

Sports

Carter Finishes Third

By Michael Roberts
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William Carter, a sophomore from Raeford, N.C. and the number one seed on the men's tennis team, finished third in the Conference tournament, the best finish at any position in two years. Carter's only loss in the tournament came against Patrick Shramm of High Point College, who had beaten him during the regular season.

Carter stated that he was happy with his finish in the tournament, and added that he knew he could finish high if he played to his best ability. He also commented that although he was slightly disappointed with some unexpected losses during the season, he is happy with his decision to transfer to St. Andrews.

Chad Esposito had an excellent showing also, finishing fourth in the confer-

ence at the number five flight. Ken West finished fifth at the number three flight.

Because of late season injuries and inner-team conflict, the Knights took only three players to the conference tournament, and therefore were never in contention for the team title.

For the regular season, the Knights finished with a 6-10 record. William Carter finished with a record of 9-7 to lead the team in singles, and the second year doubles team of Michael Roberts and Ken West finished with a record of 10-4.

Second year coach Bob Bierbaum had mixed feelings about his team's performance this year. "We had some great moments and great individual performances during the season," said Bierbaum. "I felt like we had the talent to play with every team we faced. Later



L-R Chad Esposito, William Carter, Eric Digons, Ken West, Michael Roberts, Chris Wallace, Coach Bob Bierbaum

in the season, bad luck and the need for

appropriate action to be taken in other situations

forced us to do the best we could with what we had left."

Bierbaum added that he was proud of the team that he

took to the conference and district tournaments because of their ability to overcome adversity and keep their focus."

Women's Tennis Finished Strong

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Although the St. Andrews Women's tennis team got off to a very disappointing start, they managed to gather themselves as a whole and fared very well in the conference tournament.

Going into the Conference tournament, the Lady Knights had only won one match--a 5-4 victory over Belmont Abbey. All singles and doubles members made the consolation finals during the tournament. Winners of the consolation brackets were Robyn Went, at number two singles, Makiko Tomizawa at number five singles, and Denise Wertz at number six singles. The doubles team of Denise Wertz and Nancy Often won the consolation bracket at number three doubles with a

with a 7-5, 6-4 victory over Pfeiffer College.

The teams of Kathy Feely and Robyn Went, and Dawn Guthrie and Kim Hallin also played in the consolation final match.

First year coach Joanne Messick admitted that playing in a tough conference along with tough outside competition made the early part of the season a struggle. "It's tough to see improvement when you're playing powerhouses such as Guilford, Methodist, and High Point," said Messick.

Messick stated that although the season was frustrating, the team entered the tournament with much excitement and enthusiasm. This excitement carried over after the tournament, as the team defeated Greensboro

College 9-0. "I think the team could finally see how much they improved once they started playing teams at their own level," said Messick. "They were able to put it all together."

Messick hopes that with a positive experience in the conference tournament and a solid recruiting year, the team will be more competitive next year. The team will lose Dawn Guthrie, Nancy Often and Denise Wertz to graduation, and the services of Makiko Tomizawa, who is a one-year exchange student. "You can't measure success by scores," stated Messick, "I'm proud of what the team was able to accomplish."

Rhinos Defeat Duke



The St. Andrews Rugby earned its first victory in its short history, with a win over Duke 12-7 on April 21. Team member Chris Edwards remarked that the St. Andrews crowd played a large part in the way the team played. "We expected a few people to show up, but we had no idea that it would be that many," said Edwards. Edwards said that the victory should help the future of St. Andrews rugby.