



N-W Matmen Win 4 Titles

Niagara-Wheatfield's Class AA champions dominated the Section VI wrestling finals at Erie County Technical Institute Saturday night by qualifying four individuals for next weekend's New York State Inter-Sectionals.

The Inter-Sectionals will be held Friday and Saturday at Rochester Institute of Technology.

The Falcon winners were Nick DePadre, 157 pounds; Tom Darnley, 168; Neil Patterson, heavy-weight, and Jim Miller, unlimited.

DePadre, who pinned Russ Tinch of Pioneer in 3:41, was one of four 1968 champions who repeated. He won at 147 pounds last year. Patterson scored the most lopsided decision of the 13-match finals when he outpointed Cheektowaga's Ed Attea, 17-0.

Maryvale counted three champions — Gary Brice, 106; Jim Guizzotti, 123, and Doug LeRoy, 136 — while Class AAA champion Kenmore East claimed two, Tom Rust at 141 and Gary Kumm at 148.

Last year's champions who earned new titles, in addition to DePadre, were Tonawanda's Jim Verrastro, 98; Amherst's Pete Leone, 115, and Niagara Falls' Dennis Brown, 130. Verrastro scored the only other fall, pinning Falconer's Kelly Short in 3:55. He pinned Portville's Bob Reynolds in 1:58 in their semifinal match.

Leone, the 106-pound king a year ago, dethroned Portville's Larry Reynolds in their final with a 13-7 decision.

SEMIFINALS

98—Jim Verrastro (Tonawanda) pinned Bob Reynolds (Portville) 1:58; Kelly Short (Falconer) pinned Hayden Fusia

(East Aurora) 4:50. 106—Gary Brice (Maryvale) d. Bob Traniello (Southwestern) 20-6; Keith Blackmore (Clarence) d. Joe Torres (Westfield) 5-2 in overtime. 115—Pete Leone (Amherst), bye (Rick Norton of Niagara-Wheatfield did not make the weight); Larry Reynolds (Portville) won by default over Rex Knapp (Falconer). 123—Jim Guizzotti (Maryvale) pinned Steve Handley (Portville) 3:55; Gary Swan (Southwestern) d. Don Spink (Williamsville North) 8-1. 130—Dennis Brown (Niagara Falls) d. Rich Bligh (Newfane) 9-0; Don Lerow (Randolph) d. Les Chambers (Grand Island) 5-4. 136—Doug LeRoy (Maryvale) d. Ken Rowles (Niagara-Wheatfield) 11-2; Jeff Schulz (Randolph) d. Stew Otto (Starpoint) 5-0.

141—Tom Ruth (Kenmore East) d. Rick Colley (Wilson) 16-5; Kevin Maisch (Clarence) d. Larry Aderman (Alden) 15-3. 148—Gary Kumm (Kenmore East) d. Dave Platt (Newfane) 8-5; Tom Hutchinson (Niagara-Wheatfield) d. Frank Doyle (Franklinville) 7-2. 157—Nick DePadre (Niagara-Wheatfield) d. John Wachowicz (North Tonawanda) 8-0; Russ Tinch (Pioneer) d. John McCarl (Gowanda) 4-0 in overtime. 168—Willie Hunt (LaSalle) d. Phil Richardson (Pioneer) 4-3; Tom Darnley (Niagara-Wheatfield) d. Tim Morrison (Southwestern) 5-1. 178—John Drisdan (Albion) pinned Paul Eichler (North Tonawanda) 2:34; Gary Neamon (Pioneer) pinned John Rinker (Niagara-Wheatfield) 3:11. **HEAVYWEIGHT**—Neil Patterson (Niagara-Wheatfield) d. Stan Andrzejewski (North Tonawanda) 8-2; Ed Attea (Cheektowaga) pinned Rod Walker (Cassadaga Valley) 3:10. **UNLIMITED**—Steve Songer (Holland) pinned Rich Fiden (Kenmore East) 2:56; Jim Miller (Niagara-Wheatfield) pinned Dave Nash (Salamanca) 4:14.

FINALS

98—Verrastro pinned Short 3:55. 106—Brice d. Blackmore 9-4. 115—Leone d. Reynolds 13-7. 125—Guizzotti d. Swan 13-2. 130—Brown d. Lerow 8-5. 136—LeRoy d. Schulz 5-2. 141—Rust d. Maisch 6-1. 148—Kumm d. Hutchinson 4-0. 157—DePadre pinned Tinch 3:41. 168—Darnley d. Hunt 4-1. 178—Drisdan d. Neamon 6-5. **HEAVYWEIGHT**—Patterson d. Attea 17-0. **UNLIMITED**—Miller d. Songer 3-0.

CONSOLATIONS

98—Reynolds d. Fusia 7-2. 106—Traniello d. Torres 4-0. 115—Knapp, unopposed. 123—Handley d. Spink 6-0. 130—Chambers d. Bligh 5-2. 136—Rowles d. Otto 12-3. 141—Aderman d. Colley 12-5. 148—Platt d. Doyle 7-0. 157—Wachowicz d. McCarl 7-2. 169—Morrison d. Richardson 5-2. 178—Rinker d. Eichler 6-2. **HEAVYWEIGHT**—Andrzejewski pinned Walker 5:17. **UNLIMITED**—Nash pinned Fiden 1:52.