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Boys' Varsity Tennis 9 wins, 2 losses

Williamston 6-1 6-2 Waverly St. Johns 5-2 Everett 8-0 7-1 Sexton Eastern 7-1 East Lansing 3-5 Grand Ledge 7-1 3-4 **DeWitt** 6-2 Jackson Haslett 7-1 CAC 2nd 4th Regionals

All-CAC

Andrew Gamet, Phil Rosenman First Doubles

> Matt Hill, David Eagle Second Singles

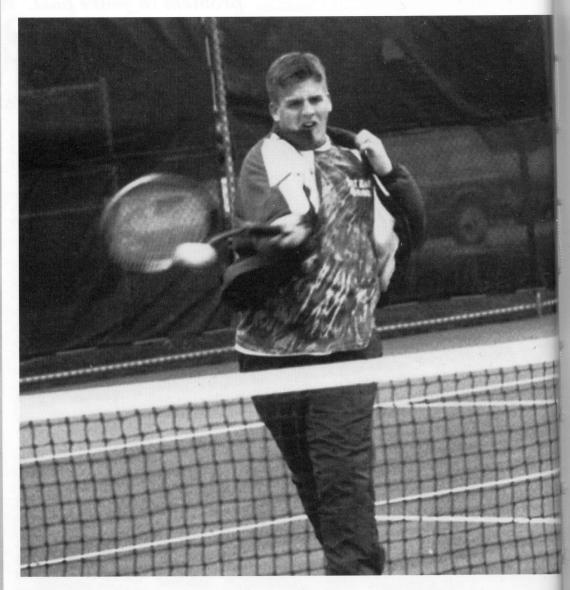
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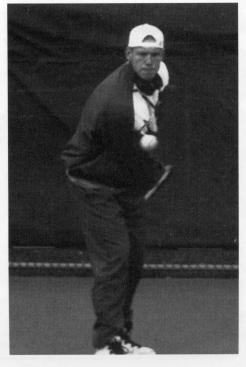
Boys' JV Tennis 0 wins, 6 losses

St. Johns	0-8
Okemos	0-8
East Lansing	1-7
DeWitt	1-7
Mason	3-5
Eastern	0-7

GRAND SLAM

Delivering a forehand smash to his Haslett opponent is senior Ben Vandlen. The Rams shut out Haslett 7-1 and Ben was named All-CAC Second Doubles for the season.







EYE ON THE BALL

Preparing to return the ball to his Haslett opponent is senior T.J. Wulff. The Rams beat Haslett and finished with a 9-2 overall season record.

JV TENNIS TEAM:

Top Row: Coach S. Garrison, R. Budloo, J. Fields, B. Manning, N. McVeigh, D. Ngo, R. Porter. Bottom Row: D. Reinecke, B. Rogers, D. Syroka, J. Troisi, S. Walsh, M. Woodruff.

SIZING IT UP

Taking a somewhat laid back approach to pre-match warmups is the Varsity Tennis team. They moved fast on the court, however, posting a 7-1 CAC record and a 2nd place finish.







WORK FAST

Returning a barage of practice balls is sophomore Ryan Anderson before the Haslett

TAKE AIM

Warming up before the home match with Haslett is senior Julie Vanlerberghe.

Varsity Gains Momentum

To Secure Second Place Finish in CAC

The Boys Varsity Tennis team started off a little slow but picked up momentum fast. "We had a tough season," stated senior doubles player T.J. Wulff. "After doing so well last year, the start of the season was a bit of a let-down. But Coach Smith pulled us up, made us practice even harder and in the end we brought the season around. It took a lot of work on the whole team's part and I'm glad we could come together through the season."

The Varsity team did more than shape up, they finished 7-1 in the conference and 9-2 for the season overall losing only to powerhouse East Lansing and non-conference DeWitt. They ended the season CAC runner-ups, and ranked 4th at Regionals.

Eight of the team's top 12 players were graduating seniors, making way next year for new faces. The season was rewarding for them. "This had to be one of the most fun teams I have ever played on. Not only is it my last high school sport ever, it is tennis which I love. It is always funny to see how the new people on other teams who are not used to playing me react when they find out they're playing a girl. It is even more funny when I beat them," reflected third singles player senior Julie Vanlerberghe who played for the boys' team because she played varsity basketball during the girls' tennis season.

Though winning often looked easy, it never was. First year singles player Matt Hill stated, "This season was such hard work. Coming up from JV is so much different. The competition at least doubles in how tough it is to win."

Earning All-CAC honors were Andy Gamet and Phil Rosenman at First Doubles, Matt Hill and David Eagle at Second Singles, Joel Bush and Corey Ballmer at Second Doubles and Ben Vandlen and Ryan Anderson at Second Doubles.

The JV team had a tougher and disappointing season posting no wins and ending with a 0-6 record. One bright spot was a higher scoring match against Mason. "It was a rocky road," reported Coach Steve Garrison, but the players all tried very hard and that is all I could ask for.

-Kathleen Keen



BOYS VARSITY TENNIS TEAM: TOP ROW: Coach C. Hill, J. Bush, J. Vanlerberghe, B. Clugston, B. Vandlen, D. Eagle, T.J. Wulff, K. Wyble, Coach M. Smith. BOTTOM ROW: M. Hill, R. Anderson, C. Hill, P. Rosenman, A. Gamet, T. Hurlburt. FOREGROUND: C. Ballmer.