

Mustang Wrestlers Capture Tournament

KENMORE — The Medina Mustangs, with a total of 10 wrestlers earning top three place finishes, easily captured the Ken-Ton Tournament championship here Saturday for the second time in three years.

Four Mustangs, Tim Menz (98), Theo Morley (105), Jerit VanAuker (145) and David Maiorana (177) all won individual championships while Jesse Balcerzak (138) and Louis Pecci (215) both took seconds and John Kaderli (126), Joe Maiorana (132), Tom Jakes (155) and Carl Armstrong (167) all picked up third place finishes.

Medina won the team championship with 165½ points followed by Williamsville North with 113½, Kenmore West 111½, Southwestern 111, Kenmore East 97½, Clarence 81, O'Hara 58 and Williamsville East 28½.

The MHS Junior Varsity took a second place giving Medina, for the first time ever, the Overall Tournament Championship. The Mustang JV's garnered 111½ points to take second place behind Southwestern which had 117½. Other JV team point totals had Kenmore West with 104½, Williamsville North 56, Kenmore East 45½, Clarence 40½, Williamsville East 17 and O'Hara 0.

Menz, who was named the tourney's outstanding wrestler, decisioned Doug Baer of Southwestern who brought a 21-2-1 record into the tourney, 4-1 in the 98 pound final. After drawing a bye in the opening round, Menz, who was also recently named MVP at the Sweet Home Tourney, decisioned Frank Virga of Kenmore East 21-1 in the semifinals.

Morley scored pins over Harry Cohen of Williamsville East and Kevin Powers of Clarence to advance to the 105 pound finals where he decisioned Rick Queno of Williamsville North for the title.

VanAuker pinned Tom Suchyna of Williamsville East and decisioned Vin Baron of Kenmore West 10-1 to reach the title match in the 145 pound class. He then pinned Bill Eastman of O'Hara in 3:42 to win the championship.

Dave Maiorana pinned Gary Suchyna of Williamsville East in the opening round, decisioned Bob Gibson 10-2 in the semi-finals and then decisioned Doug Den of South-



Jerit VanAuker



David Maiorana



Tim Menz

Theo Morley

western 9-3 in the championship match.

Balcerzak scored decision wins over Mike Collins of Southwestern (6-3) and Don Pfentner of Williamsville North (4-2) to reach the finals where he dropped a 7-2 decision to Tom Munzella of Clarence to

take second.

Pecci opened with a first period pin victory over Don Frost of Clarence and then decisioned Sam Santario of O'Hara 8-6 to reach the title match where he was pinned by Brian Malery in 1:45 to finish second.

Kaderli, after decisioning

Carey Allen of Southwestern 6-1 in the opening round, dropped a 4-1 decision to Blair Chattley of Kenmore West to go into the wrestlebacks. Kaderli bounced back to pin Dave Clark of Williamsville East and decision Vince Howard of O'Hara 4-2 to take a third place finish.

Joe Maiorana, after dropping an opening round decision to Goodrich of Kenmore East because of a controversial stalling call, rallied to pin Steve Griso of Williamsville East and earn decision wins over Nate Herring of Southwestern and Chuck Terrance of Kenmore West to finish third.

Jakes, after being pinned by Andy Benz of O'Hara in the opening round came back to pin Chris Premluske of Williamsville East and notch decision victories over both Brian Gordon of Kenmore West and Mike Bly of Southwestern to gain a third place finish.

Armstrong opened with a first period pin victory over Tom Searing of Williamsville North but then dropped into the wrestle backs with a narrow 6-5 loss to Joe Hayek of Kenmore West. Armstrong, however, battled back to earn a third place by pinning both Mark Lojek of Williamsville East and Rob Greis of Clarence.

In the junior varsity portion of the tourney Mike Green (138), Bob Waters (145), John Blount (167) and Bucky Boyd (215) all won individual championships while Bi Dunham (105) took a second. Medina will return to Niagara-Orleans league action on Wednesday evening when the Mustangs travel to Albion in the regular season finale.

Irwin Captures Hawaiian Open

HONOLULU (UPI) — Hale Irwin doesn't mind admitting he came to Honolulu last week with a little self-doubt.

He hadn't won a tournament title in 19 months and only two weeks ago had blown the Crosby National Pro-Am to young John Cook.

After four rounds of the Hawaiian Open, Irwin can heave a sigh of relief. He's a winner again and now thinks his career may be back on track.

"I'm not going to say I'm

coming back from oblivion but I think I'm coming back to where I should be," said the two-time U.S. Open champion. "I'm pleased with the win and I'm pleased with myself."

Irwin won the Hawaiian Open, with its \$58,500 prize, with a final-round 69 that gave him a tournament record score of 23-under-par 265.

For a time Sunday, it seemed victory would escape Irwin for a second time in three weeks. At the Crosby, all he had to do was make a five-foot putt to beat Cook on the second hole of

the Los Angeles Open, final stop on the Winter swing, but is uncertain when or where he will play after that as the Tour moves to Florida.

"Winning this early in the year makes a difference," said Irwin. "Now I have options I didn't have before. After playing in Los Angeles I'm going to try to make my plans for the spring. I really don't know where or when I will play after that."

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