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UW-River Falls has gone through multiple scares regarding budget cuts ranging from the classroom to the tennis court. But for Falcons head tennis Coach Dan Stumpf, time may heal the wounds. Trenten Gauthier has the story.

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Trenten Gauthier: Since nearly being cut a year ago, the UW-River Falls Tennis team has been back in action. First year Head Coach Dan Stumpf, a graduate of Creighton, says there has been little hangover.

Dan Stumpf: I think my players play with passion, whether that comes from the thought that they were not going to have the program here last year, I think my players are competitors.

Trenten Gauthier: The FAlcons have struggled on the court this year, but Stumpf says the team has no indication of the program ending and Stumpf says the team does not even bring the topic of losing the team up.

Dan Stumpf: You know we don’t discuss that in our program, the Future. We assume the future is bright. and that was just the one time that the program may have seen its darkest day.

Trenten Gauthier: Though Stumpf says the team does not talk about the future, senior Kelsey Hochenberger says some still might have some concern.

Kelsey Hochberger: I guess maybe some people have concern about it, ABOUT That possibly happening again in the future. I want to say I hope not, but I don’t think it has Affected how we have been performing, at all.

Trenten Gauthier: The Falcons are 0-13 this season, and took on Hamline on Wednesday, April 20, in their final meet. Stumpf says he hopes the program can continue to develop, and aim to be the best in the wisconsin Intercollegiate athletic conference in the future. For Falcon NEws Service, I’m Trenten Gauthier.

Stumpf says that the Falcons will bring in four recruits into next season and will graduate two seniors from this year’s 10-player roster.

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