MCC Wrestlers Win First Four

By John Engels

The Monroe Community wrestling team may be headed for an unusually seuccessful year. The grappling Tribunes have won their first four matches of the year, including a 25-15 upset of Cobleskill, last year one of the state's finest wrestling powers.

In the first encounter of the year, MCC squeezed by Brockport, 22-21, at Brockport. The Tribunes captured the first five weight classes and Brockport the next five. Tom Lacagnina coasted to a 13-1 decision in the last match of the day to make the difference. Bruce Stevens, Jim Welsh, Tom Prince, Vince Volpe and Tony Calabrese all registered victories for Monroe, Welsh pinning his man in uder five minutes and Stevens winning by forfeit.

Tuesday, November 30, Monroe slaughtered Rochester Institute of Technology, 48-0, as Tom Prince, Tony Calabrese, Vince Hodgdon and Dave Baker recorded pins for the Tribunes. The meet was held at RIT.

Other MCC victories: Jim Welsh overwhelming his opponent, 13-0; Bruce Stevens winning 10-8 decision; Tom Lacagnina crushing Brockport's Don Shaw, 15-1; Marshall Garcia edging his opponent, 2-1; John Burkin posting a 5-0 victory; Joe Wells blanking Brockport's Mike Noviello, 6-0.

On December 3, Monroe startled a strong Delhi squad, 28-15, at home. Bruce Stevens, Vince Volpe, Tony Calabrese, Marshall Garicia, Vince Hodgdon and Ken Primous all posted victories by decision while Tom Prince and Jimmy Welsh pinned their respective opponents.

The next day MCC surprised Cobleskill as Joe Wells pinned his man and six others recorded crucial decisions. Jim Welsh beat Ivan Casavant, 9-8, in the most unexpected out-come of the afternoon. Casavant was among the state's strongest competitors at the 118-pound slot last year. Bruce Stevens, Tom Prince, Vince Hodgdon, John Burkin and Ken Primous all chipped in with decision victories.

Hockey

For the second game in a row Carl Cleveland led MCC's hockey team to victory. Carl playing with a lot of hustle, scored the first goal of the game against Monroe Tree Surgeons for MCC. Other scorers for MCC were Jerry Pezzulo and Tom Colwell.

The MCC team kept pressure on Monroe Tree Surgeon's goalie the whole game. Dave Eddy had at least six good shots on goal, but Monroe goalie Steve Glenz deflected each one. Two of the three goals MCC scored were power play goals. MCC goalie, Joe Chinappi, turned away at least a dozen good scoring chances for Monroe Tree Surgeons. Next game for MCC is Monday, November 15 at 10:00 p.m. at old R.I.T. (Spring St.) against Rochester Olympics, one of the powerhouses in the league. MCC hockey players need more fan participation at games. We need your support, so why not come out and watch your hockey team in

MCC played against the Rochester Kings in their first game of the season. Opening up in full strength, MCC led 1-0 after two periods on a shorthanded goal by Mike Gotham. After trailing for six straight minutes Rochester Kings broke loose for two goals to lead 2-1. Less than a minute after the Kings second goal, Tom Schenkel tied it up for MCC. MCC swarmed the Kings net in closing minutes in an all-out attempt to win, but had to settle for tie.



Wrestlers practice for upcoming meet.

Tribune Hoopsters 2nd in Tourny

The MCC Tribunes clobbered Bryant and Stratton Junior College, 104-37, in the Bankers Trust Tournament Thanksgiving weekend. The Tribunes ended up in second place after their defeat to Cuyahoga Metro, 114-84, in the final game of the tournament.

MCC was really together against Bryant and Stratton. An amazing defense just refused to let the visitors penetrate. In the first three minutes of the game, Bryant and Stratton didn't take a shot. At 17:32 of the first half, the score was 12-1.

One of the most exciting players in the tournament was Robbie Murphy. "I was really up for that first game," said the little left-hander from Monroe. Robbie could do no wrong. He scored 31 pts. against Bryant and Stratton, and 21 against Cuyahoga Metro the following night. Robbie was 13-14 from the field, and 5-6 from the foul line. Our 6'1" graduate from Monroe also did a good job on the boards. He led the team in rebounds with 7.

Harold Fryer and Austin Snead led the offense. They have the remarkable ability to know when to speed up the game for same quick turnovers, which usually end up in lay-ups, and when to slow it down and set themselves up for a shot.

Herme Millon was quick and aggressive. His experience was

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well recognized.

Mark Florack, forward from East Rochester, played a strong, defensive game. He did a fantastic job on the boards and contributed 13 pts.

Fryer, who opened the second half with four layups in less than 90 seconds, finished with 20 pts. And Austin Snead ended up with 8.

The second game didn't run so smoothly for the Tribunes. Cuyahoga Metro Community College at Cleveland, with four players scoring over 20 pts, captured the MCC Invitational title with their victory over MCC,

MCC rushed out to an early lead 9-2, but Cuyahoga was too much for MCC to keep up with. They were fast, tall, and had a good bench.

Cuyahoga took the lead for the first time at 19-17 with 11:50 to play in the first half, at half-time, the score was 56-40.

Mark Florack scored 11 pts. in the early minutes of the second half. The Tribunes twice cut the lead to 10 pts, but the just couldn't seem to get any closer.

"We couldn't run with them because they had more depth," Shapiro said. "The game was closer than the score indicaates. They really padded their lead in the final minutes when our players were tired. They just had too many fast men and excellent shooters."

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SPORTS

MEET THE COACH

Mr. Hal Roche By Ginny Lobene

If you should ever walk by the office's of the physical education department you will invariably notice the door with Uncle Sam's picture on it, advertising week after week of different athletic activities in the school. Mr. Hal Roche, better known as coach by most of the top athletes in the school, occupies that office along with all the trials and tribulations that go with it.

After Irondequoit High School, where he was Section 5 butterfly and I.N. Champion, Mr. Roche entered Cortland State College where he majored in recreation

where he also swam. Along the way he managed to coach age group swimming at Canandaigua, Cortland, Monroe Y, Oakhill and Miduale Country Club. Mr. Roche started at the Central Y and was later transferred to the Canandaigua YMCA. As an officer in the Marines, he swam for the Marine Swim Team until he received his commission and was no longer available for meets.

In 1964 Mr. Roche joined the physical education staff of Monroe Community College. Since then he has climbed to the rank of assistant professor. At MCC he coaches both the swim and golf team, coordinates the men's intramurals, teaches physical education and recreation and is an avid handball player. Mr. Roche is also a New York State Certified Swimming Official for the last 12 years, a member at Thunderridge Golf Club, frequent jogger and skier

When asked what first started his interest growing in physical education Mr. Roche replied, "My father was a physical education teacher and swim coach at Franklin, plus my mother and sister are both teachers. Mr. Roche resides in Fairport with his wife Carol, who was also a physical education teacher, and his two children Kevin 6, and Kelley 8. Kelley is a member of the Green Dolphins Swim club, and Kevin, who just learned to swim, won his first age group race this summer.





Snead, Fryer and Florack execute play against Cayohoga Community.

				MCC	G	F	T	
Cuyahoga	G	F	T	Willowers	5	2-3	12	
Stephens	0	0-1	0	Murphy	10	1-4	21	
Nixon	12	5-8	29	Florach	7	5-8	19	
White	11	11-1	23	Fryer	6	5-8	19	
Lacey	11	3-3	25	Snead	7	2-4	16	
Tate	2	0-1	4	Millon	0	0	0	
Wilson	12	0-5	25	Dreschler	0	1-2	1	
Fythe	2	1-2	5	Beacoats	0	0-1	0	
Fordon	2	0-2	4	Walton	0	0-1	0	
Jackson	0	0-0	0	Graney	1	0-1	0	
Winston	0	0-0	0	Enalert	0	0-0	0	