

Was There Really Doubt? Pioneer, Olean Best on Mat



As if anyone needed to be shown, perennial powers Pioneer and Olean flexed their muscles Saturday and steam-rolled competition in their respective divisions in the Section VI divisional high school wrestling championships.

Olean wrestlers won their fourth consecutive Division IV title at Depew High, winning nine of 14 weight classes and finishing second in two others. Pioneer won its eighth straight Division V crown at Arcade and placed 10 wrestlers in next week-end's state qualifier.

The winner and runner-up in each weight class of each of the section's eight divisions qualified for the sectional finals Friday and Saturday at Sweet Home.

Olean rolled up 226½ points to easily outdistance second-place Iroquois, with 121. The Huskies' Kevin Forrest, a 126-pounder who opened with a superior decision and added two pins, was named the tournament's outstanding wrestler.

PIONEER TOOK seven championships and three runner-up spots in the Division V tumble. Kyle Grunwald was one of those champs as he recorded his 71st career pin in the 138-pound class and boosted his record this year to won-25 lost-0.

Junior John McHugh (98) pinned all three opponents and racked up 20 points for Sweet Home as the Panthers took the Division I title at Maryvale. McHugh, 25-0, is the only unbeaten 98-pounder in the area.

Dave Young of Lancaster, who swept three matches in the 145, was voted outstanding wrestler of the Division I meet.

HAMBURG won the Division II meet at Orchard Park and will send seven wrestlers to the sectionals, but two men from other schools raised their records to 25-0 in the competition.

Orchard Park's Bill Anderson took the outstanding wrestler prize with three pins at 215 and Dave Tundo of Frontier hammered out three decisions at 132 to remain unbeaten.

Williamsville South's Larry Cohen, 25-0, took the top wrestler award for his performance in the 112 and Clarence took the team title in the Division III outing at Clarence. The hosts took 170 points to win their first division title.

HOST FALCONER won its third straight Division VI championship as Mike Garvey (145) took the most valuable laurels.

Tim Prince (167) captured his fourth straight divisional title with his 100th career victory as he led host Maple Grove to the Division VII crown.

Maple Grove is the only team in the last 11 years to beat Portville in the divisionals. It did it once before in 1973.

FREWSBURG'S Craig Ackley won two superior decisions and one major decision at 119 to take individual honors, but host Panama won the team crown in Division VIII.

The sectionals open at 6 PM Friday and run through Saturday night at Sweet Home. Winners in each of the 14 weight classes will advance to the state finals March 11-12 at Onondaga War Memorial in Syracuse.

DIVISION I
TEAM: Sweet Home 159; Kenmore East 144½; Lancaster 130; Jamestown 112½; Maryvale 55; Kenmore West 52; North Tonawanda 34½; West Seneca West 30½.

INDIVIDUAL: 91 pounds — Pat Mooney (L) decision; Pete Rao (SH), 7-3; 98 — John McHugh (SH) pinned Paul Genco (KW), 4 minutes, 53 seconds; 105 — Bob Madigan (KE) d. Carl Miltenberger (L), 5-4; 112 — Scott Pine (KW) d. Dan DiFrancesco (NT), 4-0; 119 — Darrell McClennon (SH) d. Dan Soloway (KE), 3-0; 126 — Paul Reed (SH) d. Jake Monagovi (M), 8-0; 132 — Manny Cacciatore (KE) d. Swan Sponholz (L), 10-3; 138 — Bob Brandel (KE) d. Calvin Crippen (SH), 6-4; 145 — Dave Young (L) d. Craig Tolnay (SH), 7-2; 155 — Bob Vogel (SH) p. Sal Montesanti (NT), 3:27; 167 — Tom Jordan (J) d. Dave Kloewski (WSW), 8-6; 177 — Cedric Hinton (SH) d. Scott Kantorski (M), 10-6; 215 — Bob Hagstorm (J) d. Rich Gossman (L), 10-6; 250 — Dan Moran (J) d. Pete Pulley (L), 2-1.

DIVISION II
TEAM: Hamburg 176; West Seneca East 119½; Orchard Park 109½; Lockport 81; Amherst 79½; Frontier 72½; LaSalle 64½; Niagara Falls 20.

INDIVIDUAL: 91 Pounds — Jackie Franz (H) p. Frank Booker (WSE), 1:43; 98 — Tom Graham (WSE) p. Bob Franz (H), 3:22; 105 — Dave Gilson (H) d. Marty Flowers (Lock.), 6-5; 112 — Kirk Alexander (Lock.) d. Doug Gilson (H), 11-2; 119 — Greg Giles (H) d. Chris Mitchell (LaS), 6-0; 126 — Kevin Manaher (A) d. Ron Schenk (WSE), 12-3; 132 — Dave Tundo (F) d. Jack Furey (OP), 7-2; 138 — Tom Genico (H) p. Don Sutliff (A), 3:19; 145 — Joe D'Amico (WSE) d. Bernie Quinn (F), 3-2; 155 — Russ Furlani (OP) d. Alex White (A), 20-2; 167 — Terry Vacanti (H) d. Pete Damiani (OP), 6-2; 177 — Duane Hunt (LaSalle) d. Tom Frontera (WSE), 3-1; 215 — Bill Anderson (OP) p. Darrell Georger (H), 0:57; 250 — Greg Jensen (WSE) d. Dave Benzinger (OP), 10-2.

DIVISION III
TEAM: Clarence 170; Tonawanda 133; Williamsville North 123½; Niagara-Wheatfield 81; Williamsville East 59½; Williamsville South 53; Lewiston-Porter 40; Lackawanna 31.

INDIVIDUAL: 91 Pounds — Bob Hoehman (C) p. Mike Glemons (T) 3:50; 98 — Glen DeLorenzo (NW) p. Steve Hehr (WN) 3:57; 105 — John DeLorenzo (NW) d. Carl Carter (L) 6-3; 112 — Larry Cohen (WS) p. Rob Szabo (C) 5:11; 119 — Guy Miller (T) p. Chuck Massaro (WS) 5:24; 125 — Bob Thompson (C) p. Wayne Roche (T) 3:19; 132 — Steve Myers (C) p. Kurt Silvestro (L-P) :39; 138 — Dave Gruber (WN) p. Dave Cravatta (C) 3:14; 145 — Joe DeFrancesco (C) d. Craig Fernandez (T) 5-0; 155 — Jim McMahon (WN) d. Mike Schiedo (T), 6-3; 167 — Mike Reoner (WN) d. Dennis Kalkenberg (C) 5-2; 177 — Mike Richmond (T) d. Jim Najuck (WS) 5-3; 215 — John Lally (C) won by default over Dan Mayer (T), 250 — Clem Joyce (T) p. Duffy Fitzpatrick (L-P) 3:14.

DIVISION IV
TEAM: Olean 226½ points; Iroquois 121; Depew 116; Lake Shore 77½; Cheektowaga 61; Grand Island 46; East Aurora 46½; Dunkirk 10.

INDIVIDUAL: 91 pounds — Clar Anderson (O) d. Bob Sluberski (I) 17-3; 98 — Ed Jennings (O) d. Al Sluberski (I) 6-2; 105 — Andy Taylor (O) d. Kim Daum (GI) 7-1; 112 — Shawn Mahoney (EA) p. Leo Pancio (O) 2:35; 119 — Eric Simpson (O) d. Barry Agosti (D) 1-1, (referees decision in overtime); 126 — Kevin Forrest (O) p. Gary Kotarski (C) 3:52; 132 — Gary Bliss (O) d. Dan Pinter (I) 2-0; 138 — Bill Thomas (O) d. Jim Slawak (C) 1-0 (overtime); 145 — Chris Leichtwels (O) d. Joe Gnojek (I) 13-1; 155 — Bill Caldwell (LS) d. Scott Slade (I) 4-1; 167 — Scott Reinhardt (C) p. Ralph Riestler (D) 1:36; 177 — Dave Simon (O) p. Tom Culbert (GI) 2:27; 215 — Ron Climenhage (I) d. Tom Morton (O) 4-3; 250 — Frank Terranova (I) p. Andy Bausch (EA) 2:50.

DIVISION V
TEAM: Pioneer 221½ points; Southwestern 143½; Alden 121; Starpoint 97; Eden 94; Cleveland Hill 39½; Fredonia 23.

INDIVIDUAL: 91 pounds — Lee Friend (P) d. Kent Maldimer (S), 6-1; 98 — Joe Birmingham (E) d. Steve Arnold, 11-2; 105 — Dan Mason (P) d. Sam Conti (F), 11-1; 112 — Dave Sanders (P) p. Jim Metz (A), 5-47; 119 — Steve Ginke (E) d. Tom Bennett (P), 3-2; 126 — Steve Swan (SW) d. Jeff Pettit (P), 5-4; 132 — Keith Floyd (P)

won by default over Mark Soper (A); 138 — Kyle Grunwald (P) p. Rick Huntington (ST), 4:15; 145 — Al Frederickson (SW) p. Randy Holtz (CH), 1:25; 155 — John Swan (SW) p. Rick Kauffman (A), 1:41; 167 — Bill Glasgow (P) d. Bruce Janowski (S), 4-2; 177 — Mark Slocum (P) d. Dave Schnittker (ST), 8-2; 218 — Bill Dundon (A) d. John Parlier (ST), 22-5; Unlimited — Herb Stenander (SW) p. Ron Braymiller (P), 4:15.

DIVISION VI
TEAM: Falconer 186 points; Albion 154½; Newfane 126; Medina 108; Salamanca 39; Gowanda 31½; Wilson 27; Royalton-Hartland 25.

INDIVIDUAL: 91 pounds — Charles Morley (M) p. Mike King (W), 0:52; 98 — Tom Houghtling (N) d. Dave Carlson (F), 1-0; 105 — Bob Talladay (N) d. Mike LoPresto (S), 5-2; 112 — Bob Betts (F) p. Randy Dry, 3:32; 119 — Kurl Kosenreiter (M) d. Jeff Sopak (F), 4-0; 126 — Mike Strasburger (A) d. Steve Moore (F), 12-8; 132 — Gary Weber (N) d. Dick Betts (F), 8-6; 138 — Mike Cardone (M) d. Frank Westgate (N), 7-4; 145 — Mike Garvey (F) d. Paul Chappius (A), 9-1; 155 — Danny Thomas (F) d. Bruce Marshall (N), 3-0; 167 — Gary Cooper (A) d. Brian Eccles (F), 6-2; 177 — Bill Webster (A) d. Dave Walker (F), 5-1; **HEAVYWEIGHT** — Leland Hill (A) p. Carl Barna (M), 1:14; Unlimited — Leroy Johnson (G) d. Peter Lee (S), 5-2.

DIVISION VII
TEAM: Maple Grove 173; Portville 128; Silver Creek 106; Allegany 101½; Westfield 57; Cassadaga Valley 56½; Akron 56½; Holland 20.

INDIVIDUAL: 91 pounds — Scott Babbage (MG) p. Tom Lawall (H) 3:46; 98 — Joe Santilli (MG) p. Dave Gleason (P) :54; 105 — Tom Horsch (W) d. Steve Pacitti (CV) 4-2; 112 — Clete Caskey (MG) d. Rick McClenathan (SC) 7-1; 119 — Seth Becker (MG) d. Jom Livecchi (SC) 12-4; 126 — Mike Faulkner (P) d. Jay Nannen (A) 9-7; 132 — Terry Roof (SC) won by default over Randy Williams (P); 138 — Chris Cummins (A) d. Randy Bly (CV) 15-6; 145 — Jim Lennon (A) d. Jerry Newburg (P) 4-2; 155 — Terry Miller (P) d. Bill Hoch (MG) 8-2; 167 — Tim Prince (MG) d. Jeff Waxel (A) 8-0; 177 — Bruce Faulkner (A) d. Joe Campio (SC) 4-2; 215 — Brad Bretzine (P) d. Greg Betts (SC) 3-0; 250 — Dan Jones (A) p. Russ Dake, 4:47.

DIVISION VIII
TEAM: Panama, 136½ points; Franklinville 89; Randolph 88½; Frewsburg 85; Ripley 78; Pine Valley 75½; Cattaraugus 70; Sherman 51.

INDIVIDUAL: 91 pounds — Mark Emke (R) d. Mark Vanord (P), 9-0; 98 — Phil Gibbs (P) d. Rod Smith (Frank.) 10-6; 105 — Tim Eddy (R) pinned Dan Emke (R), 1 minute, 53 seconds, overtime; 112 — Tim Brown (PV) d. Bill Glaser (Catt.) 4-1; 119 — Craig Ackley (Frew.) d. Ray Brown (Catt.) 10-0; 126 — Pat Case (R), Tony Wilbur (Frank.), 1:07; 132 — Ken Towers (R) d. Joel Dudley (Catt.), 7-1; 138 — Steve Preston (P) d. Tim Hopkins (S), 13-0; 145 — Keith Miller (Catt.) p. Tim Cornish (P), 1:27; 155 — Rod Spontaneo (Frew.) d. Pat Hadley (S), 2-0; 167 — Gene Stevens (P) p. Jay Gunner (Frank.), 5:33; 177 — Ed Decker (Frank.) d. Jeff Hetrick (Frew.) 2-1; 215 — Brad Wiltsie (Frew.) d. John Olson (PV), 8-3; 250 — Bill Nelson (Frew.) d. Bill Langworthy (Pan) 5-1.