

Ken East Wrestlers Take Title

Bob Rutkowski, Kenmore East's 157-pound champion, was named the outstanding wrestler Saturday night as the host Bulldogs retained their Section VI Class AAA title in a 14-team competition.

Ken East, which shared the crown with Williamsville two years ago, totaled 96 points. Runner-up Tonawanda had 75.

The Bulldogs had four individual champions — Ted Lawson at 141 pounds, Steve Messinger at 148, Rutkowski and heavyweight Jim Wise. Tonawanda, Maryvale and Amherst each crowned a pair.

Wins In Overtime

Rutkowski, beaten in the finals last year, had the night's toughest match as he was awarded the referee's decision in overtime over Tonawanda's Scott Miller.

Lawson, who transferred from Cleveland Hill, was the 1967 Class AA champion at 136 pounds.

Only repeater was Maryvale's Steve Prunella, the 157-pound king last year. He moved up to 183 and outpointed West Seneca's Marty Priore, 11-0, in the final.

CLASS AAA

Kenmore East	96	West Seneca	24
Tonawanda	75	North Tonawanda	22
Maryvale	54	LaSalle	19
Williamsville	53	Kenmore West	13
Niagara Falls	47	Lancaster	10
Amherst	40	Jamestown	9
Frontier	30	Lockport	6

98—Jim Verrastro (T) d. Bob Modeland (W) 5-0. 106—Pete Leone (A) d. Dennis Daley (KE) 4-3. 115—Tim Swaha (NF) d. Rich Saylor (WS) 8-0. 123—Roy Guarino (A) d. Jim Guizotti (M) 8-4. 130—Dennis Brown (NF) d. Doug LeRoy (M) 6-4. 136—Sandy Rodriguez (T) d. Leanders Spencer (NF) 4-0. 141—Ted Lawson (KE) d. Chris Wein (NF) 8-1. 148—Steve Messinger (KE) d. Mark Riemer (W) 8-4. 157—Bob Rutkowski (KE) d. Scott Miller (T) referee's decision in overtime. 168—Tim Johnson (W) d. Aubrey Hunt (LaSalle) 6-4. 183—Steve Prunella (M) d. Marty Priore (WS) 11-0. Heavyweight—Jim Wise (KE) d. Mark Peterson (F) 8-3. Unlimited—M'Ve Sauer (M) pinned Herb Busch (T) 5:21.

Iroquois Regains Class AA Crown

Host Iroquois regained the Class AA title from Niagara-Wheatfield by the scantiest of margins, 104 to 103, as they dominated the 12-team competition.

The Chiefs, now coached by Pat Patterson, were AA kings seven consecutive years from 1959 through 1965 until Niagara-Wheatfield took over the last two seasons.

N-W Has 5 Champs

N-W claimed five individual champions, headed by defending titlist John Bradt in the heavyweight division, and Iroquois four. Had Bradt scored a fall in the final, the Falcons could have tied Iroquois, but he managed only a 6-1 decision over Lake Shore's Paul Ricci.

The only other defending champion to reach the finals, Rick Park of Hamburg, was beaten soundly, 16-4, by Niagara-Wheatfield 148-pound Nick DePadre. Park won at 141 pounds last year.

DePadre was voted the tourney's outstanding wrestler.

CLASS AA

Iroquois	104	Clarence	24
Niag.-Whfd.	103	Springville	17
Sweet Home	49	East Aurora	12
Hamburg	39	Trott	10
Lake Shore	38	Cleveland Hill	9
Orchard Park	29	Olean	1

98—Randy Foucha (I) pinned Keith Blackmore (C) 2:26. 106—Steve Lezark (LS) d. Mike Sernoffsky (I) 4-3. 115—Charley Schneckenberger (I) d. Larry Meinzer (SH) 4-0. 123—Joe Gustaferra (OP) d. Ken Fiegel (N-W) 7-5. 130—Jeff Bloom (SH) d. Gary Smith (S) 9-0. 136—Steve Camann (N-W) d. Dennis Blackman (I) 7-1. 141—Tom Hutchison (N-W) d. Roy Smith (EA) 10-0. 148—Nick DePadre (N-W) d. Rick Park (H) 16-4. 157—Jim Kemmerer (I) d. Jim Altherr (H) 10-0. 168—Mike Abt (I) d. Tom Darnley (N-W) 8-3. 183—John Rinker (N-W) d. Ken Hill (I) 9-4. Heavyweight—John Bradt (N-W) d. Paul Ricci (LS) 6-1. Unlimited—Jerry Ambrose (T) pinned Mark Fiegel (C) 5:40.

Grand Island Is Class A Champ

Grand Island, with four individual champions, scored 69 points at Southwestern to capture the Class A title it shared last year with Medina.

The host school was second among the 13-team field with 59.

Grand Island's champions included 106-pound Paul Kavanaugh, 123-pound Bob Edwards, 130-pound Les Chambers and heavyweight Rod Passarelli.

Otto Repeats

Edwards decisioned Southwestern's Lee Christenson, last year's 115-pound winner, 2-0. Only 1967 champion to repeat was Starpoint's Jack Otto at 157 pounds.

Southwestern 115-pounder Gary Swan was voted the meet's outstanding wrestler. He decisioned Gowanda's Paul Phillips, last year's 106-pound king, 5-0, in the final.

CLASS A

Grand Island	69	Roy-Hart	18
Southwestern	59	Alden	16
Starpoint	57	Albion	16
Cheektowaga	43	Medina	9
Gowanda	36	Newfane	7
Falconer	35	Eden	4
Salamanca	23		

98—Jim Beaser (Star.) d. Gary Bradt (Sala) 7-1. 106—Paul Kavanaugh (GI) d. Leo Daruszka (C) 14-1. 115—Gary Swan (South.) d. Paul Phillips (G) 5-0. 123—Bob Edwards (GI) d. Lee Christenson (South.) 2-0. 130—Les Chambers (GI) d. Greg Zebrowski (South.) 3-2. 136—Howard Parrish (G) d. Paul Crawford (F) 8-2. 141—Mike Hagan (Star.) d. Larry Aderman (Alden) 5-4. 148—Mike Newman (F) d. Bekir Kaya (R1H) referee's decision in overtime. 157—Jack Otto (Star.) d. Mike Stratton (Sala) 7-0. 168—Tim Morrison (South.) d. Glenn Nowak (C) 12-0. 183—John Drisdan (Albion) d. Art Bascomb (GI) 7-0. Heavyweight—Rod Passarelli (GI) d. Ed Attea (C) 9-2. Unlimited—Joe Mowhawk (G) won by default.