

Despite only two individual winners

# Bulldogs take Sectional mat title

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Kenmore East, whose lone wrestling loss in the Niagara Frontier League this year was to undefeated Niagara Wheatfield, picked up 70½ points Saturday evening to capture the Section VI Class AAAA wrestling championship held at Kenmore Junior High School.

The Bulldogs had four contestants in the finals with two gaining first place trophies. East also garnered five third-place finishes.

Ray Pfeifer, who finished the year with a 22-1 overall record, picked up four points in the final period to shutout John Sendzik of Lancaster, 4-0 in the 98-pound bracket for Ken-East's first win. After that win in the opening match, KE had to wait until the evening's finale for its second first place medal.

In a confrontation between two arch rival schools, Kenmore East's Rick Mudra defeated Paul Rogers of West, 9-1 in the 250-pound heavyweight division. Bob McDermott (119) and Sandy Stuchell (215) each finished as runner-ups for the Bulldogs.

Maryvale finished second in the overall standings with 57½ points after putting four contestants in the finals, with three picking up first place medals. Steve Leroy (132), who was last year's 126-pound champion, was awarded a 5-1 decision over Greg Germany of Niagara Falls. The first pin in the finals was earned by Maryvale's Pete Roetzer who upset last year's champ, Mark Muscato of Amherst in an exciting match. Ed Lawrence (167) shutout Eric Johnson of Jamestown, 7-0, for Maryvale's third win.

Totalling 50½ points each, Niagara Falls and Amherst finished tied for third place. The Power Cats had two first place winners in Willie Moore (126) and Paul Kapersycki (215). Moore, who finished the season with a 12-2-2 slate decided Bob McDermott of KE, 5-2. For his efforts, Moore was named outstanding wrestler of the tournament.

Kapersycki picked up the second pin of the evening at the 5:25 mark in his bout with Stuchell of KE.

Amherst had two winners, Richard Ball (105), a 23-3 decision over North Tonawanda's Schultz, and Vic Boland (177) who decisioned Walter Sikes of Frontier, 6-5, in one of the evening's best matches.

In the most controversial match of the meet, Paul Grandits (155) of Sweet Home upset Bob Martineck from Lancaster by an "overtime judges decision." With both wrestlers moving cautiously, the score was deadlocked at 2-2 until Martineck was awarded a takedown to pull ahead, 4-2, late in the match. But the referee then found a mistake, erased two points, and when the match ended the score read 2-2 once again.

Both referees admitted they had made a mistake and stated that Martineck had won because they meant that one point should have been erased and not two.

After a heated argument with both coaches and the official scorer, however, the chief official called the two wrestlers back to the mat for three one-minute overtime periods. Neither competitor tallied a point throughout the overtime periods, so the referees had to vote on the winner of the match. Grandits was the judges' pick.

North Tonawanda finished in ninth place with 28 points. NT had two participants in the finals, but both lost by decisions.

Kenmore West, who hosted this year's tournament, finished last among the ten participating teams with only 10½ points. The only Blue Devil in the finals was Paul Rogers (250), defeated by a decision.

98 — Ray Pfeifer, (KE) d. John Sendzik, (Lancaster), 4-0; 105 — Richard Ball, (Am), d. Bob Schultz, (NT), 23-3; 112 — Dave Kaczmarek, (Fr), d. Kurt Heur, (SH), 9-4; 119 — Ross Foti, (J), d. Jim Mize, (M), 4-0; 126 — Willie Moore, (NF), d. Bob McDermott, (KE), 5-2; 132 — Steve Leroy, (M), d. Greg Germany, (NF), 5-1; 138 — Doug Szymanski, (L), d. Paul Churder, (NT), 8-5; 145 — Pete Roetzer, (M), pinned Mark Muscato, (Am), 3-10; 155 — Paul Grandits, (SH) d. Bob Martineck (L), overtime judges decision; 167 — Ed Lawrence (M), d. Eric Johnson, (J), 7-0; 177 — Vic Boland, (Am) d. Walter Sikes, (Fr), 6-5; 215

— Paul Kapersycki, (NF), pinned Sandy Stuchell, (KE), 5-25; 250 — Rick Mudra, (KE) d. Paul Rogers, (KW), 9-1.

## TEAM STANDINGS

Kenmore East	70½
Maryvale	57½
Amherst	50½
Niagara Falls	50½
Lancaster	50
Frontier	40
Sweet Home	33
Jamestown	29
North Tonawanda	28
Kenmore West	10½

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