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## **Bose, Basile Don't Wilt During USTA Tourney**

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WINTER HAVEN | The top four men's open seeds, including No. 1 seed Alex Bose of Winter Haven and Mike Basile of Lakeland, advanced to today's quarterfinal round in the USTA 2012 Indian River Transport USTA Adult Championships after play Saturday at the Lake Region Yacht and Country Club.

On a hot, steamy day, many players were drenched and weak after playing two singles and two doubles matches on the first day of the event.

Bose, the top seed, Basile, the second seed, third-seeded Benn Marler and fourth-seeded Fernando Guevara saw the draw hold true with victories.

Fifth-seeded Ricky Bowling was upset by unseeded Danny Colten, Bose's assistant at the club, 6-2, 6-0.

Sixth-seeded Erik Turnquist, 35, of Winter Haven was upset by unseeded Harris Trisman, 20, in the round of 16, 7-6 (7-4), 6-4.

Bose drew a first-round bye as the top seed.

Using a somewhat unorthodox style with a compact, two-handed backhand, a two-handed forehand and a variety of shots, Bose defeated Brandon Muth 6-0, 6-1.

He meets eighth-seeded Greg Bekkers today at 8 a.m.

Bose, 36, is a former Florida No. 1 men's open player with a 134-6 streak over a two-year stretch.

Mike Basile, 21, out-lasted friend and training partner Stephen Madonia, 15, of Lakeland, 7-6, 7-5 to advance.

Madonia had set point leading 5-1 in the first, but Basile battled back to win the first set in a tie breaker and took the second set. Basile meets Colten at 8 a.m.

Marler takes on Trisman and Guevera faces seventh-seeded Mikolaj Borkowski to round out the quarterfinals.

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