Little Giants Beaten

FINDLAY — Larry Shilling and Ron Kanan combined for a doubles victory to give Fremont Ross its only point in a 6-1 tennis loss to Findlay yesterday.

Shilling and Kanan beat their opponents in three sets, 3-6, 6-4 and 6-1. In the other doubles match, the Little Giants' Steve Shively and Scott Hilty bowed, 6-1 and 6-2.

Shilling, Kanan, Shively, John Mittermaier and Jeff Tschumy all lost in their singles matches.

Mittermaier took his opponent, Marc Armond, three sets before losing. Mittermaier won the first set, 6-1, and then lost 6-4 and 6-1 decisions.

Ross (0-1) will journey to Marion Tuesday. Coach Jim Wade also announced yesterday that last Tuesday's rained out match with Mansfield Senior will be made up April 30.

Findlay 6, Ross 1 Singles

Tom Somers (F) def. Larry Shilling, 6-1 and 6-0.

Randy Wynkoop (F) def. Ron Kanan, 6-0 and 6-0.

Craig Lather (F) def. Steve Shively, 6-1 and 6-2.

Marc Armond (F) def. John Mittermaier, 1-6, 6-4 and 6-1.

Mark Gephard (F) def. Jeff Tschumy, 6-1 and 6-2.

Doubles

Lowell McClintock (F) def. Shively and Scott Hilty, 6-1 and 6-2.

Shilling-Kanan (R) def. Lynch, Shay, 3-6, 6-4 and 6-1.

Bobcat Golfers Score 8-0 Win

TIFFIN—Bettsville scored an 8-0 victory over Hopewell-Loudon in a scholastic golf match played at Seneca Hills Golf Course Thursday.

Medalist in the match was Bettsville's Mark Channels, who scored a 40. Other Bettsville scores included Don DeVanna (41), Mike Bramel (45) and Doug Dantuono (43).

Bettsville 8, Hopewell-Loudon 0

Dan DeVanna (B) def. Dave Burkart, 2-0.

Mark Channels (B) def. Dave Comer, 2-0.

Doug Dantuono (B) def. Dave Bishop, 2-0.

Total Strokes: Bettsville 169, Hopewell-Loudon 197.

Ross Netters Beaten

MARION-Fremont Ross Scott Hilty and Kanan bowed to could only score two singles victories and dropped a 5-2 decision to Marion in tennis yesterday.

Steve Shively and Doug Spriggs scored the Little Giant points. Shively beat Ken Wing, 1-6, 6-2 and 6-2. Spriggs needed two sets to defeat Jim Stonebraker, 7-5 and 6-2.

The Little Giants' Ron Kanan, John Mittermaier and Jeff Tschumy were beaten in singles competition.

The Ross doubles combinations also lost Shively and Spriggs lost their doubles match, 6-3 and 6-4.

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Dave Stuckey and Brent Rowland, 6-3 and 6-2.

The Little Giants open their home season Wednesday, entertaining Findlay at the Rodger Young Park courts starting at 4 p.m. Ross hosts Mansfield Thursday and Fostoria Friday.

The results:

Marion 5, Ross 2

Singles

Bob Wintringham (M) def. Ron Kanan, 6-

Steve Shively (R) def. Ken Wing, 1-6, 6-2.6-2.

Doug Spriggs (R) def. Jim Stonebraker, 7-5, 6-2.

Dave Stuckey (M) def. John Mittermaier, 6-2, 6-2.

Brent Rowland (M) def. Jeff Tschumy, 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles

Wintringham-Wing def. Shively -Spriggs, 6-3, 6-4.

Stuckey - Rowland def. Hilty-Kanan, 6-3,

Netters Beaten 6-1

Fremont Ross sustained its third straight defeat in tennis yesterday. The Little Giants lost a 6-1 verdict at the Rodger Young Park courts.

Doug Spriggs and Steve Shively combined for the Little Giants' only point. They defeated Mooney Lowell and Bill Shay, 6-0 and 6-3, in the number one doubles match.

Larry Shilling, Spriggs, Shively, Ron Kanan and John Mittermaier all lost their singles matches. Kanan took Marc Armond three sets before bowing.

Ross will be bidding for its first

victory of the season Thursday when it entertains Mansfield Senior. The Little Giants entertain Fostoria Friday.

The results:

Findlay 6, Ross 1 Singles

Tom Sommers (F) def. Larry Shilling, 6-2, 6-3

Randy Wyncop (F) def Doug Spriggs, 6-4, 6-1

Craig Lather (F) def. Steve Shively, 6-1, 7-5.

Marc Armond (F) def Ron Kanan, 1-6, 7-5, 7-5

Mark Gephart (F) def John Mittermaier, 6-1, 6-1

Doubles

Spriggs-Shively def Mooney Lowell-Bill Shay, 6-0, 6-3

Hugh McClintock Dan Lynch (F) def. Kanan Shilling, 6-4, 6-0

Mansfield Tops Ross

Mansfield, probably one of the best tennis teams in the state and a sure bet to win the Buckeye Conference championship this year, dealt the Ross netters their fourth loss in as many outings yesterday, 6-1.

John Mittermaier of Ross provided the losers with their only point, defeating Mansfield's Trent Bosley, 6-1 and 6-3. Ross lost the other singles matches and was defeated in the doubles contests.

Mansfield now owns a 12-0 record for the season.

Ross faces Fostoria today at 4 p.m. here.

The results:

Singles

George Wesner (M) def. Larry Shilling (R); 6-0, 6-1.

Ramsey Slugg (M) def. Doug Spriggs (R); 6-1, 6-2.

Dick Warga (M) def. Steve Shively (R); 6-1, 6-1.

Steve Smith (M) def. Ron Kanan (R); 6-

Don Mittermaier (R) def. Trent Bosley (M): 6-1, 6-3.

Doubles

Warga-Wesner (M) def. Spriggs-Shively (R); 6-0, 6-0.

Slugg-Smith (M) def. Shilling Kanan (R); 6-1, 6-4.

Netters Nipped, 4-3

Fremont Ross won the first three matches then lost the next four and was beaten, 4-3, in a scholastic tennis match at the Rodger Young Park courts yesterday.

Larry Shilling, Doug Spriggs and Steve Shively put the Little Giants in front 3-0 with victories in the singles competition.

Shilling bested Fostoria's Chris LeForge, 6-1 and 6-3. Spriggs took care of Stan Schmidt, 7-5 and 6-1. Shively went three sets before beating Tom Holden, 3-6, 7-5 and 6-4.

In the number four match, Fostoria's Kerry Mitchell won in two sets against John Mittermaier. Mitchell won the first set 7-5 and the second 6-2.

Both of the doubles matches went the maximum distance, three sets. LeForge and Schmidt teamed to beat Spriggs and Shively, 6-4, 1-6 and 6-3. Ron Kanan and Shilling lost 6-1, 5-7 and 6-4.

The loss gave Ross an 0-5 record. Fostoria is now 5-1. The results:

FOSTORIA 4, ROSS 3 Singles

Larry Shilling (R) def. Chris LeForge, 6-1, 6-3.

Doug Spriggs (R) def. Stan Schmidt, 7-5,

Steve Shively (R) def. Tom Holden, 2-6, 7-5, 6-4.

Kerry Mitchell (F) def. Joh Mittermaier, 6-2, 7-5.

Doubles

LeForge-Schmidt def. Spriggs-Shivel 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.

Holden-Mitchell def. Ron Kanar Shilling, 6-1, 5-7, 6-4.

Blue Streaks Shut Out Little Giant Netters

Sandusky won every match and took a 7-0 victory from Fremont Ross in tennis at the Rodger Young Park Courts yesterday.

In the singles matches, Sandusky received victories from Thom Till, Brad Steineman, Mike Herman, Chris Steineman and Paul Hamberger.

Till won a 6-2 and 6-4 verdict from Doug Spriggs. Brad Steineman beat Steve Shively by 6-2 and 6-1 scores. Herman won both sets from Ron Kanan by 6-1 scores. Chris Steineman beat John Mittermaier 6-0 in the first set and 6-4 in the second. Hamberger bested Jeff Tschumy by 7-5 and 6-1 scores.

Till and Herman needed three sets to defeat Spriggs and Shively in the number one doubles match. Till and Herman won the first set, 6-2. They lost the second by the same count before winning 6-3 in the final.

The Steineman brothers combined to beat Kanan and Scott Hilty, 6-0 and 6-1, in the second doubles match.

Ross' match with Mansfield Senior that was scheduled for Friday at Rodger Young was postponed because the Buckeye Conference Orchestra festival is scheduled for today at Ross.

Ross Netters Win No. 1

Clinton at the Rodger Young Park courts yesterday afternoon.

The win was the first this season in seven starts for the Little Giants and they did it without their first and second players. Doug Spriggs, who usually plays in the number one position, was participating in Youth Government Day Activities and Larry Shilling, the number two player, was in Toledo on personal business.

Ross won three singles matches and clinched the victory when Steve Shively and Ron Kanan combined for a doubles win over Port Clinton's Jim Luchsinger and Mark Belknap. Shively and Kanan won in two sets, 11-9 and 6-4.

Singles winners included John Mittermaier, Jeff Tschumy and Scott Hilty.

Luchsinger, 6-2 and in only his second varsity match, conference meet.

Fremont Ross' tennis squad bested Dick Kallenbach, 6-4 and snapped a 12-meet losing string 6-4. Hilty, who was playing in his with a 4-3 victory over Port first singles match, beat Bob Cox in two sets by identical 8-6 scores. Hilty was down by a 5-2 margin at one point in the second set.

> Belknap and Mark Dunham were Port Clinton's winners in the singles competition. Belknap beat Shively, 7-5 and 6-3, and Dunham bested Kanan by 6-2 and 6-3 scores.

> In the second doubles match, Dunham and Jim Jameson combined for a 6-2 and 6-4 victory over Mittermaier and Tschumy.

The victory was the first since

May of 1970 for the Little Giants. Ross was slated to meet Marion Harding at Rodger Young today. The teams were scheduled to begin play at 4 p.m.

The results:

Singles Mark Belknap (PC) def. Steve Shively, '

Mark Dunham (PC) def. Ron Kanan, 6 2, 6-3.

John Mittermaier (R) def. Jin Luchsinger, 6-2, 6-1

Jeff Tschumy (R) def. Dick Kallenbach 6-4. 6-4

Scott Hilty (R) def. Bob Cox, 8-6, 8-6. Doubles

Dunham-Jameson def. Mittermaier Tschumy, 6-2, 6-4.

Shively-Kanan def. Luchsinger-Belknap

Ross Linksters Lose To Harding

Marion Harding, which placed fourth in the Buckeye Conference Mittermaier, a senior playing Golf Tournament at the Country tennis for the first year, bested Club Monday, returned vester-6-1. day and defeated Fremont Ross, Tschumy, a sophomore playing 8-5. Ross had placed third in the

Ross had a 5-1 lead after the first two matches but the Little Giants lost the final two by identical 3-0 scores.

The Little Giants' Jim Decker defeated Bill Jenkins in the number one match, 2-1. Decker

Ross Netters Drop 6-1. Verdict To Bellevue

BELLEVUE—Bellevue was victorious in every singles match and added a win in doubles to defeat Fremont Ross, 6-1, in a tennis match played here yesterday.

Ross' only victory came in the first doubles match where Doug Spriggs and Steve Shively combined for a 6-4 and 6-4 victory over Mark Aigler and Don Schueler.

In the second doubles match, Bellevue's Mark Krinke and Pete Sackett defeated Larry Shilling and Scott Hilty by scores of 6-1 and 6-4.

Bellevue singles winners included Gary Garman, Dave Lulow, Don Lulow, Don Seymour and Gary Good.

Garman defeated Shilling in two sets, 6-2 and 6-0. Dave Lulow need three sets to beat Doug Spriggs. Scores were 6-4, 2-6 and 6-4.

Don Lulow downed Shively in two sets, 6-3 and 6-1. Ron Kanan went three sets with Seymour before bowling. Seymour won the first set, 6-4. Kanan took the second, 8-6, and Seymour captured the last, 6-4. Good bested Jeff Tschumy, 6-1 and 6-2.

Ross was scheduled to play at Sandusky Tuesday afternoon. The Buckeye Conference tournament, which was scheduled for last Saturday and postponed, has been rescheduled for May 20.

Netters Beaten, 6-1

SANDUSKY—Doug Spriggs was the only victor for Fremont Ross in its 6-1 tennis loss to Sandusky yesterday.

Spriggs defeated the Blue Streaks' Tom Till, 6-1 and 6-3, in the number one doubles match.

Ross losers in the singles competition included Larry Shilling, Steve Shively, Ron Kanan and John Mittermaier. Mittermaier went three sets before losing to Kim Ruman.

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Mitter won the first set, 6-3, and Ruman took the next two, 6-3 and 6-0.

Brad Steineman bested Shilling in straight sets, 9-7 and 6-2. Mike Herman won two sets from Shively by identical 6-2 scores. Chris Steineman took care of Kanan, 6-0 and 7-5.

In doubles competition, Till and Herman combined for a 6-1 and 6-2 win over Spriggs and Shilling. Brad Steineman and Tom Burger defeated Scott Hilty and Jeff Tschumy, 6-0 and 6-4.

The results:

Doug Spriggs (R) def. Tom Till, 6-1, 6-3.

Brad Steineman (S) def. Larry Shilling, 9-7, 6-2.

Mike Herman (S) def. Steve Shively, 6-2, 6-2.

Chris Steineman (S) def. Ron Kanas, 6-0, 7-5.

Kim Ruman (S) def. John Mittermaier, 3-6, 6-3, 6-0.

Doubles

Till-Herman (S) def. Spriggs-Shilling, 6-1, 6-2.

B. Steineman-Tom Burger (S) def. Scott Hilty and Jeff Tschumy, 6-0 and 6-4.

Ross Netters Notch Second Season Win

PORT CLINTON—Fremont Ross swept the doubles matches and won three of five singles matches enroute to a 5-2 victory over Port Clinton yesterday afternoon.

It was the second victory of the season for the Little Giants. Their other win also came against Port Clinton.

Larry Shilling and Steve Shively combined for one of the doubles victories. They defeated the team of Mark Belknap and Mark Dunham, 6-2, 2-6 and 6-3.

Ron Kanan and Doug Spriggs paired for the other win in doubles. They bested Jim Luchsinger and Jim Jameson, 6-0 and 6-3.

Ross singles winners included Shilling, Shively and Kanan. Shilling beat Dunham in three sets. Shively and Kanan needed only two sets to dispose of their foes.

Losers in singles action included Spriggs and Scott Hilty. Spriggs lost to Mark Belknap and Luchsinger took care of Hilty.

Next outing for Ross is Friday. It will participate in the sectional tournament at Toledo.

The results:

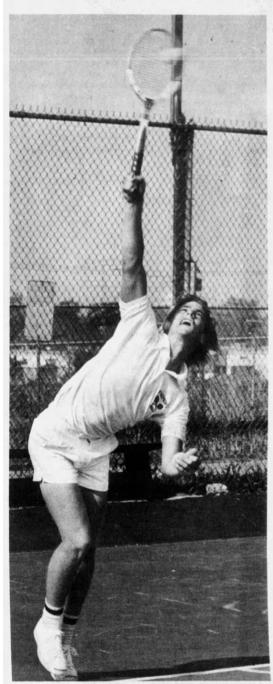
Singles

Mark Belknap (PC) def. Doug Spriggs, 6-3, 8-6. Larry Shilling (R) def. Mark Dunham, 3-6, 6-4, 10-8. Steve Shively (R) def. Dick Kallenback, 6-2, 6-3. Ron Kanan (R) def. Bob Cox, 6-3, 6-1. Jim Luchsinger (PC) def. Scott Hilty, 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles

Shilling-Shively def. Belknap-Dunham, 6-2, 2-6, 6-3. Kanan-Spriggs def. Luchsinger-Jameson, 6-0, 6-3.

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SERVE-Doug Spriggs serves during singles match of yesterday's Ross-Bellevue tennis match at Rodger Young Park. The Little Giants lost a 6-1 verdict. Spriggs will compete in the Buckeye Conference championships at Lorain Thursday. (News-Messenger Photo)

Tennis Squad Bows

Fremont Ross' tennis squad ended its dual meet season with a 6-1 loss to Bellevue at the Rodger Young Park courts yesterday afternoon.

The doubles team of Larry Shilling and Steve Shively were the only winners for the Little Giants. They took a 6-1 and 6-0 verdict from Mark Aigler and Rick Hettle in the final match of the day.

Dave and Dan Lulow, Gary Garman, Gary Good and Mark Krinke scored wins in singles action for Bellevue. The doubles team of Doug Dulow and Pete Sackett also was victorious.

Dave Lulow bested Doug Spriggs in the number one match. Spriggs won the first set, 7-5, but then lost by scores of 8-6 and 6-4.

Garman won in two sets from Shilling. The scores were 6-1 and 6-3. Dan Lulow took a 6-4 and 6-2 verdict from Shively.

In the number four match, Good bested Ron Kanan by scores of 6-2 and 7-5. Krinke needed three sets to take care of John Mittermaier. Krinke won the first set (6-0) before losing 6-4 in the second. The Bellevue fifth man came back to win the third, 6-3.

Dave Lulow and Pete Sackett downed Jeff Tschumy and Scott Hilty in the first doubles match. Score in both sets was 6-1.

Ross still has one more outing before the season closes. The Little Giants will participate in the Buckeye Conference championships at Lorain Thursday. Lorain Admiral King is host for the event.

Jim Wade, Ross head coach, announced he will use Spriggs, Shively and Shilling in the event. Spriggs and Shively are entered in doubles and Shilling will compete in singles.

Each conference school is allowed to enter one singles player and one doubles team.

- SINGLES
 Dave Lulow (B) def. Doug Spriggs, 5-7, 8-6 and 6-4.
 Garry Garrman (B) def. Larry Shilling, 6-1 and 6-3.
 Dan Lulow (B) def. Steve Shively, 6-4
- and 6-2. Gary Good (B) def. Ron Kanan, 6-2 and 7

5. Mark Krinke (B) def. John Mittermaier, 6-0, 4-6 and 6-3. DOUBLES

Dave Lulow and Pete Sackett (B) def. Jeff Tschumy and Scott Hilty, 6-1 and 6-1. Larry Shilling and Steve Shively (R) def. Mark Aigler and Rick Hettle, 6-1 and 6

Ross Entries Lose

LORAIN—Fremont Ross entrants lost their opening matches in the first round of the Buckeye Conference tennis championships yesterday.

George Wesner of Mansfield, the top seed, won the singles crown. Findlay's Tom Somers and Randy Wyncoop combined to win the doubles title.

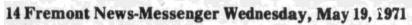
Larry Shilling was the singles entrant for Ross. He lost a 6-4 and 6-1 verdict to Bob Wintringham of Marion. The doubles entry of Doug Spriggs and Steve Shively bowed to Somers and Wyncoop, 6-3 and 6-2, in their first match.

After beating Spriggs and Shively, the Findlay duo ousted the Admiral King duo of Tom Potrolosky and Jeff Szabo in the semifinals by scores of 6-2 and 6-1.

Lorain Senior's team of Chris Mehich and Glenn Tomazir lost to Somers and Wyncoop in the finals. The scores were 6-4 and 6-3 Mehich and Tomazir had upset Elyria's duo of Jim Rakestraw and Rimus Maurukas in the opening round. The Elyria entry was the top seed.

Wesner bested Admiral King's Frank Bobel, 6-4 and 6-1, in the championship match. Wesner also disposed of Sandusky's Brad Steineman (6-1, 6-1) and Elyria's Jeff Pleska (6-1, 6-3)

enroute to the finals.





ROSS REPRESENTATIVES—Larry Shilling (left) and Steve Shively will form two-thirds of the Fremont Ross entry at the Buckeye Conference tennis championships at Lorain

Thursday. Shilling will compete in the singles competition. Shively is entered with Doug Spriggs in the doubles matches. (News-Messenger Photo)