

# Ross Netters Open Friday

Ross high school's tennis team will open its 1954 season Friday at Rodger W. Young Park against Sandusky.

The Little Giants, led by Jack Baron, are expected to again have one of the top teams in the area. Baron teamed with Dick Garcia, who has graduated, to win the 1953 doubles title.

Coach Jack Decker has lined up eight matches prior to the district meet at Bowling Green May 20-21.

The schedule:

April 23, Sandusky, here; May 3, Mansfield, here; May 4, at Toledo DeVilbiss; May 7, at Lima Central; May 10, at Findlay; May 12, Marion, home; May 14, Toledo DeVilbiss, home; May 18, at Sandusky.

# Baron Beats District Singles Champ But Ross Netters Lose

Jack Baron defeated the 1953 District singles champion but otherwise it was a losing debut for the Ross high tennis team Friday at Rodger W. Young Park.

Baron, who with Garcia won the state doubles crown, won a hard-fought struggle with Don Yontz, a classy southpaw, 6-2, 5-7, 7-5.

Sandusky won four other singles matches. Darkness prevented doubles matches, so the Blue Streaks are credited with a 4-1 victory.

Summary:

## Singles

Jack Baron (Ross) defeated Don Yontz, 6-2, 5-7, 7-5

Ron Meyer (S) defeated Ted Houghtaling, 6-3, 6-4

Al Routh (S) defeated Larry Harris, 6-4, 3-6, 8-6

Jim Lanker (S) defeated Bill Bowlus, 5-7, 6-0, 9-7

Gene Lauro (S) defeated Henry Warner, 6-1, 6-2

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## NO TRACK MEET

Toledo Clay high school didn't appear for its track meet with Ross at Harmon Field yesterday. Coach Mal Mackey of Ross claimed a forfeit.

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## NO BASEBALL GAME

Wet grounds at Anderson Field prevented St. Joe and Ross baseball teams from playing their scheduled game Friday.

# Ross Netters Blank Bellevue

Ross high's tennis squad had no trouble with Bellevue yesterday, winning a 7-0 decision. This is the first year of competitive tennis for Bellevue.

Jack Baron, who is gunning for state singles honors this year to go with the doubles championship he helped win a year ago, didn't lose a game in disposing of Bruce Meyer.

Summary:

## Singles

Jack Baron (F) def. Bruce Meyer, 6-0, 6-0. Ted Houghtaling (F) def. Jack Strayer, 6-3, 6-4. Larry Harris (F) def. Bob Adams, 6-0, 6-4. Bill Bowlus (F) def. Dave Burke, 6-1, 6-0. Henry Warner (F) def. George Woodard, 6-1, 6-1.

## Doubles

Harris - Houghtaling (F) def. Meyer - Strayer, 7-5, 6-3. Baron-Bowlus (F) def. Adams-Woodard, 6-4, 7-5.

# Ross Netters Trip DeVilbiss

Ross high school tennis squad pulled a match with DeVilbiss out of the fire in Toledo last night.

Jack Baron and Bill Bowlus, after winning singles matches, teamed up to win the final doubles match, 6-3, 6-2, over Bob Schwin and Ty Cottey, of DeVilbiss.

Baron breezed in singles, 6-3, 6-2. Bowlus, after losing the first set, won 6-0 and 6-4. Larry Harris won two close sets with Jim Jeffrey, 7-5, 8-6.

The Ross squad goes to Lima Central Friday. Summary of yesterday's matches:

## Singles

Jack Baron (F) defeated John V... 6-3, 6-2.

Bob Dietche (D) def. Ted Houghtaling, 7-5, 6-2.

Larry Harris (F) def. Jim Jeffrey 7-5, 8-6.

Bill Bowlus (F) def. Bob Schwin, 4-6, 6-0, 6-4.

Ty Cottey (D) def. Henry Warner, 6-3, 6-3.

## Doubles

Wiley Dietche (D) def. Harris-Houghtaling, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.

Baron-Bowlus (F) def. Schwin-Cottey, 6-3, 6-2.

# Netters Edge Findlay High

Ross high school defeated Findlay 4-3 in a tennis match there yesterday.

The Little Giants won three of five singles matches, then Ted Houghtaling and Jack Baron laced Findlay's Dave Wagner and Deke Abbott in doubles to sew up the verdict.

**Houghtaling, Baron and Bill Bowlus won singles matches. Houghtaling and Abbott battled to a 10-8 set, which the Ross athlete won, then Abbott bounced back to square the duel with a 6-4 win. Houghtaling won an 8-6 clutch decision in the final set.**

Baron lost his first set, then swept the next two, losing only one game. The local netters meet Findlay here Wednesday. Summary:

## Singles

Jack Baron (Ross) def. Dave Wagner, 3-6, 6-1, 6-0.

Ted Houghtaling (Ross) def. Deke Abbott, 10-8, 4-6, 8-6.

John Weaver (Findlay) def. Larry Harris, 6-4, 7-5.

Bill Bowlus (Ross) def. Tim Kifer, 6-4, 7-5.

Bill Fowley (Findlay) def. Henry Warner, 6-2, 6-1.

## Doubles

Houghtaling - Baron (Ross) def. Wagner - Abbott, 6-2, 6-0.

Weaver - Demling (Findlay) def. Warner-Bowlus, 6-2.

# Netters Blank Marion High

Fremont chalked up its fourth win in seven tennis meets in smashing fashion at Marion Wednesday.

Jack Decker's squad won a 7-0 decision, taking five singles matches and two in doubles.

**Jack Baron, who helped win a state doubles title last spring, blasted Joe Snouffer without losing a game. Other singles wins were by Ted Houghtaling, Gary Shilling, Bill Bowlus and Henry Warner.**

The locals will be in action against Toledo DeVilbiss at Rodger W. Young Park Friday at 4.

## Singles

Jack Baron (F) def. Joe Snouffer, 6-0, 6-0

Ted Houghtaling (F) def. Mike Wise, 6-2, 6-3

Gary Shilling (F) def. Glenn Dalton, 6-3, 6-0

Bill Bowlus (F) def. Hank Rinnert, 6-3, 6-0

Henry Warner (F) def. Larry Sager, 6-1, 6-2

## Doubles

Harris-Bowlus (F) def. Dan Keegan-Al Hinklin, 6-1, 6-0

Shilling-Warner (F) def. Mike Wise-Snouffer, 6-4, 6-0

# Ross Netters Trip Sandusky

Ross high school won its first tennis match over Sandusky in seven years there Tuesday, 5-4.

After dropping three of five singles matches, the Little Giants

man on second, moved over quickly. First baseman Don Reardon threw to catcher Ron Miller, and when Snyder started back for third, Miller pegged to Spriggs, who made the tag on Snyder. In the meantime, Tisch had wandered off second base and Spriggs' throw to Bob Darr got him to complete the unique three-ply killing.

That was the only highlight for the Crimson Streaks, who were outhit, 8-5.

Huron (11)			ABH	St. Joe (2)			ABH
Brownell,	c	4	1	Yeager,	ss	4	1
Meola,	p	3	2	Schw'tz,	3b-p	4	1
Pilev,	p	0	0	Darr,	2b	3	1

bounced back in two doubles matches.

Jack Baron and Larry Harris won in singles, then Baron teamed with Ted Houghtaling and Harris with Bill Bowlus for the doubles triumphs.

The victory gave Coach Jack Decker's squad a 5-4 record. The netters will compete in the district tournament at Bowling Green Friday, Baron and Bowlus in singles with Houghtaling teaming with Harris in doubles.

## Singles

Jack Baron (F) def. Don Yontz (S), 2-6, 9-7, 6-2.

Ron Myers (S) def. Ted Houghtaling, 6-4, 6-4.

Larry Harris (F) def. Jim Lanker, 6-4, 6-1.

Al Routh (S) def. Bill Bowlus, 6-2, 1-6, 6-4.

Lauro (S) def. Henry Warner, 6-3, 6-4.

## Doubles

Baron-Houghtaling (F) def. Yontz-Myers, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5.

Harris-Bowlus (F) def. Lanker-Lauro, 6-4, 8-6.