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## Tennis and Golf

With the arrival of the new decade great things came for the tennis team. No longer did a few students sluggishly come out for the tennis team and make a half-hearted attempt at a successful season.

The team was narrowed down to fifteen members after two cuts. Three-fourths of these players happened to be rookies. However, the inexperience phased no one this year, as this was the most successful season the team has had in the past six years and the third best in the WHS tennis history. Instead of the usual 13 losses, they managed an almost "500 season" with a 7-8 win-loss record.

"I think that when we discovered this newfound quality our tennis team had, we mutually decided we could and would make it far. And we did," third-year player Jamie Kaye recalled.

This spirit wasn't present only in matches. It also carried some team members to other tournaments. Peter Herm, Jamie Kaye, Justin Ulrich, and Patrick Paolantonio attended and earned trophies at the Beaufort Invitational.

At the season's end, Coach Cathy Layton, tennis instructor of twelve years, was rewarded for her team's efforts. She was named region six 4-A tennis Coach of the Year.

"It was a very big surprise. I'm just proud of the team — they proved themselves to everybody. For that, I owe it all to them," Coach Layton expressed.

Team-member Allyson Bridge found that tennis paid off in addition to providing entertainment and enjoyment.

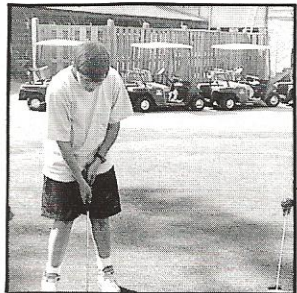
"I received a tennis scholarship to Columbia College. Without my three-year experience on the WHS tennis team, I seriously doubt that would have happened," senior Allyson Bridge claimed.

In golf, with returning and new members, this team progressed more than ever. Participating on the team were seniors Hunter Hiers and Wes Maxey; sophomores Josh White and Jeff Young; and eighth-graders Will Crook, Trey Rhodes, and Benji Vincent.

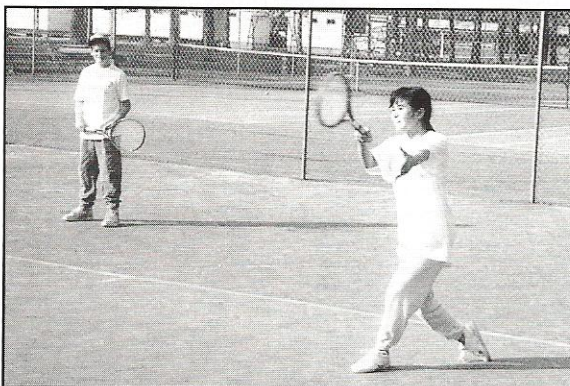
Breaking their previous records, they lifted themselves out of their "cellar" position after beating James Island, Stratford, and Goose Creek.

"Golfing in the 90's is happening. In the next few years I think we'll get even better," predicted Josh White, a potential pro.

— Hallie Gregory



**EIGHTH-GRADER WILL CROOK** putts to improve his stroke on hole number one.



**ROOKIE FRANK ULMER** watches the ball as his doubles partner Miwa Muranaka returns it. Although Frank is a seventh-grader, he is ranked fourth-seed.

**NUMERO UNO** WHS golfer Jeff Young shows his expertise in his strokes.

