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Meridian Community College hosted its first ever MCC High School Doubles’ Invitational Tournament Saturday, January 31 at the Meridian CC tennis courts. The tournament hosted 46 high school players from Newton County Academy, West Lauderdale High School, Lamar Academy, Leake Academy, Meridian High School, Starkville High School, East Webster High School, Quitman High School, and the Home School Association.

The format for the tournament was pool play. The women’s bracket consisted of four pools—two pools of eight doubles teams and two pools with six doubles teams. The winners of pool 1 and 3 played the winner of pool 2 and 4 to advance to the championship. After a very long day and several full matches, West Lauderdale’s doubles team of Jordyn Hull and Meagan Buchanan were declared the winners and were presented the trophies for the girl’s division. The winner of Pool 1 was Mary Ann Hodge/Ann Morgan Lamar from Lamar Academy. They advanced to the playoffs with wins over Bethany Morris/Bailey Morris from Quitman and Josiei Hurst/Kirbi Hurst from Newton County.

The winners of Pool 3 were Chaney Mills/Lizzie Stewart from Newton County. They advanced to the playoffs by defeating Darby Gillette/Caroline Green. Darby plays for MHS and Caroline for West Lauderdale. Mills/Stewart defeated Hodge/Lamar 5-2, 5-7, 10-7 to advance to the championships. Hodge and Lamar took the record for the longest time on the courts Saturday as their first match lasted over two hours. The Pool 2 winner was Rebekah Jackson and Rachel Sollie from West Lauderdale. They advanced to the playoff round by defeating Walton Turnage/Alyssa Goodman from Lamar and Kailee Brown/Kayla Baucom from Newton County. In the semifinals, Jackson/Sollie played teammates Jorydn Hull/Meagan Buchanan with Hull/Buchanan winning 6-2, 7-5. Hull/Buchanan won Pool 4 to advance to the semifinals with wins over Blake Barham/Kara Edwards from Lamar and Leake Academy, Alex Tindall/Kennedy Rodriguez from Newton County, and teammates Harper Bryan/Farrah Williamson. In the finals Hull/Buchanan defeated Mill/Stewart in a pro set 8-1 to win the girl’s bracket.

The men’s draw consisted of ten doubles teams from Starkville, Newton County, Home School Association, East Webster, West Lauderdale, and Lamar. The winners from Pool 1 were Will Irwin/Richard Hill from Starkville. They won their pool by winning both their matches. In Pool 2, the winners followed suit by winning both their matches.

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Will, Irwin and Richard Hill of Starkville High School Winners of Boys’ Doubles.