

OTTAWA HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME 2022



1965-66 VARSITY BOYS TENNIS TEAM

The 1965-66 Boys Tennis Team finished 4th in the State of Illinois, in its single class tournament. The team had a dual meet record of 20-3, with each loss from teams that finished ahead of them at the state tournament. They won the Illinois Valley Conference championship, the NCIC Conference championship, the IHSA District championship (now Sectional), and finished fourth in the IHSA State Tournament. The Pirates defeated Oak Park and Hinsdale, and tied New Trier and Decatur MacArthur during regular season play – with Hinsdale later winning the IHSA state championship, Oak Park finishing second, Decatur MacArthur third, Ottawa fourth, and New Trier fifth. Senior Terry Rosborough made it to the quarter-finals at the IHSA State Tournament, as well as winning the Illinois Valley Conference title, the North Central Conference title, and the District singles championship. Each of the three tournament titles were against his sophomore teammate, Jeff Claus, runner-up in each event. Jim Reynolds and Gary Stevenson, in doubles, were District and NCIC champions, and runners-up in the Illinois Valley Conference tournament. Tom Makeever and Don Ninness, in doubles, won the Illinois Valley Conference championship over their teammates, and were runners-up to their teammates in the District and NCIC championship matches. The team was coached by Tom Henderson, and assisted by Lyle Guenther. Team members, first row (l-r): Jeff Claus, Don Ninness, Dave Marsh, and Terry Rosborough; back row (l-r): Gary Stevenson, Jim Reynolds, Paul Muus, and Tom Makeever.