

IHSAA GIRLS TENNIS 2000 STATE FINALS RESULTS

June 3, 2000

North Central High School, Indianapolis

PARK TUDOR WINS SECOND TITLE IN THREE YEARS

Park Tudor's girls tennis team (24-0) won two crucial doubles matches to power to a 4-1 victory over Terre Haute South (18-2) and its second IHSAA state championship in three years on Saturday, June 3, 2000 at North Central High School in Indianapolis.

Kate Lehman and Megan Kuhn (26-1) were the first players off the courts after a 6-4, 6-0 victory over Terre Haute South's Laura Hodge and Lindsey Tanoos at No. 2 doubles. Brooke Sagalowsky and Kaitlin Elliott (26-1) accounted for Park Tudor's other doubles decision with a 6-2, 6-1 win over Jennifer Kirk and Michelle Favila in the No. 1 slot.

The Panthers' No. 1 singles player, Katie Martzolf, clinched the match at 3-1, with a 6-3, 6-2 win over previously unbeaten Lauren Clary (24-1). Martzolf (27-0), the two-time defending singles state champion, kept her perfect high school record intact with two more wins on the day. She is 74-0 in her first three years of high school (27-0 in 1999, 20-0 in 1998).

Lindsay Winningham (26-1) tallied the final point for Park Tudor with a 7-6 (7-3), 6-7 (7-5), 6-2 victory over Terre Haute South's Kristen Clary at No. 2 singles. The match lasted two hours and 52 minutes and, like her sister, was the younger Clary's first defeat of the year finishing an identical 24-1.

The Braves' lone victory in the championship match came at the No. 3 singles spot where Helen Hildebrand triumphed 6-1, 6-0 over Elizabeth Thomas.

Park Tudor was coached by Dave Heffern, who guided the Panthers to a 4-1 victory over Evansville Memorial in the 1998 state championship match. It also was the fifth IHSAA tennis title for Heffern, who coached the Park Tudor boys teams to three straight championships in 1996, 1997 and 1998.

Terre Haute South, coached by Bill Blankenbaker, fell for the second consecutive year in the championship match. The Braves fell to North Central of Indianapolis by a 3-2 score in 1999.

Park Tudor and Terre Haute South earned berths in the finals with 5-0 semifinal decisions over Delta and South Bend St. Joseph's, respectively. Delta went on to win the consolation match with a 4-1 victory over St. Joseph's.

Coached by Tim Cleland, Delta was making its first appearance in the girls tennis state finals. South Bend St. Joseph's, making its first appearance since 1992, was guided by Janet Szrom.

Alison Peckinpaugh of Delta High School was selected by members of the IHSAA Executive Committee as the recipient of the Mental Attitude Award in Girls Tennis. A member of two Class 3A state runner-up volleyball teams in 1997 and 1998, Peckinpaugh also helped Delta to its first appearance in the girls tennis state finals this year. Individually, she finished her year 20-6 in the No. 1 singles position. Academically, she ranks fourth in her senior class and will benefit from a full scholarship to Indiana University's Kelly School of Business beginning in the fall. Farm Bureau Insurance, the corporate partner of the IHSAA, presented a \$1,000 scholarship to Delta High School in the name of Peckinpaugh.

Championship Match

Park Tudor 4, Terre Haute South 1.

Singles

1. Katie Martzolf, Jr. (PT) def. Lauren Clary, Jr. (THS), 6-3, 6-2.
2. Lindsay Winningham, Fr. (PT) def. Kristen Clary, So. (THS), 7-6 (7-3), 6-7 (7-5), 6-2.
3. Helen Hildebrand, Jr. (THS) def. Elizabeth Thomas, Jr. (PT), 6-1, 6-0.

Doubles

1. Brooke Sagalowsky, Jr. / Kaitlin Elliott, Jr. (PT) def. Jennifer Kirk, Sr. / Michelle Favila, Jr. (THS), 6-2, 6-1.
2. Kate Lehman, Sr. / Megan Kuhn, Jr. (PT) def. Laura Hodge, Jr. / Lindsey Tanoos, Jr. (THS), 6-4, 6-0.

Consolation Match

Delta 4, South Bend St. Joseph's 1.

Singles

1. Alison Peckinpaugh, Sr. (D) def. Eileen Varga, So. (SBSJ), 6-2, 4-6, 6-1.
2. Megan McGrane, So. (D) def. Margaret Bon Durant, Jr. (SBSJ), 6-2, 6-0.
3. Adrienne Campbell, So. (D) def. Jennifer Keber, So. (SBSJ), 6-2, 6-2.

Doubles

1. Megan Mathews, Jr. / Jessica Dennig, Jr. (SBSJ) def. Kasey Knapp, Sr. / Sarah Peckinpaugh, So. (D), 6-3, 6-2.
2. Kat Yadon, So. / Ashli Smith, So. (D) def. Brooke Rzepnicki, Jr. / Bridget Vanderklok, Jr. (SBSJ), 6-2, 6-3.

Semifinals Results

Terre Haute South 5, South Bend St. Joseph's 0.

Singles

1. Lauren Clary, Jr. (THS) def. Eileen Varga, So. (SBSJ), 6-1, 6-0.
2. Kristen Clary, So. (THS) def. Margaret Bon Durant, Jr. (SBSJ), 6-1, 6-1.
3. Helen Hildebrand, Jr. (THS) def. Jennifer Keber, So. (SBSJ), 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles

1. Jennifer Kirk, Sr. / Michelle Favila, Jr. (THS) def. Megan Mathews, Jr. / Jessica Dennig, Jr. (SBSJ), 6-2, 6-1.
2. Laura Hodge, Jr. / Lindsey Tanoos, Jr. (THS) def. Brooke Rzepnicki, Jr. / Bridget Vanderklok, Jr. (SBSJ), 7-5, 6-0.

Park Tudor 5, Delta 0.

Singles

1. Katie Martzolf, Jr. (PT) def. Alison Peckinpaugh, Sr. (D), 6-1, 6-1.
2. Lindsay Winningham, Fr. (PT) def. Megan McGrane, So. (D), 6-2, 6-2.
3. Elizabeth Thomas, Jr. (PT) def. Adrienne Campbell, So. (D), 6-4, 7-6 (7-4).

Doubles

1. Brooke Sagalowsky, Jr. / Kaitlin Elliott, Jr. (PT) def. Kasey Knapp, Sr. / Sarah Peckinpaugh, So. (D), 6-2, 6-1.
2. Kate Lehman, Sr. / Megan Kuhn, Jr. (PT) def. Kat Yadon, So. / Beth Miller, So. (D), 6-1, 6-1.