

# Tennis boys win 3-2 over Ohio County, Lady Hornets fall to Eagles

**By Steve Wimmer**  
 The HCHS boys tennis team earned a hard fought, 3-2 win over Ohio County during matches at Vastwood Park Monday.  
 "Maybe it was just a bad Monday, but a lot of the kids struggled with their focus," HCHS coach Dan Hopkins said.  
 Lukas Anderson was dominant during an 8-2 win over Ben Moore in #1 singles play.  
 Tre London fell 3-8 to JJ Pacheco, and Van Reska lost 6-8 to Brantley Hall.  
 Hancock County took the win with two doubles victories.  
 Alex Madden and Tyce Boling teamed up to win 9-8 over Taylor Stearsman and Chaz Frizzell.  
 Preston Blanton and Caleb Ewing won 8-2 over Eli Schroader and Max Shtakleff.



The HCHS Tennis Team members for 2025 are, kneeling from left: Kylee Ashworth, Audree Morris, Ruchi Patel, Chelsie Westbury, Kylie Bowlds, Ella Chappell and Haleigh Douglas. Standing: coach Dan Hopkins, Tyce Boling, Preston Blanton, Caleb Ewing, Lukas Anderson, Payne Pence, Van Reska and Tre Mar London. Not pictured are Bailey Fritcher, Adrianna Taylor and Alex Madden.

## Hopkins in second season as leader of HCHS tennis teams

The HCHS boys and girls tennis teams are off and running in 2025 under second year head coach Dan Hopkins.  
 "We've got most of our kids back and we've had a couple of wins, so far. The competition is getting stronger, but I'm hopeful we can play our game."  
 The boys team played well last year. The girls are young and learning the game.  
 "We had a good season last year, especially the boys, and the girls are growing. They're trying to get better every day, so I'm hopeful that we can really be competitive against some of the better teams. The teams from Owensboro are kind of the measuring mark we use."  
 The Hornet boys have

an experienced squad that knocked off Apollo and Breckinridge County last week. Junior Lukas Anderson has been the #1 singles player for a few years and he's continued to improve. Tyce Boling (sophomore) and Tre Mar London (senior) both won convincingly during recent matches and seniors Alex Madden and Preston Blanton are back this year. Caleb Ewing, Payne Pence and Van Reska make up the boys roster.  
 Ella Chappell returned for her sophomore season and she is again the #1 singles player. Audree Morris, Kylee Ashworth, Ruchi Patel, Chelsie Westbury, Kylie Bowlds, Haleigh Douglas, Bailey Fritcher and Adrianna Taylor make up the girls roster.



Ella Chappell prepares to deliver a backhand during a recent match at HCHS.

"Our two doubles teams are experienced and I can count on them in the clutch," coach Hopkins said.  
 Ohio County won 5-0 over the Lady Hornets.  
 Ella Chappell lost 5-8 to Alyssa Jarvis in #1 singles.  
 Audree Morris fell 3-8 to Ryan Porter, and Kylie Bowlds fell 1-8 to Scout Reese.  
 Ruchi Patel and Kylee Ashworth fell 1-8 to Ella Decker and Kate Hoskins in doubles, and Haleigh Douglas lost 0-8 to Ella Howard and Jaley Francis.  
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3/6	Cloverport	Home	4:30
3/7	Union County	Home	4:30
3/10	Grayson County	Home	4:30
3/13	Apollo	OTC	4:00
3/17	Breck. County	Home	4:30
3/24	Ohio County	Home	4:30
3/25	Meade County	Home	4:30
4/7	Catholic	Moreland	4:00
4/8	Apollo	Home	4:30
4/14	Cloverport	Home	4:30
4/15	Meade County	Away	4:00
4/17	Butler County	Home	4:30
4/21	Breck. County	Away	4:00
4/22	Daviess County	Home	4:30
4/28	Ohio County	Away	4:00
4/29	Muhlenberg County	Home	4:30
5/1	Daviess County	Away	4:00
5/5	Owensboro	Home	4:30
5/8	Butler County	Away	4:00
5/10	Region	OTC	10:00





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