

Central KY Summer JTT 2013 Newsletter + AUBURN SPECIAL



An ELITE Celebration: The E'town ELITE became the FIRST E'town 14 Intermediate team to reach the finals of the USTA KY JTT championships.



LOVE Notes: My-O-My! What a wonderful weekend of celebration and FUN! The ELITE's success was just one of many terrific events of the USTA KY State JTT Finals held at the Top Gun Academy and Kentucky Country Day school in Louisville.

At a time like this we need to give THANKS to the folks who made this possible.

THANKS TO: The USTA KY staff (Greg Allensworth, Sharon Rahman, Karen Johnson, and Andrew Walker) and the roving umpires who made this one of the finest events I have ever seen. Y'all were terrific!

THANKS TO: The CAPTAINS and CO-CAPTAINS of each team who provided leadership during league matches and the State Finals.

THANKS TO: The PARENTS and relatives who supported us.

THANKS TO: YOU—The 71 players from eight (8) counties that comprised our nine (9) teams.

THANKS TO: BO O'BRIEN and the E'town Tennis Commission for their on-going support.

THANKS TO: ALL OF THE ABOVE for putting up with li'l ol' ME—an old man just trying to help kids through tennis—a sport of a lifetime!

THANKS TO: GOD from whom ALL blessings flow---including the blessings that are YOU!

Coming Attractions

Freeman Lake Interscholastic League

A league of six teams from area schools will begin play on Saturday, September 7 and play matches for six weeks. A State Finals (HS) will be held October 19.

Team organization and player registration will take place during August.

HIGH SCHOOL INTERMEDIATE SIX (6) TEAMS

MIDDLE SCHOOL JTT THREE (3) TEAMS

Central KY Summer JTT 2014

YES—we're going to do it again NEXT year. I hope ALL of you will join again.

Central KY Summer JTT **AUBURN SPECIAL**

CENTRAL Kentucky JTT BE PROUD!!!!

USTA Southern Section JTT 18 Intermediate Group II



THUNDER GOES UNDEFEATED!!

In a weekend filled with changes in weather and court surfaces, the Central Kentucky Thunder swept all four of their 18 Intermediate Group II matches, but still fell three games short of capturing the group championship. In the opening match the Thunder drubbed Georgia 31-20, but the Peach State squad defeated their common group opponents by a greater margin than the Thunder.

Team: Tyler Edlin (5-0), Alex Spalding (5-1); Blake Nelson (5-0),
Natalie Fiepke (3-2), MacKenzie Elkins (4-2), Lauren Wiseman (4-1).
Manager: Todd Edlin **Captain/coach:** Bob Love USPTA

Match Results: Thunder def Georgia 34-23; Thunder def Tennessee 31-20;
Thunder def South Carolina 32-16; Thunder def Louisiana 37-23.

USTA Southern Section JTT 18 Advanced



LIGHTNING STRIKES MISSISSIPPI!

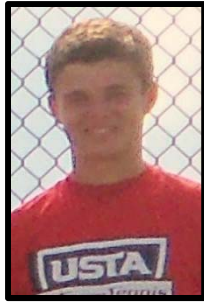
In a weekend filled with changes in weather and court surfaces, the Central Kentucky Lightning defeated Mississippi (32-21) and lost to Tennessee (31-30) on clay courts.. They dropped matches to Alabama, South Carolina, and Georgia to end up 1-4 and in fifth place out of the six division teams.

Team: Will True, Billy Adams, Kenny Wilson, Jamie Anderson, Coach Chad True
Emily Novak, Cassie Pennington, Mary Elaine Kuo

Match Results: Georgia def Lightning 38-19; Lightning def Mississippi 32-21;
Tennessee def Lightning 31-30; Alabama def Lightning 35-24; South Carolina def
Lightning 40-17.

Central KY Summer JTT CHAMPIONS ROLL CALL

THREE-Time State JTT Champions



Tyler Edlin
Elizabethtown

2010 14 Advanced
2012 18 Intermediate
2013 18 Intermediate



Mary Elaine Kuo
Elizabethtown

2010 14 Advanced
2012 18 Advanced
2013 18 Advanced



Alex Spalding
Lebanon

2010 14 Advanced
2012 18 Intermediate
2013 18 Intermediate

TWO-Time State Champions

Billy Adams

Bowling Green

2010 14 Advanced
2013 18 Advanced

Jamie Anderson

Constantine

2012 18 Advanced
2013 18 Advanced

Natalie Fiepke

Elizabethtown

2012 18 Intermediate
2013 18 Intermediate

Emily Novak

Elizabethtown

2012 18 Advanced
2013 18 Advanced

Tad Skaggs

Elizabethtown

2012 18 Intermediate
2013 18 Intermediate

2013 KY STATE JTT CHAMPIONS

18 Advanced



The Central KY LIGHTNING overpowered a team from Owensboro to capture the title and advance to Auburn:
Back: Captain Chad True, Will True, Billy Adams, Jamie Anderson, Kenny Wilson
Front: Emily Novak, Mary Elaine Kuo, Cassie Pennington

18 Intermediate



The Central KY THUNDER repeated as division winners.
Bob Love served as captain/coach for the team.
The players (W-L records) are as follows: Natalie Fiepke (7-1), Lauren Wiseman (5-2), MacKenzie Elkins (6-1), Blake Nelson (7-0), Tad Skaggs (0-1), Tyler Edlin (8-0), Alex Spalding (7-1) (Missing: Lauran Berger)

Central KY Summer JTT TEAM RECOGNITION

18 Intermediate

"So Close..."



Central KY ACES: "Superb" is the word to describe the State Finals for this team. The "Super Six" went 3-1 in tough Group C where they won 131 games and missed making the "final four" by only TWO percentage points. Melissa Hellinger, team captain did a terrific job! The ACES (W-L): Emily Hellinger (3-4), Kristine Herrera (4-0), Amanda Patterson (5-0), Daniel Orr (4-1), Ethan Wright (6-0), Carson McCann (3-2) (Missing Joel Nason)

"Final Four Team"



Marion-Taylor ALL STARS: "Amazing" is the word for this rookie group who turned six-team Group B "on end" by rolling to a 4-1 record and a first-place 177 games-won total. They outscored teams from Paducah, Georgetown, and Louisville, among others. Captains Roger Sharpe and Paula Cassidy were loving caretakers for this energetic bunch, and it paid great rewards. The M-T ALL STARS (W-L): Back: Ryker Cassidy (3-2), Aaron Gray (5-1), Benjamin Sharpe (5-1), Mark Harris (6-0). Front: Kassie Miller (5-1), Elyssa Holt (3-3), Alyssa Farmer (6-2), Madison Cassidy (3-2).

"Bring 'Em On!"



Nelson County ALL STARS: This smiling group of first-timers had a 1-3 record while gaining valuable experience and had FUN while doing it. Mr. George Kaissieh was a wonderful captain. THE N C All Stars fell into the very tough Group C which had 3 of the top five teams in the entire event. The N C ALL STARS: Back—Will Hahn, Timmy Kaissieh, Nathan Kaissieh, Derek Roby Front: Olivia Cundiff, Nada Kaissieh, Shelby Bales, Allison Tucker

Central KY Summer JTT TEAM RECOGNITION

18 Intermediate

“OUCH!”



Central KY SMASH: The injury “bug” bit the SMASH hard, and their results were below their expectations. Captain Jennifer Lewis did a great job of caring for her players as they fought heat and shoulder injuries. Still they gathered valuable experience for next year’s JTT.

The SMASH: Back—Katie Manaway-Daily, Jenny Gerkins, Caitlin Lewis, Maddie Lee

Front: Mac Montgomery, Preston Howell, Faizan Movania, Sam Embry, Mr. Lewis

14 Intermediate

“Narrow Miss!”



E'town ELITE: This team marched through Group A and barely missed earning the trip to Auburn. For a rookie team, their performance was exceptional!

Captains Greg Sutton and Tim Hinkle did a very good job guiding them in JTT competition.

ELITE: Back—Patrick Lawson (2-1), Hunain Abri (3-1), Trevin Cox (3-1), Nathan Henson (3-2)

Front: Laura Hinkle (4-0), Allie Sutton (3-2), Mary-Kate Dennis (2-1), Hannah Lowman (3-1)
(Missing Josh Embry)

“Watch Us Go!”



E'town EAGLES: Improvement by playing was the mission for this team and under captain Todd Anderson, the EAGLES looked better each match. While having FUN and being part of a team, the EAGLES showed that they are ready to move UP in tennis!

EAGLES: Back—Ameer Haider, Cameron Edwards, Nathan Anderson, James Brewer, Asim Movania

Front: Lili Morgan, Minha Bhatti, Tatum Cox

Central KY Summer JTT TEAM RECOGNITION

12 Intermediate

"Action, Please!"



E'town WHIPPERS: With a LOT of pep, the WHIPPERS fought hard in both matches and earned a second-place finish. Karen Hoernke did a super job as captain and kept this high-energy group of future stars moving forward.

WHIPPERS: Back: Anastasia Newsome, Hailey Hoernke, Omar Qurram, Jared Towell
Front: Suleman Khan, Addie Sutton, Spencer McCune, Abby Henson

Extra Photos from Central KY Summer JTT 2013



18 Intermediate Jamboree: Four-team Round Robin on June 22 Freeman Lake Tennis Center



Natalie enjoying!



WHIPPERS whooping it up!



Big Bob at it again!