

TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

During the girls varsity tennis season, doubles partners Teresa Wooten and Lauren Bartram were undefeated

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Imagine having one person depend on you to do your best. You develop a relationship with that person. That is Teresa Wooten and Lauren Bartram, they are doubles partners on the girls varsity tennis team at North.

"We did really good together," Bartram said. "We both makeup for each other's weaknesses and I think that's why we were undefeated all season. I was also super thankful for having a bomb doubles partner to pull through the win during GACs because I was deathly ill that day."

During normal season Wooten and Bartram were undefeated. GACs were Sept. 22-25, Wooten and Bartram got first overall in doubles.

"When I'm playing I don't look at my competition any less than me. So I always say, it's not about how you start, it's about how you finish," Wooten said.

Bartram didn't start by playing tennis. She played volleyball her freshman and sophomore year of high school.

"Lauren was a volleyball player her freshman and sophomore year and started tennis the minute volleyball

season ended her sophomore year," Coach Kate Kleiber said.

"Lauren's sister was a senior tennis player for me my first year of coaching. Every time I saw Lauren I would ask her if she was ever going to play tennis for me. To my delight she called me and wanted to play tennis her junior and senior year. She worked hard throughout the winter and summer to earn her rights to play varsity her senior year."

Wooten has been on the tennis team for 3 years. She played volleyball her freshman year before joining tennis her sophomore year.

"Teresa worked hard throughout the winter and summers and played varsity her junior and senior years," Kleiber said.

Both Wooten and Bartram are planning to go further in their tennis career in college. They love the game and an advantage to loving the game is the scholarships to school.

"I've actually been looking at schools that offer tennis if academics don't work out," Wooten said.