Fremont players fail to qualify for district

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Brian Stein and Greg Byrnes made a gallant attempt to advance to the Division I district tennis tournament.

The Ross duo, though, dropped a 6-0, 6-1 decision to Mike Hobbs and Chad Kaufman of Lexington in the third round of the sectional tournament Friday at Sandusky High School.

"Stein and Byrnes played very well all day," Ross coach Craig Kachmarik said. "Hobbs and Kaufman responded very well even though Stein and Byrnes played very well at the net."

Stein and Byrnes had a first-round bye and defeated Jeff Gerding and Rob Moyer of Port Clinton 6-1, 6-4 in the second round.

Ross singles players, Scott Gloer — 6-3, 6-3; Doug Snider — 7-5, 6-4; and Ryan Mitchell — 7-6 (7-5), 6-4, lost opening round singles matches.

Matt Miller and Aleks Ripple fell 2-6, 6-4, 6-2 in another doubles match.

In the Division II sectional Friday at Norwalk High School, Brad Darr of Fremont St. Joseph Central Catholic advanced into the quarterfinals before losing 6-3, 6-1 to Bellevue's Andy Dennis.

St. Joe singles players Brian Goetz and Brett Gerber both lost in the second round.

Both St. Joe doubles teams — Tad Oxley and Donny Stotz as well as Shawn Dickman and Jeff Eshleman — lost in the first round.