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The Eagles compete at home for the first time versus Alabama State and South Carolina State

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STATESBORO, Ga. – Returning home from a difficult road trip, the Eagles Men's Tennis team hosts Alabama State and South Carolina State at the Wallis Tennis Center. The Eagles enter this weekend with a 2-3 record. This will be the first time this season that the men's team will be at home and the third time they will be participating in a doubleheader. The Eagles are 1-1 in each of the last doubleheaders that they have played.

The Alabama State match is scheduled for 12:30 PM followed by the South Carolina State match at 3:00 PM.

"We are excited for our first home matches," said head coach [Sander Koning](#). "After last weekend we saw what we need to improve and we have been working on it this past week. This weekend will be a good test to see where we are. We will be playing two teams who haven't played as much yet, and I expect them to come out with a lot of excitement. We have to match that and stay poised under pressure. I invite everyone to come to the matches and support our tennis teams. It will be a good day with a lot of tennis from both the men's and women's teams."

South Carolina State is scheduled to begin their season at home against Radford on Friday, before traveling to take on the Eagles. Alabama State enters the weekend with a 0-1 record, after falling to Samford 6-1. The Hornets were originally scheduled to face Southern Miss and Nicholls State, but those matches were postponed due to weather in the area.

LAST TIME OUT

The last time the Men's Tennis team was on the court, they traveled to Florida for three matches against No. 11 Florida, Florida State, and Florida A&M. The Eagles finished the weekend 1-2 defeating FAMU 4-1 to finish off the weekend. The Gators would jump off to an early 1-0 lead after taking control of Doubles play. During singles play [JC Alcalá](#) battled No. 11 Alfredo Perez before being defeated. Against Florida State the Eagles would put the pressure on the Seminoles during doubles play, before falling behind 1-0. The Seminoles would cap off the match and defeat the Eagles 7-0. In the final match of the weekend the Eagles faced off against FAMU. Florida A&M would defeat the Eagles in Doubles and gain the point, putting them up 1-0. The Eagles would rally and defeat the Rattlers 4-1.

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