

Riley Galbraith made the rounds of friends' Kennedy High School graduation parties Thursday night, basking in the sweet feel of a big day in tennis on Friday and trying not to puzzle too much over the dilemma he may face Saturday.

With a mild upset victory Friday afternoon, he's in the semifinals of today's 2A state tennis tournament. But he's also a starter and topnotch penalty kicker on the Kennedy soccer team that's in a 3A substate finals match.

The location of the conflicting events isn't bad, since the Veterans Memorial Tennis Center is just a parking lot apart from Kingston Stadium.

But the timing is dicey.

The highly-regarded but unseeded Galbraith is set to faceoff with third-seeded fellow junior Naveen Nath of Des Moines Roosevelt on the tennis court at 10 a.m. They've split two previous encounters, so this will be a grudge match.

The winner goes for the state singles title at 2 p.m., while consolation match for third place starts at 1:30.

Galbraith may have a tough choice

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