

Independence Open Tennis Tourney results

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The weather was hot and the tennis even hotter at this year's 18th annual Independence Open Tennis Tourney held from July 21- July 23, 2011. The tournament was sponsored this year by First Harrison Bank, Salem True Value Hardware, Daniel R. Anderson, MD Floyd Memorial Medical Group and Zink Signs.

The generosity of these sponsors will provide scholarships of over \$900.00 for four local high school students. The Washington County Tennis Association wants to thank Eastern School for the use of their courts, tournament director Eldon Whitlow for all his hard work, and all of the brave souls who endured the heat to participate in this year's event.

Nikki Nale and Samantha Cusick of Pekin took first place in the Girls Doubles by defeating Britany Pollock and Lauren Tully of Jeffersonville. Kelsey Harrell and Amy Hein, also of Pekin, took second place. Alexis Applegate of Floyds Knobs came out on top in the Girls Singles, followed by Borden's Sarah Hurst in second place. McKenzie Owens of Borden defeated Katrina Klingsmith of South Central to win the Pro-set.

Pekin's Grant Newcomb placed first in the Boys Singles, followed by Alex Doebler, also of Pekin, in second place. Jalen Brown of Salem placed first in the Boys 16 & up Singles, defeating both Jordan Gray of Pekin and Chris Braun of Charlestown. Braun placed second. In the Boys Doubles, Champs Dylon Scott and Jared Sanders of Borden defeated second place winners Matt Quillen and Terry Chism of Pekin. Matt Pickerill and Katrina Albertson of Pekin won first place in the younger Mixed Doubles tournament. They defeated Kellen and Olivia Hazelip of Salem.

In the Womens Singles, Katherine Clark of Charlestown placed first, followed by Salem's Mindy Gunn in second place. In the Mens Singles, Don Bingham, Borden, defeated Fred Nolan, Campbellsburg, for first place. Ron Clark of Charlestown took second. In the Mens Doubles, Ross Shauver, Borden, and Robert Klingsmith, Salem, defeated Michael and Alex Doebler of Pekin to take first place.

Michael Hewitt of Memphis won the Mens Open, defeating second place winner James Cruz of Scottsburg. Katherine Clark of Charlestown and Michael Doebler of Pekin placed first in the adult Mixed Doubles.

Congratulations to all of this year's winners!