

Sectional tennis action set at Dover, Phila

Dover and New Philadelphia will be the sites of the Class A-AA and AAA sectional tennis tournaments Friday and Saturday.

Both days starting at 9:30 a.m. at Dover City Park, representatives from 11 teams will vie for four singles and four doubles berths in next weekend's Class A-AA district tournament at Tuscora Park in New Philadelphia.

Saturday on the Tuscora Courts, representatives from five Class AAA teams will battle for two district berths in singles and two in doubles. The Class AAA district also will be at New Philadelphia next weekend.

IN THE SECTIONAL for Dover.

Jim Smith (seeded No. 6), Brian Knecht and Aaron Hixenbaugh will play singles. The Tornadoes' doubles teams are Jay Dalpiaz and Kyle Miller (No. 3) and Mike Myers and Geoff Neal (No. 4) will play doubles.

Dalpiaz is the Tornadoes' regular No. 1 singles player, Myers No. 2 and Miller No. 3. But they were switched to doubles to avoid the strong singles field. That field includes 1983 district winner Rob Circa from St. Clairsville (No. 1 seed this year); Steubenville Catholic's Jim Bolger, who made it to the district finals last year (seeded No. 2); and a pair of good youngsters from Zanesville Rosecrans — sophomore Brad Boyse (No. 3) and freshman Todd

Tucker (No. 4).

In first-round matches Friday, Dalpiaz and Miller will face Terry Lahm and Paivi Jarvelainen of West Holmes; Myers and Neal will play Alan Chu and Mike Williams of Rosecrans. In singles, Smith will play Todd Myers of Coshocton, Knecht will go against Gary Norman of Maysville and Hixenbaugh will play Kent King of Maysville.

NEW PHILADELPHIA'S No. 1 singles sensation Troy Furbay will be playing doubles in the Class AAA tourney, said coach Dale Denham, to avoid a district matchup with Lancaster's powerful David Detwiller.

Furbay will be matched up with

either Kevin Patrick or Rob Wherley, the Quakers' No. 2 and 3 singles players. The other will play singles in the tournament.

The Quakers' other doubles team is Jim Sheafer and Jim Seldenright, the team's regular No. 2 doubles pair. Jim Amick and Nick Nickerson, New Philadelphia's No. 1 doubles team, will split up and play singles in the tournament.

The other teams in the New Philadelphia Class AAA sectional are East Liverpool, Zanesville, Cambridge and Wintersville. The tournament pairings will be made shortly before the matches begin. Only two singles players and two doubles teams will advance to next week's districts.