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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CLASS OF 2016 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

As May and June roll around each year, our seniors are almost ready to fly. We look back with pleasure at the time we've spent together on and off court, and look forward to their bright futures in college. Our academy students are more prepared than most to be successful in academics and on their teams.

At this time, we always mark college graduations as well. We have many this year, and wish everyone the best of luck in "the real world". We know that the discipline learned in tennis is invaluable for helping you succeed in life. Goal setting translates to achievement in other endeavors, and dealing with wins and losses with grace and honor carries through college and beyond. Keep in touch; you are VDM Family for life!

A shout out to Van Der Meer's 30 year sponsor, HEAD, for an amazing all-HEAD men's final at Roland Garros 2016!



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CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2016, AND GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS!

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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

USTA SOUTHERN LEVEL 1A CHAMPIONSHIPS BG 12-14 (NAT L4)

Girls 14s Singles – Kylie Collins, Finalist | Sayda Hernandez – Consolation Semifinalist

Girls 14s Doubles – Kylie Collins & Allie Gretkowski - Winners



Kylie Collins

NATIONAL SELECTION TOURNAMENT – FT. MYERS, FL

Beau Pelletier finished 5th in boys 18's. He also made the quarters in doubles and won the sportsmanship award.

Madison Dillon reached the round of 16 in singles and went to the finals in doubles which was abandoned due to rain.



Beau Pelletier

BELTON, SC (DISTRICT QUALIFIER FOR SOUTHERNS)

Girls 16s Singles – Anna Letto – Winner and made finals in doubles

Girls 14s Singles and Doubles – Sayda Hernandez – Winner

Girls 10s Singles – Olivia Rose Besecker – 3rd Place



Chik'il-A winners Anna Letto & Sayda Hernandez with Coaches Reggie & Said along with Van Der Meer Southern Qualifiers Will Danzell (16's), & Molly Sanderson (18's). More qualifiers below.

NATIONAL SELECTION TOURNAMENT – DELRAY BEACH, FL

Kylie Collins and **JJ Tracy** both reached the Quarterfinals in 14's.

SNEE FARMS TOURNAMENT, MOUNT PLEASANT, SC

Lucy Ann Taffner finished in 2nd place in girls 16's singles and won doubles



Lucy Ann Taffner



Emily Ruckno (12's) Olivia Rose Besecker (10's) Robert Hagen (12's) Natalie Bassett (14's) Brooke Wrigley (12's)

FITNESS CORNER – SPRING FITNESS STARS

Fitness Stars are awarded for each semester based on consistent effort in all sessions both on court and in the gym. General fitness improvement is judged on test results, as well as result-based observations of coaches on court.



Valerie Droop



Nehemiah Molla

