

Xavier twins, Jasper in state semifinals

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Xavier's twin sister duo of Claire and Jeanne Bouchard, along with teammate Allison Jasper, advanced to the semifinals on Thursday in Class 1A state girls tennis tournament at Ankeny.

The Bouchards had a tough road to the semifinals. In the first round, they needed a first-set tiebreaker win before pulling away in the second set to win 7-6, 6-1 over Creston/Orient Macksburg's Caitlin McIlravy and Sydney Dunphy.

Three sets were needed for the twins to advance through the quarterfinals against Ryan Petievich and Hanna Schoning of Spirit Lake/Okoboji. The Bouchards prevailed, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5.

They will meet Red Oak's Micayla Taylor and Grace Blomstedt in a 10 a.m. semifinal match.

Jasper, the No. 3 seed, had a much easier time advancing to the semifinals. She lost just three games in wins over Osage's Amber Schwarting (6-0, 6-0) and Haley Schneiderman of Aplington-Parkersburg (6-1, 6-2).

Jasper's semifinal opponent will be No. 2 seed Kate Walker of Red Oak on Friday at 10 a.m.

In the 2A tournament on the University of Iowa's courts in Iowa City, Washington's doubles team of Lilly Hartman and Hannah Sherman will be in the semifinals.

The Warrior pair defeated Megan Jans and Abby Jans of Iowa City West, 6-0, 6-1, in the quarterfinals after downing Becky Hughes/Ariana Mitra of Cedar Falls, 6-1, 6-2, in the first round.

They will play Urbandale's Abby Reis and Brynn Reichardt in a 10 a.m. semifinal match on Friday.

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The only Metro player to stay alive in consolation play was Prairie's Vale Caro, who won a pair of matches after losing her opening-round match to Becca Aleynik, Sioux City North.

Caro will play again on Friday. The best she can finish is fifth place.

CLASS 1A AT ANKENY

SINGLES FIRST ROUND

Allison Jasper, Xavier, def. Amber Schwarting, Osage , 6-0, 6-0

SECOND ROUND

Allison Jasper, Xavier, def. Haley Schneiderman, Aplington-Parkersburg, 6-1, 6-2

DOUBLES FIRST ROUND

Claire Bouchard/Jeanne Bouchard, Xavier, def. Caitlin McIlravy/Sydney Dunphy, Creston/O-M, 7-6 (3), 6-1.

SECOND ROUND

Claire Bouchard/Jeanne Bouchard, Xavier, def. Ryan Petievich/Hanna Schoning, Spirit

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Lake/Okoboji, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5

CLASS 2A AT IOWA CITY

SINGLES FIRST ROUND

Chloe Jefferies, WDM Valley def. Jennifer Greif, Washington, 6-0, 6-1
Vale Caro, Prairie def. Becca Aleynik, Sioux City North, 7-6 (5), 7-5
Emilia Porubcin, Bettendorf, def. Kelly King, Washington, 6-0, 6-1

SECOND ROUND

Chloe Jefferies, WDM Valley def. Vale Caro, Prairie, 6-2, 6-4

CONSOLATION FIRST ROUND

Jennifer Greif, Washington, def. Innes Hicsasmaz, Iowa City High, 6-2, 6-4
Kelly King, Washington def. Morgan Streff, Dubuque Hempstead, 4-6, 6-0, 1-0 (8)

CONSOLATION SECOND ROUND

Vale Caro, Prairie def. Kelly King, Washington, 6-4 6-2
Abby Bergsten, Lewis Central def. Jennifer Greif, Washington, 3-6, 6-4, 1-0 (9)

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Mary Hill/Eren Sagun, DM Roosevelt, def. Karleigh Schilling/Anna Postnikov, Prairie, 6-1, 6-0
Lilly Hartman/Hannah Sherman, Washington def. Becky Hughes/Ariana Mitra, Cedar Falls, 6-1, 6-2

SECOND ROUND

Lilly Hartman/Hannah Sherman, Washington, def. Megan Jans/Abby Jans, Iowa City West, 6-0, 6-1

CONSOLATION FIRST ROUND

Karleigh Schilling/Anna Postnikov, Prairie def. Susanna Gianola/Bihotza James-Lejarcegui, Iowa City High, 7-5, 4-6, 1-0 (4)

CONSOLATION SECOND ROUND

Eisha Nathwani/Sheyna Nathwani, Johnston, def. Karleigh Schilling/Anna Postnikov, Prairie, 6-1, 6-3