

2009 Season Review

Girls Tennis

Fremont Ross 5, ^N Lima Senior 0

LIMA — Fremont Ross swept Lima Senior in a Greater Buckeye Conference dual on Tuesday.

The Little Giants received wins from singles players Sam Lagrou (No. 1), Rachel Laeng (No. 2) and Casey Clark (No. 3) and the doubles team of Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne.

The final score of each contested match was 6-0, 6-0.

Lima Senior forfeited the No. 2 doubles match.

Fremont Ross

■ **Team Scores:** Fremont Ross 5, Lima Senior 0

■ **Singles**

No. 1 — Sam Lagrou (FR) def. Bree Johnson (LS) 6-0, 6-0.

No. 2 — Rachel Laeng (FR) def. Kelsey Conaway (LS) 6-0, 6-0.

No. 3 — Casey Clark (FR) def. Amy Reed (LS) 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles

No. 1 — Alexis Gedeon/Sarah Osborne (FR) def. Brooklyn Mason/Sierra Telesford (LS) 6-0, 6-0.

No. 2 — Lima Senior forfeit.

■ **Junior Varsity**

■ **Singles**

Maddie Kueick (FR) def. Megan Conaway (LS) 6-0.

Angela Hamilton (FR) def. Treilynn Hutchins (LS) 6-0.

Sarah Gray (FR) def. Sierra Page (LS) 6-0.

Doubles

Jenna Overmyer/Karissa Pinkerton (FR) def. Treilynn Hutchins/Sierra Page (LS) 6-0.

■ **Next:** August 19 at Oregon Clay 4 p.m.

GIRLS TENNIS

Little Giants shut out Clay

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Sam Lagrou (No. 1 singles), Rachel Laeng (No. 2), Casey Clark (No. 3), Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne (No. 1 doubles), and Maddie Kuieck and Sarah Gray (No. 2) each won in straight sets as Fremont Ross's girls tennis team shut out Oregon Clay.

The Little Giants have won their first two matches.

Ross girls tennis team edges Columbian

News-Messenger reports

FREMONT — With a pair of doubles wins and a singles victory, the Fremont Ross girls tennis team topped Tiffin Columbian 3-2 on Thursday at Alumni Fields.

The Little Giants' No. 1 doubles team of Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne turned back Molly DePew and Kim Hoover 6-4, 6-0.

At No. 2 doubles, Maddie Kueick and Angela Hamilton handed Ross a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Krysti Auble and Falcia Klepatz. Little Giants' No. 2 singles player Rachel Laeng shut out Olivia Perna 6-0, 6-0. Columbian's Nicole Ardner posted a 6-2, 6-2 win against Sam Lagrou at No. 1 singles. The Tornadoes' Alex Kramer had a 6-4, 6-3 victory over Casey Clark at No. 2 singles. The Little Giants improved to 3-0 overall this season.

SJCC 3, SMCC 2

SANDUSKY — Both doubles teams won their matches and Hannah Sani had a victory at No. 3 singles as St. Joseph Central Catholic knocked off St. Mary Central Catholic.

Sani topped Sarah Thomas 6-0, 6-2 while the Panthers claimed

Armelle DeRiso was a 6-2, 6-2 victor against Leah Walters at No. 2.

Alish Masterson and Morgan Furlong combined to give the Crimson Streaks 7-5, 7-5 victory at No. 1 doubles versus Molly Doyle and Maria Dorski.

SJCC's Emma Hoffman and Chloe Beck posted a 6-0, 6-1 win against Sarah May and Giselle Spardo at No. 2 doubles. The Crimson Streaks are 1-2 this season.

BOYS GOLF

St. Joe frosh tops field

TIFFIN — St. Joseph Central Catholic freshman Connor Dudley carded a 1-over 71 to become the medalist as the Crimson Streaks finished third at the Seneca East Invitational on Thursday at Clinton Heights Golf Course.

The Crimson Streaks needed 327 shots and trailed team champion Tiffin Columbian (308) and runner-up Tiffin Calvert (317). The rest of the standings included Bellevue (330), Old Fort (332), New Riegel (343), Seneca East (346), Fostoria (346), Riverdale (355), North Baltimore (359), Carey (362), Mohawk (372), Bettsville (383), Buckeye Central

Brett Michael (88) and Tommy Spader (91).

Cory Marvin shot a 77 to lead Bellevue, which received an 81 from Justin Schoen, an 85 from Sam Strayer, an 88 from Taylor Radloff and a 91 from Ryan Cook.

Roman Ream, who carded a 4-over 74, topped Old Fort. Other scorers for the Stockaders were Luke Edgar (82), Matt Ream (84), Austin Frankart (92) and Scott West (95). Bettsville was led by Andrew Hartsel, who fired an 87.

SBC Quadrangular

SANDUSKY — St. Mary Central Catholic won a Sandusky Bay Conference quadrangular meet versus Port Clinton, Margaretta and Huron on Thursday at Wousickett Golf Course.

The Panthers' Jared Ebert fired a 39 on the back nine to become the medalist over runner-up Tyler Smith, who shot a 40 for Margaretta. The Polar Bears' Derek Kuns tied for third overall with SMCC's Connor Stark after both golfer posted 41s. Other Margaretta scorers included Chris Stratton (47) and Casey Siesel (51). SMCC won the meet after using



Submitted photo

Fremont Ross' Sam Lagrou hits a return Thursday during the No. 1 singles match against Tiffin Columbian's Nicole Ardner at Alumni Fields.

Girls tennis

Fremont Ross beats Sylvania Southview

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Maddie Kuieck and Sarah Gray (No. 2 doubles) dropped only one game as Fremont Ross's girls tennis team beat Sylvania Southview 4-1 in a non-conference matchup Monday.

Rachel Laeng (No. 2 singles) also won in straight sets for the Little Giants (4-0). Casey Clark (No. 3), and Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osbourne (No. 1 doubles) earned Ross's other victories.

GIRLS TENNIS

Findlay 3, Ross 2

FINDLAY — The Little Giants' doubles teams won their matches, but Fremont Ross dropped its first match this season Tuesday at Findlay.

Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osbourne (No. 1 doubles) outlasted Nicole Bosse and Kelley Worstell 2-6, 7-6, 7-6. Maddie Kuieck and Sarah Gray (No. 2 doubles) knocked off Rina Ishikawa and Naruko Nakuara 7-6, 6-4.

Ross singles players — Sam Lagrou (No. 1), Rachel Lang (No. 2) and Casey Clark (No. 3) — were beaten in straight sets.

FINDLAY 3, FREMONT ROSS 2

Singles

1. Meghan Gray (F) def. Sam Lagrou (FR) 6-0, 6-2
2. Kelsi Wurm (F) def. Rachel Laeng (FR) 6-0, 6-4
3. Lindsey Barlett (F) def. Casey Clark (FR) 6-1, 6-0

Doubles

1. Alexis Gedeon/Sarah Osborne (FR) def. Nicole Bosse/Kelley Worstell 2-6, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (2)
 2. Maddie Kuieck/Sarah Gray (FR) def. Rina Ishikawa/Naruko Nakaura 7-6 (0), 6-4
- Record: Ross 4-1 (1-1 GBC)
JV: Fremont 4, Findlay 3

TENNIS ■ ROSS 5, SJCC 0

Doubles teams spark Little Giants to sweep against Streaks

BY JEFF ARENZ
Sports writer

FREMONT — The teams of Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne at No. 1 and Maddie Kuieck and Sarah Gray at No. 2 have the Fremont Ross girls tennis squad seeing double.

Both Little Giants doubles teams improved to 6-0 this season and No. 2 singles player Rachel Laeng upped her record to 5-1 as Ross shut out St. Joseph Central Catholic 5-0 on Monday at Alumni Fields.

"We have been friends and neighbors since we've been little," said Osborne, who helped

Gedeon capture a 6-0, 6-1, win against the Crimson Streaks' Alish Masterson and Morgan Furlong. "The communication between us is definitely there and we've worked with that."

Individually, Osborne and Gedeon do the little things that create team success.

"Alexis has a really nice serve, her forehands are good and her net game is awesome," Osborne said. "That helps me out a lot."

Osborne and Gedeon try to turn positive energy into points.

"Sarah brings positive energy because she's a positive person," Gedeon said. "With her serves

and her baseline game, it helps me out when I'm up at the net. We're pretty sure to get a point right there."

The same can be said for Kuieck and Gray, who turned back Emma Hoffman and Chloe Beck 6-2, 6-0.

"The communication and skill level of the doubles teams have been a key to our season," said Ross coach Lisa Wolfe, who has guided the Little Giants to a 5-1 record this season. "They work very hard in practice and our conditioning schedule has been incredible. When our players have to go for three or four hours, they

have the stamina."

Laeng blanked Leah Walters 6-0, 6-0, at No. 2 singles before Sam Lagrou earned a 6-1, 6-1 victory against Amanda Berryman at No. 1. Casey Clark, who is in her first year playing tennis, topped Hannah Sani 6-1, 6-2.

Lagrou is 3-3 this season and Clark is 4-2.

"Casey is one of those athletes that can play anything," Wolfe said. "She came out at the beginning of the summer and said, 'Coach, I want to play tennis.' Casey played in every single event we had in our summer program — the Burger King

League, the travelling events, the Tuesday Night Doubles League and every clinic I had. She was there."

Coach Liz Pietrykowski believes the Crimson Streaks (1-6) are gaining valuable experience against tough competition.

"Our players know what they need to do to improve and they're willing to do it," Pietrykowski said. "We have to learn by playing matches like these. They need this experience because it shows them how to get better."

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Fremont Ross 3, Napoleon 2

FREMONT — Both Fremont Ross doubles teams secured wins and No. 3 singles player Casey Clark added another victory as the Little Giants defeated Greater Buckeye Conference rival Napoleon.

Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne (No. 1 doubles) and Maddie Kueick and Sarah Gray (No. 2 doubles) remained undefeated with both teams being 7-0.

Clark is 5-2 in singles play this season.

Sam Lagrou (3-4) and Rachel Laeng (5-2) lost singles matches for Ross.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ■ ROUNDUP

Little Giants girls tennis team rolls in Toledo

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TOLEDO — The Fremont Ross girls tennis team improved to 7-1 after a 5-0 shutout of Toledo Whitmer on Wednesday.

Sam Lagrou (No. 1, 4-4), Rachel Laeng (No. 2, 6-2) and Casey Clark (No. 3, 6-2) picked

up singles wins in straight sets for the Little Giants.

In doubles action, Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne (No. 1, 8-0) and Maddie Kueick and Sarah Gray (No. 2, 8-0) remained undefeated with straight set victories.

Oak Harbor 5, Huron 0

HURON — Oak Harbor swept Huron during a Sandusky Bay Conference match.

Ashley LaFountain (No. 1),

Julia Konieczny (No. 2) and Abby Lopez (No. 3) posted singles victories for the Rockets.

Kristina Blatt and Hannah Sigurdson (No. 1) and Emily Macko and Katie Mehlow (No. 2)

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Fremont Ross 4, Clyde 1

CLYDE — Fremont Ross upped its record to 8-1 this season after defeating Clyde in a non-conference tilt Thursday.

Winners of singles matches were Sara Lagrou (Ross, No. 1, 5-4), Rachel Laeng (Ross, No. 2, 7-2) and Caitlin Nearhood (Clyde, No. 3). Casey Clark (Ross, No. 3) is 6-3 this season.

The Little Giants doubles teams — Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne (No. 1) and Maddy Kueick and Sarah Gray (No. 2) — won their matches to become 9-0 this season.

Oak Harbor doubles team defeats Ross' Kuieck, Gray

BY JEFF ARENZ
Sports writer

OAK HARBOR — Tied at 3 in the third set, Oak Harbor's No. 2 doubles team of Emily Macko and Katie Mehlow won a crucial game against Fremont Ross's Maddie Kuieck and Sarah Gray on Wednesday.

Macko and Mehlow survived through 10 deuce points before taking a 4-3 lead in games on Kuieck and Gray en route to handing the Little Giants' No. 2 doubles team its first loss this season 6-4, 1-6, 6-4.

Ross, which improved to 9-1 overall, received wins from singles players Rachel Laeng (No. 2) and Casey Clark (No. 3) and its No. 1 doubles team of Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne to post a 3-2 win over Oak Harbor (5-3). Ashley LaFountain turned in a victory for the Rockets at No. 1 singles.

Patience was the key for Macko and Mehlow.

"We just had to stay calm," Macko said. "Sometimes, we have a problem with that. I know that I get bent out of shape and so does (Katie). We just talked to each other and kept each other calm."

Mehlow agreed.

"By staying calm, we didn't make any stupid mistakes and kept ourselves in the match," Mehlow said.

After Macko and Mehlow won the first set Wednesday, it was the first time this season that Kuieck and Gray dropped in any match.

"Oak Harbor was one of the tougher teams that we have played," Gray said. "It was kind of hard for us to focus against them."

Kuieck and Gray have been partners only since this season began.

"We're a good match because we have fun and we stay positive in difficult times," Gray said.

Macko and Mehlow are 7-3 in 2009 while Kuieck and Gray have combined for a 9-1 mark.

Gedeon and Osborne remained undefeated by recording a 6-1, 6-1 win over the Rockets' Kristina Blatt and Hannah Sigurdson. The Little Giants' No. 1 doubles team is 10-0.

Laeng upped her record to 8-2 overall after topping Julia Koniczny 6-2, 6-0 at No. 2 singles.

Clark used a 6-0, 6-0 shutout against Logan Bahnsen to become 7-3 at No. 3 singles.

LaFountain, an Oak Harbor freshman, won for the 10th time in her first 11 varsity matches at



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Fremont Ross' Sarah Gray serves during a doubles match against Oak Harbor on Wednesday

No. 1 singles by compiling a 6-1, 6-0 victory against Sam Laeng (5-5).

Experience has been the key for LaFountain.

"I hit a lot during the off-season," LaFountain said. "I've

tried to play one USTA-sanctioned tournament per week during the summertime."

According to LaFountain, her forehand and backhand have been strengths to her play in 2009.

"(My forehand) is a lot harder than my backhand, but my backhand has been more consistent," LaFountain said.

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Little Giants beat Huron 4-3

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Casey Clark (No. 2 singles), Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne (No. 1 doubles), and Maddie Kuieck and Sarah Gray (No. 2 doubles) each won in straight sets as Fremont Ross's girls tennis team topped Huron 4-3 in a non-conference match Monday.

The Little Giants are 10-1.

Girls tennis

Fremont Ross sweeps Marion Harding

FREMONT — The Little Giants won four of five matches in straight sets as Ross topped Harding 5-0 on Tuesday at Alumni Fields.

Singles victors were Sam Lagrou (No. 1), Rachel Laeng (No. 2) and Casey Clark (No. 3). In doubles play, the teams of Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne (No. 1) and Maddie Kuieck and Sarah Gray (No. 2) posted wins.

Girls tennis

Little Giants 13-1 after topping Ashland

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FREMONT — On Monday at Alumni Fields, Fremont Ross turned back Ashland 4-1 during a non-conference dual meet.

In singles competition, the Little Giants' Sam Lagrou (No. 1) and Rachel Laeng (No. 2) posted victories in consecutive sets. Casey Clark dropped her match at No. 3.

Ross claimed both doubles matches in straight sets. The winning teams were Alex Gedeon and Sarah Osborne (No. 1) and Maddie Kuieck and Sarah Gray (No. 2).

The Little Giants improved to 13-1 this season.



Photo submitted by Greg Burr

Fremont Ross No. 1 doubles team of Sarah Osborne (front court) and Alexis Gedeon (serving) compete during a match against Ashland on Monday at Alumni Fields.

Little Giants can't beat BG

BY KEVIN SHIELDS

News-Messenger correspondent

FREMONT — Fremont Ross tennis coach Lisa Wolfe expected a dogfight Wednesday, and that's what she got.

Rachel Laeng at second singles would be the lone winner for the Little Giants, who fell victim to a tough Bowling Green squad 4-1 in a non-conference match at Alumni Fields.

"I knew it was going to be a tough match from what happened last year," Wolfe said, who has coached Ross to a 13-2 record. "We lost to them on their courts, 2-3, last year and they only lost a couple of seniors at doubles positions and have everyone back at singles ... so we knew it was going to be a really tough match."

Tough it was, as three of the five courts went to three sets with two matches ending under darkness — all of which would be won by the Bobcats (13-3), who came in tied for the lead in the Northern Lakes League with Perrysburg and Sylvania Southview.

"I always tell the girls that they can't get better by playing someone less talented than they are," Wolfe said. "The only way you're going to get better is by playing someone that is better than you, and I'm sure there were some valuable lessons learned on the courts (Wednesday)."

Learning a big lesson was the No. 1 doubles team for Ross of Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne. Coming into the match a perfect 14-0, Gedeon and Osborne fell victim for the first time to the Bobcats No. 1 doubles pair of Bethany Hoehner and Stephanie Motsinger in a three set tiebreaker, 6-3, 3-6, 6-7 (7-3).

"We did everything we could," Osborne said of her doubles effort against the Bobcat's 15-1 team. "They just played really good net, and with both of them being pretty tall it was hard to get the ball around them."

Also having a tough go with the Bobcats on the doubles court was the Little Giants' No. 2 doubles team of Maddie



Fremont Ross player Rachel Laeng returns a ball during a tennis match Wednesday at home against Bowling Green. **Greg Burr | Submitted photo**

"We did everything we could. They just played really good net, and with both of them being pretty tall it was hard to get the ball around them."

SARAH OSBORNE
No. 1 doubles player

Kuieck and Sarah Grey, who fell for just the second time. BG's No. 2 duo of Abby Sell and Gina Buzzelli beat Kuieck and Grey 6-3, 3-6, 6-0.

The loss gave the Bobcats a 2-

1 lead at the time, after BG's Beth Vickio downed Ross' Sam Lagrou in No. 1 singles and Laenge beat the Bobcats' Maddie Telecky in No. 2 singles.

Lagrou fell 4-6, 6-3 to drop her

record to 10-7.

"Last year it went three sets and beat (Vickio)," Lagrou said. "So I knew coming in it was going to be a tough match, and all she did throughout was slice the ball at me, which made it tough for me to get to her shots and made me hit a lot of ball out of bounds."

Laeng, on the other hand, had the easiest match on the courts, winning 6-4, 6-0 to up her record to 11-3.

"Once I won the first set, that

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Sam Lagrou returns a ball during a match Wednesday against Bowling Green at home.

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was a big momentum boost for me,” Laeng said. “In the first set, she did a good job of making me use my backhand, which wasn’t working well today, but in the second set I just focused one point at a time and the focus on my end was much better.”

In the other singles match, the Little Giants’ Casey Clark fell 6-4, 1-6, 3-6 to BG’s Shelby Fenn on the No. 3 court.

“It was a tough non-league match for us, which is nice this time of year,” Wolfe said. “If we had to lose to someone, this would be the one, when we’re trying to gear up for the (Greater Buckeye Conference) tournament and you’re gearing up for sectionals. We’ll be a better team come tournament time thanks to matches like these.”

GIRLS TENNIS

BOWLING GREEN 4, FREMONT ROSS 1

■ **Site:** Fremont Ross High School

■ **No. 1 singles:** Beth Vickio (BG) def. Sam Lagrou 6-4, 6-3.

■ **No. 2 singles:** Rachel Laeng (FR) def. Maddie Telecky 6-4, 6-0.

■ **No. 3 singles:** Shelby Fenn (BG) def. Casey Clark 4-6, 6-1, 6-3.

■ **No. 1 doubles:** Bethany Hoehner/Stephanie Motsinger (BG) def. Alexis Gedeon/Sarah Osborne 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (7-3).

■ **No. 2 doubles:** Abby Sell/Gina Buzzelli (BG) def. Maddie Kuieck/Sarah Gray 6-3, 3-6, 6-0.

■ **JV:** Ross 8, BG 3.

Fremont Ross takes all 5 matches against SJCC

BY JEFF ARENZ
Sports writer

FREMONT — With conference and sectional tournaments looming, the Fremont Ross girls tennis team posted a 5-0 tune-up victory against St. Joseph Central Catholic on Wednesday at Alumni Fields.

The Little Giants (14-2 overall) received singles wins from Sam Lagrou (No. 1), Rachel Laeng (No. 2) and Casey Clark (No. 3) and

were the benefactors of doubles victories from Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne (No. 1) and Madie Kueick and Sarah Gray (No. 2).

"This year, we have a very hard-working bunch of players who are very comfortable in their roles," Ross coach Lisa Wolfe said. "It's nice to have a lot of depth because everyone is constantly competing for that seventh (varsity) spot."

The Little Giants, who will participate in the Greater Buckeye

Conference Tournament on Saturday at Lima Senior and prepare for the OHSAA Division I Sectional Tournament on Thursday at Sandusky, won all five matches against SJCC on Wednesday in straight sets.

Lagrou (11-5 in dual meets) bested Amanda Berryman 6-0, 6-0. Laeng (13-3) was a 6-0, 6-1 victor versus Hannah Sani. Clark (11-5) recorded a 6-0, 6-1 win against Lauren Fulwider.

Gedeon and Osborne (15-1) defeated Alish Masterson and Morgan Furlong 6-0, 6-2 while Kueick and Gray (14-2) took out Chloe Beck and Emma Hoffman 6-0, 6-0.

Wolfe said her players have decided to keep their consistent lineup as the tournaments approach.

For the Crimson Streaks (2-11 overall), a young SJCC squad has gained experience with players who are competing in their first year at the varsity level.

"Our juniors saw very little var-

sity playing time last season and Chloe is a first-year tennis player for us," SJCC coach Lilly Walters said. "We just have hone in on their skills, have them get on-court experience and hopefully have them carry that into next season."

Berryman and Furlong are seniors for the Crimson Streaks. The rest of the SJCC lineup includes juniors Sani, Fulwider, Masterson, Beck and Hoffman. Leah Walters, the Crimson Streaks regular No. 2 singles player, did not compete Wednesday due to illness.

"I have been working to be a consistent player," Sani said. "We need to establish ourselves as consistent, effective tennis players and use that as a building block to success."

But the Little Giants are having success with an even younger squad. Lagrou is Ross's only varsity senior while junior Casey

Fremont Ross's Casey Clark returns a ball during a match Wednesday against SJCC at Ross.

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Clark has been playing competitive tennis for about four months.

“This has been pretty exciting for me because its the first year of a different sport,” said Clark, who is the catcher on the Little Giants’ softball team and a forward on the Ross girls basketball team.

The Little Giants’ other juniors are Gedeon and Osborne while Kuieck is a

sophomore and Gray is a freshman.

“We’re winning matches this season with a young team and I know that we’ll have three eighth graders who will be freshmen next season that will fit right in,” Wolfe said. “It’s really nice to have that kind of depth in this program. We’re going to be a solid team for a few more years.”

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Redskins sweep Little Giants



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Fremont Ross player Casey Clark returns the ball during a tennis match against Port Clinton on Monday.

Both teams use match to prepare for district tournaments

BY JEFF ARENZ
Sports writer

PORT CLINTON — When Fremont Ross and Port Clinton played a dual match Monday at the Von Thron-Halblitzel Tennis Center, both teams used it as a tuneup for upcoming district tournament matches.

The Redskins, who recorded a 5-0 win over the Little Giants and completed a 17-0 season campaign, took turns ringing the Port Clinton High School victory bell after the match. Monday's win came against a Ross squad that went 15-3 this season.

"It was a great match to get the kids ready for the final rounds of the coaches tournament and for the district tour-

"With six of our seven players heading into districts, this was a great match to help them prepare."

LISA WOLFE
Fremont Ross girls tennis coach

namant," Port Clinton coach Jim Greer said. "This is the toughest match we had all season. Fremont (Ross) is a very well-balanced team because they pushed each one of our players up-and-down the line."

Little Giants coach Lisa Wolfe agreed.

"With six of our seven players heading into districts, this was a great match to help them pre-

pare," Wolfe said. "I knew Port Clinton's reputation is outstanding on the tennis court. This was a great practice session."

Both teams have numerous players competing in the Division II district tournament Wednesday at Port Clinton High School and in the Division I district tournament Thursday at Sandusky High School.

Division II sectional champions Chelsea Beck and Aubrey Gillman and sectional runners-up Jordan VanWinkle and Samantha Griffin will represent the Redskins at the district level in doubles play while Rachel Szabo placed fourth in sectional singles action to advance.

"Some of them are playing as well as they can play right now," Greer said of his players. "Other players peaked a little early, and we hope they can get their games back together before the district tournament."

Sam Legrou secured her Division I sectional singles championship over teammate Rachel Laeng as both Little Giants moved

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on to the singles competition of the district tournament. Ross players Alexis Gedeon and Sarah Osborne placed

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second in Division I sectional doubles while teammates Maddie Kuieck and Sarah Gray advanced after finishing fourth.

"It's a great feeling to have this many players make the district tournament," Wolfe said. "All of them have experience except Gray, who is a freshman, and Gedeon, who didn't qualify for districts last year. All of them have to remember what they have been taught, stay focused and use the determination that have displayed all season long."

On Monday, Beck ousted Legrou 6-3, 6-0 in the No. 1 singles match. Aubrey Gillman turned back Laeng 7-5, 7-5 at No. 2 and Szabo defeated Casey Clark 6-1, 6-0.

VanWinkle and Griffin topped Gedeon and Osborne 6-2, 6-2 at No. 1 doubles. Amber Petro and Haley DeLeon posted a 6-4, 7-6 (3) victory against Kuieck and Gray at No. 2.

"This is the fourth attempt that we've had to get this match in and I'm glad it happened this way," Greer said. "We were scheduled to play Ross in the second week of the season. But as it worked out, it was a great tuneup."

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Girls Tennis

■ **Certificate Winners:** Karissa Pinkerton, Autumn Kauble, Alexa Urban, Taylor Weltin, Brenna Druckenmiller, Ashleigh Kosanka.

■ **First Year Award:** Mallory Lopez, Casey Clark, Sarah Gray, Jenna Overmyer.

■ **Second Year Award:** Alexis Gedeon, Angela Hamilton, Maddie Kuieck, Rachel Laeng.

■ **Third Year Award:** Sarah Osborne.

■ **Fourth Year Award:** Sam Lagrou.

■ **GBC All Academic:** Mallory Lopez, Sam Lagrou.

■ **Honorable Mention GBC:** Rachel Laeng.

■ **Second Team GBC:** Sam Lagrou, Casey Clark.

■ **First Team GBC:** Alexis Gedeon, Sarah Osborne, Maddie Kuieck, Sarah Gray.

■ **All District Honorable Mention:** Sam Lagrou, Alexis Gedeon, Sarah Osborne, Maddie Kuieck, Sarah Gray, Rachel Laeng.

■ **Sectional Recognition:** Sam Lagrou, singles champion; Rachel Laeng, singles runner-up.

■ **Most Valuable Player:** Rachel Laeng.

■ **Leadership:** Alexis Gedeon, Sarah Osborne.

■ **Most Improved:** Maddie Kuieck, Sarah Gray.

■ **Best Court Record:** Rachel Laeng, Alexis Gedeon.

■ **Lady Giant Award:** Sam Lagrou, Karissa Pinkerton.

■ **Coaches Award:** Casey Clark.

GBC Award

■ **First Team:** Alexis Gedeon, Sarah Osborne, Maddie Kuieck, Sarah Gray.

■ **Second Team:** Sam Lagrou, Casey Clark.

■ **Honorable Mention:** Rachel Laeng.

■ **All District Honorable Mention:** Alexis Gedeon, Sarah Osborne, Maddie Kuieck, Sarah Gray, Sam Lagrou, Rachel Laeng.

■ **Individual Accomplishments:** Sam Lagrou sectional champ, Rachel Laeng sectional runner-up.