

Anderson helps Coe net NCAA berth

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Brady Anderson enjoyed a productive day Saturday and helped the Coe men's tennis team earn an automatic berth in the NCAA Division III national tournament.

The Kohawks topped Luther, 5-1, in the Iowa Conference finals to clinch their spot in the NCAA meet. The Kohawks also defeated Wartburg, 5-0, in the semifinals.

Anderson, a freshman from Linn-Mar, won both of his matches at No. 3 singles in straight sets. He also teamed with Riley Galbraith, a Kennedy grad, to win both of their matches at No. 1 doubles.

The Kohawks will take a 20-6 record into the NCAA tournament. Their opponent and location will be announced Monday.

COE 5, LUTHER 1

Singles

1. Noah Sprinkel (C) vs. Kyle Appel, 6-2, 4-5 unfinished
2. Riley Galbraith (C) vs. Trent Schneider, 7-5, 3-0 unfinished
3. Brady Anderson (C) def. Sam Cychosz, 6-2, 6-2
4. Ryan Hickman (C) def. Anders Jensen, 6-3, 6-4
5. Alex Bernt (C) def. Isaiah Mayerchak, 6-0, 6-2
6. Chad Moklestad (C) vs. Sam Buffington, 3-6, 4-2, unfinished

Doubles

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1. Galbraith/Anderson (C) def. Cychosz/Jensen, 8-2
2. Sprinkel/Hickman (C) def. Appel/Schneider, 8-6
3. Mayerchak/Quinn Foley (L) def. Moklestad/Zack Decker, 8-6

COE 5, WARTBURG 0

Singles

1. Sprinkel (C) vs. Eric Hilpert, 6-2, unfinished
2. Galbraith (C) vs. Brandon Hornback, 3-5, unfinished
3. Anderson (C) def. Luke Benna, 6-0, 6-1
4. Hickman (C) v. Humiya Kitahara, 6-0, 2-0, unfinished
5. Bernt (C) def. Andre Greene, 6-0, 6-0
6. Moklstad (C) vs. Frank Loconti, 6-3, 1-0, unfinished

Doubles

1. Anderson/Galbraith (C) def. Benna/Hornback, 8-1
2. Sprinkel/Hickman (C) def. Hilpert/Greene, 8-1
3. Decker/Moklestad (C) def. Loconti/Dan Van Roingen, 8-5