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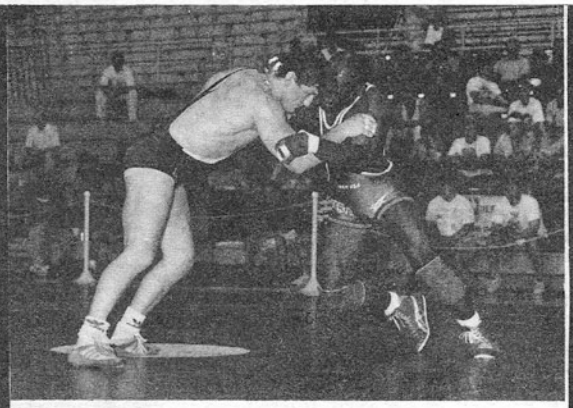

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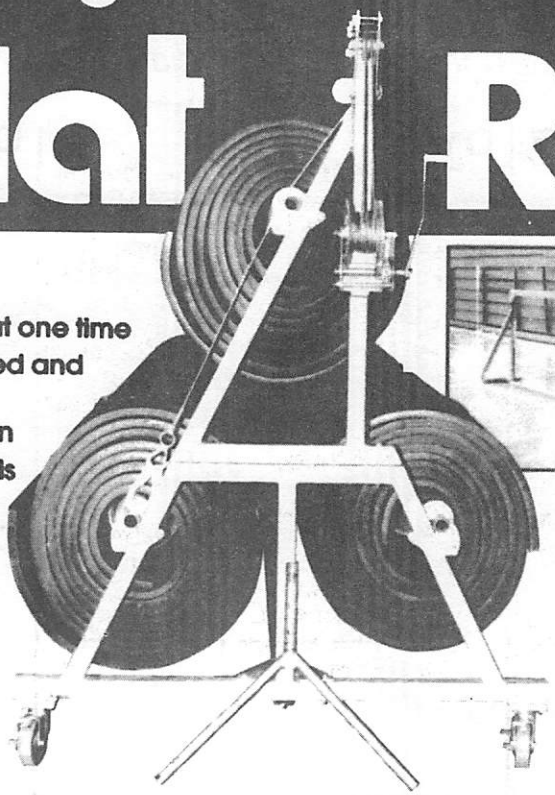

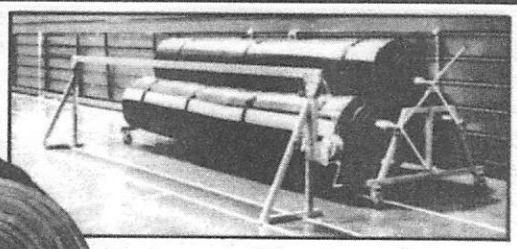

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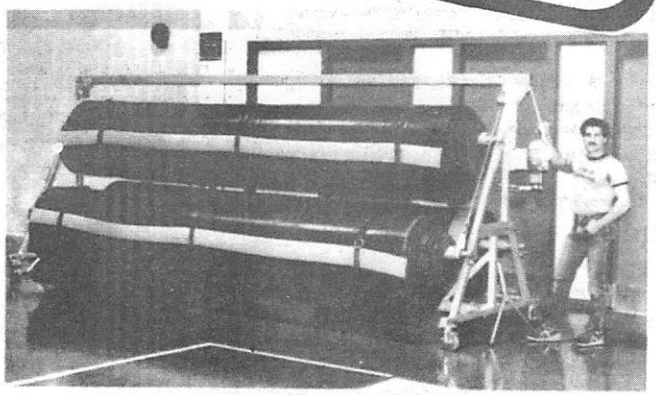

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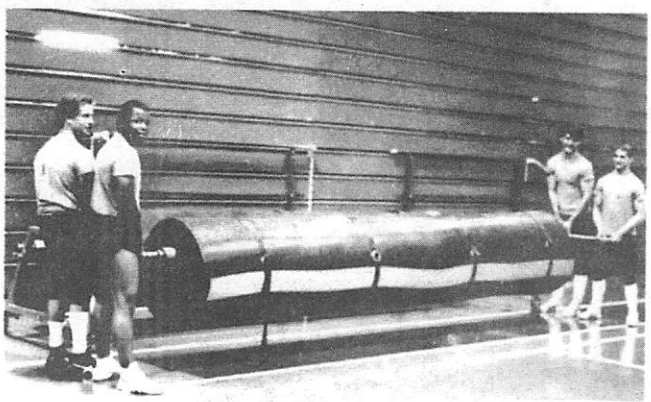

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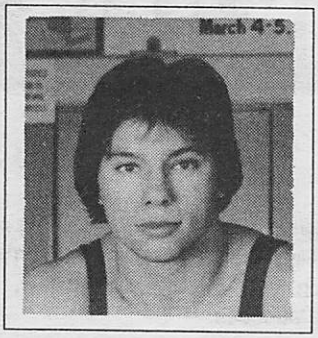

On the Cover

Jason Gleasman (right) now a senior at Adirondack-3 High School, attacking leg of Jason DeVries of Minnesota in freestyle finals of ASICS National Junior Championships. With his powerful 9-4 victory, and silver medal performance in Greco, Gleasman has propelled himself to the top eschelon of high school wrestling in the nation. He's also won a number of other titles, including a fourth place at the Junior World Championships. Entering the 1992-93 season, Gleasman looks to be the top wrestler in NYS and possibly, the nation as well. Photo by Sonja Stanbro.

Gleasman & McCoy win World Team Trials

In the spring, seven New Yorkers won medals in the Junior World Team Trials held at Evanston, IL on May 8-10. This event qualified the champions in each weight class, freestyle and Greco, to compete in the Junior World Championships in Cali, Colombia. Competing at 253 pounds Greco, Jason Gleasman scored a 3-2 decision in the finals to win the gold medal. He also placed fourth in freestyle. At 193.5 pounds freestyle, Kerry McCoy scored a 2:13 pin in the finals for his championship. Jason Gold man lost an 8-5 finals match at 110 pounds, Greco, for silver medal. Jason Kraft, 163 freestyle, also placed second, losing just 2-0. Mike Quaglio, 178 pounds freestyle, took third place. Lenny Fries (127.5 freestyle) placed fourth.

Kerry McCoy Junior World Champ

Scholastic state champ Kerry McCoy of Longwood-11, earned a gold medal at the 1992 Junior World Freestyle Championships held in Cali, Colombia from June 27th to July 2nd. McCoy, wrestling at 193.5 pounds, was one of only two US wrestlers to win gold medals. He defeated the Cuban wrestler in the finals 3-1, and won five straight bouts on the way to the World title. Said US coach Joe Corso, "Kerry got fired up. He had a few slow matches early, but got going strong. He out-conditioned his opponents. In the pool finals, he came from behind and handled the opponent well." McCoy is now a freshman at Penn State. Also placing in the event was Jason Gleasman, who took fourth in Greco at 253 pounds. Said coach Russ Cozart, "Jason was our team's example. Every time he went to the mat, he gave 110 percent."

What a Great Summer!

Lots of New Yorkers won big titles this past season. Just to reflect on a few, let's start with the oldest and work downwards. "Grandpa" Chris Campbell, of Fayettville (near Syacuse), took a bronze medal in the freestyle Olympic Games. In Greco, Shawn Sheldon took fourth place. Several guys came one match away from making the Olympic team this year, including Brad Penrith, Frank Famiano, Ike Anderson, Andy Seras, and David Koplovitz. Lots of others, too numerous to name, placed in the top ten of the Olympic Trials. Mike Fusilli and Ethan Bosch won the University National Championships, with Fusilli winning both styles.

At the high school level, we had lots of individuals win Regional Championships titles. And at the National High School Championships, we had a few placefinishers, including a first-ever gold medal won by Mike Quaglio. At the ASICS National Junior Championships, typically the world's largest wrestling tournament, we had one champion, Jason Gleasman. Gleasman, with one year remaining, took the freestyle title and placed second in Greco. During the freestyle event, he decked the guy who pinned him in the Greco finals. Mike Quaglio also had a great tournament, killing everyone, but coming up short, 11-10, in the finals. The guy who beat him was the event's MOW. At the same tournament, Mark Yanagihara took silver medals in both styles. Jason Gleasman and Kerry McCoy won World Team Trials in the spring, and later on, McCoy earned a gold medal in the Junior World Championships, with Gleasman taking fourth.

At the Cadet National Championships, we had some fine efforts, with John Alexander taking a silver medal and John Lange a bronze. There were many other New Yorkers who were great this summer, far too many than I can afford to write about. As a whole, New York State in continuing to make itself known as a powerhouse.

McCoy Makes ASICS First Team

Late in June, the ASICS Tiger Company announced its seventh annual High School All American Team, "The Elite of High School Wrestling". Athletes from all over the US were evaluated by experts, with three levels and honorable mention being announced. Kerry McCoy, Longwood-11, made the first team at 171 pounds. This year, McCoy was the only NYS Triple-Crown winner, winning the scholastic, freestyle, and Greco Roman state championships. He also added three Regional Championships titles, and a bronze medal in the ASICS National Junior Freestyle Championships.

Three other New Yorkers made Honorable Mention: John Morello at 130 pounds; Jason Kraft at 152 pounds; and Mike Quaglio at 171 pounds.

Remember our Changes...

As mentioned before,
New York Wrestling News is now published five times per year in September, December, January, February, and April. Subscriptions are $12.50 per year, with greatly reduced pricing for clubs or teams. I'm working on the December issue right now, so if you have some newsworthy information, send it in now. That issue will feature lots of rankings, at all levels of competition...

Fusilli Double Winner at University Nationals

Mike Fusilli was the lone double champ at the May 8-10 FS and GR University

National Championships, held at Northwestern University. Fusilli, a top ten Open division wrestler, won freestyle and Greco gold medals at 286 pounds. The University division is for wrestlers 24 years old or younger. Ethan Bosch won his second Greco title by beating last year's champ, 9-5. Keith Ketcham, 114.5, and Chris Saba, 149.5, took silver medals in Greco. Emilio Collins, 198, and Joe Zito, 220, took freestyle silver medals. John Pavlin earned a bronze in Greco at 163, with Jason Gabel taking fourth at 105.5 freestyle.

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Next Issue

Lots of rankings will appear in our next issue. We'll be ranking the top ten in high school, top eight in four-year colleges, and top six in junior colleges. If you know of a wrestler who may be good enough to be ranked, please send in information on him. I'm looking for the usual stuff: name, age, school, realistic weight class, record, titles won, wrestlers beaten, etc. Don't be afraid to give me too much information. After that, please send updated information at the end of December, January, and March. See you!

Wrestling Review of WNY Back in Publication

Last year *Wrestling Review of Western New York* and *New York Wrestling News* worked together. This year, however, publisher Bill Hein has decided to again publish *Wrestling Review* separately. That's great news for Section 6 (Buffalo area) fans, because this publication is filled with tons of timely information on high school and college wrestling in that area. If interested in getting this entertaining newsletter, contact Bill Hein at (716) 885-9016. The address is 1285 Main St, Buffalo, NY 14209.

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Scholastic Greco Roman - Empire State Games

Wgt	Champ	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth
91	Don Klein W	Jamie Brodsky LI	Rich Bay A	Jody Avery C	Brian Haise	forf
98	Matt Brennan LI	Steve Jones A	Jason Yoder W	Bob Williams LI	Juh Watanabe HV	Kyle Reif A
105.5	Brian Schaal W	Brian Cusati LI	Bob Eisbruck LI	Dave Denton C	Ed Schafer W	Steve Hitzel NY
114.5	Vin Popolizio A	R Herrmann LI	Kevin David LI	Art Cabanas NY	S Donaldson A	Craig Schwegel NY
123	Jason Collins W	Chris Stevens W	Doug Riddell C	Jeff Reese C	Jeff Cooper W	T Hendershott HV
132	Terry Showalter C	John Wiedler LI	Kevin Nelson W	Ben Chamberlain A	J Hernandez HV	forf
143	Jeromy McVige W	SEan Fox A	Matt Simonton LI	Jeff Groncki A	Jan Standish W	Mike Attanasio LI
154	Jim Melchioma LI	Keith Mallie W	C Maragiolia LI	Greg Shaw C	Jimmy Chow A	D Christopher C
165	Eric Rose C	Shawn Raimo A	Mike Desens W	Todd Cutrie C	Len Fanelli LI	Jesse Cordero NY
178	Jamie Browne C	Rob Vanderwall W	Toby Barnes A	Sean Gray LI	Jason Pulido LI	Rich O'Brien A
192	Jason Bruno LI	Mike DeMeo A	Pat Agostino HV	Angelo Cippollo A	Seth Charles A	Pauol Apgar LI
220	Mike Lampasso LI	Jason Majestic LI	Jayson Reynolds C	Eric Schultz W	Brad Halstead W	forf
hwt	Antoine Smith C	Barry Weed LI	Jarred Lake W	Alfie Katz A	Sheldon Gibson W	Steve Morse W

Scholastic Freestyle - Empire State Games

91	Dave Caruso C	Tom Ruck HV	John Christopher C	Jamie Brodsky LI	Rich Ray A	Dan Dixon W
98	Andy Matteotti HV	John Murphy LI	Shawn Lewis LI	Austin Shaw HV	Jason Yoder W	forf
105.5	Jim Giuliano LI	Dave Goldstgein LI	Dave Ensminger W	Adam Kelly A	Brent Carney C	Ed Maslin C
114.5	Chris Stevens W	Tim Giambalvo HV	Karl Ruud A	J Hieronymus LI	Rason Pfifer LI	David Brewer W
123	Doug Riddell C	Jeff Regan NY	Jeff Reese C	Tim Tyler C	Rob Edwards LI	Jason Matteson A
132	Terry Showalter C	John Wiedler LI	Rennie Crisafulli W	Shane Mack C	Jon Clark A	Dave Smith A
143	Jake Roe C	Rudy Hein W	Wayne Davis HV	John Potter HV	Mike Bena A	Andy Chringa C
154	Greg Shaw C	James Dwyer C	Tom Holliday LI	C Maragloguo LI	Tita Manny HV	forf
165	Rich Medico LI	Matt Ricci W	Bill Hayden C	Eric Rose C	Brian Bosley HV	Craig Glenn HV
178	Rob Wylie LI	Toby Barnes A	Jerry Ayers C	Duane Pinkney NY	Frank Graziano HV	Bob Vanderwald W
192	Greg Mercurio HV	Randy Fuller C	Se3th Charles A	Chris Brown C	Pete McGill NY	forf
220	Tom Richards C	Gerard Lake W	Mike Lampasso LI	Tony Majestic LI	Steve Morse W	forf
hwt	Jerry Beaman C	Antione Smith C	Barry Weed LI	Vin Mulhare LI	Vin Nelson HV	T Richards HV

Open Greco Roman - Empire State Games

Wgt	Champ	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth
105.5	Todd Rutecki C	Dave DeMeo A	Charles Marchese HV			
114.5	Darren Goldstein LI	Tony Olang HV	Craig Connell A			
125.5	Bill Starke LI	Jon Raines W	Chris Mirabella A	Mark Duquette W	Doug Bikowicz A	Brian Dowdall W
136.5	Anthony Massaro A	Takaya Shina NY	Craig Schlifstein NY	Josh Roe	Ken Volpe LI	Darren Oakley W
149.5	Van Fronhoffer A	Vin Innes LI	Geigi Migishma NY	Mel Cooper HV	Chris Mordente LI	Joe Mordente LI
163	Chris Saba A	Dale Oliver W	Tim Jenks C	Kareeb Howard C	Joe LaRocco LI	Ted DiPasquale LI
180.5	Tim Habecker W	Steve Fischbein HV	Randy Shaw C	Bill Miller W	Ryron Davis HV	
198	B Matvsiak NY	Mike Gurcio LI	Ethan Bosch W	Mike Bixbaum HV	Charles Clarke W	Cody Button C
220	Jim Hall C	Rod Cook LI	Joe Zito W	Steve Cronmiller C	G Armengau LI	Bob Jesmain A
hwt	Joe Muscarella W	Paul Zebrowski A	J Armengau LI	Mike DeFosse C	Jim Biel	

Open Freestyle - Empire State Games

105.5	Paul Widerman HV	Sean Oppelt NY	Rick Mertz C	Anton Gross HV		
114.5	Craig Vitagliano LI	Darren Goldstein LI	Tom Mangan A	Tony Olang HV	Jason Brodsky LI	Dave Hardwick HV
125.5	Keith Ketchum LI	Bill Starke LI	Jon Raines W	Vince Tebano A	Brian Dowdall W	
136.5	Chad Sheldon C	Shina Takaya NY	Rick Florio A	Mike Castro HV	Joe McVige W	
149.5	Alberto Nieves HV	Matt McClennan W	Marcel Cooper NY		Offie Reid NY	
163	Marty Wycoff C	Len Emmanuel NY	Ralph Mordente LI	Shawn Nautel A	Boris Benyaminovich NY	
180	Dan Payne W	Tim Habecker W	Jamie St John LI	Fred Meyer LI	John Pavlin A	
198	Ethan Bosch C	Cody Button C	Matt Gallagher C	Charles Clark W	Mike Murtha LI	Jeff Schneider HV
220	Joe Zito W	Sam Thomas LI	Gerry Armengau LI	Steve Cronmiller C	Bryan Lake LI	Bob Jesmain A
hwt	Jim Hall C	Joe Muscarella W	Joe Yanis HV	Mike DeCapua HV	Javier Armengau LI	Dave Nedell W

State Rankings will be in our next issue, December 1992!
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Riddell and Alexander Split at Cadet State Championships

This year's Cadet State Championships again brought together a huge amount of talent. The Cadet division consists of athletes 15 or 16 years old. There were no double winners in the tournament, but a few athletes came close. Most interesting were the 121 pound finals. In Greco Roman, Doug Riddell of Section 4 won a close decision over John Alexander, also of Section 4. In freestyle, the same finals match-up materialized, but this time, John Alexander won over Riddell. Both later placed in the national championships.

Brent Carney of Section 4 needed just 17 seconds to win his 94.5 pound Greco title. In freestyle, Carney was a little short, placing second to Section 11's Dustin Zakar, 3-2. Matt Duquette of Section 4 lost in the 103.5 Greco finals to Mike Pacillo by a 10-4 score. In freestyle, Duquette won the gold by beating Rich Bragoli of Section 11, 7-5. Jarmon Howard of Section 3 earned two silver medals at 182.5 pounds.

Greco Roman

83.5 pounds
1. Kevin Burke, Sec 3 16-1
2. Jason Knapp, 4

88 pounds
1. Don Klein, 6 pin :14
2. Brad Whitmore, 6

94.5 pounds
1. Brent Carney, 4, :17 pin
2. Jason Yoder, 6
3. David Richardson, 3 dec 16-0
4. Kevin Rogers, 2

103.5 pounds
1. Mike Pacillo, 6 10-4
2. Matt Duquette, 6
3. Austin Shaw, 9 4-2
4. David Goldstein, 11
5. Jason Briere, 3 10-2
6. Shawn Vaiwio, 5

112 pounds
1. Clay Wellenstein, 3 5-2
2. David Ensminger, 6
3. Damian Tofte, 4 12-9
4. Kevin Levine, 9
5. Juan Zarate, 9
6. Anthony Venditti, 6

121 pounds
1. Doug Riddell, 4 6-3
2. John Alexander, 4
3. Jeff Cooper, 5 10-7
4. Adam Pettis, 2
5. Robert Guzman, 1 26-11
6. Jason Bombaci, 11

132 pounds
1. Kyle James, 2
2. Pat Popolizio, 2
3. Paul Serafini, 3
4. Jerret Giammichele, 5
5. Art Ellis, 3

143 pounds
1. Robert Pacillo, 6 13-7
2. Pat Donawa, 12
3. Doug Schlick, 3 5-3
4. Steve Benhardt, 11
5. Gred Laude, 5 pin 1:35
6. Rob Serrano, 9

154 pounds
1. Eric Cortes, 12 6-5
2. Chuck Tibbitts, 3
3. Aaron Mondore, 2 pin 2:21
4. Matt Orio, 6
5. Kevin Kithkart, 4 wbf

167 pounds
1. Tom Minogue, 11 12-2
2. Andy Benson, 6
3. Justin Bowers, 4 wbi
4. Todd Place, 4
5. Ralph Stevens, 4
6. Ben Phillips, 4

182.5 pounds
1. Doug Roth, 3 1:16 pin
2. Jarmon Howard, 3
3. Angelo Cipollo, 2 2:40 pin
4. Alfonse Bernard, 12
5. Rob Dondo III, 6

209 pounds
1. Steve Campbell, 2 7-2
2. Jason Majestic, 11
3. Jamaal Bernard, 12 15-9
4. Paul Apgar, 11

Freestyle

83. 5 pounds
1. Jamie Brodsky, 8 11-3
2. Shaun Leggio, 11
3. Ben Rotundo, 6 9-8
4. Kevin Burke, 3
5. Jason Knapp, 4 6-2
6. Eric Brody, 2

88 pounds
1. Shaun Lewis, 11 7-3
2. Tom Ruck, 9
3. Don Klein, 6
4. Tomas Rodriguez, 9

94.5 pounds
1. Dustin Zakar, 11 3-2
2. Brent Carney, 4
3. Jeremy Eggleston, 4 3-0
4. Brad Dixon, 6
5. Jason Yoder, 6 :32 pin
6. Andrew Cooper, 4

103.5 pounds
1. Matt Duquette, 6 7-5
2. Rich Bragoli, 11
3. Mike Pacillo, 6 8-5
4. Eddie Maslin, 4
5. Jason Briere, 3
6. Alan St Clair, 6

112 pounds
1. Vin Popolizio, 2 14-2
2. Damian Tofte, 4
3. Jeff Reese, 4 :41 pin
4. James Hieronymus, 8
5. Tim Puskus, 11 19-4
6. Joe Regan, 1

121 pounds
1. John Alexander, 4
2. Doug Riddell, 4
3. Rason Phifer, 11
4. Mike Natalzia, 6
5. Chris Down, 11
6. Graig Schneider, 9

132 pounds
1. Brian Aparo 5-3 OT
2. Matt Simonton, 11
3. Ben Chamberlain, 2 1:20 pin
4. Jeremy Huntley, 3
5. Paul Serefini, 3 3:00 pin
6. Jason Accordino, 3

143 pounds
1. Dan Bergin, 11 9-8
2. Jake Hoyt, 4
3. Ralph Swanson, 11
4. Robert Lawton, 3
5. Scott Pressman, 8
6. Robert Pacillo, 6

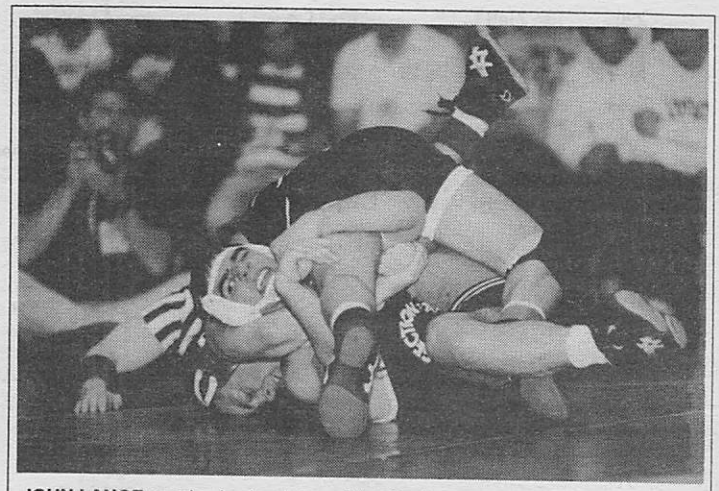
154 pounds
1. John Lange, 11
2. James Crenshaw, 11
3. Gene Roggie, 3
4. Jake Roe, 4
5. Chuck Tibbitts, 3
6. Bryan Herb, 6

167 pounds
1. Todd Place, 4 10-0
2. Todd Scurzafava, 4
3. Matt Ricci, 5 19-7
4. Bryan Drago, 11
5. Jason Venne, 2 2:24 pin
6. Dana Earl, 3

182.5 pounds
1. David Lupia, 3 1:22 pin
2. Jarmon Howard, 3
3. Doug Roth, 3 :33 pin
4. Angelo Cipollo, 2
5. Cliff Case, 3 wbf

209 pounds
1. Joshua Margolis, 8 13-5
2. Adam Whitbeck, 5
3. Jason Majestic, 11 16-0
4. Paul Apgar, 11
5. Jamaal Bernard, 12 4-0
6. Adam Soloman, 9

242 pounds
1. Frank Ganter, 11 2:26 pin
2. Antione Smith, 3
3. Vincent Mulhare, 11 wbi
4. Dan Sturgis, 3
5. Alfie Katz, 2 6-2
6. Ed Derpres, 2



JOHN LANGE, scoring back points on Matt Manico on way to state title. Lange won the Cadet Freestyle State Championships and a bronze medal in the Cadet Nationals. Manico also had a very successful summer. Photo by Peter Venier.

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Six New Yorkers Place in Cadet National Championships

This year's Cadet National Championships were held in Columbia, Missouri from June 30th to July 4th. The Cadet division is for 15-16 year old wrestlers. Although lots of New Yorkers won several matches and many won medals, we had no champions this year.

Greco placefinishers were John Alexander 2nd; Doug Riddell 3rd; and Tom Minogue, 8th. Freestyle placers were Jamie Brodsky 5th; Jake Roe 4th; and John Lange 3rd.

Greco Roman

88 pounds
Donald Klein won once, then loss twice to the champ and the fourth place finisher.
94.5 pounds
Dave Richardson lost twice and was eliminated.
103.5 pounds
Matt Duquette and David Goldstein lost twice; Adam Gonzales was 1-2.
112 pounds
Robert Guzman and David Richardson went 2-2. Damian Tofte won once and lost twice, and Kevin Levine lost twice.
121 pounds
Great weight for NY, with John Alexander and Doug Riddell placing second and third. Alexander won his pool in grand fashion, pinning five wrestlers early, and winning decisions of 12-3, injury default, 8-1, and 3-0. In the finals, he dropped a 7-1 decision, thus earning the silver medal. In the other pool, Riddell won six straight matches before losing a close decision to the eventual champ. He won once more, and for third place, won 4-1. Adam Pettis went 2-2 without placing.
132 pounds
Pat Popolizio and Kyle James lost twice, with Paul Serafini winning once and losing twice.
143 pounds
Doug Schlick won his first match, then lost his next two.
154 pounds
Eric Cortes and Justin Bowers lost their first two matches; Chuck Tibbits won once, then lost two times.
167 pounds
Tom Minogue pulled out five impressive wins before losing to the champ and bronze medalist. He took a fourth in his pool and lost once more in the consolations, thus earning All American honors in eighth place. Todd Place won three times, then lost twice. Andy Benson lost his first two matches.
182 pounds
Doug Roth won two and lost two. Had he won his last match, he would have placed. Angelo Cipollo won once and lost twice. Alfonso Brenard lost his first two matches.
209 pounds
Jason Majestic came a round or two from placing by going 2-2. Jamaal Bernard lost his first two matches.
242 pounds
Antoine Smith won twice and lost twice; Alfie Katz lost two one-point decisions.

Freestyle

83.5 pounds
Jamie Brodsky started strongly by two technical falls and a pin. He then lost decisions to the silver and bronze medalists. In the consolation finals, he bounced back with a 2:33 pin to propel him into fifth place.
88 pounds
Tom Ruck lost twice and was eliminated.
94.5 pounds
New Yorkers did lots of damage in this class, although no one placed in the top eight. Brent Carney came closest with four wins and two losses. One more win for him would have guaranteed a top eight finish. Dustin Zakar and Jeremy Eggleston went 2-2. Shawn Lewis was 1-2.
103.5 pounds
A fast-surging James Hieronymous came one match away from an All American medal. He won his first two by fall and tech fall, then lost 7-3. Two more wins and a close loss left him just short of placing in the top eight. Rich Bragoli won once and lost twice.
112 pounds
Rason Phifer looked super in coming just one round away from placing. He impressed lots of coaches with his first six matches, winning with three falls and three decisions, outscoring the opposition 31-4. In round seven, he lost to the bronze medalist, and in round eight, he lost a tight 3-1 match to the champ. Jeff Reese also looked great, scoring three falls and a 15-0 tech fall. His only losses were one-pointers to top placefinishers. Vince Popolizio won once and lost twice.
121 pounds
Four guys did well here. John Alexander and Mike Natalzia went 3-2; Doug Riddell 2-2; and DamianTofte 1-2.
132 pounds
Matt Simonton went 4-2, with both losses very close. Ben Chamberlain and Brian Aparo were 2-2.
143 pounds
Jake Roe won his first match by just one point. He then geared up and won seven more matches before bowing to the silver and bronze medalists. Overall he was 8-2, good for a very impressive fourth place. Dan Bergin also did well in winning five in a row. He lost to eventual medalists. Jake Hoyt went 1-2; Ralph Swanson was 0-2.
154 pounds
State champ John Lange looked fantastic in taking a powerful third place. In his pool, he won by pin or technical fall six times. He then lost to the champ becore winning 11-2. For third, he won 6-2. Overall, he was 8-1, and his match with the champ was the closest of any others. Gene Roggie was 1-2; James Crenshaw going 0-2.
167 pounds
Great efforts here. Matt Ricci was 4-2; Bryan Drago 2-2; Drew Place 1-2; adn Todd Scorzafava 0-2.
182 pounds
Angelo Cipollo was 2-2; Doug Roth 1-2.
209 pounds
Jason Majestic and Josh Margolis won once and lost twice; Adam Whitbeck lost twice.
242 pounds
Antione Smith won three times and lost twice, coming one match away from placing. Vince Mulhare was 2-2; with Frank Ganter losing both matches.

Gleasman and NYS Tops at ASICS National Juniors

When you think of great wrestling states, the same ones always pop up: Iowa, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, and some others. But New York State has been making lots of progress in recent years, and this summer's ASICS National Junior Freestyle and Greco Roman Championships has to be NY's biggest accomplishment to date.

This monstrous event has a very simple concept. The top guys in each state's freestyle and Greco championships get together in weight classes that have 70, 80, 90, sometimes even 100 entrants (freestyle 143 pounds had 129!). You let them wrestle maybe nine or ten matches over three grueling days, and the top eight guys left in each weight class are All Americans.

This year's event was held in St Paul, Minnesota, from July 19th to July 25th. Over 3,500 matches were contested among 1,822 wrestlers from 46 states.

New York won the freestyle event over runner-ups Oklahoma and Ohio. In Greco Roman, we took fourth, behind Illinois, Minnesota, and California. Lots of guys did real well. Mark Yanagihara made it to the finals in both styles, only to lose twice on close decisions. Mike Quaglio dominated throughout, and in the finals, came up just one point short of a title. It took the event's only double-winner and freestyle MOW to beat him in perhaps the night's most entertaining match. In addition, Jason Gleasman took a gold medal in freestyle after coming up silver in Greco. New York also did well in coaching awards: the Spirit Award; Rookie Official of the Year: Mike Eldred; and Regional Development Coach of the Year: George Bowman.

Those that earned All American honors include **Mark Yanagihara** (silver in both styles); **Jason Wartinger** (fifth in freestyle); **Brett Gould** (bronze in freestyle); **Mike Quaglio** (silver in freestyle); **Marco Sanchez** (fourth in freestyle); **Kerry McCoy** (bronze in freestyle); **Jason Gleasman** (silver in Greco, gold in freestyle); **Jason Goldman** (bronze in Greco), **Brian Schaal** (sixth in Greco); **Louis DiMaria** (eighth in Greco); **Jeromy McVige** (fourth in Greco); **Drew Place** (fifth in Greco); **George Chamoun** (seventh in Greco); **Jamie Huntington** (fourth in Greco); and **Matt Stein** (sixth in Greco).

Greco Roman

98 pounds

Mark Yanagihara of Section Two looked spectacular here. He won his pool by scores of 17-0, 16-0, 13-1, and 11-3. In the finals, he dropped a close 8-3 match to the entrant from Oregon. Throughout the tournament, Yanagihara impressed everyone with his ability to score from all positions. 28 entrants

105.5 pounds

Solid weight class for NYS here; three entrants with two of them earning medals. Matt Duquette went 1-3 before being eliminated. But Brian Schaal took sixth with Jason Goldman taking a very impressive third place. Schaal went 4-2 in his pool, which put him into the consolation finals for fifth. There, he lost by decision and wound up in sixth place. Goldman's only loss was to highly-regarded Tyson Rondeau, 4-3. Rondeau earlier won the National High School Championships, the Pittsburgh Classic, and several other major events. In the bronze medal match, Goldman scored the go-ahead point with 15 seconds left to give him a 3-2 win and the gold medal. 51 entrants.

114.5 pounds

Ryder Herrmann and Mark Keller went 1-2 before being eliminated. Justin Mattison went 2-2 in making it to round five. One of his losses was to the eventual champion. All three looked good in a super-competitive weight class. 74 entrants.

123 pounds

Another big and tough weight class. Todd Wilday went 3-2 before being knocked out of contention by an eventual medal winner. Tim Overbey lost two matches, and Darren Ascone went 2-2. 76 entrants.

132 pounds

Louis DiMaria did a super job in placing eighth. He first reeled off four impressive wins before hitting the eventual champ. He lost there by fall, like most others did, then came back to win two shut-outs before a tight 3-1 loss. In the consolation finals, he lost by fall and took eighth place. Overall, 6 wins and three losses for a great tournament. Ken Volpe had a terrible draw and lost both matches. 86 entrants.

143 pounds

This class was so big it took six bracket sheets to list all the entrants. Despite this, Jeromy McVige surprised a lot of people by taking a very powerful fourth place. He won the opener by a lop-sided 20-5 decision, but then lost by fall to one of the finalists. Next came four big wins in a row, followed by a close loss in the final round to finish up in fourth place. Phil Donnelly was a match or two away from placing. He went 4-2, including a 10-3 win over the eventual seventh place finisher. Chris Meehan lost both matches. 100 entrants.

154 pounds

Steven Swingle and Matt Manico lost both opening matches. Joe King sandwiched a win between two losses, while Scott Krulisky went 2-2. 92 entrants.

165 pounds

Great weight for NYS with 14 wins and just six losses. Chris Roth won three and lost two, while Dave Colgan was 4-2. Drew Place won his first match 12-10, then planted the next four opponents in less than seven minutes. Next was a loss by fall, followed by a one-point win, then a close 4-0 loss. In his final outing, he scored another fall - 45 seconds - in taking fifth place. 80 entrants.

178 pounds

New Yorkers did a nice job here with two guys lasting well into the tournament and one other, George Chamoun, taking All American honors with a seventh place finish. Matt Bloomquist went 3-2, losing in round five to the champion from Indiana. Toby Barnes was 2-2, with one of his losses to a place finisher. And George Chamoun went 6-2 in taking seventh. His first five matches were impressive wins: a 10-2 decision and four pins. Then he hit the fifth and second place finishers, losing by respectable scores. In his final bout, he outscored Joel Miller of Illinois 6-3 for All American honors. 67 entrants.

191.5 pounds

Ken Derr lost two matches in a row; Mike Cipar won his first match, then lost two close decisions. Marco Sanchez lost his first bout by fall, then warmed up with two nice wins. In round four, though, he hit the silver medalist and lost by passivity disqualification.

220 pounds

Fantastic weight for New York! Jason Gleasman and Jamie Huntington both looked great in taking second and fourth. Gleasman started in gear, pinning his first five victims in 2:56, 2:34, 2:50, :51, nd 4:20. Next was a 4-3 win, and to win his pool, he posted a 3-1 victory. In the finals, though, he faced an amazing wrestler having an amazing tournament. Entering the final match, Stephen Terebieniec won five matches by fall and one by 5-0 decision (against Huntington). The times of the pins were 10 seconds, 16 seconds, 6 seconds, 9 seconds, and 12 seconds! Against Gleasman in the finals,

he again scored a quick fall, at 14 seconds. Gleasman takes the silver, and Huntington takes fourth based on an injury default. 40 entrants.

275 pounds

Until his final match, Matt Stein allowed only two points against him. His first four wins were 2-0, 2-0, 7-0, and 3-0. Then he lost a 2-1 decision to the silver medalist. In his final pool match, he and the Minnesota entrant were disqualified for passivity. He wound up in second place to Stein's third because three of his earlier wins were by fall. In the final consolation match, Stein lost by fall, ending up in sixth place. Great overall performance. Chris Smith looked sharp as well, winning three matches and losing twice. Chad Paul was 1-2. 49 entrants.

Freestyle

98 pounds

Another amazing scoring demonstration by Mark Yanagihara highlighted this class. He won by 15-1, 1:14 pin, 9-7, 15-0, 13-4, 7-1, and 4-3. After seven grueling matches, plus the rigors of the Greco competition, he fell in the finals by a tight 5-1 margin. In all, super performance for him, winning the silver medal in both styles. Tom Longobardi went 3-2; with Matt Florin going 0-2. 47 entrants.

105.5 pounds

Scholastic state champs Brian Fischenich and Carvalheira both went 2-2. Both went out in round four losing to All Americans. 70 entrants.

114.5 pounds

Jim Amira lost his first two matches, with Eric Gould was 1-2. Mark Keller won three and lost two. Keith Matias scored two falls, a big decision, and then two more pins. In rounds six and seven, though, he lost by decisions and was eliminated. One more win would have put him in the medal round. 97 entrants.

123 pounds

This was a killer weight, with 115 competitors! John Alexander, Anthony DeMaio, and Liston Brown - all great wrestlers - lost both matches and were eliminated early. Jason Wartinger, also great, took fifth place. To start, he reeled off seven powerful wins, outscoring the field 93-19. In rounds nine and ten, he lost decisions to the champ and bronze medalist. To take fifth, he rallied and won 7-2 over his final opponent. In all, he wrestled against kids from Tennessee, Massachusetts, Louisiana, Wisconsin, Iowa, Maryland, Ohio, Oklahoma, and Arizona. And all of them are either state champs or runners-up. That's why this tournament is such a great experience. 115 entrants

132 pounds

Len Fries won two matches by fall and lost two matches by one point before being eliminated. 107 entrants.

143 pounds

This was the largest weight class with 129 wrestlers! Brett Gould started great and simply got better as the field slowly pared itself down. He won his first seven matches in a row, most of them easily. Then came an 8-4 loss to the eventual champ, the most points scored on him in the entire tournament. In the consolation finals, Gould had plenty of energy left to win 13-4 for third place. Ed Aulino and Billy Dixon won two and lost two. 129 entrants.

154 pounds

Joe Renny had a good tournament in winning four matches against two losses (to the champ and seventh place finisher). John Lange won twice and lost twice. 110 entrants.

165 pounds

This was a very solid weight for New York, even though we had no placefinishers. Jason Kraft, this year's scholastic state MOW, had the misfortune of running into placefinishers early. His first round match was a close loss to the silver medalist. He then won three in a row before losing another close match to the fifth placer. Jim Lange won his first four matches, three by fall, before losing to the fourth placer. He won again, then lost his seventh match. Had he lasted another round or two, he would have placed. Drew Place won three in a row, then lost two. And Brett Lassen went 3-2, with his three wins coming by fall or big decision. His losses were both one-pointers. 109 entrants.

178 pounds

Once again, a fine showing by all the NYS wrestlers here. Mike Quaglio, who recently won the National High School Championships, came inches from winning the title here as well. He started with a couple of fairly close matches, 8-5 and 13-11. After that, he sailed to the finals, winning by 21 second fall, 24-9, 15-0, 20-3, 23 second fall, and 16-0. His finals match against the Indiana wrestler was one of the evening's most exciting, with a total of 21 points scored. Quaglio came up short, losing a tight 11-10 decision. Josh Coleman won two and lost two, his last one against the eventual champ. George Chamoun lost his first two matches, and Mitch Clark came ever so close to placing. He won his first five matches by a variety of scores. In round six, he lost by fall to the seventh placer, and in round seven, he lost by 23 second fall to Quaglio. Had he won one of those matches, he would have made the All American round. 77 entrants.

191.5 pounds

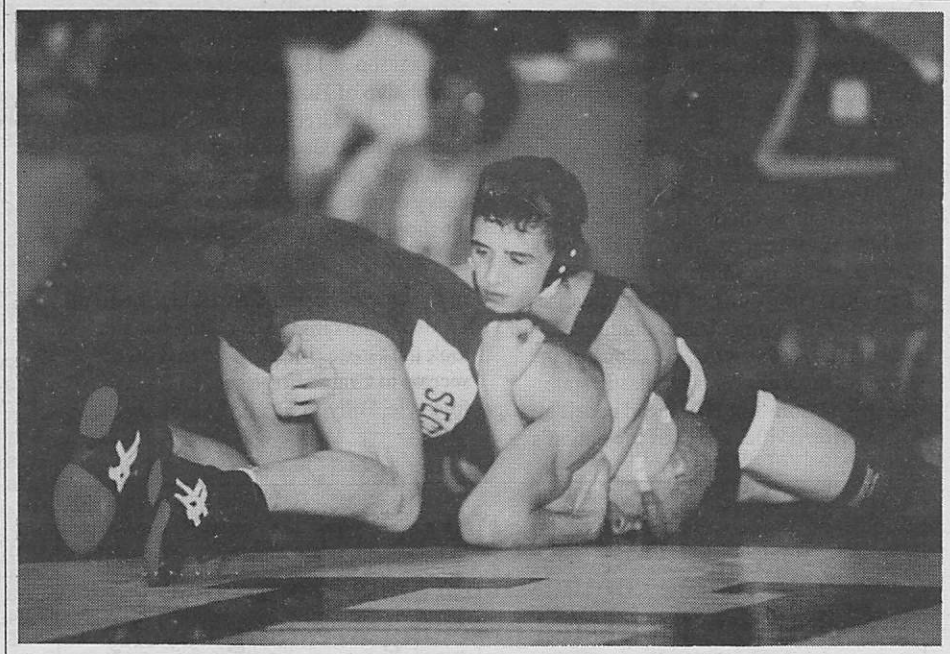
Great weight class here, with the only other time in the tournament two New Yorkers wrestled each other. Marco Sanchez and Kerry McCoy were in opposite brackets. Both advanced to place second in their pools, with McCoy looking perhaps a bit more dominant. Wrestling in the consolation finals for third, it was all McCoy in a 15-0 technical fall. 63 entrants.

220 pounds

Round three was pivotal for Jason Gleasman, New York's only champion this year. There he stepped up to face Ohio's Stephan Terebieniec, the amazing athlete who pinned him in just 14 seconds for the Greco title. Things change, though, and Gleasman won, scoring a 2:47 fall. From there, he had a couple of close matches, then two more big wins for his pool title. In the finals, his opponent was Jason DeVries, whom he decked in less than a minute in Greco. Gleasman repeated the win, this time taking it on a very dominating 9-4 victory for his gold medal. 46 entrants.

275 pounds

For Chris Smith, round three was also pivotal. There, he lost a 4-2 decision to the Pennsylvania athlete. He won twice more, but in round six - the medal round - he lost by fall. Had he won that close match, he would have taken at least eighth place. Overall, he was 3-2. Matt Stein and Scott McAndrew had terrible draws, wrestling two medalists each within the first three rounds. Both went 1-2. Chad Paul lost his first two matches.



KEITH MATAIS, right, in state scholastic action. Matais went 5-2 at the ASICS National Junior Freestyle Championships, coming one win away from placing in the top eight. Photo by Peter Venier.

Showalter, Hall, Long Island Dominate Empire State Games

The fourteenth annual Empire State Games were held this August in Albany. There, the usual power- Long Island - again dominated the competition. The Games are divided into four separate tournaments: Scholastic Greco; Scholastic Freestyle; Open Greco; and Open Freestyle. Long Island won the Scholastic Greco, Open freestyle, and Open Greco (tying for first with Adirondack). In Scholastic freestyle, they took second to Central.

Individually, just two athletes were able to win both styles. Central's Terry Showalter, now a high school junior, took top honors by beating John Weidler of Long Island in the finals of both events. Showalter, competing at 132 pounds, has won several ESG medals, including a gold and silver last year. He is one of the strongest favorites for a scholastic state title this season. Jim Hall, head coach at SUNY Morrisville, is one of the nation's top Greco wrestlers. Last year he won both styles at the Games; this year he also won both. In freestyle (hwt), he blanked Joe Muscarella 3-0 for the title; in Greco (220) he won over Rodney Cook.

Besides these two guys, a few others came close to double-medaling. Chris Stevens of Western won the freestyle competition at 114.5 pounds over Tim Giambalvo of Hudson Valley. He moved up to 123 for Greco and took second to Jason Collins, also of Western. Antione Smith of Central, took first in Greco at heavyweight. In freestyle, he came up a bit short, losing to Jerry Beaman in the finals.

In the Open division, Darren Goldstein of LI also came close to doubling up. He took the Greco title at 114.5 and placed second to Craig Vitagliano, LI, in freestyle. Billy Starke of LI took the Greco title at 125.5, but then lost a tight 4-2 decision to fellow Long Islander Keith Ketchum in the freestyle finals. Tim Habecker of Western, won the Greco title over Steve Fischbein of Hudson Valley, and then lost 9-3 to Dan Payne in the freestyle finals. Payne is also from the Western Region. Top Six placefinishers appear on pages 6-7 of this issue.

Regional Scoring

Scholastic Greco Roman

1.	Long Island	116 points
2.	Western	95
3.	Central	68
4.	Adirondack	67
5.	Hudson Valley	10
6.	New York City	6

Scholastic Freestyle

1.	Central	127 points
2.	Long Island	91
3.	Hudson Valley	55
4.	Western	48
5.	Adirondack	28
6.	New York City	12

Open Greco Roman

1. tie	Adirondack	57
1. tie	Long Island	57
3.	Western	54
4.	Central	45
5.	New York City	27
6.	Hudson Valley	25

Open Freestyle

1.	Long Island	67
2.	Western	64
3.	Central	50
4.	Hudson Valley	39
5.	New York City	30
6.	Adirondack	19

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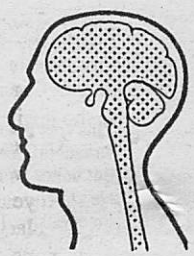
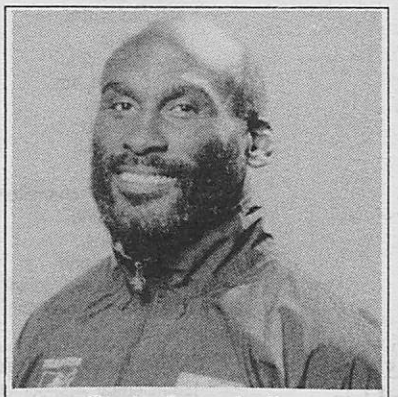


Chris Campbell and Shawn Sheldon Place in Olympics

New York's Olympians, Chris Campbell and Shawn Sheldon, performed admirably in the 1992 Summer Olympic Games. Campbell, at age 37, earned a bronze medal at 198 pounds freestyle. Sheldon, at age 27, competed at 114.5 Greco Roman pounds in his second Olympic Games. He earned a place in the bronze medal round, but missed weight by .15 kg after the second day of competition.

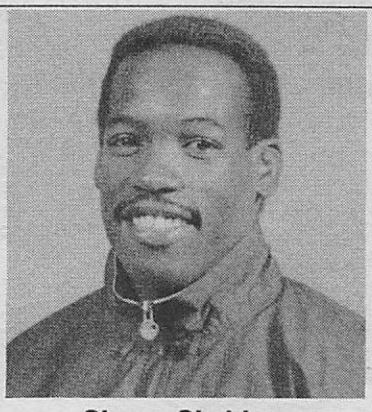


Chris Campbell

Chris Campbell's story is an astounding one. Way back in 1973, he won a high school state championship in New Jersey. Over the summer, he was runner-up in the National Junior Freestyle Championships, a great barometer of future NCAA success. Without a scholarship initially, Campbell earned a spot on the University of Iowa team and was NCAA silver medalist as a sophomore. In the next two years, 1976-77, he won the NCAA title at 177 pounds.

From there, he moved up to 180.5 pounds and won the freestyle national title. At the 1980 Olympic Trials, he knocked off defending Olympic Champ John Peterson to make the team that eventually boycotted the Games. The following year, he won a world title, and was named "Best Technical Wrestler" at that event. Lots of other honors followed, but injuries forced him to retire before the 1984 Trials. From 1984 to 1989, he completed law school at Syracuse University and became an attorney for the Carrier Corporation. Amazingly, at age 34, he decided to make a comeback, this time competing at 198 pounds. He slowly made his way up the ladder, and for the past two years, has been top-ranked in the US. He placed second in the World Championships, losing just 1-0 to the Russian wrestler. In the next World Championships, he upset the same Russian, but lost to the Cuban athlete and placed fifth. In 1991, he won the famous Tblisi Tournament, probably the world's toughest tournament due to the great number of Russian wrestlers in each weight. Entering the Olympics, considered by most his final tournament, Campbell seemed extremely well-conditioned, powerful, and ready for a medal.

In round one of the Olympics, Campbell lost to seven-time World Champion Makharbek Khadartsev of Russia (whom he defeated at the World Championships), 7-0. From there, he thrashed the entrant from New Zealand, 15-0, in 4:40. Next was a 4-0 shutdown of the Japanese wrestler. Campbell then beat Roberto Limonta of Cuba, 5-4 in overtime at 7:14. Limonta was the wrestler whom had beaten Campbell in the World Championships. In the bronze medal match, Chris faced the Mongolian wrestler. After five minutes of regulation, the score was knotted at 1-1. After a grueling, additional 2:23 of wrestling, Campbell scored on a risky front headlock roll, earning third place with a 3-1 win.



Shawn Sheldon

Shawn Sheldon is the only US wrestler even to win the rigorous Padubny Tournament in Russia. At the age of 24, he made his first Olympic team, but did not place in the event. In 1990, he placed fifth in the World Championships, and last year earned the silver medal in the World's, losing by just 1-0. He's also won the US National Championships four times.

He has been competing on the national and international level for ten years now. While still in high school, he was ranked nationally. He is one of the most experienced of all US Greco wrestlers, and he is only 27 years old.

At the Olympics, Sheldon first blanked the entrant from Morocco, 7-0. He then lost the champion from Norway, 5-0. Next came a 3-1 victory over the Independent Team, followed by an impressive win over the Bulgarian, 5-2. After two days of competition and making weight, Sheldon missed weight for the third day by just .15 kg. That eliminated him from further contention, and he placed fourth. Wrestling at the Olympics is stretched out over three long days. Each athlete does not have tons of bouts during that period, but one does have to make weight for each of the days. For many athletes, that presents the greatest obstacle to making it to the medal round.

We may have seen the last of Chris Campbell as a competitor. After all, he is just about 38 years old - although you would never guess that from watching him in action. In any event, New York has benefited from having such a world-class athlete nearby. As for Shawn Sheldon, he's already made history as being one of our greatest Greco wrestlers of all time. At 27, he still has many years of competition left. Should he choose to compete in future events, a world championship and Olympic gold medal is within his reach.

NY Fares Well in Regional Junior Competitions

In the spring, Wrestling USA Magazine sponsors five regional freestyle and Greco Roman tournaments. These events typically have participants from several states and qualify the winners for the ASICS National Junior Championships held this month. Several New Yorkers fared well at the Northeast Regional Championships, held on April 10-12th at SUNY Brockport. A few others participated in other regional tournaments and did well also.

At the Northeast Regionals, seven individuals won championships in freestyle and Greco Roman. Overall, New York dominated the results, which follow. Most impressive of all the NYS winners was state champ Kerry McCoy of Longwood-11. McCoy easily won both styles at 220 pounds. In addition, he traveled to Gainseville, Florida, the following weekend and won the freestyle title there as well. The NYS placefinishers are listed below:

Freestyle

105.5 pounds
Jason Goldman, 4th
114.5 pounds
Mark Keller, champion
Eric Gould, 3rd
132 pounds
Terry Showalter, 2nd
154 pounds
Dave Colgan, 2nd
Josh Bailer, 3rd
165 pounds
Jason Kraft, champion
Mitch Clark, 2nd
Brett Lassen, 3rd
Matt Leach, 4th
178 pounds
Mike Quaglio, champion
Drew Place, 3rd
Josh Coleman, 4th
220 pounds
Kerry McCoy, champion
Matt Stein, 4th
275 pounds
Chris Smith, 2nd

Greco Roman

105.5 pounds
Mark Yanagihara, 3rd
Brian Schaal, 4th
123 pounds
Darren Ascone, 3rd
132 pounds
Louis DiMaria, champion
143 pounds
Jeromy McVige, 3rd
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David Colgan, champion
Matt Manico, 2nd
Stephen Swingle, 4th
165 pounds
Keith Smith, 3rd
178 pounds
Drew Place, 2nd
Toby Barnes, 4th
191.5 pounds
Ken Derr, 2nd
Mike Cipar, 4th
220 pounds
Kerry McCoy, champion
Matt Stein, 2nd
275 pounds
Chris Smith, 2nd

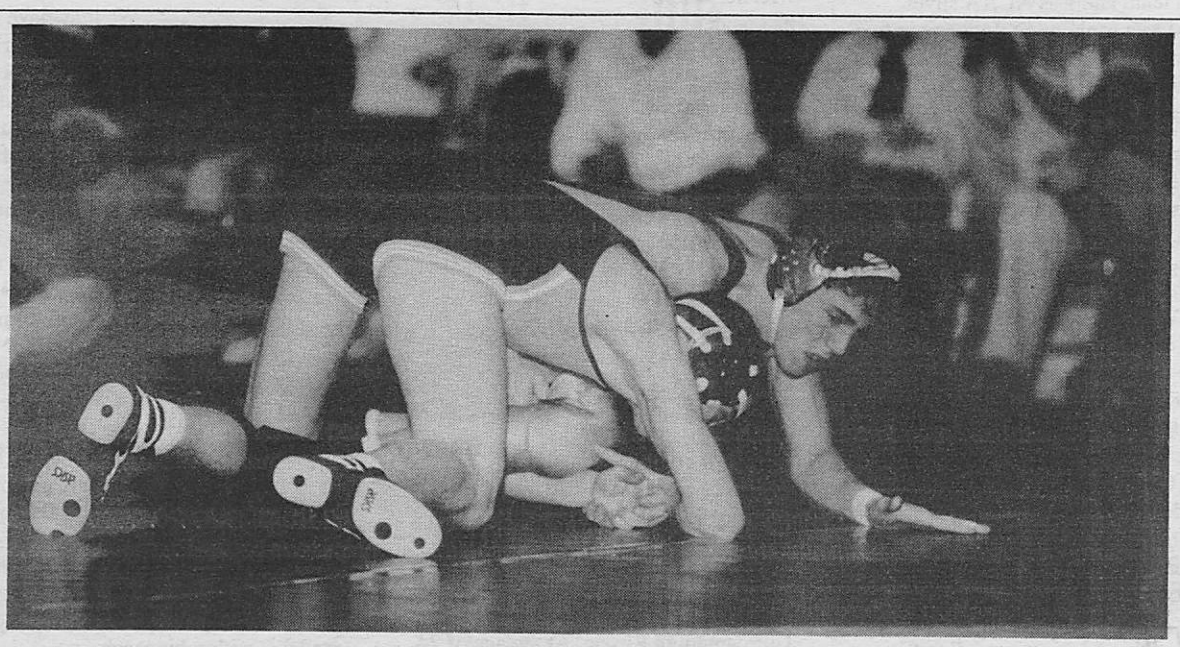
At the Southeast Junior Regionals, several New Yorkers earned medals as follows:

Freestyle

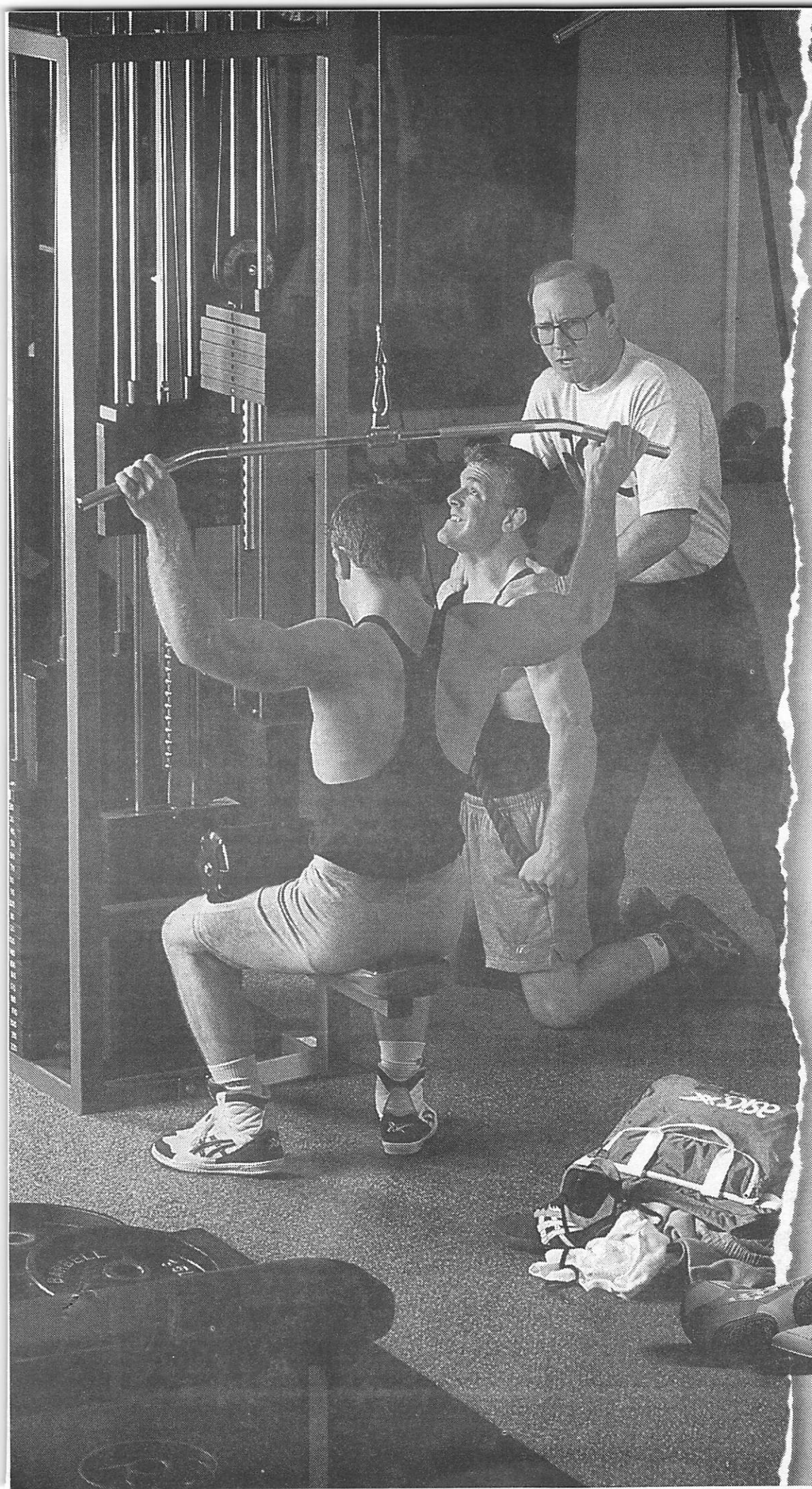
Ken Addy, 4th at 105.5
John Lange, champion at 154
Kerry McCoy, champion at 220
Matt Stein, 2nd at 220
Chad Paul, 2nd at 275

Greco Roman

Mark Yanagihara, 3rd at 105.5
Damon Hinchcliff, 2nd at 143 pounds
Matt Manico, champion at 154
Shawn Raimo, 3rd at 165
Angelo Cipollo, 4th at 178



LOUIS DIMARIA, right, fights off leg attack of John DeMoors. DiMaria eventually won, and recently placed eighth in the ASICS National Junior Greco Roman Championships. Photo by Peter Venier



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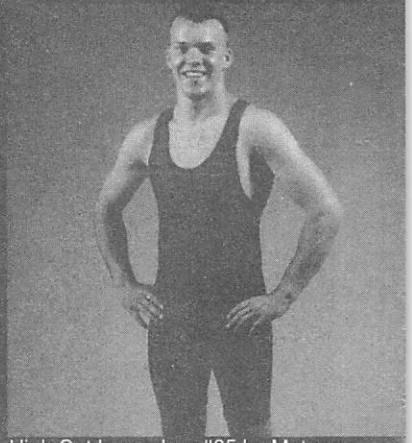

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