

# MLC SportsPage



www.mlc-wels.edu

March 29, 2023



MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE

## Men's Tennis Secures First Win of Season



The MLC men picked up their first win of the 2023 tennis season with a 7-2 win over the Crown Polars on Tuesday, March 21.

The Knights won two of their three doubles matches. The number-two team of **Josiah Koelpin** (*LPS, pictured*) and **Silas Steinbrenner** (*LPS*) won 8-2, while the number-three team of **Matthew Koelpin** (*LPS*) and **Brian Friesenegger** (*LPS*) won 8-1.

The Knights received great individual performances in their singles matches as well. **Johannes Bourman** (*LPS*) won his number-two match (6-4, 6-3), **Elijah Schulz** (*LPS*) won (6-1, 6-1), and Matthew Koelpin also topped his opponent (6-2, 6-2).

## Women's Tennis Sweeps Crown 9-0

The MLC women earned their first win of the season, sweeping Crown 9-0 in their Tuesday morning match.

The Knights opened up conference play in dominating fashion, winning their three doubles matches by the score of 8-2, 8-1, 8-0.

Meanwhile, in singles play, **Josie Bieberitz** (*LPS, pictured*) and **Abigail Schewe** (*LPS*) led the way, both winning in straight sets (6-0).

Head Coach Paul Koelpin said, "I was pleased for the players that they were able to raise their level despite the practice challenges we've experienced. It was good to see some success. They represented themselves well."



### Upcoming Events

4/1 MT @ Mt. Mercy  
4/1 WT @ Mt. Mercy  
4/2 BB @ Crown (DH)  
4/2 MTN vs. UNW  
4/2 WTN vs UNW  
4/3 MTN @ Wartburg  
4/3 WTN @ Wartburg  
4/4 MTN vs. Bethany  
4/4 WTN vs. Bethany

## Track Begins Outdoor Season on Saturday

The MLC track and field teams begin their outdoor season with a meet at Mount Mercy in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, this Saturday, April 1. The track team finished their indoor season on February 25 at the UMAC championships.

**Carson Oestreich** (*Pierce NE*), **Caleb Lash** (*Shoreland*), and **Micah Schibbelhut** (*Luther*) lead the way for the men, while **Maya Habben** (*LPS*) and **Margaret Gabb** (*LPS*) look to build upon their All-UMAC performances from the indoor season.