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Southwood Kids Attend UVa Men's Tennis Match

Charlottesville, Virginia (4/1/2016) – QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia (QCV) is pleased to report 13 kids from the Southwood Boys & Girls Club recently attended the UVa Men's match against Notre Dame as part of a QCV Kids Day at UVa. It was their first tennis match ever. Each kid received a WAHOOWA t-shirt from UVa Athletics, team posters and schedules and a Go Bananas for QuickStart! water bottle and bracelet and an assortment of Go Bananas for QuickStart! nutrition cards. The field trip was arranged by David Cook, Program Coordinator at Southwood. The kids were chaperoned by Joseph Huddlestone and Aiesha Fisher.



Lynda Harrill, QCV's QuickStart Tennis Coordinator and Founder, says, "It was a beautiful afternoon for Southwood kids to see their first tennis match at UVa. We love to connect kids with the team, especially kids from the Boys & Girls Club. UVa players and coaches are such great role models. We partner with UVa Sports Promotion to host a couple QCV Kids Days at UVa every year. Sports Promotion Marketing Coordinator Kevin Thurman, who is new to the department this year, jumped right in to help make this a memorable experience for these kids. As the photo shows, they had a great time, and that what it's all about – positive enrichment for kids through tennis. I bet we have even more kids from Southwood next year!"

Cook adds, "Thank you so much for having us! The kids had a wonderful time and they were all too quick to come show off their new t-shirts to me (which as a former HOO I am very jealous of!). They all talked about how much fun they had. I think they would love to do it again next year, so I hope you will keep Southwood in mind!"

QuickStart Tennis of Central Virginia is an all-volunteer, grassroots Community Tennis Association established in 2009 as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization to promote, develop and grow QuickStart Tennis in the heart of Virginia for all beginners, especially underserved youth, using the kid-sized QuickStart Tennis format.

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