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The PAC-7 Conference had a strong showing in the women's tennis post-season this year with 12 ladies qualifying for the Regional Tournament:

- Wheatmore – Kara Comer & Taylor Comer (Doubles); Hannah Carter, Logan Rogers (Singles)
- Randleman – Mackenzie Roach & Kylie Vaughn (Doubles); Emily Roach (Singles)
- Trinity – Thuy Ho & Autumn Gentry (Doubles)
- Providence Grove – Anna Money & Allie Frazier (Doubles)
- Jordan Matthews – Maggie Thornton (Singles)

Friday, June 18th was the first day of regional competition at Cedar Falls Park in Chapel Hill. Hannah Carter was seeded #2 and won both of her matches. Her first win was against Cambyl Scott of Fairmont (6-3, 6-0) and in the second round she had an easy win against Mara Chebut of Durham School of the Arts (6-1, 6-1).

Logan Rogers started off with a hard-fought win against Addison Jacobs of South Columbus (6-2, 6-4). They were on the court for 2 hours 35 minutes. This match took a lot out of Logan as she was facing the #1 seed in the second round, Anna Smith of Whiteville. Logan played hard but came up short (2-6, 2-6).

The doubles team of Comer/Comer was seeded #1. They started play against Carlie West and Heather Hardin of East Bladen and cruised to an easy win (6-0, 6-0). Their second round match was against a tough Durham School of the Arts #1 doubles team in Lauren Phippen and Trinity Konvalinka. They started off slow losing the first set. After a short break between sets they came out on fire winning the second set and then taking it home in the third set. Their final score was (1-6, 6-1, 6-2).

Semi-finals and Finals were played on day two of the Mid-East Regional. Play started at 10:00 am with Hannah Carter facing Emily Roach of Randleman. The two had met in a marathon match 2 weeks earlier in the PAC-7 conference finals. The regional semifinal was another great match with both players playing hard. Hannah took the first set 6-2. Emily made some adjustments in the second set with both players coming to the net more. In the end, Hannah took the second set for the win (6-2, 6-4) and moved on to the Finals.

In the Championship game she was facing a very consistent Anna Smith of Whiteville, who had taken out Hannah's teammate and friend Logan Rogers the day before. In the first set Hannah did not have an answer for Anna's consistent play and lost 1-6. In the second set Hannah jumped out to a quick 4-1 lead but could not hold off the comeback from Smith. She lost in a close second set. The final score was (1-6, 5-7). Hannah Carter finished as runner-up in the 2A Mid East Regional in her senior year and will be playing in the 2A Women's Individual Tennis State Championships this week starting on Friday, June 25th.

In doubles the Comer sisters Semi-final match was against Riley Landen and Gabby Long of Roanoke Rapids. The Wheatmore pair came out slow for the second match in a row and lost the first set 4-6. It did not take long for them to get going after that and they took the next two sets to move on to the regional Finals. The score was (4-6, 6-1, 6-3).

In the finals, Kara and Taylor were facing an unseeded pair from McMichael, Danni Lester and Lauren

Tuttle. This was a true battle for the Mid-East crown. The Comer sisters came out on top (6-4, 5-7, 7-5). This was a 3 ½ hour battle of two equally matched teams. With temperatures reaching into the 90's each team gave it their all and the Wheatmore sisters came out with a victory. Kara and Taylor Comer are the 2A Mid East Regional Doubles Champions and will also be playing in the 2A Women's Individual Tennis State Championships this week starting on Friday, June 25th.



Players and coaches from the Regional Champion Warriors who are also headed to the State Tournament (L to R): Assistant Coach Kim Comer, Kara Comer, Hannah Carter, Taylor Comer, Head Coach Doug Gore. Photo provided.

With the state Dual team championship canceled this year, there was a team title up for grabs at each regional. With the strong showing of the Wheatmore teams, they brought home the 2A Mid East Regional Champion 2020-2021 Women's Tennis Individual Team championship with a total of 17 points. Whiteville came in second with their strong showing. Wheatmore's Kara & Taylor Comer and Hannah Carter along with Randleman's Emily Roach and Jordan-Matthews' Maggie Thornton will all be heading to the state playoffs June 25th.

Using a pre-determined draw, the NCHSAA has announced first round match-ups for this year's 2A Women's Tennis Championship Tournament at Cary Tennis Park.

In singles play, Hannah Carter, Sr of Wheatmore will face Lucy Bovard, Jr of Mount Pleasant, Randleman's Emily Roach, Jr will play Elizabeth Wallace, Sr of Ashe County and Maggie Thornton from Jordan-Matthews will play Jessica Fuchas of Oak Grove.

The doubles team of Taylor Comer, Sr & Kara Comer, Jr will meet Forbush duo Megan Smith, Sr & Elei Ayers, Sr on Friday.

First round winners will play again in the quarterfinals later Friday. The winners of those matches will return Saturday for the Semi-Finals and Championship matches in both singles and doubles.