

Ross netters open on winning note

Ross's girls tennis team kicked off the fall season with a 4-1 win over Clyde Thursday at the Rodger Young Park courts.

In junior varsity action, Ross blanked the Fliers 5-0.

Sharon Ritchey scored Clyde's only team match point of the day by turning back Ross's Kathy Harmon 6-4, 6-0, in the first court varsity singles. From that point on, it was all Ross.

Karen Shurmer of Ross stopped Becky Crooks 6-7, 6-3, 6-2, in the second singles and Lisa Swedersky defeated Clyde's Genia Sheels in

straight 6-0 sets.

In doubles play, Debbie Clark and Cyndy Malinowski of Ross turned back Pam Fiser and Chris Gary 6-0, 6-1 in the first court doubles. Tami Fitzgerald and Shelley Young teamed up to give Ross its final varsity team point by defeating Pam Nieset and Jean Stahl 6-1, 6-0.

Sue Shurmer, Mimi DeMars, Lezlie Grubs, Linda Palmer, Laurie Snyder, and Teresa Ackerman were on the winning Ross JV team.

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Girls travel to Sandusky

Ross will officially open its 1977 girls tennis season Tuesday at Sandusky in a 4:15 p.m. match.

Jo Ellen Locher, the new head coach for the Little Giants girls, has a nucleus of three letter winners back for her first team. Locher, a graduate of Bowling Green State University this past spring, is building the team around Kathy Harman, Karen Shurmer, and Debbie Clark.

Last Thursday, the team opened with a "scrimmage" match win over Clyde's girls team 4-1.

Locher, a native of Springfield, is enthusiastic with her first coaching assignment.

"It's been great," the 22-

year-old coach said. "These girls have been fun to work with."

Continuing, the new coach said that she has always wanted to coach.

Locher started out with 14 girls out for the fall sport and is currently carrying a squad of 13 on

the varsity and junior varsity level.

After Tuesday's opener, the girls will be idle until Monday, Sept. 19, when they travel to Findlay. The first home match at Rodger Young Park will be Monday, Sept. 26, against Lima Shawnee.

Rosenberger stole the offensive spotlight with the game winning extra point placement while carrying the ball 30 times for 137 yards.

"He was one tired young man after the game," Clyde Coach Walt Snyder said after the win. "He was running great for us though."

Rosenberger's 41-yard run to the St. John nine keyed the Fliers' eight-play, 60-yard scoring march early in the third period. Barry Crum scooted the final seven yards for the TD with Rosen-

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MEMBERS OF THE ROSS girls tennis team. First row (left to right): Kathy Harman, Lisa Swedersky, Karen Shurmer, Mimi DeMars, Debbie Clark; back row: Tami Fitzgerald, Linda Palmer, Sue Shurmer,

Lezlie Grubs, Shelley Young, Cyndy Malinowski, Laurie Snyder, and Coach Jo Ellen Locher. Not in the picture is team member Teresa Ackerman.

Softball reunion

A softball reunion will be held Saturday with a game, dinner and dance.

The game, between Ohio Liquid Disposal and former fast pitch softball players, will be at 2:30 p.m. at Rodger Young Park.

The dinner will be at 6:30 and dancing will be held from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Fremont Eagles. The cost is \$8 per person with a cash

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Ross slips past Sandusky; Redmen blank Willard

The Ross and Bellevue girls tennis teams were winners in action Wednesday night.

Ross edged Sandusky 3-2 in a Buckeye Conference match, while Bellevue blanked Willard 5-0 in a

Northern Ohio League match.

In first singles, Kathy Harman of Ross bested Sandusky's Carol Moore, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3. The other singles winner for the Little Giants was Lisa Swedersky in

third singles over Sherri Foust 3-6, 6-4, 6-4. Bonnie Brown of Sandusky took the second singles match over Ross's Karen Shurmer, 3-6, 7-6, 6-3.

The Ross first doubles team of Shelli Young and

Tammy Fitzgerald defeated Sandusky's Jackie Klepper and Kathy Schoewe, 6-0, 3-6, 6-2. Debbie Clark and Cindy Malinowski of Ross were beaten in the second doubles match by Deb Dibari and Beth Beachy, 7-6, 7-5.

Ross won both junior varsity matches. Sue Shurmer and Lezlie Grubbs defeated Kim Jones and Nancy Olson, 6-2, 6-2. In a singles JV match, Mimi DeMars topped Linda Kusser, 6-3, 7-5.

All of the Bellevue

matches were decided in two sets. In first singles, Joanna Miller defeated Willard's Terry Seipel by 6-2 scores in both sets. Jan Beamer in second singles defeated Alice Smith 6-2, 6-4 and Carol Hutchison of Bellevue won the third singles match over Donna Smith, 7-5, 6-2.

Bellevue's first doubles team of Ruth Mirtes and Val Valko defeated Debbie Arredondo and Mary Tackett, 6-2, 6-4. The second doubles team of Deb Krookton and Joanne Fedyna bested Martha Moll and Ann Meyers, 6-0, 6-2.

St. Joe, Old Fort golfers win

St. Joe and Old Fort posted victories Wednesday night in high school golf.

The St. Joe Crimson Streaks topped Sandusky St. Mary's 167-183 at Sycamore Hills Golf Course in a Sandusky Bay Conference match, while Old Fort was a 169-180 winner over Gibsonburg at Nature Trails Golf Course in Bettsville.

carded 43's.

Medalist for St. Mary's was Tim Swint with a 44. St. Mary's won the junior varsity match 171-196, with Phil Fitzpatrick earning medalist honors with a 41. Jeff Atzinger carded a 46 for St. Joe.

Randy Lunch of Old Fort earned medalist honors with a 38 to lead the Stockaders past Gibsonburg. Mike Watkins shot a 40. Joe Hiestand, 45 and

Findlay blanks Ross 5-0

FINDLAY — The Ross girls tennis team fell to Buckeye Conference rival Findlay 5-0 here Monday night.

The first doubles team of Tami Fitzgerald and Shelley Young carried Findlay's Lyell Bellamy and Cindy Rooney into three sets before losing, 7-6, 3-6, 6-3. The rest of the matches ended in two sets.

In first singles, Margaret Bellamy of Findlay defeated Kathy Harmon of Ross, 6-1, 6-0. Beth Kruse topped Karen Shurmer 6-0, 6-0 in second singles and Jane Brim defeated Lisa Swedersky in third singles 6-2, 6-0.

The second doubles match belonged to Erica Hennigs and Lee Ann Baker of Findlay, who defeated Debbie Clark and Mimi DeMars of Ross, 6-0, 6-0.

Sue Shurmer and Lezlie Grubs won a reserve match for Ross. They defeated Amy Rooney and Ann Fawley, 10-7.

Bellevue now 4-0; Ross, Clyde lose

Bellevue rolled to its fourth consecutive girls tennis win but Ross and Clyde were defeated Thursday.

Bellevue blanked Upper Sandusky 5-0, taking all five matches in straight sets. Joanna Miller, Jan Beamer, and Carol Hutchinson won in the singles play for Bellevue. Miller's win was a 6-2, 6-0, walkaway over Linda Zeigler.

Ruth Mirtes and Val Valko won the first doubles match while Deb Crookton and JoAnn Vedyna of Bellevue defeated Rita Rodriguez and Barb Shuman in straight 6-0 sets in second court doubles.

In a junior varsity match, Bellevue's Sandy Roth defeated Lisa Zimmerman 8-2 in a pro set.

Ross lost all three singles matches in dropping a 3-2 match to Bowling Green. The closest Ross came to a win in the singles match was in the second court. Karen Shurmer pushed Bowling Green's Depika Shrestha to three sets before losing 4-6, 6-4, 3-6.

Tami Fitzgerald and Shelley Young, Ross's first doubles team defeated BG's Cindy Moyer and Valerie Ladd 6-1, 6-1 for Ross's first match point. Debbie Clark and Mimi DeMars teamed up to

defeat Bowling Green's second doubles team of Jackie Hass and Martha Hilton 6-0, 6-3.

Calvert stopped Clyde 3-2 with the Fliers winning one singles match and the second doubles for their two points.

Sharon Ritchey of Clyde rolled over Calvert's Pam Reinhart 6-3, 6-2, while Kara Overmyer and Suzie Williams of Clyde stopped Cathy DeLong and Martha Schreiner of Calvert 2-6, 7-6, and 6-4.

In the third singles match, Clyde Gena Skeels dropped a hard fought 6-4, 3-6, 0-6, decision to Kathy Maloney of Calvert.

Tennis

Harman leads Ross

Kathy Harman rallied from a 5-2 deficit in the third set of the first court singles to defeat Lima Shawnee's Charmin Carr and give Ross's girls tennis team a hard fought 3-2 win Monday at Rodger Young Park.

Harman and Carr took turns winning close sets. Harman won a tiebreaker to take the first set 7-6 while Carr grabbed the second set 7-5. Carr continued on a hot streak until Harman's service in the eighth game of the third set turned the tide toward Ross.

The Ross doubles teams scored the other match points for Ross. Tami Fitzgerald and Shelley Young of Ross defeated Kryss Meier and Kelley Fowler 6-3, 6-3, and the Ross second court team of Debbie Clark and Cyndy Malinowski needed three sets to dispose of Vickie Shanemark and Anne Bell 6-4, 2-6, 6-1.

In other girls matches, Bellevue rolled to its fifth win in as many matches by trimming Norwalk 4-1.

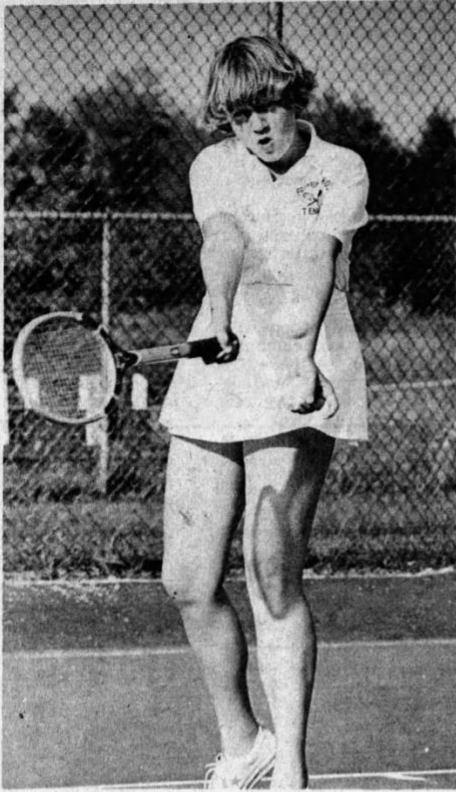
Joanna Miller, Jan Beamer, and Carol Hutchison, Bellevue's single player, all won.

Miller defeated Betsy Hipp 6-0, 6-1 while Beamer defeated Kelly Everman in three sets 6-3, 4-6, 6-4. Hutchison rolled over Cindy Riley in straight 6-1 sets.

In doubles play, Ruth Mirtes and Val Valko of Bellevue lost to Amy Beule and Judy Allen 5-7, 7-5, 4-6 but the Bellevue second doubles duo of Deb Crookton and JoAnn Fydena defeated Debbie Hoffecker and Melany Delianides 6-1, 6-1.

Clyde won its first match in three outings this season, defeating Fostoria 4-1. Sharon Ritchey of Clyde won the first court singles, downing Karen Scharlach 6-2 and 6-1. Third single player, Gena Skeels of Clyde got past Fostoria's Jackie Elsea 6-4, 7-5, but the Fliers' second singles player, Becky Crooks, lost to Beth Stevens 7-2, 7-6.

Pam Fiser and Chris Gray gave Clyde a 7-5, 1-6, 6-2 win over Becky Blose and Kelly Conrad in the first doubles match. Kara Overmyer and Joan Stahl of the Fliers won the second doubles with straight 6-3 set wins over Barb Blose and Cami Gray.



MIMI DeMARS watches the ball leave her racket during play in the first course singles match against Sylvania Northview Wednesday at Rodger Young Park. DeMars was moved up to the first singles for the first time this season. (News-Messenger photo by Dan Bomell)

Sylvania stops Ross 3-2

Ross lost and Clyde and Bellevue won in high school girls tennis action Wednesday night.

Sylvania Northview edged Ross 3-2 at Rodger Young Park, while Clyde and Bellevue posted 5-0 victories over Sandusky St. Mary's and Shelby respectively.

Kathy Harman in second singles and Tammi Fitzgerald and Shelley Young in first doubles posted wins for Ross. Harman defeated Northview's Debbie Campbell 6-4, 6-0. It took three sets for Fitzgerald and Young to defeat Laurie Badgley and Shawyn Stanley 1-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Shelia Friess of Northview defeated Ross's Mimi DeMars in first singles 6-0, 6-0. The third singles match saw Debbie McCormick of Northview defeat Lisa Swedersky 6-2, 6-0. In second doubles, Anita Fine and Nancy Stone of Northview defeated Debbie Clark and Cindy Malinowski 6-3, 6-7, 6-3. The Ross girls are 2-3 for the season.

Clyde evened its record at 2-2 with a win over St. Mary's Clyde. In first singles, Sharon Ritchey bested Melinda Singler of St. Mary's 6-0, 6-3. In the only match to go three sets, Becky Crooks of Clyde won the second singles match over Debbie Galati 6-3, 4-6, 6-3. Clyde's Gena Skeels defeated Ann McCurdy in third singles 6-2, 6-1.

The first doubles team of Pam Fiser and Pat Nieset defeated Bonnie Blakely and Shelley Hedberg 6-2, 6-3. In second doubles, Kara Overmyer and Joan Stahl of Clyde defeated Jeanette Cousino and Jan Camella 6-2, 6-0.

Bellevue won its sixth straight match without a loss at Shelby. None of the matches went more than two sets. Joanna Miller of Bellevue won the first singles match over Gaby Kinnard 6-2, 6-3. In second singles, Jan Beamer topped Cheryl Kempf 6-4, 6-1 and Carol Hutchinson defeated Kim Heyde in third singles 7-5, 6-2.

Bellevue's first doubles team of Ruth Mirtes and Val Valko easily defeated Joyce Malaney and Chris Sazoma 6-0, 6-1. In second doubles, Deb Crookton and Joanne Fedyna defeated Linda Spangler and Andi Clark 6-2, 6-2.

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because I set my goals in the spring and that was one," Rose said. "It's a pleasure to fulfill a desire."

While Rose was reaching his milestone, Johnny Bench and George Foster were providing the punch to power Cincinnati to an 8-0 victory over the San Diego Padres.

In other NL games Wednesday, Philadelphia defeated Chicago 5-2, Pittsburgh edged New York 3-2, Houston nipped Atlanta 2-1, Montreal defeated St. Louis 4-2 and Los Angeles squeezed by San Francisco 2-1.

Bench slammed a bases-loaded homer in the first inning and Foster slugged his 52nd home run of the season to back Paul Moskau's four-hitter.

Dodgers 2, Giants 1
Veteran reliever Charlie Hough, making his first major league start, hurled

Philadelphia defeated Chicago. Reliever Randy Lerch, 10-6, was credited with the victory while Mike Krukow, 8-14, took the loss.

Expos 4, Cardinals 2
A two-run double by Chris Speier sparked Montreal's three-run rally in the eighth inning as the Expos defeated St. Louis. Montreal right-hander Steve Rogers, 17-15, went the distance on a seven-hitter.

Astros 2, Braves 1
Mark Lemongello backed his own six-hitter by driving in the winning run to pace Houston past Atlanta. The Braves' lone run came on Pat Rockett's homer to lead off the sixth.

Pirates 3, Mets 2
Rookie Ken Macha's run-scoring sixth-inning single boosted Pittsburgh over New York as Jim Rooker, 14-9, got the victory with relief help from Rich Gossage.

Ashland stops Little Giants 4-1

Ashland defeated Ross 4-1 in girls high school tennis Monday at Rodger Young Park.

The only match point for the Little Giants came in the second doubles play. Ross's Debbie Clark and Cyndy Malinowski defeated Ashland's Sue

Thomason and Sue Wagner 6-1, 6-2.

The closest Ross came in winning another point was in the first doubles. Tami Fitzgerald and Shelley Young of Ross pushed Pam Archer and Kim Lamb to three sets before losing 6-3, 6-7, 4-6.

Northview nips Ross

SYLVANIA — Northview defeated Fremont Ross 3-2 in high school girls tennis action Wednesday.

The hosts won two of three singles matches and a doubles test to nip the Little Giants.

Kathy Harman, Ross's first court singles player, scored the Little Giants' only match point in that division by turning back Shelia Friess in two sets. Harman stroked her way

to 6-3 and 7-5 set wins.

Debbie Clark and Cyndy Malinowski, the Little Giants' second doubles team, defeated Anita Fine and Nancy Stone but it took three sets for the Ross pair to accomplish the task. The Ross team lost the first set 6-4 but rebounded to take hard fought 6-4 wins in the next two sets.

In junior varisty play, Leslie Grubbs in singles and the doubles teams of Mimi DeMars and Sue Shurmer won for Ross in a 2-0 match win.

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Ross netters blank Marion Harding 5-0

Ross's girls tennis team blanked Marion Harding 5-0 Tuesday at Rodger Young Park.

Debbie Clark, Kathy Harmon, and Cyndy Malinowski of Ross won in singles play while the teams of Tami Fitzgerald-Shelly Young and Karen Shurmer-Lisa Swedersky posted doubles match wins.

Clark turned back Vicki Mitchell 6-1, 6-2; Harmon stopped Missy Isaly 6-3, 6-2; and Malinowski downed Eunice Balthaser in straight 6-2 sets.

The Fitzgerald-Young team needed three sets to defeat Ann Wagner and Julie Ashworth 3-6, 7-5, and

7-5. Shermer and Swedersky defeated Geri Blake and Julie Shanay 6-1, 6-2.



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