

## INDIVIDUALS, DOUBLES TEAMS PLAY FOR WIAA GIRLS TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

**THE MEET:** The Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association Girls Individual Tennis Championships will be held Thursday through Saturday, Oct. 14-16. The meet takes place at the Nielsen Tennis Stadium on the University of Wisconsin campus in Madison, Wis. Action will begin at 2 p.m. Thursday and at 8:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Tickets are \$6 for adults and students.

### THE SCHEDULE:

#### Thursday, Oct. 14

2 p.m. First Round Matches

#### Friday, Oct. 15

8:30 a.m. Action Through Quarterfinals

#### Saturday, Oct. 16

8:30 a.m. Consolation Semifinals

9 a.m. Championship Semifinals

10 a.m. Fifth-place Matches

11 a.m. Third-place Matches

11:30 a.m. Championship Matches

**LAST YEAR:** In singles play, top-seeded Aly Coran of Homestead won the Division 1 singles title for the second straight year. She defeated Karyn Guttormsen of Kenosha Bradford 6-3, 6-4 in the championship match. Shannon Etten of Xavier won the Division 2 singles title by defeating Maddy Ecker of University School in the championship match 6-1, 6-1. In doubles play, second-seeded Tara Robey and Sarah Woods of Divine Savior Holy Angels earned the Division 1 championship by defeating fourth-seeded Dani Merar and Kristin Swenson of Homestead in the championship match 6-2, 6-3. The top-seeded Division 2 duo of Elissa Halla and Natalie Foster of Roncalli won their second consecutive Division 2 doubles title by defeating second-seeded Karie Williams and Mary Catherine Faller of Notre Dame 6-4, 6-3.

**DIVISION 1 SINGLES NOTES:** Two-time defending champion Aly Coran, a junior from Homestead, is again the top seed with a 26-1 record entering the State meet. She has lost just one match in her prep career. Junior Karyn Guttormsen of Kenosha Bradford, last year's runner-up, is the #2 seed with a 24-2 record this season. Freshman Elizabeth Konon of Homestead was awarded the #3 seed. She enters State Tournament play with the only unblemished record in the field this year at 29-0. Junior Maddy Johnson of Onalaska is the fourth seed for the second year in a row. She enters the meet with a 27-1 record after finishing third as the fourth seed a year ago. Senior Rachel Allen of Green Bay Southwest won one match last year as the sixth seed after advancing to the quarterfinals in 2008. She receives the fifth seed this year with a 29-2 mark. Senior Sophie Lillie of Whitefish Bay is the sixth seed. She won one match last year as the eighth seed. She returns to the State Tournament with a 25-4 record. Freshman Bridget Bellissimo of Middleton is the seventh seed with a 27-2 record, and junior Karlin Naslund of Oshkosh West was awarded the eighth seed with a 26-4 record. Other possible contenders for the title include senior Katy Allen of Waukesha South, who has compiled a 24-6 tally this year after advancing to the quarterfinals last year and placing second in 2008; and senior McKennah Edwards of Fond du Lac, who is the #9 seed after winning two matches at State last year and posting a 26-2 record this year.

**DIVISION 1 DOUBLES NOTES:** Senior Tara Robey and junior Sarah Woods of Divine Savior Holy Angels are back to defend the doubles title they won a year ago. They have posted a 23-1 record this season and were chosen as the second seed. The top seed was bestowed upon junior Carly Peck and sophomore Sophia Lococo of Homestead. They enter the State Tournament without a defeat at 29-0. Senior Dani Merar and freshman Mardee Merar of Homestead was awarded the third seed with a 32-1 record. Dani was one-half of the tandem that finished runner-up last year. Seniors Priyanka Sikka and Alleigh Fralick of Rhinelander received the fourth seed. They have compiled a 14-0 record this season, and Fralick gained valuable experience the past two seasons and advancing to the quarterfinals last year with a different partner. Senior Allie Chitko and junior Erika Chitko of Beaver Dam are seeded fifth with a 17-1 record. Seniors Ariel Winter and Sari Edelman of Nicolet are the sixth seed with a 21-5 record, and juniors Jenna Humphreys and Garette Gessert of Kenosha Tremper are seeded seventh with a 10-2 record. The eighth seed is the tandem of sophomore Erin Cole and junior Katie Hammond of Fond du Lac, who have posted a 20-3 record this season after winning a match in the tournament last season.

**DIVISION 2 SINGLES NOTES:** The top three seeds this year mirror the top three seeds from a year ago, which resulted in the top three seeds placing first, second and third, respectively. Defending champion Shannon Etten, a sophomore from Xavier, is the top seed with a 29-0 record. Sophomore Maddy Ecker of University School is the second seed after finishing runner-up last year and having posted a 23-8 mark to this point of the season. Senior Amanda Dick of Kenosha St. Joseph is the third seed with a 16-2 record. She placed third last year after placing fourth in 2008. Senior Maria Koval of Notre Dame is the fourth seed. She has posted a 19-8 record after placing fifth last year and sixth in 2008. Other possible contenders for the singles title are senior Caroline McGuire of Dominican, who advanced to the quarterfinals last year and has posted a 12-2 mark this season, and junior Daley Rupar of Newman Catholic, who also advanced to the quarterfinals last season and is currently 24-7 this year.

**DIVISION 2 DOUBLES NOTES:** Seniors Katie Pott and Christina Schaupp of Notre Dame are the top-seeded doubles duo after finishing fifth last year. In addition, Pott finished runner-up with a different partner in 2008. The senior tandem enters the State Tournament with a 25-1 mark. Senior Lucy Bartlett and junior Riley Kelly of University School are the second seed with their 27-4 record this year. Kelly finished third last season with a different partner. Seniors Leah Powley and Andrea Jumes of Xavier received the #3 seed for the second straight year. Last year, it resulted with a fourth-place finish. They enter the week with a 23-4 record. Junior Rachel Wabers and sophomore Lauren Keller of Edgewood are the fourth seed with a 20-4 mark on the season. Senior Lauren Tubbs of Newman Catholic finished fifth in 2008 and advanced to the quarterfinals last year with a different partner. This year she teams with junior Sarah Connolly for another attempt at the title. They have amassed a 30-1 record this season.

**NEED THE BRACKETS?:** Brackets and qualifiers are available on the WIAA Web site: [www.wiaawi.org](http://www.wiaawi.org). Locate the girls tennis homepage and the State Meet or results option for the respective information.

**NEED CREDENTIALS?:** Media Credential requests for the 2010 WIAA Girls Individual Tennis Championships must be requested by submitting the request from the restricted area of the Media Center on the WIAA Web site by noon Oct. 12. Credentials will be available for pick-up upon arrival at Nielsen Tennis Stadium.

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