

Visitor: Denison-Schleswig
Coach: Aaron Ratliff

Home: Clarke, Osceola
Coach: Jeff Ehrhardt

Varsity Singles

Visitor	Home	Score
1. Jacob Heiden	1. Jason Ehrhardt	H 2-6,1-6
2. Nick Ingram	2. Joe Lampe	H 6-4,2-6,2-6
3. Ryan Petersen	3. Dillon Nevius	V 6-2,6-7(4),7-6(3)
4. Andrew Hrabik	4. Ryan Phillips	V 6-3,6-0
5. Joel Aurand	5. Tyler Walters	H 4-6,4-6
6. Philip Keairnes	6. Mitch Lampe	H 6-4,4-6,6-7(8)

Singles Score: 2-4

Varsity Doubles

Visitor	Home	Score
1. Jacob Heiden Nick Ingram	1. Joe Lampe Dillon Nevius	H 3-6,6-1,4-6

Doubles Score: 0-1

Total Varsity Score: 2-5

Varsity Season Record: 11-2

Location: Norwalk Middle School, Norwalk, IA
Date: Saturday, April 22, 2010

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Comments: This was a tough way to end the team's season. Clarke, Osceola was a team very similar to ours in that they were deep and that they had players with a lot of character. Most of the matches were tight and could have gone either way. We fought hard but unfortunately not enough of them went our way today. It takes a good team to qualify for Substate, one of the top 16 in Class 1A. This year's team was one of the best that I've coached and it really hasn't set in yet that this special season is over.

Highlights: Nick Ingram won his first set easily 6-2 before he got into a serving competition with his opponent. They both held their serves through most of the rest of their match, forcing tiebreakers in the 2nd and 3rd set. Nick lost the second set tiebreaker 4-7 but persevered and won the third set tiebreaker 7-3.

Andrew Hrabik rolled through his guy by doing what he does best, hitting consistent groundstrokes with the strength of a bull.

Ryan Petersen started out well playing Clarke's talented #2. He won 6-4 in the first set before fading 2-6, 2-6.

Jacob Heiden and Nick Ingram had a tough assignment in doubles, playing state qualifiers Joe Lampe and Dillon Nevius. Both teams hit well into a loss of serve caused us to fall in the 1st set 3-6. In the second set, both Nick and Jacob were clicking and won easily 6-1. Unfortunately, they lost their service in the first game of the third set and had to play catch-up throughout the rest of the set. Unable to obtain another break, they fell 4-6.

As in Pre-Substate, Philip Keairnes had the final match of the day. He won the first set 6-4, lost the second set 4-6 and battled ferociously in the 3rd set. Coming from behind many times, he forced a 3rd set tiebreaker that swung back and forth. Despite playing well, Philip fell 8-10 in an exciting match.

Varsity Singles Winners: Nick Ingram, Andrew Hrabik

Next Action: Friday, May 28 State 1A Doubles Tournament Waterloo, IA

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Here are the individual records of the guys so far this season.

Jacob Heiden	8-7	4th place in Hawkeye-10 #1 Singles Tournament
Ryan Petersen	10-3	
Nick Ingram	10-5	4th place in Hawkeye-10 #2 Singles Tournament
Andrew Hrabik	12-2	
Joel Aurand	9-5	
Philip Keairnes	9-4	
Heiden/Ingram	9-6	2nd place in District 1A Doubles Tournament
Keairnes/Petersen	11-5	5th place in Hawkeye-10 #1 Doubles Tournament
Aurand/Hrabik	11-2	4th place in Hawkeye-10 #2 Doubles Tournament

Senior Profiles:

Joel Aurand

Joel made huge strides since his freshman year. Voted most improved player in his junior year, he continued that growth through his senior year, by developing an intimidating spin serve and consistent groundstrokes. He was a difference maker in this year's dual victory over Atlantic. I'll remember him most for his desire to help the younger players get better. I can see him making a good coach someday.

Nick Ingram

Nick was one of the team leaders that the rest of the team rallied behind. Since his sophomore year he has been one of the hardest servers I have ever coached. Coupled with his dominating return game, he was one of the most intimidating players in our conference. It is gratifying that he earned a trip to the state doubles tournament this year. He came so close last year and I think Jacob Heiden and he will play a dark horse role and surprise many teams.

Dan Bohnker

Dan started out in summer tennis as someone that just enjoyed playing tennis, but by the time he was a senior he had started to develop a serious forehand that made you take notice.

Cail Fletcher

Cail also started out as a recreational player that developed some true tennis skills. He really enjoyed his time on the courts.

Brady Goodwin

Brady rose to high JV status which on a team of 44 is difficult to do. He would have made a varsity player on most of the teams we faced this season.

Lucas Ipsen

Lucas was a joy to be around. He had a great attitude and played tennis how it is meant to be played...as fun.

Zack Noel

Zack started out as team manager who I convinced the following year to actually play. After seeing him struggle that first year, I wondered if I had done the wrong thing. By his senior year, he could really play and rose up a staggering 13 rungs on our depth chart.

Kyle Rickers

I took notice of Kyle quickly as a sophomore. He had a fantastic backhand which is rare for a beginning player. By the senior year, his forehand finally caught up. Given more match time on a smaller team, he could have easily cracked a varsity lineup.

Cole Wingert

Cole really enjoyed his time on the court for all four years. He started out as a recreational player that by his senior year climbed all the way up to #14 on a 44 person team.

This senior group, more than any that I've coached, enjoyed the fun of tennis. I always thought that large numbers and limited match time would sour their experience, but they kept coming back and kept getting better. I'm sad to see them go.