

Pioneers Nail Down Another Title

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The Watauga High boys' tennis team captured its 19th conference championship in the last 21 years (1994-2012, 2014) with a 9-0 win against Freedom Thursday at the WHS Tennis Courts on Senior Day.

Seniors Landon Taylor and Josh Lampkins led the way with straight sets wins at No.1 and No.2 singles before they teamed up for a win at No.1 doubles.

Taylor defeated Nick Bruinsma of Freedom, 6-0 6-0, at No.1 singles; Lampkins defeated Warren Bristol of the Patriots, 6-2 6-1, at No.2. Taylor and Lampkins knocked off Bruinsma/Bristol of the Patriots 8-1 at No.1 doubles.

The Pioneers (10-2 overall; 7-0 NW3A/4A Conference) will be a No.1 seed in the state dual team playoffs, which begin Tuesday, April 29. The Pioneers will host a first-round game against the No.1 seed from the Mountain Athletic 3A-4A Conference.

The Class 4A Western Regionals for individual tennis will be at Cornelius-Hough, May 2-3.

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NOTES: It incorrectly reported Thursday that the Pioneers had nailed down their 15th title in 17 years. It was actually 19 in the last 21 years, dating back to 1993.

Watauga vs Freedom April 10 2014

Watauga 9 Freedom 0

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7-0 Conference

10-2 Overall

Senior Day!

Singles

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Senior Landon Taylor(W)def Nick Bruinsma(F) 6-0 6-0

Senior Josh Lampkins(W) def Warren Bristol(F) 6-2 6-1

Dristen Trate(W) def Braxton Ervin(F) 6-1 6-0

Caleb Gould(W) def Dalton Huffman(F) 6-0 6-1

Will Spinetto(W) def Clark Harney(F) 6-2 6-0

Brody O'Neal(W) def Kevin Martinez(F) 6-2 6-0

Doubles

Seniors Taylor/Lampkins(W) def Bruinsma/Bristol(F) 8-1

Gould/Blake Howser(W) def Ervin/Huffman(F) 8-5

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O'Neal/(Senior) Phillip Bransford(W) def Martinez/Antwan Cambell(F) 8-0

PIONEERS FALL TO TOP-SEEDED DEMONS

The Watauga High girls' lacrosse team came up short Thursday night against the top seed, R.J. Reynolds, at Leigh Wallace Memorial Field.

The Demons (6-0 NC Conference 7; 10-0 overall),. who jumped out to a 10-1 halftime lead, downed the Pioneers, 13-5. Sophomore Cami Hastings and junior Courtney Kapral each scored two goals apiece for the Pioneers (0-4; 0-7).

The Pioneers will play Pfafftown-Reagan in a make-up game Monday.

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WHS SCORING SUMMARY:

Half Time Score: RJR 10, WHS 1

Final Score: RJR 13, WHS 5

Goals:

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Junior Elle Sloboda: 1

Junior Courtney Kapral: 2

Saves:

1st Half - Sophomore Meghan Bisignani

19 Shots, 9 Saves, 1 interception

2nd Half - Sophomore Sarah Williams

7 shots, 4 saves, 1 interception

NORTHWESTERN 3A/4A CONFERENCE

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THURSDAY'S RESULTS

BASEBALL

NEWTON-CONOVER 8, ST. STEPHENS 6

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GIRLS SOCCER

ST. STEPHENS 3, LAWNSDALE-BURNS 0