



# ALL-TIMESLAND BOYS TENNIS



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## PLAYER OF THE YEAR

### FRANK THOMPSON

Blacksburg | Sophomore

Thompson repeated as the VHSL Class 4 singles champion, but this time it was under difficult circumstances. He defeated Richmond signee Nick Mueller of John Handley 6-2, 3-6, 6-1 in a semifinal at Roanoke College, two days after losing in a third-set tiebreak to Mueller in the team semifinal competition. It was Thompson's only singles loss as he stopped Jamestown's Jordan Deberry 6-1, 6-1 in the state final. He also teamed with Ruhan Prasad to win the Region 4D doubles title before losing to Mueller and Handley's Jack Volinsky in a state semifinal.

## COACH OF THE YEAR

### JOHN PATTERSON | Galax

Patterson navigated Galax through Region 2C minefield, just to get to the state quarterfinals as the Maroon Tide defeated Glenvar and Floyd County by 5-4 scores. Galax was forced to play up one enrollment division as the VHSL does not sponsor Class 1 boys tennis.

## FIRST TEAM

### JOHNNY DANSTROM

Salem

Junior

Played No. 1 singles for the Spartans for the second year and reached Region 4D semifinals where he fell 6-1, 6-2 to eventual state champion Frank Thompson of Blacksburg. ... Finished with 9-4 singles record.

### MICHAEL HABIB

North Cross

Junior

Fashioned a 9-8 singles record at the No. 1 spot against a schedule that included Blacksburg's Frank Thompson, E.C. Glass' Wolfgang Ploch and VIC player of the year Kohl Perkins of VES.

### RAVI JAYARAMAN

Hidden Valley

Sophomore

Started season at No. 3 singles but finished at No. 1 and was Region 3D runner-up to Abingdon's Dillon McReynolds. ... Went 14-4 in singles and 13-3 in doubles with second-place regional finish.

### RUHAN PRASAD

Blacksburg

Senior

Finished 14-0 at No. 2 singles for Class 4 state semifinalists. ... Teamed with Frank Thompson to go 14-1 in doubles, losing only to state champions Nick Mueller and Jack Volinsky of John Handley in semifinals.

### SAMMY XIANG

Blacksburg

Freshman

Played No. 3 singles position for VHSL Class 4 state semifinalists. ... Compiled 16-0 singles record and was 13-0 in doubles, mostly at the No. 2 spot.

## SECOND TEAM

### GRAYSON BLOOMFIELD

North Cross

Sophomore

### ROBBIE HALL

Jefferson Forest

Senior

### DAVID HUDSON

Patrick Henry

Junior

### COLEMAN MORGAN

Galax

Senior

### GAVIN PYLE

Hidden Valley

Junior

### GABRIEL SLAYTON

Rockbridge County

Senior



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