

Ross netter Stark gains regionals

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TOLEDO — Ross's No. 1 singles player Gail Stark will represent her team in this weekend's Class AAA regional tennis tournament as a result of district action here this past weekend.

Stark swept through three opponents in the district tourney before losing to top-seeded Becky Offenbacher of Lima Senior 6-1, 6-0 in the semifinals. The top four finishers qualified for regionals.

In the first two rounds, Stark blanked Sue Wolley of Perrysburg and Amy McNary of Lima Senior 6-0, 6-0, and in the quarterfinals, she dumped Rupa Pudupakkan of Lima Shawnee 6-1, 6-3.

Ross's first doubles team of Jolene Gamertsfelder and Kim White came within one match of qualifying for regionals. The duo won its first two matches but lost in the quarterfinals to the second-seeded team from Lima Shawnee.

Winning first-round matches for Ross were Julie Young and Jennifer Miesle. Both players, however, lost their second-round matches.

The district tourney was held at three different locations Friday and Saturday — the Courts of Sylvania, Jermain Park and the Toledo Racquet Club.

This weekend's regional tourney will be held at Sandusky Perkins High School.