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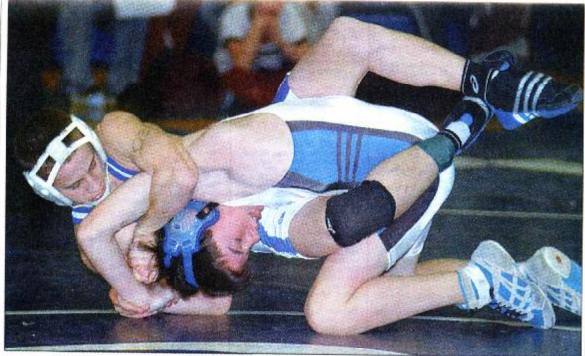
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GOT HIM: Nick Lazarony, left, of Batavia has the edge on Bath's Jacob Harrison in the 103-pound finals during the Batavia Christmas Tournament Saturday at Batavia. Lazarony won the match.

Albion wins Le Roy tourney

By Bill Bruton Jr.

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LE ROY — Toward the end of a long, grueling day, Albion wrestling coach Keith Piccirilli was ready to get home after competing in the Le Roy Wrestling Round-Robin Tournament Saturday.

After his last wrestler had competed, and unsure of where his team stood, he went to Le Roy assistant coach Joe Christopher and asked him if they should stay or could they go.

Christopher, one of Piccirilli's former wrestlers at Albion, told his former coach it would be a good idea if he stayed.

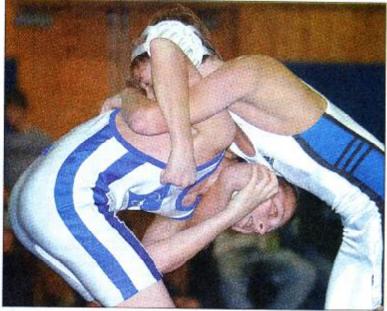
It proved to be a good move.

Albion prevailed in the 10-team tournament with 204.5 points. Le Roy was second at 176, while Pembroke was third at 172 and Pavilion placed ninth at 78.5.

"I did not expect us to win. it was a very pleasant surprise," said Piccirilli, in his 25th season at the helm.

Albion had just one individual champion — David Scrip at 275 pounds — but got good showings from a number of other wrestlers in piling up the points.

Mike Blank, who is about 178 pounds but wrestles at 189, finished



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TOUGH SPOT: Josh Mase, bottom, of Batavia tries to find a way to reverse things on Bath's Kyle Conrad during the finals at 96 pounds at the Batavia Christmas Tournament Saturday. Conrad won by pinfall.

second for the Purple Eagles.

Ben Thomas at 135 also finished second. It was his first time in the lineup all season after finally getting enough practices to be eligible. Tyler Olles also took second at 275, while Seth Lowery (103), Dustin Ferguson (112), Seth Edwards (140), Will

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"He should not be criticized," Kostelic said. "His style of skiing originates from his lifestyle. This is how he is. The man takes so much risks and I'm a big fan."

Niklas Rainer of Sweden, who led after the opening run, finished seventh — his best career result.

Race stewards struggled to groom the course after a day of rain in the valleys and a light layer of fresh snow overnight on the mountain tops. The course was last used on the World Cup circuit in 1979.

"I wish conditions were like this more often. I like this kind of snow," Kostelic said. "Skiers should be skiing on snow, not ice."

Aksel Lund Svindal, who won the season-opening supercombi in Beaver Creek, was favored to win on the Gassel-hoehe track. He was 19th after the super-G but finished sixth. Benjamin Raich, last season's overall champion, wound up 10th.

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Wrestling

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Francis (160) and Zach Beecher (171) all took third.

Piccirilli is a big fan of the round-robin format, which allows wrestlers to participate in matches throughout the day, even if they have suffered early losses.

"I think it's a great concept for tournaments, especially early in the year," Piccirrilli said. "Le Roy's always done a great job of hosting it and making it work."

Le Roy's Chad Condidorio was chosen the most outstanding wrestler. He captured the individual title at 130.

Jesse Brennan (96), Don Pangrazio (112) and Kory Cosimeno (152) all took second for the host Oatkan Knights.

Colby Sanner (103) and Mike McKenrick (171) took titles for Pembroke, while Jeff Hathaway (130) was second.

Mike Hackett (140) and Kevin Green (145) took home titles for Pavilion.

In other wrestling action Saturday:

Batavia Tournament

BATH-HAVERLING
WINS: Bath-Haverling
totaled 172.5 points to edge
Newark (171) for the title in
the 33rd annual Batavia
Christmas Tournament.

Batavia was fourth at 118, Kendall was sixth at 86 and Perry was seventh at 75.5.

Bath had five individual champs — Kyle Conrad (96 pounds), Billy Crowe (125), Emery Albers (130), Tony Viselli (189) and Bryant Madigan (275).

Viselli had the aggregate pin award with four pins in 6:38.

Nick Lazarony (103) and Mike Raphael (140) won titles for Batavia in the 12-team field. Josh Mase (96) finished second for the host Blue Devils.

Troy Ireland got the fastest pin award for Batavia, Ireland, who finished fourth at 135, had a pin in just nine seconds in one of his matches.

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laden 18-team field.

Warsaw finished second at 201.5, Letchworth was third at 184 and host Attica was fourth at 146.

Caledonia-Mumford was 13th at 65, Alexander was 17th at 20.5 and Oakfield-Alabama was 18th at 12.

Ian Paddock (125 pounds) of Warsaw and Nate Schiedel (171 pounds) of Caledonia-Mumford were named the most outstanding wrestlers.

Paddock was the choice in the lower weight classes, while Schiedel was the pick among the upper weight classes.

Winning individual championships were Warsaw's Dakota Stackhouse (96 pounds), Letchworth's Chris Nevinger (103), Lancaster's Clint Schaeffer (112), Attica's Dylan Dabolt (119), Paddock (125), Iroquois' Matt Mariacher (130), Palmyra-Macedon's Cody Williams (135) and Sweet Home's Nic Stella (140).

Also, John-Martin Cannon (145), Palmyra-Macedon's Eric Ekstrom (152), Warsaw's Paul Paddock (160), Schiedel (171), Brockport's Erik Schuth (189), Warsaw's Billy Romasser (215) and Pittsford's Kenny Woodward (275).

Romasser had the aggregate pin award with four pinfall victories in 3:37.

Holley Tournament HOST SQUAD WINS: The

host Hawks were victorious in the Holley Team Tournament.

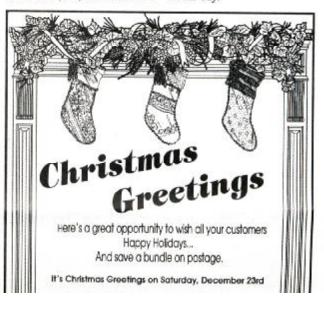
Justin Widrig (140) earned the outstanding wrestler award.

Widrig was one of nine Holley wrestlers to go unbeaten in the tourney.

Quinton Murphy (96), Tim Banks (112), Matt Banks (125), Ken Ryan (130), Matt Sanders (135), Tom Eberlin (152), Key McPherson (189) and Demetries Mendes (275) were other Holley wrestlers who went unbeaten.

Greece Arcadia was second and Lyndonville was third.

Aaron Follman (119), Tyler Lilly (171) and Pat Shingleton (215) were Lyndonville wrestlers who went unbeaten on the day.



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McGahee put the Bills up with his impressive run with 4:22 left in the opening quarter. He took the ball up the middle, bounced to the left and sprinted into the end zone 57 yards for the longest scoring run of his career. It was the first first-quarter touchdown the Jets had allowed in eight

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Attica Tournament BROCKPORT VICTORI-

OUS: Brockport captured the 14th annual Attica Blue Devil Classic.

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