From School Reports

After a weekend of play, Meridian Community College women’s tennis team finds itself 1-1 on the season. On Friday, the ladies traveled to East Central Community College for its first match of the season. The team defeated ECCC by a score of 7-2. In women’s action, Meridian took all three doubles matches. Paige Gibson and Jennifer Smith teamed up at number one to take the win 8-6. Meridian’s two duo, Caroline Terry/Alden Hartley cruised to an easy win by a score of 8-3. MCC’s Taylor White and Jami Daugherty got off to a slow start but pulled off an 8-5 win. In single’s action, Meridian lost the line one singles. Paige Gibson, a Lamar graduate, lost in a great effort to Shannon St. Clair 6-3, 7-5. Terry lost to Hannah Peebles in three sets by a score of 0-6, 7-5, and 10-7. At number three singles, Jennifer Smith took the win over Kaley Bufkin 6-0, 7-5. Taylor White took the win over Mackie Smith at number four singles 6-0, 6-2; Alden Hartley at number five singles won in straight sets 6-3, 6-2. Shannon Stockstill struggled in a first set but cranked it up to a different notch in the second set and pulled out a 7-5, 6-1 win.

The Lady Eagles struggled on Saturday against Falkner State, losing 5-4. Meridian took 2 of the three doubles’ points. Terry/Hartley spent little time in establishing dominance at the two spot with an 8-0 victory. White/Daugherty won 8- at three doubles. Smith/Gibson came in dominant but fell behind after the 2-0 start. They fought back to tie the match at 5-all before succumbing to the consistent play of Falkner’s duo Parris Cruse/Christian Early, losing 8-5. Meridian struggled in singles losing four tie-break matches. MCC’s Gibson lost to Parris Cruse 1-6, 6-3, 10-8. At two singles, MCC’s Terry was on and off the court for a 6-2, 6-2 win. At three singles, Jennifer Smith fell to Falkner’s Leasha Peeples 2-6, 7-6(5), 10-6. The other win for Meridian came from sophomore Taylor White at four singles 6-4, 6-2. MCC’s Harley lost in a third set to Jameka James 0-6, 7-5, 12-10. Summer Stockstill lost a tough match 6-4, 3-6, and 10-6.

In men’s action over the weekend, MCC men downed ECCC men by a score of 7-2. Meridian took two of the double’s points to establish an early lead. Shane Trebisky/Chris Mallette dominated the match at one winning 8-0. At two, Judson Watson/Walt Harrington took the set 8-3. Samuel Butler/Reed Kasper fell behind early. They managed to get back in the match but fell to Cole Duty/Alex Coleman 8-6. Meridian took five of the six singles matches. Meridian’s D’Quante Evans lost at six singles in three sets 6-2, 6-7(6), 10-4. Trebisky took a 0, 0 victory over Juan Miranda. At two, Mallette won 6-2, 6-4. Judson Watson dominated the match at three winning 1, 1. Butler defeated ECCC’s Rpbert Strong 2, 4. Freshman Walt Harrington defeated Devin Skinner 6-3, 3-6, 10-5.

In other action this weekend, MCC men fell to Falkner State 6-3. MCC’s Trebisky/Mallette played an outstanding double’s match at one defeating Teague/Morton 8-4. The two and three doubles teams of Watson/Harrington and Butler/Kasper lost 8-6, 8-3 respectively. MCC picked up single’s wins at the three and four positions. Watson of MCC defeated Joe Smith 2, 3 and Butler defeated Jake Long 7-6(4), 3-6, 10-4. Trebisky lost in straight sets at one single’s to a highly ranked junior player Dallas Teague 6-4, 6-0. Mallette lost to Oxford Emory out of Georgia 6-3. Trebisky/Mallette again played outstanding doubles to win 8-3 over Lu/Heaney. The three doubles duo of Butler/Kasper played well in the match against OE to take an 8-4 win. MCC’s Harrington/Watson lost a close match 8-6. MCC could not pull out any wins at singles as Trebisky was the only winner. He took the one singles 3, 4 against James Heaney. Mallette lost to Peter Higgins in two sets 6-1, 7-6. Watson lost to Lu 4,5; Butler fell 5, 4 to Chris Giles. Sahari of OE won in straight sets over Harrington 0, 3. D’Quante Evans fell 1, 1 to Vignesh Sandaran. Meridian is now 1-2 on the season.

The Meridian men and women return to action Monday at Hinds Community College in Raymond beginning at 2 p.m.