

Memories Take High Priority

Damage Report

Checking the scene and recording scores during the DeWitt match is Coach Pat Somers. In the final score, DeWitt scraped by to win 3-4.



Exciting meets and embarrassing moments became season memories, ending with the best recollection of all, placing fourth overall in the league.

The moments that created the season were the times the team spent day after day, practicing the art of tennis. The doubles teams strove to be competitive and there was the constant battle for the top

worked to improve them." The outcome was a season record of 4 wins and 8 losses.

While participating in matches, the players were never short of support. "Everyone was kind to everyone else and very accepting. I'm a sophomore and I felt like part of the team and not shut out by the juniors and seniors," noted Michelle Krause. "The team's attitude was great. The girls were always encouraging each other when they were down. There were three sophomores and one freshman that earned their Varsity letters which is very unusual. They included: Andrea Cook, Michelle Krause, Amanda Schram and Shelly Sommers," added Coach Somers.

Although the doubles positions were constantly changing, one doubles team came out consistently on top. Sara Kratzer and Crissy Ernst remained at first doubles throughout the entire season. To top it off the

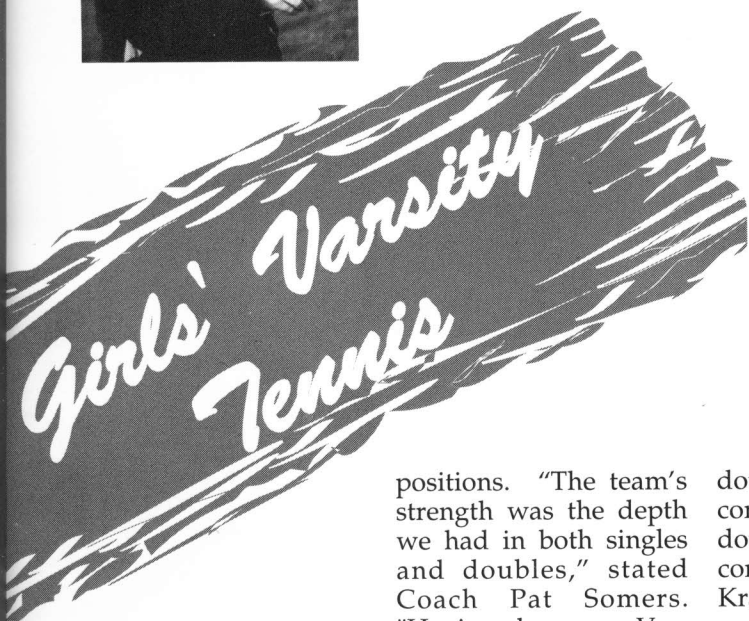
team placed second at CAC's.

The team's first and second singles' positions were held by juniors Tricia Hannig and Kelly Tepaste. They normally have been held by experienced seniors, but both girls performed competitively on everything from serves to over-heads.

One of the major highlights of Coach Somers' season was introducing other teams to new tennis courts. And the season, of course, had its humorous moments. A favorite memory was when Amy Ward fell off the back of a bench while watching a teammate play at Mason. The worst part was, she did it right in front of Mason's famous Simbroski twins.

The end-of-year banquet was held at Chi's Chi's Restaurant and as awards were given and Varsity letters distributed, the seniors hugged their goodbyes to Coach Somers. Some laughed, some cried and some just smiled happily.

--Kelly Larsen



positions. "The team's strength was the depth we had in both singles and doubles," stated Coach Pat Somers. "Having been on Varsity, players already knew the basics, and

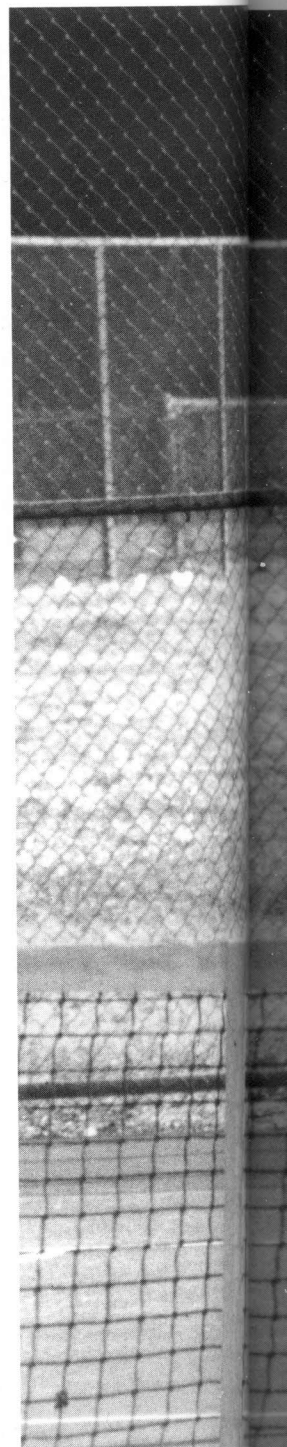
Double Dragon

Focusing intently on the action are senior double partners, Amy Ward and Amanda Hayhoe.



Can We Leave?

Calling out scores after the DeWitt match are Michelle Krause, Andrea Cook, Amanda Schram, and Amanda Hayhoe.



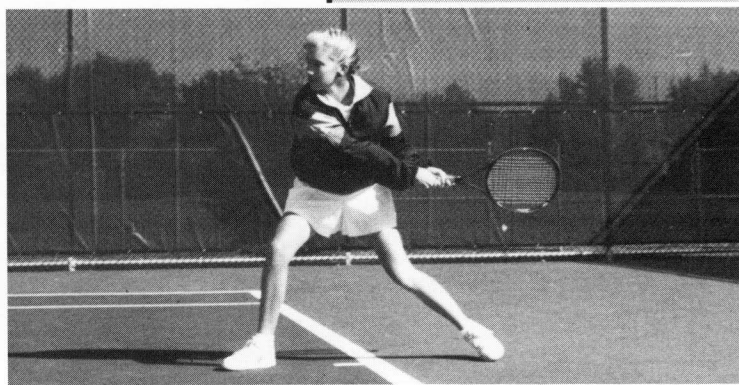
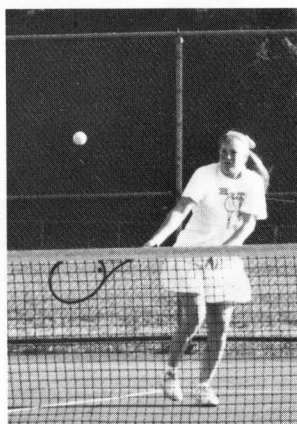


Going Through the Motions

Perfecting her game is sophomore Shelly Somers who spent long hours at practice and learned the famous volley dance from JV Coach Peter Kressler.

Nail It!

In her first year as top singles player, junior Tricia Hannig sets up to send a shot back at her Pinckney opponent. "It was really fun playing first singles because it was always a challenge to go up against the top players from every school," noted Tricia.



GIRLS' VARSITY TENNIS

4 Wins, 8 Losses

Everett	7-0
St. Johns	1-6
Sexton	6-1
Eastern	1-6
East Lansing	0-7
Jackson	2-5
DeWitt	3-4
Waverly	2-5
Grand Ledge	4-3
LCC	0-7
Mason	1-6
Pinckney	5-2
Court One Invitational	4th
CAC Meet	4th
CAC	4th
Regionals	7th

Top of the Line

All-CAC Singles

Michelle Krause 2nd place
4th Singles

All-CAC Doubles

Christine Ernst 2nd place
Sara Kratzer 1st Doubles

Ready, Aim...

Poised to stroke the ball back to doubles partner, Amanda Schram, is sophomore Andrea Cook, while warming up before the match against DeWitt.

Girls' Varsity Tennis Team:

Top Row: Coach P. Somers, K. Larsen, F. Brandi, C. Byington, A. Schram, D. Monroe, K. Howe, Coach P. Kressler. **Row 2:** E. Suitlif, A. Cook, S. Somers, B. Brunsting, A. Warren, A. Hayhoe, A. Hauser, S. Kratzer. **Bottom Row:** M. Ross, K. TePastte, T. Hannig, C. Ernst, A. Ward, J. Lester.

"The highlight of my season was going against East Lansing's top player. She went through the entire CAC meet undefeated, and I figured I wasn't going to beat her, but I went in with the mentality that I was going to play as well as I could. I ended up losing to her, but I was the only person to take anything from her, when I beat her in two games. She went on to take second place in the state, but I played probably my best match ever, and I was happy with that."

--Sophomore Michelle Krause

