

Gibson, D'Acquisto lead Region III over Region XV wrestlers at Broome

Paul Gibson at 190 lbs. and Joe D'Acquisto at heavyweight, both freshman, led the Region III All Star wrestling team to a 24-18 victory over the Region XV team.

Len Barber and Charlie Hill were also selected to the team but were unable to compete due to injuries.

The meet, hosted by Broome Community College, featured many of New York State's best junior college wrestlers. The Region XV Team (Downstate, New York), which represents the New York City and Long Island area, boasted three all-Americans in their line-up. The Region III Team (Upstate New York) represents all other New York Junior Colleges outside of the New York City and Long Island area.

Represented were Morrisville Ag & Tech, Niagara County Community College, Broome Com-

munity College and Corning Community College—each with one wrestler, Delhi Ag. & Tech sent four and Monroe Community College had two.

With Region XV leading 18-15 going into the 190 pounds contest, Paul Gibson tied the score with a three team point 8-1 victory over Mark Morino of Farmingdale Community College. Joe D'Acquisto then iced the victory by annihilating his 275 lb. opponent Bill DesRosiers of Orange Community College with a pin in 50 seconds for 6 more team points.

Gibson's overall record this season stands at 15-5 with 10 pins. He placed third in the Brockport Open, first in the Niagara Invitational and was runner-up in the Grand Rapids, Michigan, Invitational losing 9-7 in the Finals.

D'Acquisto currently owns a 20-2 overall record that includes 16 pins. He also placed third in the Brockport Open and won the Niagara Invitational pinning 4 out of 4 opponents. In the Corning Invitational. He pinned 4 out of 5 opponents and won the trophy for the Most Falls in the Least Amount of Time. At the Grand Rapids Invitational he pinned his first 2 opponents before an ankle injury forced him to withdraw.

Matmen split meet with Delhi, Cayuga

A week of heavy competition brought mixed results to the nationally 9th-ranked Tribune wrestlers (6-3).

Third-ranked Delhi (15-0) beat MCC in a double-dual meet at MCC last Saturday by a score of 26-18. The loss to Delhi was the first ever for a Ron Kostecke-coached team.

It also marked the first time the Broncos have defeated an MCC wrestling team since 1973. Delhi coach Frank Millard's 1978-79 and 1979-80 squads have compiled a record of 42-1 to date, with the single loss last year at the hands of MCC.

Delhi won on the strength of two upset pins which accounted for an 18-point swing. Joe Morone, wrestling with a rib injury, at 134 pounds, was defeated by Mike Letcher; and Paul Gibson at 190 pounds lost to Charlie Watkins.

Turning in excellent performances for the Tribunes were P.J. Cosmano at 158 pounds and Jim Mooney at 167 pounds. Their victories kept the home

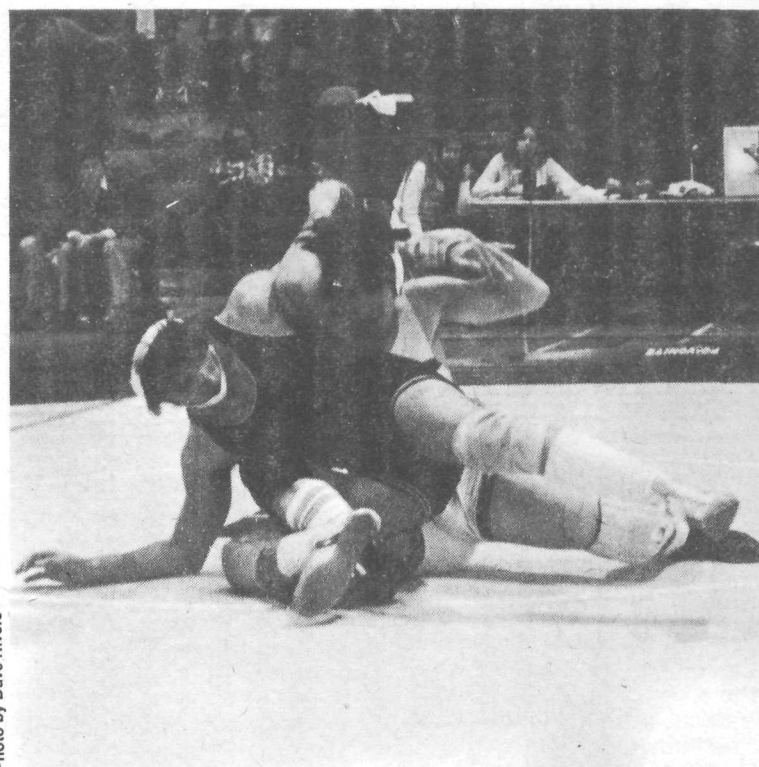


Photo by Dave Rivers

Joe Marone (dark shirt) struggles against Delhi opponent in last Saturday's match.

team in the match until the very last moment.

Cosmano won a thrilling battle over Randy Demo, a 1979 national qualifier, by a score of 5-4. Mooney came at his opponent, Cameron Riggs, so strongly that Riggs couldn't handle the constant pressure in the 7-5 decision.

Coach Kostecke felt that "both guys showed championship attitude." Also "Cosmano's match was a classic example of beating an opponent both physically and mentally."

It wasn't all bad news, however, as the Tribunes beat Cayuga 38-16 in the other leg of the triangular event. Chuck Pignato, 158 lbs., was impressive in dominating Mike Patak for a 6-1 victory.

In other matches earlier in the week MCC defeated Alfred Ag. & Tech (4-4) 27-22 and Mohawk Valley (4-3) 31-19.

At Alfred six wrestlers moved up a weight class because of injuries and to give others a rest

from the rigors of weight control. Strong performances were turned in by Mike Serpe, 134 pounds, mono, 158 pounds, Chuck Pignato, 167 pounds, Jim Mooney, 177 pounds and Paul Gibson at 190 pounds, Gibson's victory won the match and made the team score 27-16. The Tribunes then forfeited heavyweight to rest Joe D'Acquisto recovering from an ankle injury.

Heavyweight Joe D'Acquisto and Captain Len Barber, 167 pounds led the Tribunes to victory over Brian Lantry marked his return to the line-up after a one-month layoff due to a left knee injury.

Others wrestlers back at their regular weights were big winners. Mike Serpe, 126 pounds won 19-6; and Mark Caternolo, 142 pounds, won 20-5. Charlie Hill pulled out a last-second victory at 177 pounds by a score of 13-11.

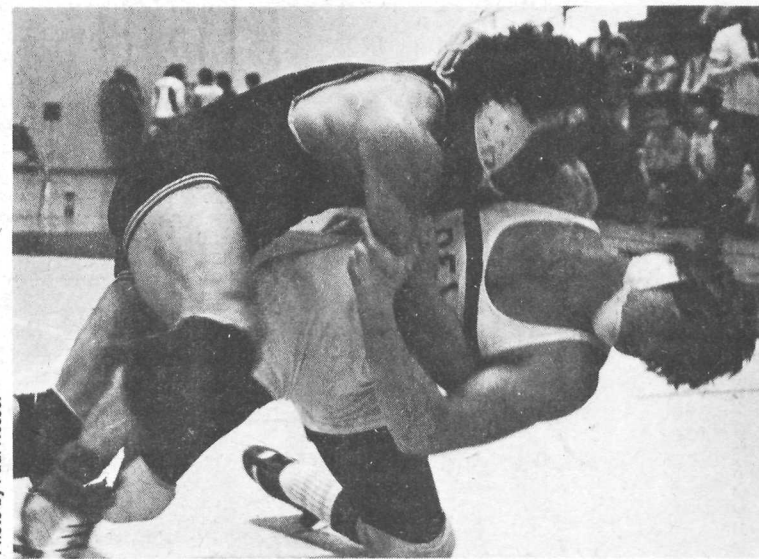


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P. J. Cosmano (dark shirt) attempts a "pancake" move against Delhi's Randy Demo. Cosmano won a 5-4 decision.

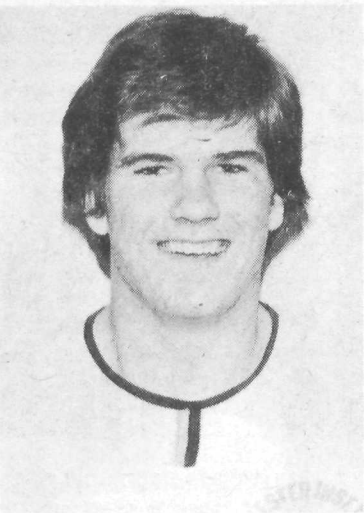


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Paul Gibson



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Charlie Hill

Scott, Webster power Tribunes past JCC

by Paul Klein

The MCC Tribunes defeated the Jamestown Community College Jayhawks, 83-74 in a Penn-York Conference basketball contest at home, Sunday, January 27.

Again, six foot four, Tony Webster made the difference in the final minutes of play. With the score tied at 58-58 and seven minutes left in the game, Webster took control of the Tribunes offense. In five minutes he had scored eight points and passed off four assists that led to other baskets to insure victory before some 200 fans.

With Region III leading scorer Ed Sesler (25.1 points/game) out with a sprained ankle, Webs-

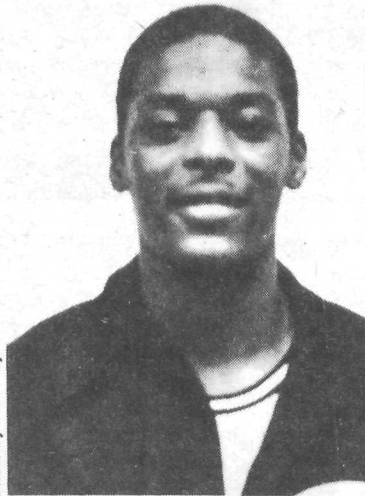


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Tony Webster

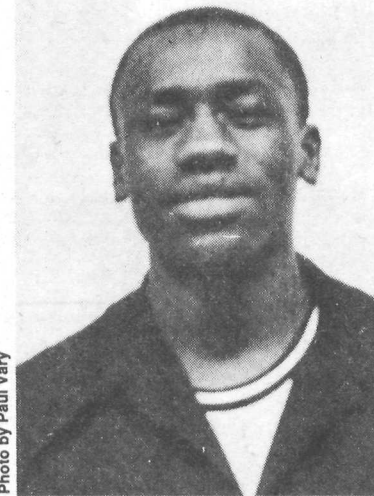


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