

TWO LETCHWORTH WRESTLERS
GAIN TOURNAMENT FINAL



Letchworth Central placed two wrestlers, Dan Sacco (105 pounds) and Ken Herbert, in the final round of the Section Five State Qualifier Tournament held Saturday, March 6 at Fairport High School. Sacco and Herbert both lost their final match, placing second. The first place finisher advances to the New York State Intersectional Tournament, to be held March 12 and 13 in Syracuse.

Joe Gustainis of Caledonia-Mumford (215 pounds), Van Schirmer of York (126), and Mike Hofer of Kendall (112) were other competitors from Genesee or Livingston-Wyoming leagues to advance to the final round. Gustainis was the only winner of the group.

The following description indicates the opponents and scores for contestants from the Livingston-Wyoming or Genesee Region leagues.

91 lbs- Ken Grisewood, Warsaw, lost by a superior decision in the first round, to Lee Requa of Kendall, 12-0. Requa lost by a fall, at :50, to Butch Hibbard of Canandaigua. John Young of Livonia, won over Power of Pal-Macedon, a fall at 5:23. Young next lost to Kevin Bishop, of Greece-Athena. Bishop was pinned by Hibbard at 5:27. Hibbard, with a 28-3-1 record this season, is Section Five's 91-pound representative at the State Intersectional.

98 lbs- Jeff Royce, Warsaw, lost to Joe Lamson, of Waterloo, 6-5 in a quarterfinal match. Royce led 2-0 at the end of the first period, and still led at 5-3. Royce was on top a majority of the time, but Lamson gained the upper position, and scored late in the third period.

Lamson lost to East Rochester's John Hanselman, who had defeated Royce a week earlier in overtime, with the help of a controversial stalling point. Hanselman lost to Canandaigua's Paul Lamphier, 7-0 for the State slot.

105 lbs- Letchworth's Dan Sacco won a quarterfinal match by default, over Ed Principio of Geneva. Principio was unable to continue the match. Sacco next decisioned Kevin Court of Churchville-Chili, 13-6. Sacco, a junior, carried a 21-3-2 season record into the final match, against Steve Siegfried, of Seneca Falls-Mynderse.

Siegfried was 26-3-1 entering the match.

Siegfried led 2-0 until Sacco escaped, worth 1 point, with :08 remaining in the first period. Siegfried then extended his lead to 4-1, but Sacco escaped to pull within 4-2 near the end of the second period. Siegfried won by a final score of 8-3.

112 lbs- Scott Pickering, Brockport held Letchworth's Tony Vallance scoreless, for a 2-0 win. Pickering lost to Mike Hofer, Kendall, 6-5. Hofer lost the final match to Canandaigua's Marty King, 10-1. King, who had competed at last year's Intersectional, led 6-0 after one period, and 8-0 after the second.

119 lbs- James Willis, Kendall, decisioned Crooks, of Avoca, 9-2. Willis then was eliminated in a fall by Mike Bauer of Gates-Chili, at 5:58. Bauer defeated Dan Scheele, Canandaigua, 9-5, and won the final over Bill Conner of Roth, 11-1.

126 lbs- Avon's Stacy Phillips decisioned Pertino of Kendall, 14-8. Phillips was eliminated by Rich Arzano of Wayne, 10-0, a major decision. Van Schirmer, York, decisioned Young of Mendon, 7-3. Schirmer then defeated the wrestler from Wayne, but lost to Bob Brawn of Brockport, 6-2.

Schirmer led 2-0 early in the match, but was tied 2-2 following a reversal by Brawn. Brawn extended his lead to 6-2 with a near fall in the second period, and that was the final score. Schirmer was 32-0 entering the match, while Brawn was 29-2-1.

132 lbs- No area wrestler advanced beyond the first round. Chris Kane of Penfield defeated Tim Fitzgerald of Lyons, 24-5 in the final.

138 lbs- Kevin DeRidder, Marion, won a 11-1 major decision over Petole of Elba. Steve Arzano of Wayne, defeated Jim Cowey, Kearney, 8-1 in the final.

145 lbs- Rick Green of Pavilion, decisioned Thompson, Canisteo, 9-5. Green lost a fall to John Suhr, Spencerport, at 3:02. Suhr also defeated Doug Carmen, Geneseo, 4-2. Suhr lost the final to Morris White of Canandaigua, 9-6.

155 lbs- Barney Smith, Livonia, eliminated John Barber, Letchworth, 8-1. Smith lost to Rob Evarts, Brighton. Jim Farrell, Geneseo, edged Klein, Cardinal Mooney, 6-5, then lost a fall to Rich Battone, Hornell, at 3:35. Battone defeated Evarts for the trip to Syracuse, 9-3.

167 lbs- Matt Leitten of Pavilion dropped a 15-3 decision to Pfaff, Brockport. Pfaff lost to Tony Rosa of RH Sperry. Rosa edged Robin Fluman of Penfield, 6-4 in the final.

177 lbs- Mike Hughes, Geneseo, lost a fall to Len Atella of McQuaid at 4:23, in quarterfinals. Karl Schrier, Keshequa, got by Rood of Batavia Notre Dame, 2-1, but lost to Jim Brown of Sutherland, 5-2. Mike Rowntree of Cardinal, edged Brown, 10-8 in a come-from-behind final victory.

215 lbs- Dirk Foster, Alexander, pinned Bill Weaver of Pavilion at 3:55, then lost to Phil Weaver of Haverling, 8-4. Joe Gustainis, Calmumford, won a superior decision over Barker of Fairport, 13-0. Joe then defeated Costentino of Geneva, 15-2, then pinned Weaver at 1:38 of the final. Gustainis led 2-0 at the time of the pin. Weaver was 27-1 this season entering the final match, and

Gustainis was 30-0.

250- Eric Anderson, Livonia, defeated Dean Hackemer, now of Canisteo and formerly of Warsaw, 4-2. Anderson then won a fall at 2:45, over last week's Class C Sectional winner, John Johnson, LeRoy. Ken Herbert of Letchworth, pinned Vic Baldissari, Seneca Falls Mynderse, at 3:40.

Herbert then pinned Bill Andrews, York, at 2:32, and Eric Anderson, at 2:40. Herbert met John Brennan of Mendon in the final, and carried a 24-2 season record (32-5 career) into the match. Brennan's season record was 28-4.

Brennan led 7-0 at the end of the first period, and 8-1 following the second. Brennan, a smaller but quicker wrestler, won by a final score of 8-3.