

## GAME SUMMARY

DATE OF GAME: 3/17/09

SPORT: Men's Tennis

TEAM RECORD: 0-2

OPPONENT: Gloucester County College (Sewell, NJ)

SCORE: 8-1

WIN/LOSE: CCRI Loses

LEAD STORY #1: CCRI traveled to Gloucester County College in Sewell, NJ with a full complement of players available to play. Doubles started the day with CCRI's sophomore Alex Cavanagh (Middletown, RI) and returning sophomore Nathan York (Smithfield, RI) in first doubles facing Gloucester's Steve Suboleski and Taylor Devlin – freshman Michael Wilbur and freshman Daniel Rivard (both of Scituate, RI) in second doubles facing Dave Reich and Lo Thuan – and returning sophomore Christopher Izzo (Warwick, RI) and freshman James Lachance (Cranston, RI) in third doubles facing Nick Shepherd and Greg Hoffman. Cavanagh and York pulled out their match in a tiebreak, after trading breaks of serves with the two Josh's, winning the pro-set 9-8 with a 7-4 tiebreak score. Wilbur and Rivard dropped their second doubles contest 8-1. Izzo and Lachance also dropped their third doubles contest 8-2 in a match that neither Izzo or Lachance could seem to get anything going in.

LEAD STORY #2: Singles was even less successful as the CCRI Men dropped all six positions to the Gloucester County College Roadrunners. Nate York faced off against southpaw Steve Suboleski in first singles, and never got anything going, dropping the contest 6-0, 6-1. Alex Cavanagh faced Dave Reich in second singles and pushed him to the limit before falling, 6-4, 5-7, 6-4 in a match that saw over 20 breaks of serve. Mike Wilbur took the court against Taylor Devlin and, in the other hotly contested match of the day, succumbing 3-6, 6-2, 6-0. Dan Rivard faced Lo Thuan in fourth singles, dropping the match 6-0, 6-2. James Lachance took to the court in fifth singles against Nick Shepherd. Lachance didn't have an answer for the GCC #5, losing 6-1, 6-1. Chris Izzo took the court against Bruce Vail in sixth singles and fell 6-1, 6-0. Ryan Lavoie rounded out the CCRI singles day in a seven-singles contest against Sam Murphy that was shortened to a pro-set with GCC only having 6 courts. Lavoie dropped the pro-set 8-6, but may have actually tied 7-7 as there was some discrepancy in the score of the 13<sup>th</sup> game in the set.

LEAD STORY #3: The CCRI men, facing perennial national participants and perennial top-five finishing GCC, gave a valiant effort but just didn't have the goods to compete against the stronger, deeper, more experienced Roadrunner team.

COACHES COMMENTS: Facing a team that is a perennial participant at the National Tournament, we succumbed to the more experienced and stronger Roadrunners of Gloucester County College. We will need to take this experience to heart and use it to become stronger ourselves in order to compete the rest of the season. We start that Wednesday as we rematch against the Harford Owls at 3:30.