

1990 Season Review

Outlook bright for Ross netters

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Fremont Ross girls tennis coach Sue Badertscher has a bright outlook on the upcoming season.

"I think this might be a good year for Ross tennis," Badertscher said. "We have a super nucleus and we think there is a lot of promise for the next few years."

The Little Giants will field a veteran team, sprinkled with a freshman and an exchange student to make things complete.

Exchange student Cornelia Holt, from Switzerland, will hold down the first singles spot. Amy Young and Gwen Gaydos, who moved in from Dayton, will play second and third singles, respectively.

Whitney Shanahan and Ann Darr will again team together at

first doubles, with Badertscher using a platoon at second doubles.

Badertscher will rotate the teams of Jenny Maire and freshman Andi Opre and the tandem of Carol Longanbach and Heather Lane into the second doubles spot.

After breaking even last year, the Little Giants are aiming for a .750 winning percentage. Despite a schedule that includes some stiff competition, Badertscher feels it's a reasonable goal.

"We are real hopeful to reach that (75 percent mark)," Badertscher said.

The Little Giants open the season at 4 p.m., Tuesday against Sylvania Northview at Rodger Young Park.



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THE 1990 Fremont Ross High School girls tennis team. The Little Giants, coached by Sue Badertscher who is in her third year, open their season Tuesday against Sylvania Northview at Rodger Young Park. Twenty-six girls are members of the team.

Columbian defeats Ross netters 3-2

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TIFFIN — Cornelia Holft, an exchange student from Switzerland, and newcomer Gwen Gaydos dominated their first and third singles matches, respectively, but Tiffin Columbian still managed a 3-2 girls high school tennis victory over Fremont Ross Thursday.

Holft routed Mary Ellen Cepeda 6-1, 6-0, and Gaydos, a transfer from Dayton, beat Maureen Rainey 6-3, 6-0.

“Holft could do no wrong, and Gaydos did everything right,” Ross coach Sue Badertscher said.

Columbian, though, won both doubles matches in three sets.

Andrea Baker and Mary Ellen Kapelka defeated Whitney Shanahan and Ann Darr 3-6, 6-3, 6-4, while Mary Helen Rochester and Julie Durbin defeated Andi Oprie and Jenny Maire 6-2, 2-6, 7-5.

“It was a matter of one game either way,” Badertscher said. “We just couldn’t pull it off.”

In the second singles match, Columbian’s Michelle Shank topped Amy Young 7-6 (7-0), 6-1.

The match was the season opener for both teams.

St. Ursula beats Ross; Clyde tops Bellevue

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St. Ursula Academy powered its way to a 4-1 high school girls tennis victory over Fremont Ross Monday.

The Little Giants Cornelia Holst and Amy Young each won just one game at first and second singles, respectively, and Gwen Gaydos fell 6-4, 6-1 on the third court.

St. Ursula is one of the top girls tennis programs in Ohio and has won two invitational tournaments already this season.

"The scores were great be-

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cause a lot of the six-love matches went to duece many times," Ross coach Sue Baderscher said. "They played hard; I was prouder of them tonight then sometimes when they win."

Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan dropped a three-set match at first doubles before Carol Longanbach and Heather Lane allowed Ross to avoid a shutout with a 7-5, 6-4 victory at second doubles.

Ross fell to 0-2, while St. Ursula improved to 3-0.

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

Megan Carothers and Paige Shaul posted singles victories for the Fliers, while the first doubles team of Kristie Wilson and Karla Wilson and the second doubles tandem of Lisa Davis and Jenny Greenslade were also victorious.

Leah Schaeffer won for Bellevue at third singles.

The match was the season opener for both teams.

Ross netters win 1st match

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Fremont Ross breezed to a 4-0 victory over Fostoria in a high school girls tennis match Tuesday that was three points from a 5-0 shutout.

The first singles match between the Little Giants Corne-

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lia Holst and Fostoria's Jenny Beigh was suspended in the second set because of inclement weather.

Holst won the first set 7-5, led the second set 5-4 and was in front 15-love in what could have been the final game.

Amy Young and Gwen Gaydos won singles matches in straight sets for Ross.

Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan did not lose a game at first doubles, while Andi Opre and Jenny Maire were victorious 6-1, 6-0.

Ross improved to 1-2. Fostoria is winless in three matches.

In one other match, Port Clinton shut out Norwalk 5-0 in the Redskins' first match.

Findlay 3, Ross 2

Cornelia Holst and the first doubles team of Whitney Shanahan and Ann Darr were victorious for Ross, 1-3.

Holst didn't lose a game, while Shanahan and Darr earned a 7-6 (10-8), 6-4 victory.

"The difference was that (the Trojans) have more court experience," Ross coach Sue Baderscher said. "We play them again in the BCC (Buckeye Central Conference) and we'll have the experience by then."

Tennis

High School Girls

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Ross 4, Clyde 1

Singles

1-Cornelia Holst (R) d. Megan Carothers 6-0, 6-0, 2-Amy Young (R) d. Paige Shaul 6-4, 6-2, 3-Gwen Gaydos (R) d. Melanie Jenne 6-1, 6-3

Doubles

1-Kristie and Karla Wilson (C) d. Whitney Shanahan and Ann Darr 6-2, 6-2, 2-Andi Opre and Jenny Maire (R) d. Jenny Greenslade and Lisa Davis 7-5, 6-0.

Records: Clyde 2-2, Ross 2-3.

Huron tops Ross

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Huron and Fremont Ross split singles and doubles play Thursday at Rodger Young Park, and the Tigers posted a 3-2 victory over the Little Giants in a girls high school tennis match.

The Ross teams of Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan and Carol Longanbach and Heather Lane were winners.

In singles play, Cornelia Holst and Gwen Gaydos each lost in three sets.

Ross fell to 2-4.

Tennis^N

High School Girls

Huron 3, Ross 2

Singles

1-Leslie Wargo (H) d. Cornelia Holst 6-7 (4-7), 6-2, 6-2; 2-Cassidy Landes (H) d. Amy Young 6-0, 6-3; 3-Poppy Roth (H) d. Gwen Gaydos 4-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Doubles

1-Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan (R) d. Jenny McCoy and Manoe Roesch 6-2, 6-3; 2-Carol Longanbach and Heather Lane (R) d. Denise Finch and Beth Haas 6-4, 6-4.

Records: Ross 2-4.

Ross tennis team takes second place

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SANDUSKY — Ross took first place in No. 1 and 2 doubles Saturday en route to a runner-up finish at the eight-team Sandusky Invitational tennis tournament.

Lorain won the tournament with 100 points, followed by Ross with 96 and Mansfield with 70. Bowling Green finished with 54 points, followed by Sandusky (44), Sandusky St. Mary's (34), Sandusky Perkins (28) and Norwalk (0).

The Little Giants' No. 1 doubles team of Whitney Shahan and Ann Darr, both sophomores, took first place along with the No. 2 team of Jenny Maire and Andi Opre.

In the singles portion of the tournament, Ross's Cornelia Holst was fifth at No. 1, Amy Young was second at No. 2 and Gwen Jados was fifth at No. 3.

"It was a terrific tournament," Little Giants coach Sue Badertscher said. "I'm really proud of the girls. They played well. This is first time we've ever placed this high. They all contributed.

"If Gwen and Cornelia didn't get the tough draw they had, we would have gotten those four points (that separated first and second place) easily. That happens in a tournament."

Ross girls blank Perkins

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Fremont Ross dropped just one set en route to a 5-0 girls high school tennis victory over Sandusky Perkins Monday.

Cornelia Holst and Gwen Gaydos lost one and two games at first and third singles, respectively, while Amy Young had to hold off Perkins Kristi Houser in three sets.

Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan lost one game in each set of a straight-sets victory at first doubles, and Heather Lane and Carol Longanbach were victorious at second-court doubles.

Ross improves to 4-3. Perkins is winless in five matches.

In one other match, Port Clinton edged Edison 3-2 in a Sandusky Bay Conference match.

Bethary Gale won at first singles for PC, which also swept the two doubles matches.

Tennis

High School Girls

Ross 5, Perkins 0

Singles

1-Cornelia Holst (R) d. Kristin Stenzel 6-1, 6-0; 2-Amy Young (R) d. Kristi Houser 4-6, 6-4, 6-1; 3-Gewn Gaydos (R) Cathy Gamper 6-2, 6-0.

Doubles

1-Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan (R) d. Beth Gruet and Kelley Diebert 6-1, 6-1; 2-Heather Lane and Carol Longanbach (R) d. Allison Terry and Jennifer Shoff 6-1, 6-3.

Records: Ross 4-3, Perkins 0-5.

Port Clinton 3, Edison 2

Singles

1-Bethany Gale (PC) d. Kristi Koegley 6-0, 6-0; 2-Natalie Fry (E) d. Jennifer Chudy 6-0, 6-2; 3-Kristen Schoenegge (E) d. Bree Noblitt 6-1, 6-2.

Doubles

1-Jennifer Estep and Kara Kokinda (PC) d. Dawn Caylor and Krista Lesch 6-7 (7-9), 6-1, 6-3; 2-Katie Hogan and Ericka Hernandez (PC) d. Serenity Pocock and Emily Schlessman 7-6 (7-2), 3-6, 6-3.

Records: Edison 3-3 (1-2), P.C. 3-1 (1-1).

Tennis

High School Girls

Ross 4, Port Clinton 1

Singles

- 1-Cornelia Holst (R) d. Bethany Gale 6-4, 6-2;
- 2-Jennifer Chudy (PC) d. Amy Young 6-3, 6-3;
- 3-Gwen Gaydos (R) d. Kara Kokinda 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.

Doubles

- 1-Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan (R) d. Heidi Hartung and Jennifer Estep 6-2, 7-5;
- 2-Andi Opre and Jenny Maire (R) d. Alison Roth and Alyssa Amerine 7-5, 6-1.

Records: Ross 5-3, Port Clinton 3-2.

Perrysburg tops Ross netters

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Fremont Ross won both doubles matches, but lost to Perrysburg 3-2 in a girls high school tennis match Wednesday at Rodger Young Park.

The doubles teams of Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan and Heather Lane and Carol Longanbach each won a three-set match

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as Ross fell to 5-4.

In a Sandusky Bay Conference match, Port Clinton defeated Clyde 4-1.

Kristie Wilson and Karla Wilson earned Clyde's point with a 6-0, 6-0 victory at first-court doubles, remaining undefeated.

Tennis

High School Girls

Perrysburg 3, Ross 2

Singles

1-Cindi Mikolajewski (P) d. Cornelia Holst 6-0, 7-5; 2-Alison Roller (P) d. Amy Young 6-2, 6-3; 3-Jean Lowry (P) d. Gwen Gaydos 6-1, 6-3.

Doubles

1-Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan (R) d. Heather Duddy and Karen Wellstein 2-6, 7-5, 6-4; 2-Heather Lane and Carol Longanbach (R) d. Melissa Acho and Christie Zelling 7-6 (7-4), 3-6, 6-4.

Record: Ross 5-4.

Tennis

High School Girls

Southview 4, Ross 1

Singles

1-Diamond (S) d. Cornelia Holst 6-2, 6-0; 2-Habib (S) d. Amy Young 6-0, 6-1; 3-Jacobs (S) d. Gwen Gaydos 6-2, 6-2.

Doubles

1-Kamm and Welter (S) d. Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan 7-6, 6-2; 2-Carol Longanbach and Heather Lane (R) d. Adams and Forschner 6-3, 7-5.

Records: Ross 5-5.

Ross trips Bowling Green, but Clyde, PC girls fall

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Fremont Ross climbed a notch above .500 Monday, defeating Bowling Green 4-1.

In other match, Calvert was nipped by Calvert 3-2 and Huron blanked Port Clinton 5-0.

Cornelia Holst of Ross defeated Meredith Meyers in straight 6-0 sets in the first

court as the Little Giants took two of three singles matches and swept the doubles.

Gwen Gaydos of Ross defeated Sarah Newlove in third singles while the Ann Darr-Whitney Shanahan and Andi Oprie-Jenny Maire teams won the doubles matches.

Ross is 6-5 while Bowling Green slipped to 2-5.

Clyde-Calvert

The Fliers' No. 1 doubles team of Karla Wilson and Kristie Wilson defeated Natalie Fate and Jenny Judd 6-4, 6-0, and the No. 2 team of Jenny Greenslade and Lisa Davis came back to defeat Mary Warnement and Georgie Smith 3-6, 6-1, 6-1.

Huron-Port Clinton

Host Port Clinton dipped to 5-3 and 2-2 in the Sandusky Bay Conference tennis standings with the loss to the Tigers. The Redskins managed to win just one set against the Tigers, 10-0.

Port Clinton's No. 1 doubles team of Jennifer Estep and Kara Kokinda 3-6, 6-4, 6-3 to the Tigers' Jenny McCoy and Mandee Roesch.

Tennis

Ross 4, Bowling Green 1

Singles

1-Cornelia Holst (F) d. Meredith Meyers, 6-0, 6-0; 2-Jennifer Boughton (BG) d. Amy Young, 6-4, 6-2; 2-Gwen Gaydos (F) d. Sarah Newlove, 6-2, 6-1.

Doubles

1-Ann Darr-Whitney Shanahan (F) d. Pam Witham-Maroka Tsunsdo 6-1, 6-1; 2-Andi Oprie-Jenny Maire (F) d. Mary Ellen Novotny-Suzanne Euler 6-2, 6-2.

Records: Ross 6-5, Bowling Green 2-5.

Ross netters beat Harding

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Fremont Ross eased past Marion Harding for a 4-1 girls high school tennis victory Thursday.

Cornelia Holst and Gwen Gaydos won the first and third sin-

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gles matches, respectively, for the Little Giants. Each lost just one game.

Amy Young pushed Shelley Williamson to three sets before falling at second-court singles.

The Ross doubles teams of Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan and Andi Opre and Jenny Maire were both victorious in two sets.

Ross improves to 7-5.

Tennis

High School Girls

Ross 4, Marion Harding 1

Singles

1-Cornelia Holst (R) d. Larissa Thurston 6-0, 6-1; 2-Shelley Williamson (M) d. Amy Young 3-6, 6-3, 6-1; 3-Gwen Gaydos (R) d. Kelly Plumley 6-1, 6-0.

Doubles

1-Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan (R) d. Jenny Bartram and Anne Bailey 6-4, 6-0; 2-Andi Opre and Jenny Maire (R) d. Abby Wood and Laura Linn 6-1, 6-1.

Records: Ross 7-5.

Tigers top Little Giants

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HURON — Undefeated Huron defeated Fremont Ross 4-1 Monday in a high school girls tennis match.

The Tigers have won 14 straight matches this season.

The Little Giants, 7-6, avoided a shutout when Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan defeated Jenny McCoy and Mande Roesch 6-2, 6-2 at first-court doubles.

Carol Longanbach and Heather Lane dropped a three-set match at second doubles, while Gwen Gaydos lost a second-set tiebreaker 8-6 after losing 6-2 in the first set at third singles.

Huron's Leslie Wargo and Cassidy Lanes defeated Cornelia Holst and Amy Young at first and second singles, respectively.

Tennis

High School Girls

Huron 4, Ross 1

Singles

- 1-Leslie Wargo (H) d. Cornelia Holst 6-2, 6-1;
2-Cassidy Lanes (H) d. Amy Young 6-2, 6-1; 3-
Poppy Roth (H) d. Gwen Gaydos 6-2, 7-6 (8-6).

Doubles

- 1-Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan (R) d.
Jenny McCoy and Mandee Roesch 6-2, 6-2; 2-
Denis Finch and Lisa Farkas (H) d. Carol
Longanbach and Heather Lane 3-6, 6-1, 7-5.

Records: Ross 7-6, Huron 14-0.

Ross 5, Maumee 0

Singles

1-Cornelia Holst (R) d. Jennifer Lifenbee 6-2, 6-0; 2-Amy Young (R) d. Heather Shannon 6-1, 6-2; 3-Gwen Gaydos (R) d. Libby Harrigan 6-1, 6-2.

Doubles

1-Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan (R) d. Susan Okuley and Amy Grazengaard 7-6 (7-5), 7-6 (8-6); 2-Andi Opre and Jenny Maire (R) d. Lisa McCray and Sue Kania 6-1, 6-4.

Records: Maumee 6-8, Ross 8-6.

Holst enjoying high school tennis

Exchange student plays No. 1 singles at Ross

By BOB MARKER
Staff writer

Cornelia Holst came a long way to play high school tennis.

Sure, tennis is played in her native Switzerland, but not as a high school sport. When she enrolled at Ross as a foreign exchange student, she was happy to find there was a high school team.

"I did not think I would have an opportunity to play on a tennis team," Holst, a senior, said, "because in Switzerland, school is one thing and sports is another. Sports is played only in a private club."

When she discovered the Ross tennis team, she jumped at the chance to play, and played so well, she won the first-court sin-



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Cornelia Holst

gles job.

She knew she could play tennis — her only concern was how the girls would accept her. That concern was calmed quickly.

"The first day of practice, the girls accepted me very fast," she said. "They asked me questions about Switzerland; they made me feel welcome."

While playing club tennis in her hometown of La Chaux-De-Fonds, Holst won several "canton" tournaments. "That is like the state tournament here, but it is smaller," she said.

She also likes having Sue Badertscher as her coach at Ross. "I have a wonderful coach," Holst smiled, "she is strict dur-

ing practice and at the matches, but she has a big heart."

However, Holst admitted she had problems communicating with the Ross coach despite having studied five years of English in Switzerland.

"She was very nice but she had to speak verrrrrrry slowwwwwly," Holst giggled while recalling her first conversations with Badertscher.

Holst is 9-5 and will lead Ross into the Buckeye Central Conference Tennis Tournament at Rodger Young Park Saturday.

While she is looking forward to the remaining time at Ross, she has plans to attend a business school when returning to Swit-

Ross girls tune up for BCC

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Ross tuned up for the Buckeye Central Conference Tennis Tournament with a 4-1 win over Sandusky Thursday.

The Ross girls host the BCC tourney at Rodger Young Park Saturday. Play is slated to begin at approximately 9:30 a.m.

The Little Giants swept the singles and took the first dou-

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Holst

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zerland.

"I want to get my tennis teacher license, too," she said.

Holst arrived in Fremont Aug. 13 and is staying with Beverly and Jim Barr in Vickery.

"I got a little homesick at first," Holst admitted, "but now that I am busy, I don't have time to think of it (being away from home)."

"Being busy" back in Switzerland meant Holst was either playing tennis or pursuing her various hobbies. She relaxes by painting porcelain, going to the cinemas, snow or water skiing, wind surfing or dancing.

Her first dance in the United States is the Homecoming Dance Saturday night.

"I go to the football games here, too" she said, "but I really don't understand it — it looks like boys run after a ball and then run into each other."

Her two biggest problems after her arrival in Fremont were adjusting to the six-hour difference in time and the food.

Rest took care of the time difference, and she acquired a taste for the food, especially fast

foods.

"I especially like Wendy's," she said. "I don't know why."

Holst is taking U.S. History, Spanish, World History, college composition, business and American government at Ross. At mid-term, she had four As and two Bs.

"It is a great experience to discover the USA," she said, "not like a tourist, but like a citizen."

"I want to tell my friends and family about the customs of the USA. I think I could write a book about what I will learn here."

One of the chapters, she hopes, would be about a BCC championship.

Volleyball

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dith Jordan had three kills and Carrie Grimm dished off 10 assists to kills as Margaretta improved to 7-8 and 5-3 in the SBC.

Port Clinton falls to 3-9 and 1-7.

The PC reserve team outlasted Margaretta 11-15, 16-14, 16-14.

Oak Harbor-Edison

Kim Rife served 11 straight points in the first game for Oak

Ross

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bles match at Sandusky. Cornelia Holst dominated Sandusky's Emily Otto in the first court singles, winning in straight 6-0 sets.

Gwen Gaydos of Ross matched Holst's effort, defeating Lindsay Weber 6-0, 6-0 in the third court singles match.

Amy Young won the second singles for Ross, defeating Angela Knupke 6-2, 6-2.

Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan gave Ross its final point, defeating Lisa Horan and Patty

Sturbaum 6-2, 6-4 in first doubles.

Ross's second court doubles team of Carol Longanbach and Heather Lane lost in straight sets, both on tiebreakers.

Ross will take a 9-6 record into the BCC tournament.

Last year coach Sue Badertscher's team was fourth in the five team tourney. This year Badertscher expects a better result.

"I really think we have a decent chance," Badertscher said, "but we have to work. This is the best shot we have had at winning it since I started coaching three years ago; it's the strongest we

have been."

Badertscher said the only team she knows anything about is Findlay, which defeated the Little Giants 3-2 earlier in the season.

"I think if we played Findlay today, we would beat them," she said. "The first time we played, we did not quite have it together; we needed more practice, more strategy. We have that court toughness now."

Badertscher said Lancaster was "pretty tough" at last year's tournament, noting the doubles teams played well together, and that Newark had some "top-

notch players."

The Ross coach said her team's best chances for championships are Holst at first singles and the Shanahan-Darr doubles team.

"Gwen Gaydos," Badertscher said, "has improved so much since the beginning of the season, I think she can do well, too."

Gaydos lived in Dayton last school year.

"The other kids, if they cannot score points in the championship bracket, have to do well in the consolations," Badertscher said. "Whatever, we will have our work cut out for us."

Tennis

High School Girls

Ross 4, Sandusky 1

Singles

1-Cornelia Holst (R) d. Emily Otto 6-0, 6-0; 2-Amy Young (R) d. Angela Knupke 6-2, 6-2; 3-Gwen Gaydos (R) d. Lindsay Weber 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles

1-Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan (R) d. Lisa Horan and Patty Sturbaum 6-2, 6-4; 2-Missy Mehling and Lara Murray (S) d. Carol Longanbach and Heather Lane 7-6 (7-5), 7-6 (8-6).

Records: Ross 9-6.

Ross-Clay

Cornelia Holst at No. 1, Dawn Brinkman at No. 2 and Gwen Gados at No. 3 all earned singles victories for the Little Giants.

Ross's No. 1 doubles team of Ann Darr and Whitney Shanahan also won.