

Bombers Place Wrestlers in Sectionals

The East Rochester High School wrestling team that finished the dual mat schedule with 11 wins and 4 losses, and a second place finish in the Monroe County East Division, repeated as Section 5's top Class "A" kingpins by scoring 214 points and leading an 18 team field in last weekend's competition held on the last mats.

When the scraps were over, Coach Don Quinn's club had 11 wrestlers moving into the interclass sectionals at Fairport that start with a 5:30 p.m. preliminary round on Friday and move into Saturday's schedule of 11 a.m. quarter-finals; 2 p.m. semifinals, and the championship matches at 7:30.

Class winners will move into the state interclass sectionals in Syracuse on March 7 and 8.

ER's major hopes of a place among the best in the state are 126 pounder Mike Kuhn, 135 pounder Romeo Battazzi and 112 pounder Scott McIntosh.

Kuhn and Battazzi won their individual classes in last weekend's matches. Another first place champ was Joe Walczyk.

It was the third straight year for Battazzi as Class "A" Section 5 champ. And the second for Walczyk.

Craig Venette also won a first place by winning all 4 matches in the 148 pound class.

And Tom Pagano was the class of the 108 pounders.

Besides the five first places, freshman Mark Rosati took a second in the 94 pound division, sophomore Frank Argento as a 122 pounder, and McIntosh in his class. McIntosh is a junior.

Third place that qualified for



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the next action in the coming weekend were Timmy Quinn, the coach's son as a 101 pounder; Curtis Doreen, a soph in the 148 division and Joe Santucci, who as ER's 250 pounder continued to look like ER's heavyweight for next season.

Pagano defeated Bob Ames of Waterloo, 15-1; Dan Kelly of Wayland, 4-0; Dan Sharick of Pembroke, 2-0 and Dan Gastrau of Sodus, 6-4.

Kuhn won over Joe Sarkis of Rochester-Jefferson, 13-2; Scott Hummel of Pembroke, 9-1, Scott Thompson of Livonia, 17-6 and Buzzy Lamson of Waterloo, 18-6.

Battazzi racked up three consecutive pins and bagged the title tilt with a 15-2 soft nod over Mike Briggs of Waterloo. The pins came over Brian Gasdos of Pembroke in 1:55, Dan Pangrazio of Leroy in 3:53 and John Gerko of Honeoye Falls in 1:09.

Walczyk pinned Robin Potter of Dansville in a zip 42 seconds, took 1:29 to flatten Mike Petrello of Attica and



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1:30 to pin Jack Munteer of Livonia.

He took a 5-3 decision over Dom Caracillo of Mynderse in the title match.

Venette, looming like ER's coming point snatcher in the next two years, started with a 3:02 pin over Doug Harrison of Midlakes, then decided three straight.

The first was Mike Giovannini of Mynderse by a 10-3 count; Kurt Washington of Haverlin, 13-12, and Paul Hibsich of Attica, 12-3.

Tim Quinn, an eighth grader, had a pin in 5:14 over Pete Ferrara of Midlakes before losing to Mike Costanza of Attica, 6-2. He rebounded with decisions over Kevin DeParde of Waterloo, 7-0; Steve Mertz of LeRoy, 18-2, and Mike Costanza of Attica, 4-2, for his third place.

Doreen made the 3rd position by pinning Ken Fugle of Attica in 3:50, losing to Randy Dibble of Pembroke, 5-4, and scoring decisions over Mark Tomadzewski of LeRoy, 5-3, and Charley Dietrick of LeRoy, 6-3.

Santucci got his 3rd place spot after he had lost his first

match to John Johnson of Le Roy by a pin in 50 seconds.

He came back to pin Dave Northrup of Bath in 3:25 and follow with decisions over Darin Smith of Waterloo by a 8-6 score and over Chuck Burley of Wayland, 7-3.

In taking second place, Mark Rosati pinned Pat Miller of Attica in 3:43, pinned Rick Hess of Midlakes in 3:05, decided John VanNostrand of Waterloo, 2-1 and lost the number one tilt to John Spires of Haverling, 6-3.

McIntosh had a 5 point lead over Howard Luce of Attica in the championship match but tired out and lost 12-8.

He won his first three arguments by decisions over Jay McCloskey of Livonia, 13-0, was an easy 16-1 winner over Jim Smith of Jefferson and got by Steve Wanderlick of Mynderse, 12-8.

Argento lost his title clash to Eugene Lehman of Wellsville, 11-3, after the sophomore 122 pounder had pinned Terry Fairbrothers in 1:30 and decided Mike Grover of Attica, 10-8 and Bruce Merle of Dansville hung in to share a 2-2 overtime tie.

In other results, Dan Capiello dropped a 8-0 decision to Mike Blackburn of Midlakes, in the 170 class.

Tony Rossi, a freshman lost by a fast 45 second pin to Gary Sheppard of Waterloo in the 180 division.

East Rochester was followed in the final team standings by Mynderse, 123 points; Pembroke, 110; Attica, 98.5; Haverling, 89.5; Wellsville, 86; Waterloo, 83; Livonia, 68; Le Roy, 67.5; Honeoye Falls-Lima, 30; Sodus, 29; Dansville, 26; Alexander, 22; Midlakes, 18.5; Wayland, 11; North Rose-Walcott 11; Rochester-Jefferson, 5.5; and Marcus Whitman 4.