



University of Washington

2001 Men's Tennis

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Huskies Meet UCLA in NCAA Round of 16

UW-Bruins Square Off on Saturday in Athens, Georgia

- The Huskies are participating in their seventh consecutive NCAA Tournament. Their appearance in the Sweet 16 is the first in school history.
- Washington has never won an NCAA team championship in tennis, but the 1949 squad came close with a second-place tie.
- UW's Matt Hanlin and Andrej Bizjak were both named to the All-Pac-10 second team.

2001 UW Schedule & Results (20-7, 3-4 in Pac-10/4th place)

Jan. 17	PORTLAND	W	6-1
Jan 20	#34 BOISE STATE	W	7-0
Jan. 26	*#24 CALIFORNIA	W	4-3
Jan. 27	*#1 STANFORD	L	4-3
Feb. 2	#40 at Tulsa	L	4-3
Feb. 3	vs. #35 San Diego State	W	6-1
Feb. 11	#12 PEPPERDINE	W	4-1
Feb. 12	#7 TCU	L	4-3
Feb. 15	^ #4 GEORGIA	W	4-3
Feb. 16	^ #5 DUKE	L	4-0
Feb. 17	^ #8 Florida	W	4-1
Feb. 24	vs. UCSB	W	7-0
Feb. 25	at #68 Oregon	W	6-1
Mar. 3	vs. #67 Pacific	W	7-0
Mar. 4	vs. #60 Virginia Tech	W	6-1
Mar. 5	vs. #70 U.C. Irvine	W	6-1
Mar. 20	vs. Hawaii	W	6-1
Mar. 21	vs. #29 Arkansas	W	4-3
Mar. 30	GONZAGA	W	6-1
Mar. 31	LOYOLA MARYMOUNT	W	7-0
Apr. 6	* at #48 Arizona	L	4-3
Apr. 7	* at #30 Arizona State	W	4-3
Apr. 13	* at #1 UCLA	L	6-1
Apr. 14	* at #21 USC	L	4-3
Apr. 21	* OREGON	W	6-1
May 12	& vs. Hofstra	W	4-0
May 13	\$ vs. #13 Notre Dame	W	4-1
May 19	% vs. UCLA 2 pm PDT (5 pm EDT)		
May 20	NCAA Quarterfinals 2 pm PDT		
May 21	NCAA Semifinals 9 am & 1 pm PDT		
May 22	NCAA Championship 1 pm PDT		

ALL CAPS indicate home match
 # – Opponent Ranking at time of match
 * – Pacific-10 Conference match
 ^ ITA National Men's Championships, Seattle
 & – NCAA 1st round, Boston, Mass.
 \$ – NCAA Regional Final, Boston, Mass.
 % – NCAA Round of 16, Athens, Ga.

Sat. - Tues., May 19-22 • NCAA Men's Tennis Championships

Henry Field Stadium & McWhorter Courts; Athens, Georgia

Sat., May 19 — Round of 16, (#15) UW vs. (#2) UCLA; 2 p.m. PDT (5 pm EDT)

Sun., May 20 — Quarterfinals, Winner vs. SMU or Mississippi St.; 2 pm PDT (5 pm EDT)

Mon., May 21 — Semifinals; 9 a.m. & 1 p.m. PDT (12 noon & 4 p.m. EDT)

Tue., May 22 — Championship Match; 1 p.m. Pacific Time (4 p.m. Eastern Time)

The 15th-seeded Washington men's tennis team (20-7, 3-4) competes in the NCAA Championships Round of 16 for the first time ever, meeting No. 2 seed UCLA in Athens, Georgia. The match is slated to begin on Saturday, May 19 at 2 p.m. Pacific Time (5 p.m. Eastern Time). The winner of that match will face either Southern Methodist or Mississippi State in the quarterfinals on Sunday, May 20 at 2 p.m. PDT (5 p.m. EDT). Washington faced UCLA, which at the time was ranked No. 1, earlier this year and lost 6-1 on the Bruins home court. The lone point for the Huskies that afternoon came from senior **Jeremy Berman**, a 6-2, 6-3 victor over Tobias Clemens in No. 3 singles. UCLA owns a 17-1 all-time series advantage over Washington. The Huskies are competing in their seventh straight NCAA Tournament. Washington reached the Round of 16 by virtue of a pair of wins last weekend in Boston, Mass. UW blanked Hofstra 4-0 in the first round before beating 13th-ranked Notre Dame 4-1 in the regional final.

Net Notes: Washington athletes have captured one singles (Wallace Scott in 1924) and one doubles (Jim Brink/Fred Fisher in 1949) national championship ... The Huskies have a 20-7 record, their sixth 20-win season in school history and the first since the 1986 squad finished with a 26-7 mark ... **Matt Hanlin** and **Andrej Bizjak** have been a mainstay in the ITA rankings throughout the year. Hanlin has been atop the charts for six consecutive weeks, peaking at No. 36 (April 6) and currently at No. 55. Bizjak has stayed in the rankings for seven consecutive weeks, peaking at No. 39 (Feb. 26) and currently at No. 56.

The Field: The Huskies enter the Round of 16 ranked 18th in the latest ITA collegiate tennis poll. The three other teams in the Huskies' portion of the bracket are ranked as follows: No. 3 UCLA, No. 8 SMU, and No. 17 Mississippi State. Only two of the remaining teams are ranked below UW, No. 19 Pepperdine and No. 24 USC. Washington played eight of the final 16 teams during the regular season, posting a 3-5 record. UW defeated Cal, Georgia and Pepperdine while losing to Duke, Stanford, TCU, UCLA and USC.

Projected Husky Lineup:

Washington Huskies (20-7, 3-4 in Pacific-10 Conference)

Singles

Pos.	Name (ITA Ranking)	Hgt.	Year	Hometown (Previous School)	Record
1	Matt Hanlin (#55)	6-0	So.	Birmingham, England (Bradenton, Fla)	24-11
2	Andrej Bizjak (#56)	6-0	Jr.	Portoroz, Slovenia (Gimnazija Piran)	22-12
3	Jeremy Berman	5-5	Sr.	Kirkland, Wash. (Newport)	25-10
4	Andy Posavac	6-0	Sr.	Linz, Austria (Bundesoberstunfenreal)	17-5
5	Ari Strasberg	6-1	So.	Ramat-Hasaron, Israel (Rotberg)	27-8
6	Dillon Ruby	6-3	So.	Westlake Village, Calif. (Augora)	15-4
alt.	Marius Lunde	5-8	Sr.	Oslo, Norway (Nordstrand)	22-11
alt.	Michael Rubin	5-7	Fr.	Canton, Ohio (Central Catholic)	11-5

Doubles

Pos.	Names (ITA Ranking)	Record
1	Jeremy Berman/Andy Posavac	13-11
2	Dillon Ruby/Ari Strasberg	18-13
3	Matt Hanlin/Andrej Bizjak	10-7

UW in the Rankings: The Huskies are currently ranked 18th in the latest WingspanBank.com Collegiate Tennis Rankings conducted by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA). A pair of Washington players are listed in the singles rankings. Sophomore **Matt Hanlin** boasts a No. 55 ranking and junior **Andrej Bizjak** is No. 56.

NCAA Championship Field

School	Seed	ITA Ranking
California	14	16
Duke	6	5
Georgia	3	2
Louisiana State	13	14
Miami, Fla.	11	11
Mississippi State	n/a	17
Pepperdine	16	19
South Alabama	9	10
Southern Methodist	7	8
Stanford	1	1
Tennessee	8	7
Texas Christian	5	4
Texas A&M	4	6
UCLA	2	3
USC	n/a	24
WASHINGTON	15	18

A Look at the Bruins: The No. 2 seeded and third-ranked UCLA Bruins have amassed a 22-2 overall record this season. The Bruins hosted the NCAA Regionals for the fourth-straight year. UCLA cruised past Sacramento State 4-0 in the first round before knocking out South Florida, 4-0 in the second round to earn a trip to the Sweet 16. The Bruins feature six singles players and one doubles team in the latest ITA rankings. Leading the way with a No. 13 singles ranking is sophomore Jean-Julien Rojer. Senior Jean-Noel Grinda is the next highest ranked Bruin at No. 51 spot, while freshman Tobias Clemens is slated at No. 64. Topping off the list of nationally ranked players is sophomore Travis Rettenmaier at No. 80, sophomore Erfan Djahangiri at No. 88 and freshman Lassi Ketola at No. 98. The doubles duo of Grinda and Rojer are the lone ranked Bruin unit at No. 8. UCLA is the only team to compete in every NCAA Championship competition since 1977 when the team dual-match format began.

We Meet Again: UCLA has a 17-1 advantage in the all-time series with the Huskies' lone win coming on April 10, 1998 in Seattle. This will be the second meeting between the two teams this season as then top-ranked UCLA played host to Washington on April 13, when the Bruins claimed a 6-1 victory. UW senior **Jeremy Berman** pulled out the lone victory for the Huskies, a 6-2, 6-2 decision over Tobias Clemens in No. 3 singles.

Coaches' Comments: "I'm on top of the world," said seventh year coach **Matt Anger** after the regional championship victory over Notre Dame. "We have been moving forward as a program, but we have never made it to the round of 16 before and that has been our goal from day one. I'm especially happy because we've got three seniors who really deserve

this. UCLA has been the best throughout the year, so it's going to be a tough match. We have played well against them this year so we'll see what happens. I'm very eager to play them and I know our guys are too. We came through the tough Pac-10 Conference which has prepared us well."

Championship Dates: The NCAA men's singles and doubles championships follow the team championships, beginning May 23 and concluding May 28 in Athens, Ga. Both **Matt Hanlin** and **Anrej Bizjak** were selected as alternates for the 64-man singles competition. Hanlin is the No. 1 alternate and Bizjak is No. 3.

Regional Recap: The 18th-ranked Washington men's tennis team posted a 4-1 victory over Notre Dame in the second round of the NCAA Division I Men's Championships on the campus of Harvard University to earn the Regional Championship and advance to the round of 16 in Athens, Georgia. Senior duo Jeremy Berman and Andy Posavac clinched the doubles point as they defeated Notre Dame's duo of Talarico/Taborga, 8-6, in the No. 1 position. Matt Hanlin and Anrej Bizjak earned the other doubles victory to give Washington the point with the win over Haddock/Farrell, 8-2. Dillon Ruby and Ari Strasberg, playing in the No. 2 position, lost to Smith/Malhame in a tight match, 8-7. In singles play, No. 55 Matt Hanlin earned his second win in the postseason, defeating No. 79 Casey Smith in two sets, 6-0, 6-4. Hanlin improves his overall season record to 23-11. Sophomore Ari Strasberg faced Brian Farrell in the fifth position and took care of him in two quick sets, 6-1, 6-0. Strasberg is now 27-8 on the year. After sitting out the first round, Andy Posavac played in the No. 4 position and clinched the win for the Huskies, defeating Aaron Talarico, 6-1, 6-3. Anrej Bizjak and Dillon Ruby were unable to finish their matches and Jeremy Berman was defeated in two sets by Luis Haddock, 6-2, 6-3.

Winning is Everything: With the 4-1 win over Notre Dame in the Regional Finals, the Huskies earned their 20th win on the season. The last time a Washington team posted 20 or more wins in a year, dates back to 1986 when the Husky squad, coached under Doug Ruffin, held a 26-7 mark on the season.

Anger Ascends: With a 7-0 win over Loyola Marymount, Washington head coach **Matt Anger** moved into second place on UW's all-time list for victories in a career. Anger, who currently has 111 victories, surpassed Chip Zimmer's (1975-81) old mark of 106 wins. Doug Ruffin (1982-84, 1986-94) is in first place with 173 wins.

Leapin' Lunde: Senior Marius Lunde has moved up to third place on UW's all-time list for singles wins in a career with 83. Lunde surpasses Ornello Arlati and Scott Pearson who were tied for third place. Lunde has an overall record of 22-11 on the season.

Persistent Posavac: Senior **Andy Posavac** is also on the move as he has climbed to sixth place on UW's all-time list for doubles wins in a career with 61. Posavac moved past Jay Wilson (1983-86) who owned 58 wins in his career.

Berman Moves Up: With his 6-1, 6-3 win over Loyola Marymount's Johannes Asuja, senior **Jeremy Berman** moved into second place on UW's all-time list for career singles victories with 87. Berman passed former UW great and All-American Eric Drew who earned 86 victories in his career. Chet Crile (1990-93) is in first place with 108 wins. Berman has an impressive 25-10 overall record on the season and also had an 11-match win streak between Feb. 15 and March 31.

Pac-10 Pride: The Huskies are one of seven Pac-10 teams to receive tournament berths, including champion Stanford, Arizona, Arizona State, California, UCLA, and USC. Five Pac-10 schools are still alive as both Arizona and Arizona State failed to advance past the first round.

NCAA Info: For up-to-date information about the NCAA Tennis Championships, check out: www.ncaachampionships.com

UW Fast Facts

University Information

Institution: University of Washington
Location: Seattle, Wash.
Enrollment: 34,000 (25,000 Undergrads)
Founded: Nov. 4, 1861
Nickname: Huskies
Colors: Purple & Gold
Conference: Pac-10
Indoor Court: Lloyd Nordstrom Center
Outdoor Court: Quillian Stadium
President: Richard McCormick
Athletic Director: Barbara Hedges
Ticket Office: (206) 543-2200

Tennis History

All-Time Program Record: 685-294-5
NCAA Championship Berths: 7 (1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001)
NCAA Team Championships: None
NCAA Singles Championships: 1924 (Wallace Scott)
NCAA Doubles Championships: 1949 (Jim Brink/Fred Fisher)

Tennis Information

Head Coach: Matt Anger (USC, '84)
Record at Washington: 111-59 (7 years)
Overall Record: 111-59 (7 years)
Asst. Coach: Gordon O'Reilly (Colgate, '80)
2001 Overall Record: 20-7
2001 Pac-10 Record: 3-4 (4th, tie)
Current ITA Team Ranking: No. 18
2000 NAAs: NCAA 1st round
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 6/2

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Washington's NCAA Tournament History:

Year	Round	Opponent	UW Result	Score	Venue
1995	First	UC Irvine	L	3-4	Los Angeles, Calif.
1996	First	Arizona State	L	3-4	Las Vegas, Nev.
1997	First	UC Irvine	W	4-0	Malibu, Calif.
	Second	UC Santa Barbara	L	1-4	
1998	First	UC Santa Barbara	W	4-2	Los Angeles, Calif.
	Second	UCLA	L	2-4	
1999	First	Minnesota	W	4-1	Athens, Ga.
	Second	Georgia	L	3-4	
2000	First	San Diego State	L	3-4	Malibu, Calif.
2001	First	Hofstra	W	4-0	Boston, Mass.
	Second	Notre Dame	W	4-1	
	Final 16	UCLA			Athens, Ga.

UW Before the Tournament: Prior to 1977, the NCAA did not host a championship for entire teams. The national team champion was determined by the results of the individual singles and doubles competitions, giving points to schools based on how high their qualifying individuals placed. Following are Washington's final NCAA team standings prior to the current team championships format.

Year	Place	Venue
1949	Tied for 2nd	Austin, Texas
1952	Tied for 4th	Chicago, Ill.
1953	Tied for 5th	Syracuse, N.Y.
1954	Tied for 5th	Seattle, Wash.
1955	Tied for 4th	Chapel Hill, N.C.
1968	22nd	San Antonio, Texas
1970	22nd	Salt Lake City, Utah

Husky Honors: Washington men's tennis players **Matt Hanlin** and **Andrej Bizjak** were named to the All-Pac-10 second team on May 7. Hanlin, a sophomore out of Birmingham, England, earned All-Pac-10 honors for the second straight year. Playing in the No. 1 position for the Huskies throughout the season, Hanlin has a 22-11 overall record in singles play and 16-13 in doubles. He is currently ranked 55th by the ITA. Junior transfer Andrej Bizjak, who comes in at No. 56 in the ITA rankings, held down the No. 2 spot for the Huskies for much of the year. He finished the regular season with a 22-12 record, 17-16 in doubles play. This is his first selection to the all-conference team.

Last Season: The 1999-2000 men's tennis team finished last year with a 15-9 overall record, 3-4 in the Pac-10, and ranked 33rd in the final polls. Washington received its sixth-consecutive post-season berth, competing against No. 26 San Diego State in the NCAA tourney. The Huskies started out the day strong as two of the three doubles teams won (Berman/Posavac d. Maiberger/Pest 8-6 and Hanlin/Woolley d. Coren/Hasson 8-6). In singles play, both Jeremy Berman and Mark Woolley defeated their opponents (Berman d. Webster 6-2, 6-4; Woolley d. Hasson 6-3, 0-6, 6-4), but the team couldn't hold on in the end, losing to the Aztecs, 4-3.

2001 Washington Men's Tennis Roster

Name	Hgt.	Year	Exp.	Hometown (Highschool/College)
Jeremy Berman	5-5	Sr.	3V	Kirkland, Wash. (Newport HS)
Andrej Bizjak	6-0	Jr.	TR	Portoroz, Slovenia (Gimnazija Piran HS)
Matt Hanlin	6-0	So.	1V	Birmingham, England (Bradenton HS, Fla.)
Matt Leon	6-1	Fr.	RS	West Vancouver, B.C. (St. George's Prep HS)
Marius Lunde	5-8	Sr.	3V	Oslo, Norway (Nordstrand HS)
Andy Posavac	6-0	Sr.	3V	Linz, Austria (Bundesoberstufenreal HS)
Michael Rubin	5-7	Fr.	HS	Canton, Ohio (Central Catholic HS)
Dillon Ruby	6-3	So.	1V	Westlake Village, Calif. (Agoura HS)
Ari Strasberg	6-1	So.	1V	Ramat-Hasaron, Israel (Rotberg HS)
Nick Weiss	6-0	Fr.	HS	Santa Monica, Calif. (Calabasas HS)

Head Coach: Matt Anger (Seventh year)
Assistant Coach: Gordon O'Reilly (Eighth year)

Team	Pac-10 Record	Overall Record
1. Stanford	7-0	21-1
2. UCLA	6-1	20-2
3. California	4-3	14-8
4. WASHINGTON	3-4	18-7
USC	3-4	13-8
Arizona State	3-4	10-11
7. Arizona	2-5	12-9
8. Oregon	0-7	8-13

18 Washington Men's Tennis 2000-01 Results/Schedule (20-7, 3-4 in Pac-10)

(as of May 14, 2001)

Date	Day	Event	Location/Result	Time / Record	Overall Record	Pac-10 Record
Jan. 17	Wed.	PORTLAND (28)	W, 6-1		1-0	
Jan. 20	Sat.	# 34 BOISE STATE (28)	W, 7-0		2-0	
Jan. 26	Fri.	# 24 CALIFORNIA* (28)	W, 4-3		3-0	1-0
Jan 27	Sat.	# 1 STANFORD* (28)	L, 4-3		3-1	1-1
Feb. 3	Sat.	#40 Tulsa (21)	L, 4-3		3-2	
Feb. 4	Sun.	#35 San Diego State (21)	W, 6-1		4-2	
Feb. 11	Sun.	# 12 PEPPERDINE (# 25)	W, 4-1		5-2	
Feb. 12	Mon.	#7 TCU (# 25)	L, 4-3		5-3	
Feb. 15	Thurs.	# 4 GEORGIA^ (19)	W, 4-3		6-3	
Feb. 16	Fri.	# 5 DUKE ^ (19)	L, 4-0		6-4	
Feb. 17	Sat.	# 8 FLORIDA^ (19)	W, 4-1		7-4	
Feb. 24	Sat.	U.C. Santa Barbara(6)	W, 7-0		8-4	
Feb. 25	Sun.	#68 Oregon (6)	W, 6-1		9-4	
Mar. 3	Sat.	#67 Pacific (6)	W, 7-0		10-4	
Mar. 4	Sun.	#60 Virginia Tech (6)	W, 6-1		11-4	
Mar. 5	Mon.	#70 U.C. Irvine (6)	W, 6-1		12-4	
Mar. 20	Tue.	Hawaii (6)	W, 6-1		13-4	
Mar. 21	Wed.	#29 Arkansas (9)	W, 4-3		14-4	
Mar. 30	Fri.	GONZAGA (8)	W, 6-1		15-4	
Mar. 31	Sat.	LOYOLA MARYMOUNT (8)	W, 7-0		16-4	
Apr. 6	Fri.	#48 Arizona* (12)	L, 4-3		16-5	1-2
Apr. 7	Sat.	#30 Arizona State* (12)	W, 4-3		17-5	2-2
Apr. 13	Fri.	#1 UCLA* (13)	L, 6-1		17-6	2-3
Apr. 14	Sat.	#21 USC* (13)	L, 4-3		17-7	2-4
Apr. 21	Sat.	OREGON* (16)	W, 6-1		18-7	3-4
May 12	Sat.	NCAA 1st Round% - Hofstra (18)	W, 4-0		19-7	
May 13	Sun.	NCAA 2nd Round% - #13 Notre Dame (18)	W, 4-1		20-7	
May 19	Sat.	NCAA Round of 16 - #3 UCLA	Atlanta, Ga.	5:00 p.m. PST		

BOLD CAPS indicate home matches. #=Opponent Ranking at time of match. UW Ranking at time of match in (Parenthesis).
 * Pacific-10 Conference match. ^ USTA/ITA National Men's Team Championships, Seattle, Wash. %NCAA Regional, Boston, Mass.

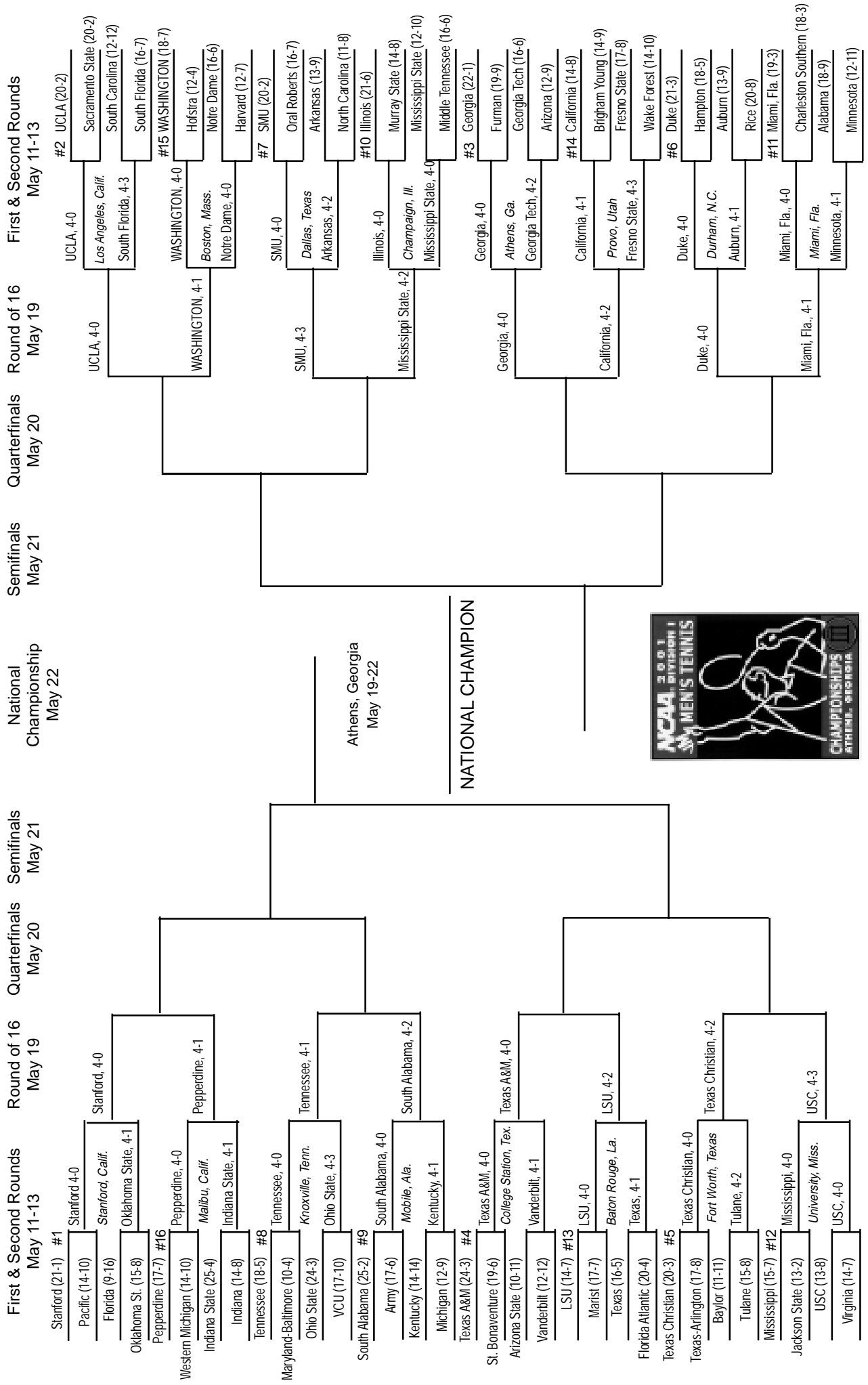
Individual Results

Singles	Singles Doubles									
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>Dual</u>	<u>Open</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Matt Hanlin	18-6						18-6	6-5	24-11	18-13
Andrej Bizjak	1-0	14-9					15-9	7-3	22-12	19-16
Jeremy Berman		0-1	9-4	10-1			19-6	6-4	25-10	19-15
Andy Posavac		0-1	9-2	8-2			17-5	0-0	17-5	13-11
Ari Strasberg			1-0	1-0	12-5	3-0	17-5	10-3	27-8	21-15
Marius Lunde				3-0	5-1	7-6	15-7	7-4	22-11	5-6
Michael Rubin						2-1	2-1	9-4	11-5	8-8
Dillon Ruby					1-0	5-1	6-1	9-3	15-4	23-16
Matt Leon						1-0	1-0	1-4	2-4	2-3
Nick Weiss								5-3	5-3	4-2
Jeff Eicher								1-2	1-2	0-1
Totals	19-6	14-11	19-6	22-3	18-6	18-8	110-40	61-35	171-75	132-106

Doubles	Singles Doubles					
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Dual</u>	<u>Open</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Berman/Posavac	13-11			13-11	0-0	13-11
Ruby/Strasberg		12-10		12-10	6-3	18-13
Bizjak/Hanlin			10-7	10-7	0-0	10-7
Hanlin/Rubin			2-3	2-3	0-0	2-3
Berman/Strasberg	1-1			1-1	0-0	1-1
Hanlin/Ruby		2-0		2-0	0-0	2-0
Bizjak/Lunde			0-2	0-2	0-0	0-2
Bizjak/Leon			1-0	1-0	0-0	1-0
Berman/Hanlin					4-3	4-3
Bizjak/Rubin			0-1	0-1	4-3	4-4
Bizjak/Weiss					0-1	0-1
Lunde/Weiss					4-1	4-1
Bizjak/Ruby					3-2	3-2
Rubin/Strasberg					2-1	2-1
Eicher/Ruby					0-1	0-1
Leon/Lunde					1-3	1-3
Berman/Bizjak					1-0	1-0
Totals	14-12	14-10	13-13	41-35	25-18	66-53



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