



NUMBER ONE!! Baldwinsville's varsity wrestling team, ranked Number One in New York State by sportswriters association, lived up to that reputation by winning their

own Holiday Classic Tour on Friday by a lop-sided margin. Coach Leo Johnson is center row. Al Tayler photo.

Bee wrestlers



Win own Classic

Baldwinsville varsity wrestlers displayed their team balance and placed every man on the team in Friday's Baldwinsville Holiday Classic. This balance showed the power and depth of New York State's Number One-ranked wrestling team as Baldwinsville outmuscled the other 10 varsity squads with 239½ points to win the tourney.

New Hartford, the other Section 3 powerhouse, came in second and Long Island power Mepham placed third.

The Bees also topped the individual champions' list by winning four titles: Jerry Haselmayer at 91, Barry Albert at 138, Tom Pickard at 145 and Ed Krupka at 250 pounds. Krupka and Pickard are repeats from last year but this year, Pickard won it all as he was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler of the tourney.

The following are thumbnail sketches of how the Bees did in each weight class.

91 lbs. - Champion Jerf Haselmayer won three matches and pinned all three opponents to cop the tournament's Aggregate Fall trophy for the most pins in the least time. Haselmayer had three in 8:07.

98 lbs. - Surprising frosh Mike Allen placed second for the Bees behind Auburn's

Andy Giannio, a senior. Allen scored upsets by pinning the third-seeded Mike of Peru in 0:52, and then in a repeat of the same thing to Jeff Mettais of New York in 0:50.

105 lbs. - Carl Kristeller had to settle for second place when an injury forced a default to Joe LaBatte of ESM at 3:00 in the second period. In a very spirited match, Kristeller and LaBotte went right at each other and the two former state champions gave the crowd an exciting battle. Kristeller was caught sitting on the mat twice and LaBatte rushed him, leading 9-3 when the collision occurred. Kristeller was checked out of the hospital and released. On the way to the finals, Carl pinned his first two opponents.

112 lbs. - Matthew DeLawrye was a convincing winner all day but seemed all tangled up and a bit tired in the final. He dropped at 4-0 decision to ES Jacopelle in the finals. DeLawrye placed second on a 17-3 decision in the finals and a 21-5 superior decision in the semis.

119 lbs. - The Bees' George ... (Continued on Page 13)



DON SHAVER, top, lost a heart-breaker to the eventual champ, John Zito of Rochester, but Zito knew he'd been in a battle when the Boss' scrappy 167-pounder got through with him.



IT'S OVER, BABY. Bald Holiday Classic heavyweight title winner Ed Krupka defends his title by pinning Jim Kane of Fulton.

Holiday Classic photos by Al Taylor



TOP HONORS of the tourney went to, from left: Ray Haselmayer, B'ville, Aggregate Fall; Tom Richard, B'ville, Most Outstanding Wrestler; Dave Flanigan, B'ville, Quickest Pin.