

2013 MIAC Women's Tennis Preview and Preseason Coaches' Poll

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ST. PAUL, Minn. -- There was certainly a changing of the guard in MIAC women's tennis in 2012, as Carleton snapped an incredible Gustavus reign of success to claim both the conference's regular-season and MIAC Playoff championships. As the new season opens, several questions need answering. How will the Knights respond as defending champions? Will the Gusties regain their championship form? Are there any other teams - like St. Thomas - ready to make it more than a two-team race for the title?

Those questions will make the 2013 MIAC women's tennis season one for the ages, as several of the top teams return plenty of talent, and starting a season without a Gustavus title defense almost carries the feel of a dawn of a new era, after **Jon Carlson's** team was so dominant in conference play for so long. How dominant? Gustavus had won 20-straight MIAC Regular-Season Championships and its loss to Carleton on the final day of the regular season was just the Gusties' second in a span of 221 matches. Carlson's crew had also won all five MIAC Playoff titles until last year, when **Luciano Battaglini's** Knights became the first non-Gustie team to hoist the hardware.

Carleton used its two victories over Gustavus to finish a perfect 10-0 in conference play en route to the title, and it compiled a 19-6 overall record. Meanwhile, the Gusties went 9-1 to settle for second place in the MIAC, with a 17-9 overall record. Carlson's overall conference coaching record is an amazing 219-2. St. Olaf and Saint Benedict tied for third place in the league standings at 7-3 in the MIAC, as the Oles went 11-4 overall and the Blazers were 12-8.

St. Thomas rounded out the MIAC's top five with a 5-5 conference record, and an 11-8 overall mark. St. Catherine used a clutch win over the season's final weekend to improve its conference record to even at 5-5 (12-8 overall) and, in the process, claimed the final spot in the six-team MIAC Playoffs. Concordia was 13-8 overall and 4-6 in the MIAC, just missing the postseason in seventh place.

Macalester (10-9) and Saint Mary's (11-11) shared eighth place in the league with identical 3-7 records, and Bethel (6-13, 1-9 MIAC) and Hamline (0-17, 0-10 MIAC) rounded out the final two spots in the conference standings a year ago.

New team on top

Just as there was a new team on top of the standings in 2012, there is a new team headlining the 2013 MIAC Women's Tennis Preseason Coaches' Poll. After dethroning Gustavus, it's no surprise to see Carleton tabbed as the favorite heading into this season. Battaglini's bunch was a unanimous pick, receiving 10 first-place votes and 100 points, as coaches were not allowed to vote for their own team.

Gustavus and St. Thomas tied for the second spot in the poll at 84 points apiece, and that close vote for the No. 2 ranking raises the question of whether a two-team race for the title will really end up featuring three or even four teams. Certainly the Gusties are expected to be in the thick of things again, and the coaches predict that the Tommies will continue their ascent up the MIAC standings to make things interesting as well.

St. Olaf received 72 points to finish fourth in the poll, and the fifth-place team, St. Catherine, was just four points back of the Oles at 68. The Wildcats received the other first-place vote. Saint Benedict held down the No. 6 spot, receiving 52 points to round out the coaches predictions for the 2013 MIAC Playoff field.

Macalester is predicted as the first team outside the postseason looking in, finishing seventh in the poll with 42 points. Bethel edged Saint Mary's by the slimmest of margins - 34 to 33 - for the No. 8 spot in the poll. Concordia came in at No. 10 with 24 points, and Hamline rounded out the predictions with 12 points in 11th place.

What's new?

There will be two new faces in the MIAC this year, as two teams made coaching changes following last season. Bethel head coach **Dan Morton** retired following the 2012 season, so the Royals hired **Drew Fernilius** to lead their tennis programs going forward. He was a two-time All-American during his playing days at St. Thomas, and returns to the MIAC after coaching at Robbinsdale Armstrong High School. Concordia also made a coaching change, as interim head coach **Andrea Rognlien** replaces **Troy Hanestad** as the leader of the Cobber program. Rognlien just completed a stellar All-MIAC career for Concordia, and takes over for the 2013 season a year after winning the MIAC's prestigious Chris Evert Award.

The two new coaches mark the first time a MIAC school has made a coaching change in five years, when **Ben Hageseth** was hired to take over the women's tennis program at St. Catherine. Other than that, all MIAC head coaches have been at their post for at least six years, with St. Olaf's **Scott Nesbit** serving as the longest-tenured with 25 years coaching the Oles.

Who's back?

Carleton has one major hurdle in its title defense - replacing decorated All-American **Kathryn Schmidt**, who graduated in 2012 - but Battaglini's squad has a lot of talent back to bolster hopes for a repeat. **Bridget Doyle** has been an All-MIAC performer in both singles and doubles in each of her three seasons, and the senior returns to lead the Knights. All-MIAC performers **Anne Lombardi** and **Molly Hemes** will also be up front for a talented Carleton squad.

Gustavus also returns a talented squad, despite the graduation of four-time All-MIAC star **Megan Gaard**. Sophomore **Laurel Krebsbach** emerged as one of the league's best players in her first season, earning All-MIAC singles and doubles honors, and senior **Mallory Shellum** will provide the upperclassmen leadership after going 8-1 in MIAC singles matches in 2012.

St. Thomas returns nearly its entire Playoff team intact from a year ago, led by No. 1 singles player, senior **Mary Allen**. A pair of super sophomores, **Kara Lefsrud** and **Brittany Alexander**, are huge factors in the optimism surrounding the Tommies in 2013. St. Olaf also hopes to get into title contention behind a pair of All-MIAC singles players, senior **Julia Ellis** and sophomore **Kristi Kroker**, who were a combined 15-5 in MIAC singles play a year ago.

Hageseth's St. Catherine team graduated one notable player from last year's Playoff team - **Lauren Beadnell** - but the Wildcats should again be in contention for the postseason behind a trio of All-MIAC talents. Senior **Michaela Burroughs** was an All-MIAC doubles player, as was sophomore **Angie Lorenzen**, while super soph **Maria Koval** was both singles and doubles All-Conference in her first year at SCU. Saint Benedict is also looking for a return trip to the postseason and, after graduating one All-MIAC player and a few other key members of its lineup, the Blazers will look to junior **Jamie Hoffman** to lead the charge in 2013.

Macalester's optimism in 2013 is centered on the return of its top three singles players from a year ago. No. 1 **Katelyn Glenna** (sophomore), No. 2 **Paige Schaefer** (senior) and No. 3 **Alicia Roopchand** (sophomore) are all back for the Scots. Bethel also suffered few casualties to graduation, and hopes for improvement in year one under Fernelius. No. 1 singles **Lisa Scheevel** (senior) will lead, with No. 2 **Steph Brown**(senior) and No. 3 **Kristin Vivian** (sophomore) also back in the mix.

Saint Mary's returns a pair of players with winning singles records in sophomore **Lindsey Reinisch** (14-8) and senior **Deanne Weber** (13-7) who will try to offset the loss of talented sisters **Bailey** and **McKennah Edwards**. Rognlien - the Concordia interim head coach - will face the unusual task of trying to replace herself in the lineup after her excellent career. She'll turn to senior leaders and former teammates **Olivia DeLeon**, **Chelsie McGraw** and **Julie Olson** to lead the Cobbers. Hamline will look to improve in 2013, with junior **Carissa Wallerich** leading the way for the Pipers.

Circle these dates

The 2013 MIAC women's tennis season starts with nonconference play on Feb. 1, when defending champ Carleton takes the court to kick off the new campaign. Several other MIAC schools join in the fun the following day, Feb. 2. The first MIAC match of the year is set for Feb. 7, with scattered conference matches in February and March. However, the bulk of the conference schedule will be played in April, concluding on April 28.

Some important matchups between like teams in the standings start on Feb. 28, when Saint Mary's travels to the Twin Cities to meet Bethel in a 7 p.m. match. Saint Ben's and Macalester go head-to-head in a match with postseason implications on March 9, in Sartell, Minn., at 1 p.m. Concordia travels to Hamline on April 12 in a 4 p.m. showdown of teams trying to move up the MIAC ladder, and St. Olaf and St. Catherine collide in Northfield on April 26 in another match that could determine seeds or a postseason bid.

The drama should be rich at the top of the standings, with Carleton, Gustavus and St. Thomas all set to play a round robin the final week of the season. The Tommies host the Gusties on April 21 at 11 a.m., then travel to Northfield to face the defending champs on April 26. And, like last year, Gustavus and Carleton will meet - this time on the Knights' home court - on the final day of the regular season (April 28 at 2 p.m.) in a final match that could determine the league champion.

The following weekend will be the 2013 MIAC Women's Tennis Playoffs, which will be hosted by Gustavus in St. Peter, Minn. , on May 3-4. The two quarterfinal matches will be played Friday, May 3, at 3 p.m., with both the semifinal (11:30 a.m.) and championship (4 p.m.) matches set for Saturday, May 4. As always, the top two seeds receive a bye into the semifinals, and the winner of the tournament will receive the MIAC's automatic bid to the 2013 NCAA Division III Women's Tennis Tournament.

A closer look

The rest of the 2013 MIAC Women's Tennis Preview contains more details and information about each team to provide a closer look at each MIAC squad as the season draws near. Scroll down to see complete results from the 2013 MIAC Women's Tennis Preseason Coaches' Poll, Playoff information, helpful links and team-by-team previews along with links to each team's women's tennis home page. This season, the team previews - provided by each school's sports information director - received a facelift to give fans a more user-friendly way to prepare for the upcoming season.

Continue to visit the MIAC Web site throughout the season for updated scores, standings, stats and more, and for additional updates and interaction connect to the MIAC on its social media pages, including [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).

2013 MIAC Women's Tennis Preseason Coaches' Poll

Coaches voted for every team in the conference except their own team. Points were assigned for each vote (10 for first, nine for second, etc.) Teams are ranked in order of highest point total to lowest with vote totals listed and first-place votes shown in parentheses.

2013 MIAC Women's Tennis Preseason Coaches' Poll		
Rank	Institution	Total
1	Carleton (10)	100
T2	Gustavus	84
T2	St. Thomas	84

4	St. Olaf	72
5	St. Catherine (1)	68
6	Saint Benedict	52
7	Macalester	42
8	Bethel	34
9	Saint Mary's	33
10	Concordia	24
11	Hamline	12

2013 MIAC Women's Tennis Playoffs

The 2013 MIAC Playoffs will feature the top six teams in the conference standings playing in a single-elimination postseason tournament, with all matches played at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minn. The top two seeds receive first-round byes, with the other four squaring off in the quarterfinals. The two quarterfinal games will be held Friday, May 3 with the winners advancing to the second and final day of the tournament, as both the semifinals and championship will take place on Saturday, May 4. The winner will receive the MIAC's automatic bid to the 2012-13 NCAA Division III Men's Tennis Tournament.

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BETHEL | [Royals' women's tennis home page](#) |

Head coach

- Drew Fernelius (First season)

A Year Ago

- 1-8 MIAC (10th place) | 6-13 Overall

Top Returners

- Lisa Scheevel (Sr. | #1 singles, 6-13 record, #1 doubles, 7-12 record)
- Steph Brown (Sr., | #2 singles, 4-15 record, #1 doubles, 7-12 record)
- Kristin Vivian (So., | #3 singles, 10-9 record, #2 doubles, 9-10 record)

Key Losses

- None

By the Numbers

- 10-9: The lone Royals with winning records in singles play in 2012 were Amanda Johnson and Kristin Vivian who both had 10-9 records.
- 0: The Royals did not have a single senior on the 2012 roster.
- 5: Bethel will play five matches under the sun in Orlando, Florida in their annual spring break trip. The Royals play one match each day from March 11-15.

Did You Know?

- First year head coach Drew Fernelius was a two-time NCAA Tennis All-American at the University of St. Thomas in the early '90's. He was also a Minnesota State High School champion at New London-Spicer High School. Assistant Coach Rebecca Leland was an outstanding player as well for Northwestern College and was a UMAC Academic All-Conference selection all four years and was an All-Conference selection three times. She was a two-time UMAC doubles champion.

Off the Court

- Abby Edin returns to the Royals lineup in 2013 after missing the 2012 season while studying abroad in Guatamala from February-May 2012. The Royals #1 singles player in 2011, Edin is a double major in Spanish Education K-12 and Teaching English as a Second Language K-12. Edin posted a 7-10 record playing #1 singles for the Royals in 2011 and was 10-7 as a #2 doubles player.



CARLETON | [Knights' women's tennis home page](#) |

Head coach

- Luciano Battaglini (Sixth season)

A Year Ago

- 10-0 MIAC (First place) | 19-6 Overall

In the 2012 Postseason

- 2012 MIAC Playoff Champion - Defeated St. Thomas (5-0) in semifinals, Gustavus (5-3) in championship
- 2012 NCAA Division III Championships - Defeated Grinnell (5-0), lost to Univ. of Chicago (0-5)

Top Returners

- Bridget Doyle (Sr., | All-MIAC in both singles and doubles in 2010, 2011 & 2012; 13-8 overall (7-2 MIAC) in singles and 18-6 in doubles (7-2 MIAC) last year)
- Anne Lombardi (Jr., | All-MIAC in both singles and doubles in 2011 & 2012; 21-5 overall (9-0 MIAC) in singles and 23-6 in doubles (9-1 MIAC) last year)
- Molly Hemes (Jr., All-MIAC in both singles and doubles in 2012; 16-5 overall in singles (10-0 MIAC) and 19-6 in doubles (10-0 MIAC) last year)

Key Losses

- Kathryn Schmidt (Nationally ranked all four years and first Carleton tennis player—male or female—to earn All-America distinction all four years; career 76-19 singles record, including 37-1 in MIAC matches; career 55-15 doubles record (32-1 MIAC); All-MIAC in singles and doubles all four years)
- Erin Gudul (All-MIAC in singles and doubles in 2009, 2010 & 2011; career 54-19 singles record, including 26-6 in MIAC matches; career 57-19 doubles record, including 33-1 in MIAC matches)

By the Numbers

- 3: After not defeating Gustavus for nearly 24 years, Carleton topped the Gusties not once, not twice, but three times in 2012. The Knights won 5-4 at the Midwest Invitational in April, then bested Gustavus (5-4) in the winner-take-all regular-season finale for the MIAC title in early May. A week later, Carleton continued the trend with a 5-3 win in the finals of the MIAC Playoffs.
- 16: This fall the Knights welcomed a recruiting class that was ranked No. 16 in the Tennis Recruiting Network's top-25 NCAA Division III recruiting classes for 2012.
- 17-1: After going 9-0 against MIAC competition last season, Anne Lombardi is now 17-1 in singles matches during conference play.

Did You Know?

- Senior Bridget Doyle and first-year Mikayla Becich claimed the doubles title at the 2012 ITA Fall Regional and advanced to the ITA Small College Championships. The regional title also ensures that the duo will earn All-America status at the end of the 2012-13 season.

Off the Court

- For the 11th consecutive year, the Carleton College women's tennis team was recognized by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) for achieving All-Academic Team status. The Knights are the only MIAC tennis program—male or female—to receive this award every year since its inception in 2002. The Knights had 5 of the 17 MIAC female student-athletes chosen as ITA Scholar-Athletes.



CONCORDIA | [Cobbers' women's tennis home page](#) |

Head coach

- Andrea Rognlien (First Season, Interim Head Coach)

A Year Ago

- 4-6 MIAC (Seventh Place) | 13-8 Overall

Top Returners

- Chelsie McGraw (Sr., Litchfield, Minn.) | #3/4/5/6 Singles 11-7 record; #1/2/3 doubles 12-7
- Olivia DeLeon (Sr., Fargo, N.D./Fargo North HS) | #3/6 Singles 0-2 record; #3 doubles 0-1

Key Losses

- Andrea Rognlien (Fargo, N.D.) | 2012 MIAC Chris Evert award winner; 2012 MIAC All-Conference; #1 Singles 16-2 record

By the Numbers

- 4: Concordia won their final four matches of 2012
- 27: The Cobbers have won 21 matches in the past three seasons
- 38: Cobber senior Chelsie McGraw has played in 38 career matches at Concordia

Did You Know?

- Concordia will open the season on their annual spring break trip to Florida on Feb. 28-Mar.3
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GUSTAVUS | [Gusties' women's tennis home page](#) |

Head coach

- Jon Carlson (23rd Season)

A Year Ago

- 9-1 MIAC (Second Place) | 17-9 Overall

In the 2012 Postseason

- 2012 MIAC Playoffs - Defeated St. Olaf 5-0 in semifinals, fell to Carleton 5-3 in championship

Top Returners

- Laurel Krebsbach (So., North Oaks, Minn. | 2012 All-MIAC singles and doubles performer, finished MIAC singles play 7-2)
- Mallory Shellum (Sr., St. James, Minn. | Tallied 8-1 mark against MIAC singles opponents in 2012)

Key Losses

- Megan Born (Antigo, Wis. | 2012 All-MIAC singles and doubles performer, finished 10-0 in singles play against MIAC competition)
- Alex Erickson (Minnetonka, Minn. | Two-time All-MIAC singles and doubles performer, 63-23 career singles mark, 53-25 career doubles record)
- Megan Gaard (Edina, Minn. | Four-time All-MIAC singles and doubles performer, finished career 77-44 in singles and 103-38 in doubles)

By the Numbers

- 2: The number of regular season MIAC matches the Gusties have lost since 1990.
- .991: Head Coach Jon Carlson's winning percentage against MIAC opponents.
- 47: The number of singles wins returning from last year's squad.

Did You Know?

- Of the nine players on the Gustavus roster, only one resides from outside the state of Minnesota. First-year Amelia Napiorkowski hails from Saint Charles, Ill. as the lone Gustie from outside the Land of 10,000 Lakes.
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HAMLIN | [Pipers' women's tennis home page](#) |

Head coach

- Jon Henning (Sixth season)

A Year Ago

- 0-10 MIAC (11th place) | 0-17 Overall

Top Returners

- Carissa Wallerich (Jr., West Salem, Wis.)

Key Losses

- Elizabeth Allen
- Anna Yarborough

By the Numbers

- 2: Academic All-MIAC players
- 3: years in a row the Pipers have made the ITA All-Academic team
- 13: number of athletes on the 2013 roster, the largest HU contingent in years

Did You Know?

- Several members of the women's tennis team played a major role in the collection and deliverance of supplies to troops overseas during the holidays.
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MACALESTER | [Scots' women's tennis home page](#) |

Head coach

- Jason Muhl (Sixth season)

A Year Ago

- 3-7 MIAC (T-8th place) | 10-9 Overall

Top Returners

- Katelyn Glenna (So., played No. 1 singles as frosh and went 11-8, 3-7 in MIAC, 10-9 at No. 1 doubles)
- Paige Schaefer (Sr., 11-7 at No. 2 singles, 4-6 at second singles in MIAC, 9-2 at No. 2 doubles)
- Alicia Roopchand (So., 8-11 at No. 3 singles, 3-7 in MIAC, 9-13 in doubles play)

Key Losses

- Lucy Miner (8-9 in singles, mostly at No. 4-6)

By the Numbers

- #18: This will be the 18th consecutive year Macalester has played matches over Spring Break in Hilton Head, South Carolina.
- #31 : Paige Schaefer has been in the top half of the singles lineup the last three years and enters her senior season with 31 career wins.
- #: explanation

Did You Know?

- Among the assistant coaches on Jason Muhl's staff are his father, Chuck Muhl, and his wife, Kelli Muhl.

Off the Court

- Macalester had three men's tennis players gain Academic All-MIAC honors in 2012.
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SAINT BENEDICT | [Blazers women's tennis home page](#) |

Head coach

- Scott Larsen (Seventh season)

A Year Ago

- 7-3 MIAC (T-3rd place) | 13-9 Overall

In the 2012 Postseason

- Lost 5-4 to St. Thomas in first round of MIAC Tournament

Top Returners

- Jamie Hoffman (Jr. | Starter in the MIAC Tournament, winning her match at No. 5 singles, played two matches at No. 1 singles during the season)

Key Losses

- Alyson Brandell (All-MIAC)
- Alicia Vargas (6-3 overall, 3-2 MIAC, team win leader with six) • Taylor Renier (5-2 overall, 2-2 MAIC, second on the team in wins)

By the Numbers

- 6: New faces on the Blazer squad this spring • 7: Wins in MIAC play in each of the last three seasons

Did You Know?

- The Blazers are one of the first MIAC teams to take the court this season, opening the season on Feb. 2 in Lakeville, Minn. against Division II, University of Sioux Falls. Only Carleton on Feb. 1 plays before the Blazers, while Hamline, Saint Mary's and St. Thomas also start on the second. Most of the rest of the MIAC gets going the following weekend.



ST. CATHERINE | [Wildcats' women's tennis home page](#) |

Head coach

- Ben Hageseth (Fifth season)

A Year Ago

- 5-5 MIAC (Sixth place) | 12-8 Overall

In the 2012 Postseason

- Earned No. 6 spot in 2012 MIAC playoffs, fell 8-1 to St. Olaf in quarterfinal round

Top Returners

- Michaela Burroughs (Sr. | All-MIAC in doubles, 6-4 in MIAC doubles matches, 8-4 overall at No. 1 doubles)
- Maria Koval (So. | All-MIAC in singles and doubles, 6-4 in MIAC matches at No. 2 singles, 8-2 in MIAC doubles matches)
- Angie Lorenzen (So. | All-MIAC in doubles, 8-2 in MIAC doubles matches, 15-3 overall at No. 2 doubles)

Key Losses

- Lauren Beadnell (All-MIAC in doubles, 6-4 in MIAC doubles matches, 9-3 overall at No. 2 doubles)

By the Numbers

- 5: Four different Wildcats earned a total of five All-MIAC honors, the most since 2005 when the team pulled in four. In her first season as a Wildcat, Maria Koval was the only player on the St. Catherine squad to earn the honor in both singles and doubles play.
- 11: In 11 matches during 2012, the Wildcats doubles pairing earned a perfect 3-0 sweep of the competition.
- 40: The Wildcats had an impressive 40 wins in doubles competition which was the third-most in the MIAC. The team's .702 winning percentage in doubles matches was the second-highest behind Carleton.

Did You Know?

- Ben Hageseth earned MIAC Women's Tennis Co-Coach of the year honors after leading St. Catherine to its first winning season since 2007 with a 12-8 overall record.

Off the Court

- Michaela Burroughs and Lauren Beadnell both earned MIAC Academic All-Conference honors for Winter/Spring 2011-12.



SAINT MARY'S | [Cardinals' women's tennis home page](#) |

Head coach

- Jeff Halberg (15th season)

A Year Ago

- 3-7 MIAC (T-8th place) | 11-11 Overall

Top Returners

- Lindsey Reinisch (5-5, So. | 14-8 in singles, 2-4 in doubles)
- Deanne Weber (5-3, Sr. | 13-7 in singles)

Key Losses

- Bailey Edwards (13-9 in singles, 21-4 in doubles, three-time First-Team All-MIAC, school record-holder in singles wins in season and career singles and doubles wins)
- McKennah Edwards (22-6 in singles, 20-4 in doubles, First-Team All-MIAC in doubles and singles)
- Abby Voigt (6-11 in singles, 5-13 in doubles)

By The Numbers

- 19: Bailey Edwards capped a stellar collegiate career winning a single-season school record 19 singles matches.
- 22: McKennah Edwards took the tennis world by storm in 2012. She won five singles matches to reach the final of the USTA-ITA Midwest Regional in September and never slowed down, recording a single-season school-record 22 singles wins this season. She won her last five matches, was 8-2 in her last 10 and finished with a team-best 22-6 singles record.

- 115: Bailey Edwards graduated from Saint Mary's with 115 career victories — 57 in singles and 58 in doubles. Both are the most in program history.

Did You Know?

- The Cardinals' 5-4 win over St. Olaf on April 21 marked the first time in coach Jeff Halberg's tenure that SMU has beaten the Oles.

Off The Court

- Abby Voigt (Apple Valley, Minn.) and Grace Zachman (Elk River, Minn.) represented the SMU women's tennis team on the Academic All-MIAC squad in 2012.



ST. OLAF | [Oles' women's tennis home page](#) |

Head coach

- Scott Nesbit (25th season)

A Year Ago

- 7-3 MIAC (T-3rd place) | 11-4 Overall

In the 2012 Postseason

- 2012 MIAC Playoffs- Defeated (6) St. Catherine 8-1, lost to (2) Gustavus Adolphus 5-0 in semi-finals

Top Returners

- Julia Ellis (Sr., Grand Rapids, Mich.)- All-MIAC for singles, 10-5 overall for singles (9-5 at third singles), 8-2 in MIAC singles play
- Kristi Kroker (Soph., Minnetonka, Minn.)- All-MIAC for singles, 10-4 overall in singles play (9-4 at fourth singles), 7-3 in MIAC singles action

Key Losses

- Caitlin Harper- Two-time All-MIAC in singles, All-MIAC for doubles, 12-2 overall in singles, including 7-1 at first singles, 8-2 in MIAC singles play, 9-6 (7-3 MIAC) with Christine Muller at first doubles
- Christine Muller- Three-time All-MIAC in singles and doubles, 9-5 overall in singles, 6-3 in MIAC singles play, went 9-6 with Caitlin Harper at first doubles
- Claire Carlson- Missed senior season with torn ACL, 12-6 in singles play in 2010-11 as a junior, 5-4 in MIAC singles play, teamed with Caitlin Harper to go 10-6 at second doubles

By the Numbers

- 11: After losing her first match last spring, Caitlin Harper rattled off 11 straight wins in a row, including an 11-9 super tie-break win over regionally-ranked Bridget Doyle of Carleton.
- 4: Last year, the Ole women finished third in the MIAC for the fourth straight year.
- 8: The Oles opened last spring with an eight-match winning streak.

Did You Know?

- First-year Lisa Hall (Lakeville, Minn.) won the USTA Jerry Noyce Sportsmanship Award of 2011. The award is given to one boy and one girl who not only display the finest qualities of sportsmanship during tournament play, but who demonstrate exemplary conduct away from the court.

Off the Court

- The Oles earned 2012 ITA All-Academic Team honors last year, while four individuals also were recognized as ITA Scholar-Athlete award winners. To earn the award, the team had to carry a combined GPA of 3.20 or higher, while the individuals (Julia Ellis, Caitlin Harper, Andrea Jumes, and Kristi Kroker) each needed to have a GPA of 3.50 or higher.



ST. THOMAS | [Tommies' women's tennis home page](#) |

Head coach

- Terry Peck (18th season)

A Year Ago

- 6-4 MIAC | 11-8 Overall

In the 2012 Postseason

- 2012 NCAA Division III Playoffs - Defeated St. Ben's (5-4), Lost to Carleton (5-0)

Top Returners

- Mary Allen, SR, No. 1 singles in 2012
- Brittany Alexander, SO, All-MIAC Doubles; 11-5 at Nos. 2-3 doubles
- Rachel Wright, JR

Key Losses

- None

By the Numbers

- 717: Career college men's and women's matches (521 wins) for veteran Coach Terry Peck
- 6: 2012 ranking in Northwest Section 18-under girls' tennis for Shelby Henderson
- 9: Number of freshmen and sophomores on Coach Terry Peck's roster

Did You Know?

- Freshman Shelby Henderson and sophomore Kara Lefsrud won their first three matches at last fall's ITA double tournament. They reached the semifinals but lost to the eventual championship team from Carleton.

Off the Court

- Kirsten Haukoos helped coach the "C" boys tennis team last spring at Cretin-Derham Hall.