



# ST. LAWRENCE TENNIS



Women's Tennis

November 2011

## Saints Claim Title at Mary Hosking Invite

Geneva, NY - - The St. Lawrence Women's Tennis Team kicked off their 2011-2012 campaign in strong fashion at the annual Mary Hosking Invitational hosted by William Smith. The Saints reached the finals in the top singles flight and claimed the top doubles flight to cap off a successful weekend.

In "A" Singles, St. Lawrence had three players reach the semifinals (Hillary Drewry, Elkie Vandenbeemt and Olivia Arroyo). Drewry fell to the top seed in the finals, 8-6. She defeated opponents from RIT and William Smith in the first two rounds before knocking off teammate Arroyo in the semifinals. Arroyo beat opponents from Ithaca and Geneseo on her way to the semis. Vandenbeemt defeated the third-seed from Geneseo in the first round. In the quarters, she knocked off an opponent from Rochester before falling to the eventual champion in the semis.

In "B" Singles, Shannon Murphy and Anna Young reached the consolation semifinals and finals, respectively, both losing to the consolation champion from Geneseo.

Drewry and Vandenbeemt partnered to defeat Rochester in the championship match of "A" Doubles. They went 4-0 on the weekend, beating William Smith, Geneseo and RIT leading up to the finals. Murphy and Young reached the consolation final of the "A" Doubles after losing to finalist Rochester in the first round.

Both St. Lawrence "B" Doubles squads (Arroyo/Suzanne Weinstein and Barry Edgar/Hannah Langsdale) reached the semifinals of their respective bracket. Arroyo and Weinstein beat RIT and William Smith on Saturday, while Edgar and Langsdale knocked off Nazareth and Rochester in their first two matches.



## 2011-2012 St. Lawrence Roster

Name	Hometown	Class
Olivia Arroyo	Los Angeles, CA	2015
Hillary Drewry	Pennington, NJ	2012
Barry Edgar	Darien, CT	2012
Elizabeth Geer	Manchester, MA	2013
Hannah Langsdale	Hampstead, MD	2015
Shannon Murphy	Hopkinton, MA	2013
Elkie Vandenbeemt	Hilton Head, SC	2015
Anna Young	South Burlington, VT	2015

Captains: Hillary Drewry '12 & Shannon Murphy '13

## 2011-2012 Schedule

9/10-11	Mary Hosking Inv. (@ William Smith)	All Day
9/16	@ Hamilton	W 6-3
9/24-26	ITA Northeast Reg'l (@ William Smith)	All Day
10/2	Plattsburgh State	W 9-0
10/8-9	Gail Smith Tourn. (@ Middlebury)	All Day
10/14-16	NYS Championships (@ Mendon, NY)	All Day
3/3	Ithaca	TBD
3/4	New Paltz	9:00am
3/10-18	Spring Break Trip (Orlando, FL)	
3/13	Stevens Tech	TBD
3/14	Wesleyan	TBD
3/24	@ Vassar	10:00am
3/30	NYU @ William Smith	4:00pm
3/31	@ William Smith	11:00am
4/6	Nazareth	4:00pm
4/14	Rochester	10:00am
4/15	Rensselaer	12:00pm
4/21	@ RIT	10:00am
4/27	Skidmore	1:00pm
5/4-6	Liberty League Tour. (@ Vassar)	TBD

## St. Lawrence Defeats Hamilton

Clinton, NY - - The Saints traveled down to Clinton, NY, to take on NESCAC member Hamilton College for their first dual match of the fall. After some exciting finishes to a number of matches, St. Lawrence came pulled out the victory over the Continentals, 6-3.

The Saints started strong with doubles victories at the top two positions. Fresh off their title at the Mary Hosking Invitational, Hillary Drewry and Elkie Vandenbeemt put the Saints on top early with an 8-5 victory. Shannon Murphy and Anna Young added to this lead with an 8-5 victory as well at the second position.

St. Lawrence claimed four of the six singles spots to clinch the win. Vandenbeemt and Murphy posted strong showings, winning at second (6-1, 6-4) and fourth (6-4, 6-0) singles, respectively. First years Olivia Arroyo (third singles) and Hannah Langsdale (sixth singles) showed their fighting spirits by claiming victories after both losing the first set. After losing the first set 3-6, Arroyo fought back and won the second, 6-2. Despite being down a break in the third, she came back to win the set, 6-3. Langsdale also dropped the opener 3-6. After winning the second, 7-5, she forced the final set into a tie-breaker, winning 7-4. The Hamilton singles points came at the number one and four positions. Drewry was forced to retire at 2-3 in the first set, while Young fell in three sets.



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## Fall 2011 Tournament Highlights

### Mary Hosking Invitational

- "A" Singles Finals: Hillary Drewry
- "A" Singles Semifinals: Olivia Arroyo
- "A" Singles Semifinals: Elkie Vandenbeemt
- "B" Singles Consolation Finals: Anna Young
- "A" Doubles Champions: Drewry/Vandenbeemt

### USTA/ITA Regional Championships

- Singles Quarterfinals: Elkie Vandenbeemt
- Doubles Quarterfinals: Drewry/Vandenbeemt

### New York State Division III Championships

- 1st Singles Semifinals: Hillary Drewry
- 2nd Singles Finals: Elkie Vandenbeemt
- 3rd Singles Champion: Olivia Arroyo
- 4th Singles Semifinals: Shannon Murphy
- 1st Doubles Champions: Drewry/Vandenbeemt
- 2nd Doubles Semifinals: Murphy/Young

## Saints Advance Deep at ITAs

Geneva, NY - - - The St. Lawrence Women's Tennis Team had a very strong overall team showing at the ITA Northeast Regional Championships held at William Smith College. The Saints were represented at the event by three singles players and two doubles teams, and all five won their first round match.

Olivia Arroyo, Hillary Drewry (seeded #3) and Elkie Vandenbeemt (seeded in the 9-16 group) were the three singles participants for the squad. Drewry and Vandenbeemt both won two matches on the opening day. In the quarterfinals, Drewry fell to the a seeded player from RIT in three sets. Vandenbeemt battled back after dropping the opening set to win 4-6, 6-1, 6-1. In the quarterfinals, she led 3-0 against a seed from Stevens, but suffered a back injury and fell in straight sets. Arroyo played two three-set matches on day one. She defeated an opponent from Hunter before falling to a seed from Mount Saint Mary 6-4, 3-6, 7-6(2).

The doubles teams for St. Lawrence were comprised of Drewry/Vandenbeemt and Shannon Murphy/Anna Young. Drewry/Vandenbeemt, unbeaten at 4-0 at this point of the season, reached the quarterfinals before having to default due to an injury. They beat teams from Stevens and Skidmore, 8-3 and 8-1, respectively. Murphy/Young beat Mount Saint Mary, 9-7, before losing to a seeded Skidmore team.



Power of Pink match vs. Plattsburgh State

## SLU Claims Two State Titles

Mendon, NY - - - The Saints capped off their 2011 fall with a very successful weekend in Mendon, NY, for the 2011 New York State Division III Championships. The event was composed of six singles flights and three doubles flights, with each of the 13 teams being represented by one participant in each flight. For the first time in over a decade, St. Lawrence claimed multiple titles at the prestigious event.

Hillary Drewry represented St. Lawrence at first singles. Seeded fourth, she defeated opponents from Brockport and St. John Fisher in the opening rounds. In the semifinals, she faced the top seed from Skidmore. After winning the first set, she dropped the second and lost the decider in a super-breaker, 12-10.

In the second flight, Elkie Vandenbeemt reached the finals after being seeded first. After a first round bye, she beat Nazareth 6-4, 6-0, followed by a 6-0, 6-0 victory against the fourth seed from NYU. She fell to the second seed from Skidmore in the championship.

Freshman Olivia Arroyo captured the third singles flight. After beating RIT and the third seed from William Smith, she knocked off the top seed from Skidmore in the championship match.

Shannon Murphy came into the fourth singles flight as the #4 seed. She won the first 18 games of the tournament (26 including her first doubles match) to reach the semifinals. She fell to the top seed from Vassar in a tough, two-set match.

For the second year in a row, SLU captured the top doubles flight at the tournament. Drewry/Vandenbeemt (seeded third) finished off a 12-2 fall season by going 3-0 at the event, beating teams from RIT, Skidmore and Vassar along the way. The pairing of Murphy/Anna Young had a strong showing in the second doubles flight. As the #3 seed, they defeated RIT in the first round, 8-0. In the semifinals, they lost to the second seed, and eventual champion, from Skidmore, 8-5, in a back-and-forth affair. It was a great ending to a very strong fall season for the Saints Tennis

## Fall 2011 Awards & Rankings

### ITA Team Ranking:

#17 in the Northeast Region

### ITA Northeast Regional Doubles Ranking:

Hillary Drewry & Elkie Vandenbeemt: #13

### Liberty League Rookie of the Week:

Sep. 5-11: Elkie Vandenbeemt

Sep. 19-25: Elkie Vandenbeemt