, with the addition of several solid newcomers, Binghamton is already 11-5. In addition to Altinay's improvement (she went 17-7 as a freshman), several newcomers have made a significant difference.

The key additions to this season's squad have been sophomore Jelena Koprivica (Belgrade, Serbia) and freshmen Jenn Naegeli (Putnam Valley, N.Y.) and Alyssa Freeman (Atlantic Beach, N.Y.). Koprivica, who transferred from Boise State, has gone 20-6 while playing primarily at No. 2 singles. Naegeli is 16-9 while playing mainly at No. 3 and 4 singles and Freeman is 15-11 at No. 5 singles.

### 2004-05 Schedule/Results (11-5, 3-0 AE)

#### SEPTEMBER

11 Sat.- @ Bloomsburg Invit. no scoring  
12 Sun.  
15 Wed. ITHACA W 7-0  
17 Fri.- @ Eastern Collegiate Champ.no scoring  
19 Sun. hosted by Army

#### OCTOBER

9 Sat.- BU INVITATIONAL no scoring  
10 Sun. with Buffalo, Colgate, Siena  
23 Sat. @ ITA East Regional no scoring  
hosted by Penn

#### JANUARY

28 Fri.- @ Cornell Invitational no scoring  
30 Sun.

#### FEBRUARY

5 Sat. vs. Seton Hall (at Army) L 3-4  
6 Sun. @ Army L 1-6  
12 Sat. @ Syracuse L 0-7  
15 Tue. @ St. Bonaventure W 7-0  
19 Sat. vs. UConn (at Army) W 5-2  
20 Sun. vs. Air Force (at Army) W 5-2

#### MARCH

5 Sat. vs. UMass (at Cornell) L 3-4  
6 Sun. vs. UMBC (at Cornell) W 6-1  
12 Sat. @ Cornell L 1-6  
21 Mon. + Wis.-Whitewater W 7-0  
23 Wed. + Towson W 7-0  
24 Thu. + Savannah State W 7-0

#### APRIL & MAY

3 Sun. @ Hartford W 7-0  
9 Sat. @ Stony Brook W 4-3  
vs. Providence (at Stony) W 7-0  
12 Tue. COLGATE 3 p.m.  
19 Tue. BUCKNELL 2 p.m.  
20 Wed. ALBANY 3 p.m.  
29 Fri.- @ America East Champ. TBA  
1 Sun. held at Conn. Tennis Center  
+ played at Hilton Head, S.C.

### 2004-05 Top Singles Records

Zeynep Altinay	26-4	No. 1
Jelena Koprivica	20-6	No. 2
Lya Kushnirovich	23-7	No. 3
Jenn Naegeli	16-9	No. 4
Alyssa Freeman	15-11	No. 5

### 2004-05 Doubles Records

Jenn Naegeli	19-9	No. 1 & 2
Jelena Koprivica	17-9	No. 1 & 2