

## Spartans Trip Up Pioneers

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As the old saying goes, "there's a first time for everything." Well it happened last night. The South Caldwell High girls' soccer team knocked off Watauga 1-0 Tuesday night in a Northwestern 3A-4A Conference game in Sawmills, N.C.

It was also a triple whammy for the Pioneers. WHS (8-1-2 overall; 4-1 NW3A-4A) suffered its first loss of the year, the

loss also knocked WHS out of first place, and the Spartans defeated the Pioneers for the first time in girls' soccer since the teams became conference rivals in the 2001-02 season.

Indee Swanson scored the game's only goal in the first ten minutes of the match and the Spartans made it stand up.

"We just didn't come ready to play," said WHS coach Brittany Bolick. "We were dangerous, but we just couldn't finish."

The loss leaves WHS a game behind St. Stephens (5-0 NW3A-4A) for first place. The Indians blanked Fred T. Foard 3-0 Tuesday night. The Pioneers travel to St. Stephens Thursday night.

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The WHS junior varsity team defeated South Caldwell 4-1 Tuesday night. Maddie Warren, Gracee Kleeberger, Megan Gottfried, and Finley Collins scored for the Pioneers.

### **JV:**

WHS 4, South Caldwell 1

Maddie Warren: 25th min

Gracee Kleeberger: 30th

Megan Gottfried: 50th

Finley Collins: 52nd

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### **Varsity:**

South Caldwell 1, WHS 0

South: Indee Swanson 10th min

### **WHS TENNIS BLAST SOUTH CALDWELL, 8-1**

The Watauga High boys' tennis team continued its successful run in the Northwestern 3A-4A Confernece by knocking off South Caldwell 8-1 Tuesday night in Sawmills, N.C.

The Pioneers (6-2 overall; 3-0 NW3A-4A) took control of the match by sweeping singles play for a commanding 6-0 lead.

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Landon Taylor and Dristen Trate set the tone with straight set victories at No.1 and No.2 singles. Taylor defeated Will Benfield, 6-2, 6-4; Trate knocked off Adam Lund, 6-3, 6-1.

Blake Howser made his varsity debut at No.3 doubles. He teamed up Josh Lampkins for an 8-6 win against Lund and Tanner Dellinger.

Michael Welsh picked up an exhibition win in singles play; Luke Bransford and Luke Pifer picked up an exhibition win in doubles play. The Pioneers travel to St. Stephens Thursday.

**Watauga at South Caldwell April 1st 2014**

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### Watauga 8 South Caldwell 1

#### Singles

Landon Taylor(W) def Will Benfeild(SC) 6-2 6-4

Dristen Trate(W) def Adam Lund(SC) 6-3 6-1

Caleb Gould(W) def Blaine Massey(SC) 6-0 6-0

Will Spinetto(W) def Kevin Lane(SC) 6-0 6-4

Brody O'Neal(W) def Andrew Reeves(SC) 6-0 6-0

Josh Lampkins(W) def Tanner Dellinger(SC) 6-1 6-1

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### **Doubles**

Taylor/Trate(W) def Benfeild/Reeves(SC) 8-2

Massey/Lane(SC) def O'Neal/Clay Burchell(W) 8-6

Lampkins/Blake Howser(W) def Lund/Dellinger(SC) 8-6

### **Exhibition**

Michael Welsh(W) def Eric Remdquist(SC) 8-3

Phillip Bransford/Luke Pifer(W) def Clay Graves/Tanner Penly(SC) 8-6

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### WHS SOFTBALL

VARSITY: SOUTH CALDWELL 8, WATAUGA 1

JUNIOR VARSITY: SOUTH CALDWELL 20, WATAUGA 0