The Watauga High men's tennis team hit the road and defeated St. Stephens 9-0 down in the Hickory area Tuesday night.

The match, which was to be a home match for WHS, was moved down to St. Stephens because of wintry weather in Boone. The Pioneers (10-3 overall; 7-0 in the Northwestern 3A/4A Conference) were led by Steve Lake, Micheal Smith, Harrison Battle, Patrick O'Neal, Landon Taylor, and Aaron Evans in singles play. Lake and Smith, Battle and Taylor, Evans and Jackson Yates were all victorious in doubles play. Noah Moomow and Patrick Carlson picked up victories in exhibition play.
The Pioneers return home to play Newton-Conover Thursday night. And the men's tennis team will be offering free hot dogs and lemonade to all those attending the match. Thursday's non-conference match begins at 4:30 pm at the Watauga High tennis courts.

ASU BASEBALL:

The Mountaineers (16-13) continued their winning ways by defeating North Carolina A&T 10-5 at Smith Stadium/Beaver Field Tuesday night. Tyler Tewell had a solo home run; Trey Holmes had a three-run homer and drove in four runs. The Mountaineers led 4-0 lead before A&T staged a five-run rally in the top of the sixth. Xavier Macklin highlighted the comeback with a grand slam that gave the Aggies a 5-4 lead. But the Mountaineers scored three times in the seventh and three more times in the eighth to win the game. ASU is 38-4 in the month of April since 2009.

TRACK AND BASKETBALL NEWS:

Watauga High senior Sydney Cook will sign her national letter of intent Thursday afternoon. She will attend Appalachian State next fall, where she will continue her track career. Cook, a state finalist at the indoor championships last season, was also named the Northwestern 3A/4A Conference Field Athlete of the Year last spring. A pole vaulter, Cook has jumped a career-best 11-feet, six inches this season. She accomplished that at St. Stephens on March 23. Teammate Kasey Jones, who has been hampered by a hamstring injury this season, has received an academic scholarship to attend East Tennessee State next fall. Jones, in her first competition of the season, finsihed second in the 100-meter high hurdles at the Fleet Feet Invitational in Claremont, NC, last Saturday. She crossed the finish line in 14.96. Meloney Ramos of North Rowan won the race in 14.92.....Junior Cameron Sealey of Lenior-Rhyne University has been named to the North Carolina Sports Information Association All-State Team. She was a second-team selection. Sealey, who averaged 18 points-per-game this past season, is also the 17th player in school history to crack the 1,000-point barrier.

BASEBALL:

There were three games in the Northwestern 3A/4A Conference on Tuesday night. Hickory pulled into a fourth-place tie with Fred T. Foard as the Red Tornadoes blew out the Tigers 13-3 in six innings. St. Stephens snapped a six-game losing streak by knocking off Hibriten, 8-3. And Alexander Central, currently in third place and trails WHS by one-half game for the No.2 seed, defeated Statesville 15-2 in a non-conference game.

NORTHWESTERN 3A/4A CONFERENCE STANDINGS:

SOUTH CALDWELL 6-1; 10-1

WATUAGA 4-2; 8-3

ALEXANDER CENTRAL 4-3; 6-7

FRED T. FOARD 4-4; 6-6

HICKORY 4-4; 8-6

ST. STEPHENS 2-6; 3-8

HIBRITEN 2-6; 3-10

TUESDAY NIGHT'S GAMES:

ST. STEPHENS 8, HIBRITEN 3

HICKORY 13, FRED T. FOARD 3 (6 INNINGS)

ALEXANDER CENTRAL 15 ,STATESVILLE 2

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES:

NEWTON-CONOVER @ HICKORY

THURSDAY'S GAMES:

SOUTH CALDWELL @ WHS (COMPLETION OF SUSPENDED GAME; SOUTH LEADS 6-3 IN THE TOP OF THE THIRD INNING)

FRED T. FOARD @ WEST LINCOLN

FRIDAY'S GAMES:

HIBRITEN @ WHS

ST. STEPHENS @ FRED T. FOARD

HICKORY @ ALEXANDER CENTRAL

SATURDAY'S GAMES:

MOUNT TABOR @ WHS

WEST WILKES @ HIBRITEN

SOUTH CALDWELL @ DRAUGHN