

Win Over Penfield, Mendon

Wrestlers Enter Weekend Canandaigua Tournament

East Rochester High School is one of 17 crack wrestling teams participating in this weekend's Canandaigua Invitational Tournament on the Community College of the Finger Lakes mats Friday and Saturday.

Preliminary matches open at 4 o'clock Friday; the semi-finals are on Saturday at 11 a.m.; the finals at 8 p.m. Consolation wrestle-offs are on tap for 6:30 p.m.

The Bombers will be competing with crack matmen from these schools: Irondequoit, Fulton, Olean, Hornell, Lancaster, East High, Brockport, Ossining, Spencer-Van Etten, Glens Falls, Wayne Central, Watertown, Saratoga, Victor, Shoreham Wading River, and Canandaigua.

In preparation for the two day scuffling on the mats, the Bombers added two more Monroe County Eastern Division victims last weekend.

Penfield took a 51-6 licking from Coach Don Quinn's Bombers last Thursday night here. And on Friday night at Pittsford-Mendon, East Rochester packed up a 56-3 triumph. The victories ran the Bombers record to 5-0 in loop play and 6-1 overall.



Bruce Kier

And the performances kept the locals in a head-to-head tie with Fairport with all indications pointing to the clash Saturday night, Feb. 11 at Fairport to decide the loop champ.

Penfield took a 3-0 lead in the first match as Bomber 98 pounder Mike Brien dropped

a 6-2 decision to the Chiefs' Larry Kane.

Drew McGregor suffered the other ER reverse. It came in the 138 division as Drew McGregor bowed to Greg Kane, 8-4. The Brothers Kane did well. But the other 10 members of the visiting club faltered.

Curtis Doreen (105) disposed of Dave Altamura with a pin in 5:34; Romeo Battazzi (112) was giving Richie Battaglia a good going over when the latter suffered a leg injury and defaulted; 119 pounder Mike McAuliffe rattled Dave Crosby for a 14-2 decision; Jeff Kier utilized his 126 pounds to flail Mike Altamura by a easy 16:5 nod; Bob Marianetti outlasted Mike Owens in the 132 class, 1-2.

Bruce Kier outdid brother Jeff by winning by a pin in the 145 division. His victim was Bob Burcroft, by a pin in 4:24.

It was Kurt Kronenberger turning in the feature effort. He took 33 seconds to flatten Tom Janus in the 155 class.

John Zito ran his record to 11-0 with a pin in 5:09 over Mark Wyland in the 167 weights. Rick Sidor ended his six minutes on the mats with a 6-1 decision over Chris Manchester in the 177 class and big Joe Baldo pinned undefeated Brian Owens in 2:57 of the 215 argument.

At Mendon, the losing team's sole win came in the 155 division when Bomber Dennis Essom lost a 8-2 nod to Matt Kells.

ER opened with Pat Zito (98) pummeling Scott Cirman for a 11-1 victory; Mike Brien moved to 105 to pin Billy Connell in 2:31; Battazzi let Curtis Doreen take the mats in the 112 class and the latter responded with a pin in 3:27.

Battazzi then entered the mat war as a 126 pounder and ran down Steve Woods, 10-2. In the previous scrap, Mike Kuhn was a 10-3 winner over Kevin Woods in the 119 bracket.

In the 132 division Dave Yacona contributed a pin for the Bombers. His prey was Greg Elman in 1:41.

Bob Marianetti scored the match's fastest pin. In the 138 class, he ended the scuffle in 1:52.

Bruce Kier tallied a pin in 3:28 over Tim French of Mendon in the 145 division; Dave Prong was ER's 167 entry and he gained a hairline 4-3 nod over Tim O'Rourke; Rick Consaul was a winner by a 4:40 pin in the 177 class over Tim Albert and the finale, Sidor pinned Tim Polen in 5:56 in the 215 tussle.

