## Ross tennis team opens on sour note

News-Messenger reports

NORWALK - The Fremont Ross High School boys tennis team opened its 1989 season on a sour note Monday, dropping a 5-0 match to Norwalk.

The Little Giants won just one set in five matches. The Truckers' margin of victory wasn't surprising to first-year Ross

coach Mike Andrews.

"This team (Norwalk) was 19-1 last year and they only lost their number five player," Andrews said. "We played pretty well, it's just that they were a

good team."

Rob Myers of Ross dropped his No. 1 singles match to Brad Emmons 6-2, 6-2, while the Little Giants' David Dierksheide fell to Norwalk's Doug Caldwell 6-0, 6-2. Mike Byrnes won the only set of the match for Ross, yet ended up losing a 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 decision to George Kelley.

Reserves Brian Stein and Scott Gloer won the only match of the night for the Little Giants, defeating Jerod Adkins and Jason Penrose 9-7 in doubles play. Jeff Rang of Norwalk beat Doug Snider of Ross 8-2 in the other ju-

nior varsity match.

## Ross netters even record

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The Fremont Ross tennis team rebounded from Monday's 5-0 loss to Norwalk with a 4-1 victory over Tiffin Columbian Tuesday.

Ross, 1-1, won two of three singles matches and swept the Tornadoes in doubles play. The match was Columbian's first.

In one other match, Clyde beat Huron 5-0.

In Fremont, Rob Meyers amd Mike Byrnes won at first and third singles, respectively. Mark Schwartz and Justin Oxley as well as Shaun Badertsher and Jamie Schroeder earned doubles wins.

Byrnes dropped just two games in his match with Rob Stiltner, while Badertscher and Schroeder were pushed to three sets by Jason Sager and Tony Bernard before prevailing 6-4 in the final set.

Ross will host Sandusky Perkins at RYP in a 4:15 p.m. Thursday match.

Clyde 5, Huron 0

At Clyde, the Fliers were paced by Shawn Chaney's 6-2, 6-0 victory over Steve Wargo in their season-opener.

Clyde did not drop a set to Huron, 0-2 and 0-1 in the Sandusky Bay Conference match.

Clyde will travel to Bellevue today for a 4:15 match against the Redmen.



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ROB MEYERS, Fremont Ross's number one singles player, concentrates on a volley during his 6-1, 6-3 victory over Tiffin Columbian's Brett Gordon Tuesday at Rodger Young Park.

## Myers sparks tennis victory

News-Messenger reports

Number one singles player Rob Myers led the way, and the rest of the Fremont Ross team followed suit Friday afternoon as the Little Giants posted a 5-0 victory over visiting Huron in the first round of the Ohio Tennis Coaches Association Tournament.

Myers whipped the Polar Bears' Joe Delahunt 6-0, 6-0, Dave Dierksheide beat Huron's Brandon Kenning 4-6, 6-1, 6-0 at No. 2 and Mike Burns defeated Todd Cook 6-1, 6-0 at No. 3 as Ross easily swept the singles

play.

In doubles, the No. 1 team of Mark Schwartz and Doug Snider posted a 6-1, 6-1 win over Deuce Porter and Vern DeHaven. Shaun Vadartscher and Jamie Schroeder then whipped Bill Beatty and Jim Keane 6-0, 6-2 at No. 2.

In reserve action, Ross's Scott Gloer shut out Mike Andrews 8-0.

The Little Giants' next tournament match is against Ashland, which defeated Sandusky Perkins 4-1 earlier in the week.

## Ross rides doubles play

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The victory by the No. 1 doubles team of Mark Schwartz and Justin Oxley allowed the Ross boys tennis team to defeat Marion Harding 3-2 Monday afternoon at Rodger Young Park.

Schwartz and Oxley, down 5-2 in the third set against Harding's Paul Carr and Chris Fry, came back to post a 6-2, 6-7, (7-4), 7-6 (7-4) victory in the final match

of the day.

"It was a good match is about all I can say," Little Giants coach Mike Andrews said. "They hung in there when things looked down."

The victory was the third straight for Ross after a seasonopening loss, while the Presidents fell to 2-2.

Also picking up victories for the Little Giants were No. 3 singles player Mike Byrnes and the No. 2 doubles team of Shaun Badertscher and Jamie Schroeder.

Byrnes defeated Bill Feaner 6-1, 6-1, while Badertscher and Schroeder hung on to beat Kirk Steward and David Spearry 6-2, 7-6 (7-5).

In reserve matches, Ross's Brian Stein won 6-0, 6-1; Scott Gloer crushed his opponent 8-2, 8-1; and the combination of Greg Byrnes, Matt Hull and Chad Cataline won their doubles match 6-4, 6-4.

## Ross wins; Clyde whips St. Joe

News-Messenger reports

Fremont Ross posted a 4-1 victory over Sandusky Perkins in a high school tennis match Thursday, while Clyde shut out St. Joseph Central Catholic and Port Clinton blanked Oregon Clay.

Ross, 4-1, lost only the first doubles match. Rob Meyers, David Dierksheide and Mike Byrnes as well as the Little Giants' second doubles team of Shaun Badertscher and Jamie Schroeder all won.

"Meyers played well and beat a good player; Dierksheide

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played his best match of the year; Byrnes had another work-manlike match at third singles and Shaun and Jamie were solid at number two doubles," Ross Coach Mike Andrews said.

Clyde 5, St. Joe 0

St. Joe stumbled to its first loss in three outings while Clyde won for the third time in four matches.

"I figured it would be close-... maybe 3-2," St. Joe Coach Greg Noftz said. "We didn't play well."

## **Tennis**

#### **High School Boys**

#### **Bowling Green 4, Ross 1**

Singles

1-Rob Myers (R) d. Bob Yonker 7-5, 6-0; 2-Ken Kawashima (BG) d. David Dierksheide 6-2, 6-1; 3-Gene Kimm (BG) d. Mike Byrnes 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Doubles

1-Jeremy Neal and Chris Kec (BG) d. Mark Schwartz and Justin Oxley 6-3, 6-4; 2-Tim Boughton and Bill Scovell (BG) d. Shaun Badertscher and Jamie Schroeder 6-0, 6-0.

Records: BG 4-1, Ross 4-2.

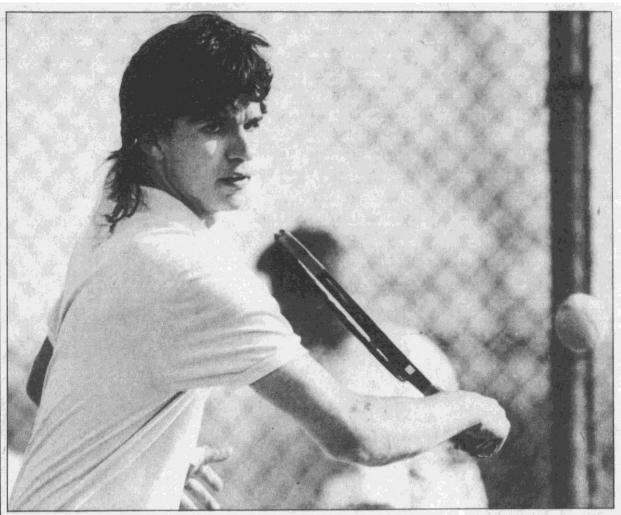
Ashland 3, Ross 2

At Ashland, the Little Giants were eliminated from the Ohio Tennis Coaches Association Tournament with the loss to the Eagles.

Ross dropped to 4-3 with the loss, while Ashland improved to

7-3.

Winning matches for the Little Giants were Rob Myers at No. 1 singles and Mike Byrnes at No. 3. Myers defeated Ramesh Krisnamurthi 6-1, 6-3, and Byrnes defeated Ben Chortening 6-2, 7-5.



News-Messenger/Terry Reimer

DAVID DIERKSHEIDE, Ross's No.2 singles player, concentrates on a backhand during his match

with Port Clinton's Ming Yu at Rodger Young Park Monday. Yu won 6-0, 6-3.

### Port Clinton netters defeat Little Giants

**News-Messenger reports** 

Port Clinton won two of three singles matches and split two doubles matches in Monday's 3-2 high school tennis victory over Fremont Ross at Rodger Young Park.

Ming Yu defeated David Dierkshide at No.2 singles and Chris Money defeated Mike Byrnes at No.3 singles while Ross's Rob Myers defeated Steve Benko in three sets.

Money overcame a 4-1 deficit in the second set of his match with Byrnes.

Mike Pope and Joe Carr topped Mark Schwartz and Justin Oxley at first-court doubles. Roos earned its second point at No.2 doubles where Shaun Baudertscher and Jamie Schroeder defeated John Blatt and Aaron Stiefel.

The Redskins improved to 5-4, and the Little Giants fell to 4-4.

## **Tennis**

#### **High School Boys**

#### Findlay 5, Ross 0

Singles

1-Jack Adams (F) d. Rob Myers 6-3, 6-3; 2-Kevin Hinkle (F) d. David Dierksheide 6-0, 6-0; 3-Tom Roach (F) d. Shaun Badertscher 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles

1-Matt Semeyn and Corey Hinkle (F) d. Mike Byrnes and Justin Oxley 6-3, 7-5; 2-Scott Hall and Jason Maher (F) d. Mark Schwartz and Jamie Schroeder 6-2, 6-3.

Records: Ross 4-5, Findlay 12-0.

## Perrysburg topples Ross 4-1

**News-Messenger reports** 

Junior left-hander Mike Byrnes was the only one able to pick up a win for the Ross tennis team Monday night in a 4-1 high school loss to host Perrysburg.

Byrnes raised his record to 6-3 after disposing of Edmar Upite

6-4, 6-4.

In Monday's other match, Port Clinton defeated Clyde 3-2.

At Perrysburg, the Little Giants fell to 4-6.. The Yellow Jack-

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ets upped their record to 11-3. Ross' plays at Ottawa Hills

Wednesday.

Port Clinton 3, Clyde 2

At Clyde, Steve Benko, Chris Money and the top doubles team of Mike Pope and Joe Carr each recorded victories for the Redskins, now 2-3 in the Sandusky Bay Conference and 8-8 overall.

Benko beat Shawn Chaney 6-3. 6-1, while Money defeated Matt Nicely 6-2, 6-0 at No. 3 singles. Pope and Carr hung on for a 7-6 (7-5), 6-1 win over Randy Dickman and Tom Schafer.

Winning for Clyde were No. 2 singles player Ken Garcia, who beat Ming Yu 6-4, 2-6, 6-4, and the No. 2 doubles team of Casey Gills and Jerry Thome, who whipped Bob Wuersig and Aaron

Stiefel 6-0, 6-3.

## **Tennis**

#### **High School Boys**

#### Ross 4, Ottawa Hills 1

Singles

1-Rob Meyers (R) d. Mark Grossman 6-1, 6-2, 2-Steve Craver (OH) d. David Dierksheide 6-1, 6-0; 3-Mike Byrnes (R) d. Brian Epstein 6-0, 7-6 (7-1).

**Doubles** 

1-Mark Schwartz and Justin Oxley (R) d. Sumesh Sooo and Adam Bicinus 6-4, 3-6, 6-0; 2-Shaun Badertscher and Jamie Schroeder (R) d. Josh Richards and Nikail Patel 6-4, 6-1.

Records: Ross 5-6, Ottawa Hills 5-8.

Fostoria fell to 10-4.

Ross 5, Clay 0

At Óregon, the Little Giants didn't drop a set and No.2 singles player David Dierksheide won by default over Keith Kowalka after winning the first set 7-5 and taking a 1-0 lead in the second set.

Ross leveled its record at 6-6, and Clay remained winless in 13 matches.

# Ross netters fifth in BCC

**News-Messenger reports** 

NEWARK — Fremont Ross finished last in the Buckeye Central Conference tennis meet Saturday, but the Little Giants were just four points from third place.

Ross tallied 38 points behind BCC champion Findlay, runnerup Lancaster and Zanesville and Newark, which scored 42 and 40

points, respectively.

Mike Byrnes finished third at second singles and Rob Myers was fourth at first singles for Ross.

"It's one of the tougher conferences around," Myers said. "For us to finish third, it came down to second singles and both doubles matches. We needed to finish third in all three and only Mike (Byrnes) was third."

## Ross tennis team beats Port Clinton

News-Messenger reports

PORT CLINTON — Fremont Ross avenged an earlier loss to Port Clinton by defeating the Redskins 3-2 in non-conference tennis action Monday night.

The match came down to No. 2 doubles, where Ross's Shaun Badertscher and Jamie Schroeder defeated Bob Wuersig and Aaron

Stiefel 6-2, 2-6, 7-6 (8-6).

Badertscher and Schroeder took a 5-2 advantage in the third set, only to have Wuersig and Stiefel tie it at 6-6. The Port Clinton tandem then led 6-5 in the tiebreaker until the Ross duo pulled out the final three points to win the set and the match.

Other winners for Ross included Rob Myers over Steve Benko 6-1, 6-4 at No. 1 singles and Mike Byrnes over Chris Money 6-1, 6-1 at No. 3 singles.

Winners for Port Clinton were Ming Yu over David Dierksheide 6-3, 6-1 at No. 2 singles and the No. 1 doubles team of Mike Pope and Joe Carr over Mark Schwartz and Justin Oxley.

Pope and Carr, who recently won the Sandusky Bay Conference doubles championship, lost the first set 3-6 but came back to win the final sets by 6-3, 6-4 scores.

The loss dropped the Redskins to 9-6, while the Little Giants upped their record to 7-6.

## Ross netters win fourth straight

News-Messenger reports

The Fremont Ross tennis team's 3-2 victory over Toledo Waite Thursday was the Little Giants' fourth straight win.

Ross, 8-6, lost at first and second singles but got wins from Mike Byrnes at No.3 singles and Mark Schwartz and Justin Oxley and Shaun Badertscher and Jamie Schroeder at first and second doubles, respectively.

Byrnes defeated Josh Hibbits 6-0, 6-1; Schwartz and Oxley beat Rob Slawski and Jason Lewis 6-0, 6-1; and Badertscher and Schroeder posted a 6-1, 6-1 victory over David Kowalski and Jeremy Brown.

## **Tennis**

#### **High School Boys**

#### Ross 3, Sandusky 2

Singles

1-Rob Myers (R) d. Matt Schoder 6-2, 6-2, 2-Chadd Green (S) d. David Dierkscheide 6-1, 6-1, 3-Mike Byrnes (R) d. John Lenhart 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles

1-Mark Schwartz and Justin Oxley (R) d.
Agus Setiswan and Dan Riechenbach 6-0, 6-0, 2Brent Hudson and Jack Colvin (S) d. Shawn
Badertscher and Jamie Schroeder 6-3, 6-4.

Records: Ross 10-6, Sandusky 13-4.