
Tennis

High School Girls

Columbian 5, Ross 0

Singles

1-Amy Meyer (C) d. Dian Schepflin 6-2, 6-0, 2-Michelle Shank (C) d. Kelly Warner 6-3, 6-2, 3-Mary Ellen Cedula (C) d. Amy Young 1-6, 7-6 (11-9), 6-2.

Doubles

1-Angie Yager and Kayleen Harrah (C) d. Julie Gloer and Ann Darr 6-1, 6-2, 2-Tammy Shetterly and Andrea Baker (C) d. Jenny Maire and Carol Longanbach 6-0, 6-1.

Records: Columbian 1-0, Ross 0-1.

Tennis

High School Girls

Findlay 3, Ross 2

Singles

1-Dian Schepflin (R) d. Noelle Ryan 6-3, 6-3, 2-Chris Laurent (F) d. Whitney Shanahan 6-4, 6-2, 3-Amy Young (R) d. Stephanie Lee 6-3, 6-4.

Doubles

1-Jackie Donaldson and Holly Orians (F) d. Kelly Warner and Julie Gloer 6-3, 6-3, 2-Carrie Hahn and Kelly Drummond (F) Ann Darr and Carol Longanbach 6-0, 6-4.

Tennis

High School Girls

Clyde 3, Ross 2

Singles

1-Dian Schepflin (R) d. Heidi Scheck 6-4, 6-1,
2-Kelly Warner (R) d. Paige Shaul 6-4, 7-6 (8-6),
3-Jeannette Ohlsson (C) d. Amy Young 6-3, 7-5.

Doubles

1-Denise Burdett and Sue Nicely (C) d. Julie Gloer and Jenny Maire 6-4, 6-4,
2-Karla Wilson and Kristie Wilson (C) d. Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan 6-3, 3-6, 6-0.

Records: Ross 0-5, Clyde 3-1.

JV match: Ross 3, Clyde 3.

Ross ends loss skid

News-Messenger reports

The victory drought for the Fremont Ross girls tennis team was a long one.

The Little Giants had not won a match since 1987 until Wednesday's 3-2 victory over Marion Harding at Rodger Young Park.

"It's a good feeling," Ross Coach Sue Badertscher said. "It's good to teach the girls sportsmanship and teach them how to lose, but it's sure nice to win."

In other matches, Clyde defeated Lake 4-1 and Port Clinton blanked Edison 5-0.

Ross, 1-5, got victories from both doubles teams and first singles player Dian Schepflin. Amy Young defaulted in her match at third singles after winning a set and losing a second set tie-breaker.

Freshmen lead Ross tennis team

News-Messenger reports

SANDUSKY — Freshmen Whitney Shanahan and Ann Darr won the No.2 doubles championship Saturday to lead the Fremont Ross girls tennis team to a second place finish in the Sandusky Invitational.

Shanahan and Darr won three matches en route to the championship as Ross tied Mansfield for second behind Sandusky.

"They won their first match and that was their first victory of the season," Ross Coach Sue Badertscher said. "That sparked them."

Kelly Warner at second singles, Amy Young at third singles and Julie Gloer and Carol Longanbach at first doubles were all victorious in consolation final matches.

"I was surprised we did this well," Badertscher said. "It means we've got the stuff to go further and I think we're really going to pull together as a team."

Ross tennis team rolls to 2nd win

News-Messenger reports

Ross, led by No. 1 singles player Dian Schefflin, won its second straight tennis match Monday against five losses, beating Sandusky Perkins 5-0 at Rodger Young Park.

Dian Schefflin won in straight sets over the Pirates' Kristin Stenzel 6-1, 6-3, while the Little Giants' No. 2 player, Kelly Warner, beat Racquel Wybensinger 6-0, 6-1.

At No. 3 singles, Ross's Amy Young won easily over Karen Milhouse 6-3, 6-3.

In doubles play, Julie Gloer

and Carol Longanbach defeated Perkins' Beth Gruet and Kelly Diebert 6-2, 7-6 (7-5). At No. 2, the team of Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan beat Allison Terry and Karen Sager 7-5, 6-0.

In junior varsity play, Ross's Heather Lane and Carol Darr both won singles matches, while the doubles teams of Mindy Markwith and Leslie Carr and Amy Whitehead and Heather Deitzel captured victories.

The Little Giants' next match is today at Rodger Young Park against Port Clinton.

Ross netters worth a smile

Badertscher says future bright

By BOB MARKER
Staff writer

It's hard to find Sue Badertscher not smiling.

Even a year ago when her Ross High School girls tennis team was winless in 18 matches — 14 of the wins were 5-0 shut-outs.

"Last year, we had a good time," Badertscher insisted. "The kids stuck together; it got so we consoled each other."

And now, Badertscher and her group of 19 girls can savor a pair of wins and a trophy-winning performance last weekend in the Sandusky Invitational.

Badertscher's team has lost six matches after Tuesday's 3-2 loss to Port Clinton but that does not phase the coach.

"We are two wins better than last year and we did real well in a tournament that I am proud of," she said as the persistent smile got wider.

The pair of wins have worked wonders.

"They are pulling together more than they ever have as a team because they won a couple," Badertscher said. "We've got spirit for the first time in a long time."

The first win after so many losses had its moment.

"It was really funny," Badertscher said, "because we looked at each other and could not believe it and then the first thing they remembered, a year ago, I told them if they got me a win, I would buy them a milk shake and do you know every

one of those girls remembered. I had to buy 19 milk shakes.

"I think they really thought they could not do it (win a match)."

Badertscher said that the winless 1988 season could have hurt this season's turnout.

"I did a lot of recruiting over the summer," she said. "I worked with Bill Weng (Fremont Recreation Department tennis supervisor) and we ran a program down here (Rodger Young Park) for them and we did everything we could to build Ross tennis."

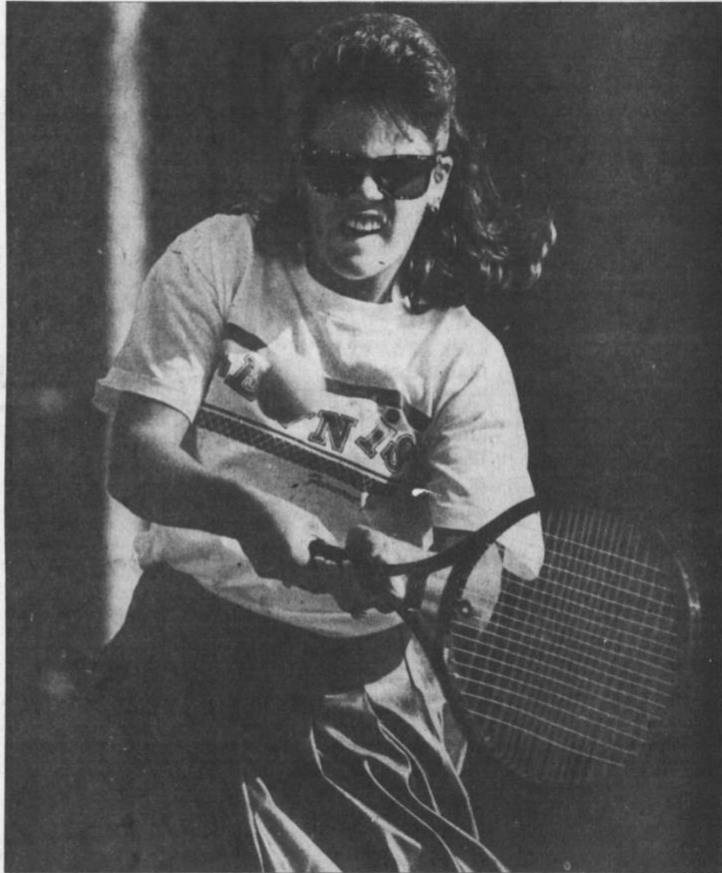
It has paid off.

Not quite midway through the season, Badertscher said her team's biggest surprise has been the second doubles team of freshmen Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan. The duo was first in the Sandusky Invitational.

Senior Julie Gloer and sophomore Carol Loganbach comprise the first doubles team while the singles players are Dian Schepflin and Kelly Warner, both seniors playing in the first and second courts, respectively, and junior Amy Young.

"The amazing thing is I have a lot of sophomores that have the skills for next year," Badertscher said. "I have freshmen coming up and I have already looked at the eighth grade and I have some top-notch little eighth graders."

"That is the best part of our team," she said and the smile got even wider, "We've got a future."



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JULIE GLOER of Fremont Ross concentrates on a backhand during her first doubles match with partner Carol Longanbach against Port Clinton at Rodger Young Park. Ross lost match 3-2.

Ross 5, Bowling Green 0

At Bowling Green, the Little Giants continued their strong play of late by not dropping a set in the match.

Dian Schepflin, Kelly Warner and Amy Young were singles winners for Ross, 3-6. Julie Gloer and Carol Longanbach as well as Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan were victorious in doubles play.

"The girls are functioning as a team," Ross Coach Sue Bardscher said. "Bowling Green is down a little bit this year, which doesn't hurt a bit."

The Bobcats fell to 1-6.

Tennis

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High School Girls

Ross 5, Bowling Green 0

Singles

1-Dian Schepflin (R) Sarah Switzer 6-1, 6-0, 2-Kelly Warner (R) d. Meredith Myers 6-1, 6-4, 3-Amy Young (R) d. Roula Amire 6-1, 6-1.

Doubles

Julie Gloer and Carol Longanbach (R) d. Gail Gudehus and Sarah Newlore 6-1, 6-0, 2-Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan (R) d. Pam Witham and Julie Crawford 7-5, 6-2.

Records: Ross 3-6, Bowling Green 1-6.

Huron hands Ross netters two setbacks

News-Messenger reports

Fremont Ross suffered through two losses to undefeated Huron in high school girls tennis Wednesday.

The Little Giants lost a match that was continued from Sept. 7 4-1 then were blanked 5-0 in a regularly scheduled match.

In one other match, Port Clinton beat Oregon Clay 5-0.

At Huron, Ross's lone point came from Julie Gloer and Carol Longanbach, who won their first doubles match in the suspended match, which resumed with Huron leading 2-0.

Tennis Roundup

"We knew what we were up against and that we would have to fight hard," Ross Coach Sue Badertscher said. "It's kind of hard to lose twice in one night."

Some of the matches were close including Dian Schepflin's three-set loss to Huron's freshman sensation Leslie Vargo, a three-set loss by Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan at second doubles and a 6-4, 6-4 loss by Gloer and Longanbach.

"Just a couple of different (service) breaks and it would have been different," Ba-

dertscher.

Ross fell to 3-8, while Huron is unbeaten in 11 matches.

Port Clinton 5, Clay 0

At Oregon, the Redskins won for the first time in three matches this week with five straight-set victories and improved to 7-3.

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Ross netters top Maumee

News-Messenger reports

MAUMEE — Wins by first singles player Dian Schepflin and both Fremont Ross doubles teams Wednesday led the Little Giants to a 3-2 high school girls tennis victory over Maumee.

Schepflin won 6-2, 6-4 while Julie Gloer and Carol Longanbach won in three sets at first double and Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan won in straight sets at second doubles.

“The first doubles team had a little bit of trouble, but they worked real hard and pulled it out,” Ross Coach Sue Bardscher said. “The second doubles team hit real hard ... they could do no wrong.

“They were really on tonight and Dian Schepflin was on.”

Gloer and Longanbach won 6-4, 2-6, 6-2 and Darr and Shanahan won 6-2, 6-3.

Ross improved to 4-9.

Tennis

High School Girls

Sandusky 3, Ross 2

Singles

1-Heather Ball (S) d. Dian Schepflin 6-3, 6-1,
2-Nicole Curtis (S) d. Kelly Warner 6-0, 6-1, 3-
Amy Young (S) d. Laura Kleckner 6-1, 6-1.

Doubles

1-Lisa Horan and Nicolette Tuertitz (S) d.
Julie Gloer and Carol Longanbach 6-1, 6-4, 2-
Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan (R) Lara
Murray and Patty Sturbaum 6-4, 6-3.

Records: Sandusky 12-4, Ross 4-10.

Ross avenges loss to Port Clinton

News-Messenger reports

Fremont Ross avenged an earlier loss to Port Clinton in high school girls tennis Monday.

Ross defeated Port Clinton 3-2 as Dian Schepflin and both Little Giant doubles teams won.

"This was a big one," Ross Coach Sue Badertscher said. "Especially since (the Redskins) had beaten us once.

"To go in and play a team that has beaten you already ... that's a good feeling to come away with a win."

In one other match, Clyde defeated Edison 4-1.

At Port Clinton, Schepflin defeated Jennifer Armstrong 5-7, 6-2, 6-1, while Julie Gloer and Carol Longanbach defeated Jennifer Chudy and Bethany Gale 6-3, 6-4 and Ann Darr and Whitney topped Jennifer Estep and Katie Hogan 6-4, 4-6, 6-0.

Schepflin as well as Gloer and Longanbach lost in the previous match between the teams.

Cheri Benko and Heidi Hartung won for Port Clinton at second and third singles, respectively. Benko defeated

Five Fliers among sectional seeds

News-Messenger reports

TIFFIN — Two Clyde doubles teams and singles player Heidi Scheck received seeds Monday for the girls Class A-AA high school tennis tournament.

Scheck is seeded fourth in singles behind Jodi Lauer of Tiffin Calvert and Leslie Wargo and Amy Baron of Huron.

Clyde's Denise Burdett and Sue Nicely were seeded second in doubles behind Port Clinton's Jennifer Armstrong and Cheri Benko, who are the Redskins' first and second singles players.

Jackie Olsen and Nikki DeAngelo of Sandusky St. Mary's Central Catholic are seeded third, followed by Clyde's Kristie Wilson and Karla Wilson.

Play begins Friday. Singles matches will be at Columbian High School and doubles matches will be at Heidelberg College.

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Kelly Warner 3-6, 6-1, 6-2 and Hartung topped Amy Young 6-3, 4-6, 6-1.

Ross improved to 5-10 and Port Clinton fell to 9-4.

Clyde 4, Edison 1

At Clyde, Heidi Scheck, Jeanette Ohlsson and both Flier doubles teams were victorious.

Ohlsson, the only Clyde winner that was pushed to three sets, lost the first set 4-6 and trailed in the second 2-0 before winning 12 of the last 13 games against Kristen Schoenegge.

Scheck won 6-4, 6-1, while Denise Burdett and Sue Nicely posted a 6-1, 6-2 victory and Kristie and Karla Wilson came out on top 6-2, 6-0.

Ross 4, Lake 1

Singles

1-Dian Schepflin (R) d. Rosemary Flores 6-1, 6-1, 2-Kelly Warner (R) d. Tonia Cutler 7-6 (10-8), 6-2, 3-Amy Young (R) d. Kendra Sigler 6-2, 6-3.

Doubles

1-Rachel Hart and Julia Ayers (L) d. Julie Gloer and Carol Longanbach 6-3, 7-5, 2-Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan (R) d. Missy Hart and Alice Herrick 6-4, 7-7 (7-2).

Records: Ross 6-10.

Ross netters win third straight

News-Messenger reports

A three-match winning streak to close the regular season was completed by the Fremont Ross tennis team Wednesday.

Ross defeated Oregon Clay 4-1 at Rodger Young Park to improve to **Tennis** 7-10.

The Little Giants swept the singles matches and also got a win from Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan at second doubles.

"We're pretty pleased with it," Ross Coach Sue Badertscher said. "It's a good way to end the season ... three in a row."

In other matches, Sandusky St. Mary's edged Clyde 3-2 and Port Clinton blanked Sandusky Perkins 5-0.

Fremont Ross honors athletes in four fall sports

Ritzman wins second 'most valuable' award

News-Messenger reports

Five Ross High School athletes were named "most valuable" in their respective sports Tuesday night during the first of two fall sports award programs at the school.

Members of the girls tennis, volleyball, girls and boys cross country and boys golf teams were honored.

Amy Ritzman and Tim Nesbitt won the top honor on the cross country teams. Both qualified for the state meet and both are juniors. It was Ritzman's second most valuable runner award.

Karen Turley, girls cross country coach, also awarded sophomore Leah Lomax the "most improved" award. Senior Kaylene Barton, a two-year letter winner, received her captain's trophy.

Bridget Boda, a junior, won her third letter.

Nesbitt was presented his award by Coach John Elder. The most improved award went to senior Phil Missig and Shane Hill received his captain's trophy.

Hill and Mark Schwartz, both seniors, won their third letters. In addition to qual-

ifying for the state meets, Nesbitt and Ritzman earned first team, All-Buckeye Central Conference honors. Boda was second team, all-BCC. The girls took third at the Galion and Maumee invitationals and both teams were third in the BCC meet.

Junior Mark Gottron won the MVP in golf. A two-year letterman, Gottron also received his second team all-BCC award. Bill Lowery, a junior, was presented with a first team, all-BCC award by Bob Knapp, Ross assistant athletic director. Golf Coach Dave Fleming did not attend after having an operation Friday.

Jamie Russell won the most improved golfer award and Gottron also received a captain's trophy.

Senior Dian Schepflin won the MVP in tennis. She also received her third-year letter award and a co-captain trophy, along with Kelly Warner, from Coach Sue Badertscher.

Ann Darr was named the team's most improved player. Freshmen Whitney Shanahan and Darr were honored for being second team all-BCC.

Amy Brandt, a junior, won the volleyball



SCHEPFLIN



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GOTTRON

MVP. She also won the best defensive player award presented by Coach Tom Joseph.

The most improved volleyball player award went to Monica Schnee while the top offensive player honor went to Annette Myers. Amy Burmeister won the top sophomore award.

Melissa Smith and Kim Mathews were presented with co-captain trophies.

Also, Brandt and Myers were presented with first team, all-BCC awards. Schnee

and Tara Young won second team conference honors. Myers was a district honorable mention. Joseph was named the conference coach of the year after his team finished second in the BCC tourney. Ross won the Maumee Invitational.

In other announcements, the conference all-sports standings has Findlay in front of Ross 23-21. Lancaster is third with 13, followed by Newark with 17 and Zanesville with 11.

The football awards program is 7 p.m., Nov. 21 in the high school cafeteria.