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The Dexter High School tennis team had another solid outing on Thursday afternoon when they took to the court against the Sikeston Bulldogs. The 'Cats had another dominating performance, downing the Bulldogs 9-0.

Dexter's No. 1 player, Tyler Miller, defeated Sikeston's Jacob Alsup 8-3 in singles, and with help from his doubles partner Brauck Burge - Dexter's No. 2 player - beat Alsup and partner Ben Friday 8-0 in doubles. Burge beat Friday 8-0 in singles.

Sam Ward won his singles match against Jimmie Hines 8-1, and beat Hines and partner Brandon Goodwin in doubles 8-1. Ward's doulbes partner, Kyle Willis, had the most competitive singles match of the day against Goodwin, but was able to come out on top, 8-4.

Dexter's 'big' doubles pairing of Theo Gaul and Hunter Mathis skunked Giovanni Walker and Devon Martin, 8-0. Mathis and Gaul also won their singles matches 8-1 and 8-2, respectively, to complete the 'Cats' sweep of the match.

On the JV side, Ryan Bagby defeated Sikeston's Wade Gadberry 6-0 in singles. In JV Doubles, Nate Watkins and Cedric Bernier beat Walker and Gadberry 6-0.

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The tennis team will be in action again on Saturday (April 2) in a multi-team tournament held in Poplar Bluff. Their next regulation match is set for Thursday (April 7), when they will face the Poplar Bluff Mules at home.

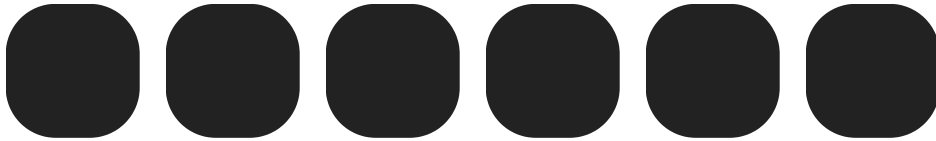
Photos above *Top Photo: Brauck Burge warms up for his singles match against Ben Priday. Burge beat Priday 8-0 in singles, and won his doubles match with partner Tyler Miller 8-0*

Bottom photo: Kyle Willis returns a serve during his singles match against Brandon Goodwin; Willis won the match 8-4.

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