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Heid seeded No. 1

Ross' No. 2 singles player Brigid Heid was the only Lady Little Giant to receive a No. 1 seed in Wednesday's drawing for the Buckeye Conference tennis championship, which will be held Saturday beginning at 9:30 a.m., in Sandusky.

Heid drew a bye for the first round.

In other Ross pairings, Katie Marritt (No. 3 seed) will play Sandusky's Laura Hart; Diane Shurmer (No. 2 seed) will take on Elyria's Lia Pettis; Lisa Gettman and Elaine White will meet Joanne and Joyce Brown of Sandusky; and Kim Otermat and Stacy Carter will play Shelley Drage and Kim Parise of Lorain Senior.

Lorain Senior is favored to win the crown with Findlay and Ross being the top challengers.

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Sports



DIANE SHURMER RETURNS A SHOT AGAINST LIA PETTIS OF FINDLAY

Findlay wins BC tennis title

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SANDUSKY — Brigid Heid won the singles title but Findlay wrestled the Buckeye Conference girls tennis title away from Ross Saturday under the threatening skies at Sandusky High School.

Findlay piled up 130 points, 50 more than runnerup Lorain. Defending champ Ross was third with 64 and Sandusky was fourth with 52. Marion Harding had 46, Admiral King 22 and Elyria 16 to round out the field.

"I did not figure Findlay to be quite this strong," Ross Coach Pete Michaels said, "but they came out and played good tennis."

Heid, seeded first with a 10-1 record in the second court singles, knocked off second seeded Andrea Sharff of Findlay in straight 6-2 sets in the finals. After a first round bye, Heid had defeated Molly Ashworth of Marion Harding 6-1 and 6-2 in the semifinals.

Katie Marritt of Ross stopped second seeded Kim Flores of Lorain in the semifinals before running into top seeded Julie Adams of Findlay in the finals. Adams defeated Marritt 7-5 in a marathon first set and took the title with a 6-2 second set win.

Ross's third singles player, Diane Shurmer, defeated Lia Pettis of Elyria 6-1 and 6-0 in her first round match but lost to third seeded Rebecca Farise of Findlay 6-1, 2-6 and 6-1 in the semifinals.

In doubles play, Lisa Gettman and Elaine White, the Lady Little Giants first court team, lost to Joyce and JoAnne Brown, twin sisters out of Sandusky, 6-1 and 6-2 in the first round. In the first round of the consolations, the Gettman-White team was stopped by Lynn Houck and Traci Voorhis of Harding 10-8 in a pro set.

Kim Otermat and Stacy Carter, the second court Ross doubles team, lost to Shelly Dradge and Kim Parise of Elyria 6-2 and 6-1 in the first round. The Ross team came back to defeat Stephanie Loke and Daniella Leader in the first round of consolation 10-1. In the consolation finals, Otermat and Carter lost to Aliceson Humphries and Christie Riddle of Admiral King 10-6.

Tracey Flores, 18-0, of Lorain won the third singles title with other titles going to Findlay's doubles teams. Trisha Bott and Becky Slough won the first doubles and Christy Souply and Tracey Tidswell won the second doubles.