

Teen Man tennis champ loves to visit area

Erick Iskersky may play tennis for the rest of his life around the Detroit area. He's been pretty successful in local tournaments so far.

The 23-year-old netter from Toledo won his third prize-money tournament since returning from Europe by beating former Detroit Maurice Hunter, 6-3, 6-3, in the finals of the Teen Man Open held Sunday at Detroit Tennis and Squash Club in Farmington Hills.

The men's singles champion graduated a year ago from Trinity University (Texas) and is ranked No. 224 in the world. He traveled throughout Europe during the spring playing in \$25,000 events. He gained valuable experience on the satellite tour. The stout right-hander even got to play Guillermo Vilas and lost, 6-4, 6-0.

Iskersky pocketed \$2,000 for winning the event, sponsored by Angel Flight

Sportsweek. Hunter, who played in the Italian Open in April, won \$600.

"I've been doing pretty well this month," said Iskersky. "I've won three tournaments here and made \$2,700. Too bad I can't do that every month."

Iskersky, a former NCAA doubles champ, had little trouble adjusting to the Har-Tru (clay) surface. His backhand passing shots were too much for Hunter.

"Playing on this surface is nice," said Iskersky. "The red clay over in Europe is much slower. Today I returned his serve pretty well and I was happy with my passing shots."

"I wish I could have won the match sooner, but on a surface like this, you don't go to the net as much."

ISKERSKY plans to go back to Europe again this week and will try to qualify for the U.S. Open in Flushing Meadows, N.Y., in late August.

Hunter, who transferred from Mumford to Hollywood High in Los Angeles for his senior year, said his serve was ineffective.

"It wasn't so much him playing so well," explained Hunter, "I just didn't get into position to execute the shots. I missed a combination of things. I got in a hole and couldn't get it going."

Hunter's drop shot was way off. He missed seven during the match.

The 23-year-old Hunter, who played

three years at Pepperdine University (Calif.) will try to qualify next month for the Washington Star and U.S. Pro tournaments, both ATP Grand Prix events.

In the semifinals, Hunter blasted former Cranbrook and University of Michigan star Jeff Ertter, 7-5, 6-2.

Another former U-M netter, Jon Hallinan of Birmingham, lost his semifinal match to Iskersky, 7-6, 6-2.

Iskersky, who failed to lose a set in five matches, defeated 14-year-old Aaron Krickstein of Grosse Pointe Woods, 6-3, 6-3, in a quarterfinal match.

TEEN MAN OPEN

at Detroit Tennis & Squash Club

MEN'S SINGLES

First round—Maurice Hunter (Los Angeles, Cal.) defeated Mike Acosta (West Bloomfield), 6-3, 6-1; Kevin Olson (Cleveland, Ohio) def. Mike Warr (Ann Arbor), 6-4, 6-1, 6-1; Mark Williamson (Toledo, Ohio) def. Steve Horn (Birmingham), 6-4, 6-4; Randy Maxson (West Bloomfield) def. floor delayer (Grosse Pointe), 7-6, 6-3; Jeff Ertter (Grand Rapids) def. Seth Jacobson (Huntington Woods), 6-1, 6-2; Brian Villante (Rochester) def. Steve Navarro (Dearborn), 6-4, 6-4; George Glava (Chicago, Ill.) def. Mark Simcina (Oak Park), 6-2, 6-2; Fritz Gilmester (Bloomington, Ohio) def. Rod Schreiber (Pitts.), 6-2, 6-4; 7-6; Gilbert Rocco (Lapeer) def. Kendall Lyon (Bloomfield Hills), 6-1, 6-4; Jon Hallinan (Birmingham) def. Walter Robinson (Detroit), 6-4, 6-3; Dave Moscoso (Trenton) def. Carlos Moravia (Bloomfield Hills), 4-6, 6-1, 6-1; Hal Jolley (Rochester) def. Tom Hasey (Ann Arbor), 6-3, 6-3; Steve Eastley (Rochester) def. Matt Sills (Grand Blanc), 6-2, 6-2; Aaron Krickstein (Grosse

Point Woods) def. Jeff Stassen (Dearborn), 6-4, 6-2; John Somerville (Dearborn) def. Tighe Keating (Columbus, Ohio), 6-2, 6-2; Eric Iskersky (Toledo, Ohio) def. Paul Walker (Ann Arbor), 6-3, 6-3.

Second round—Hunter d. Olson, 6-3, 6-2; Delany d. Williamson, 6-2, 6-3; Ertterbeck d. Villante, 6-7, 6-1, 7-6; Glava d. Gilmester, 7-5, 4-6, 6-2; Hallinan d. Rocco, 6-0, 6-3; Jolley d. Moscoso, 6-2, 6-2; Krickstein d. Eastley, 6-1, 6-3; Iskersky d. Somerville, 6-2, 6-2.

Quarterfinals—(1100) Hunter d. Delany, 6-2, 6-3; Ertterbeck d. Glava, 7-5, 4-6, 6-2; Hallinan d. Jolley, 6-1, 6-3; Iskersky d. Krickstein, 6-4.

Semifinals—(1300) Hunter d. Ertterbeck, 7-5, 6-2; Iskersky d. Hallinan, 7-6, 6-2.

Final—Iskersky (\$2,000) d. Hunter (\$600).

MEN'S 55+

Third round—Les Dodson (Kalamazoo) d. William Schiller (Bay City), 6-4, 6-3; Barry Magee

(Chapin, Ohio) d. Vasek Nedomansky (Franklin), 6-0, 6-2; Mark Rosenfield (Jackson) d. Lee Townsend (Columbus, Ohio), 6-2, 6-2; Rick Kanner (Bloomfield Hills) d. Denton Johnson (Detroit), 6-3, 6-2.

Semifinals—Dodson d. Magee, 6-1, 6-2; Rosenfield d. Kanner, 7-5, 6-7, 7-5.

Final—Dodson d. Rosenfield, 6-0, 6-3.

MEN'S 45+

Semifinals—Leonard Brose (Southfield) d. John Sakaration (West Bloomfield), 6-0, 7-6; Jim Zeron (Whisper, Ont.) d. Frank Barnett (Columbus, Ohio), 6-3, 6-2.

Final—Brose d. Zeron, 4-6, 6-2, 6-1.

MEN'S 35+

Semifinals—Jim Tobin (Birmingham) d. Al Green (West Bloomfield), 6-4, 6-3; Bill Mitchell (Detroit) d. Bill Maul (Detroit), 6-3, 6-2.

Final—Mitchell d. Tobin, 6-2, 6-3.

Legion drops 3 of 4

Farmington Legion, one of 14 summer baseball teams in this year's 18th District American League Baseball League, dropped three of its first four games last week.

Farmington opened the season with a 4-1 victory over Novi, but lost the next three. Farmington lost a 9-7, eight-inning heartbreaker to Waterford No. 2 last Friday before dropping a Sunday doubleheader to Bloomfield Hills, 10-6 and 5-2.

In the Novi victory, winning pitcher Jim Whitworth went the distance, hurling a five-hitter. He struck out five and

walked three. Novi's Dan Bunker suffered the loss.

Farmington's Mike Turquist, a Harrison High graduate, belted a three-run home run in the fifth inning to tie the score against Waterford, but it was for naught.

John Jeffery, in relief of starter John King, took the loss.

Rich Nutter of North Farmington registered three hits, and teammates Scott Williams and Joe Hamilton had two hits each in Farmington's opening loss to Bloomfield Hills.

King hurled a four-hitter in the nightcap in a losing effort.



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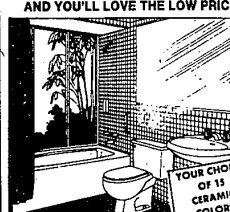
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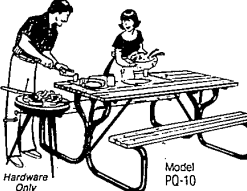
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