

Area Grapplers Take Honors

Batavia High School and class A champions, Le Roy Central School, wrenched their share of points at sectional play capturing 3rd and 2nd places respectively. Batavia grapplers in class AA secured 68 points to place under number one, Canandaigua and second place, Churchville-Chili.

Three Batavia matmen captured first place, Tom Burnie at 101, Mike Kelly at 105 and Don Gugel at 129. Batavia had eight qualifiers in final action. The wins were a first for BHS. Season records for the three wrestlers are 22-3, 20-6, and 25-1, respectively.

Le Roy, the team that breezed through county competition, had eleven qualifiers in sectional class A finals. The team scored second to East Rochester, host of the finals. The LeRoy team had five top wrestlers, two third place wins, Pat Conidorio at 106, Chris Garner at Unlimited; two seconds, Ed Spink at Heavyweight, Joe Conidorio at 122, and Dan Shaughnessy took first place at 170 pounds.

Pembroke High School, Genesee-Orleans county champs, had three qualifiers in the finals. Most Valuable Player, Mark McVay took a first place in the 98 pound class. Bill Sobczak at 105, placed second and Than Nguyen placed fourth at 91.

Second place G-O team, Byron-Bergen, had five wrestlers in the finals; Vince Keller, 112; Dave Seward, 126; Stub Pangrazlo, 167, and John Yerger, 177. Mark List took a fourth place at 138.

Alexander Central School had two finalists. Clay Spring took third at 180 and Kurt Werner took a fourth at 170. The team

ranked 14th among 20 participating high schools.

Wrestlers ranking third place or better are eligible for inter-sectional competition at Fairport High School and the finals at the Rochester War Memorial.

Attica, participating in the AA class for the first time, got championship performances from two of its three grapplers that advanced to the quarterfinals.

Audsley, the top seeded heavyweight, breezed to the title with a pair of pins and an 8-2 decision. He pinned a Webster-Schroeder opponent in the quarterfinals and a Corning-East foe in the semifinals, then gained the decision win in the finals over an opponent from Canandaigua.

Wess remains unbeaten on the season, with an 18-0 mark that includes 14 pins. He is also a Genesee Region League all-star football player.

Metz disposed of the top seed in the 180-pound bracket in the semifinals and went on to post a 6-3 decision win over a Pittsford-Merdon foe in the finals. He had decisioned a Webster-Schroeder grappler, 9-0, in the quarterfinals.

Metz, the third seed at the 180 weight, has a 15-3 season record. Five of the wins were by pins.

Scott Trauscht, the other Attican to advance, was beaten in the quarterfinals of the 115-pound competition.

Next on tap in the wrestling action, is a combination tournament that begins Friday at Fairport. The tourney matches the various classes, with the top three finishers in the sectionals competing. The finals will be Saturday at the Rochester War Memorial.