

1972 Sectional...

Eight Ross Grapplers Have First Round Byes

BELLEVUE — Ross wrestlers received eight byes in the first round of the AAA Sectional Wrestling Tournament that will get under way at Bellevue High School Friday at 5:30 p.m.

First round pairings were made during a meeting of coaches at the tournament site Monday.

The Little Giants have only one top seed for the tourney — 145-pounder Jim Billow. Billow earned his seed with a 12-3-1 record. He'll face Dick Griffith of Marion Harding in the first

round. Griffith has a 1-8 record.

Kevin Haynes (119), Ed Farson (138), Dave Mierke (185) and Mark Cooley (heavyweight) also have preliminary matches. Haynes (1-6) will meet top-seeded Dave DeLuca (16-0-1) in the first round. Farson (11-5) has drawn Bill Frontz (0-7) of Mansfield Senior.

Opening opponent for Mierke (5-1) will be top seeded Mike Warren (13-0) of Tiffin Columbian. Cooley (0-4) will get Dale Brutcher (10-5) from Bellevue.

Roger Huff (98), Eric Wolfe

(105), Dave Alejandro (112), Paul Branco (126), Rob Stierwalt (132), Terry Hinkle (155), Dave Skergran (167) and Dale Reiter (175) drew byes in the first round.

Huff (0-4) will go against third-seeded Randy Lee of Mansfield Madison in the quarterfinals Friday. Lee, who had an 11-3-2 seed record, also has a bye in the opening round.

Wolfe (7-5) will wrestle either Tom O'Leary (2-8) of Mansfield Madison or Jeff Bishop (4-4) from Mansfield Senior in the quarterfinals.

Tiffin Columbian's Mark Lapezenski (8-7) or Marion Harding's Ken Pershinger (1-4) will be the first opponent for Alejandro.

Branco (9-5) will be paired against either Port Clinton's Dick Kallenback (0-10) or Ashland's Tim Weidinger (12-2-1) in the quarterfinals. Weidinger is the top-seeded wrestler in the weight class.

Mark Saner (9-5-1) of Ashland and Mansfield Senior's Jim LeVack (8-5) wrestle in the preliminary round for the right to meet Stierwalt (4-8).

Hingle's opening opponent will be either Ron Ray (12-7) of Bellevue or Greg Young (9-4) from Tiffin Columbian. Skergran (13-4) will go against Marion Harding's Steve Wright (2-5) in the quarterfinals while Reiter (14-3) will be matched against either John Carver (2-7) of Sandusky or Galion's Mike Weber (0-3).

The sectional field includes Ross, Ashland, Bellevue, Galion, Mansfield Madison, Mansfield Malabar, Mansfield Senior, Marion Harding, Port Clinton, Sandusky and Tiffin Columbian.

98 POUNDS

Ed Svejovsky (Malabar, 2-10), bye; Jerry Ferguson (Ashland, 11-5) vs. Dick Belle (Sandusky, 0-0); Tim Shiltz (Mansfield Sr., 12-1) vs. Russ Ortilp (Galion, 9-7); Steve Moyer (Bellevue, 4-3), bye; Roger Huff (Ross, 0-4), bye; Randy Lee (Madison, 11-3-2), bye; Dave Lambert (Marion, 14-4) vs. Jack Rex (Port Clinton, 1-11); Bill Lapezenski (Columbian, 6-8), bye.

105 POUNDS

Dave Ballenger (Marion, 7-7), bye; Mark St. Clair (Port Clinton, 11-10-1), bye; Greg Martin (Ashland, 2-0) vs. Jim Linder (Bellevue, 11-6-1); Bob Kissel (Tiffin, 5-11), bye; Al Lepley (Galion, 11-7), bye; Brad McPhillamy (Sandusky, 1-7), bye; Tom O'Leary (Madison, 2-8) vs. Jeff Bishop (Mansfield Sr., 4-4); Eric Wolfe (Ross, 7-5), bye.

112 POUNDS

Dave Alejandro (Ross, 7-4), bye; Mark Lapezenski (Tiffin, 8-7) vs. Ken Pershinger (Marion, 1-4); Lee Faulk (Ashland, 17-0) vs. Greg Ute (Marion, 0-10); Charles Williams (Mansfield Sr., 3-5), bye; Dave Braeunig (Sandusky, 17-1) bye; Roosevelt Johnson (Malabar, 10-7), bye; Tom Beoddy (Bellevue, 11-5) vs. Port Clinton wrestler to be named; Steve Arlene (Galion, 6-1), bye.

119 POUNDS

Gordie Patterson (Tiffin, 7-6-1), bye; Craig Fox (Malabar, 10-6) vs. Ron Wilsbach (Port Clinton, 1-8); Dave DeLuca (Bellevue, 16-0-1) vs. Kevin Haynes (Ross, 1-6); Ernie Ferguson (Sandusky 10-8), bye; Parnell Cameron (Mansfield Sr., 13-3), bye; Todd Trubee (Marion, 5-3), bye; Tom Goddard (Galion, 11-5) vs. Joe Mergel (Madison, 5-5); Joe Steigerwalt (Ashland, 1-1), bye.

126 POUNDS

Mark Aigler (Bellevue, 5-5), bye; Jeff Meisner (Tiffin, 3-10) vs. Dan Wood (Marion, 2-10); Dick Kallenback (Port Clinton, 0-10) vs. Tim Weidinger (Ashland, 12-2-1); Paul Branco (Ross, 9-5), bye; Darwin Christensen (Madison, 11-3-2), bye; Jim Lee (Mansfield Sr., 3-6), bye; John Amicone (Malabar, 7-6) vs. Tim Whittaker (Sandusky, 11-4); Bob Foust (Galion, 3-12), bye.

132 POUNDS

Rob Stierwalt (Ross, 4-8), bye; Mark Saner (Ashland, 9-5-1) vs. Jim LeVack (Mansfield Sr., 8-5); Mike Redmond (Malabar, 5-9) vs. Fred Parks (Marion, 3-8); Skip Holmes (Madison, 17-0-1), bye; Gary Andrews (Bellevue, 5-4), bye; Ted Sendelback (Tiffin, 16-1), bye; Matt Smith (Galion, 0-8) vs. Dave Regal (Port Clinton, 13-8); Greg King (Sandusky, 9-7), bye.

138 POUNDS

Bob George (Galion, 3-5), bye; Greg Gleisinger (Malabar, 11-6) vs. Mike Wade (Tiffin, 14-3); Dick Morgan (Port Clinton, 6-13) vs. Chris Crosby (Bellevue, 17-0-1); Terry Whittaker (Sandusky, 4-7), bye; Mike Owens (Madison, 16-1-1), bye; Don Hinton (Marion, 2-8), bye; Ed Farson (Ross, 11-5) vs. Bill Frontz (Mansfield Sr., 0-7); Tom Simonson (Ashland, 15-2), bye.

145 POUNDS

Mike Ranker (Tiffin, 4-5-2), bye; Steve Lehrer (Sandusky, 6-3) vs. Peter Drye (Mansfield Sr., 5-3); Jim Billow (Ross, 12-3-1) vs. Dick Griffith (Marion, 1-8); Mike Gilbert (Malabar, 8-6) bye; John Fox (Madison, 11-3-1), bye; Ross Hiat (Galion, 0-3), bye; Adrian Bull (Ashland, 9-4-1) vs. Greg Mira (Bellevue, 10-5); Jack Wallack (Port Clinton, 4-10), bye.

155 POUNDS

Terry Hinkle (Ross, 6-5), bye; Greg Young (Tiffin, 9-4) vs. Ron Ray (Bellevue, 12-7); Dave Johnson (Marion, 0-2) vs. Madison wrestler to be determined; Jeff Ward (Sandusky, 17-1), bye; Greg Bishop (Ashland, 13-2-1), bye; John Logan

(Galion, 4-4), bye; Jay Subbrier (Port Clinton, 0-31) vs. Marty Lurie (Mansfield Senior, 12-3); Malabar wrestler to be named, bye.

167 POUNDS

Casey Didion (Bellevue, 11-5-2), bye; Jim Baehrens (Mansfield, 5-3) vs. Loren Wagner (Galion, 2-2); Ken Taylor (Sandusky, 4-7) vs. Tiffin wrestler to be named; Ken Heyde (Ashland, 16-0), bye; Dave Skergran (Ross, 13-4), bye; Steve Wright (Marion, 2-5), bye; Terry Thompson (Madison, 12-6) vs. Malabar wrestler to be named; John O'Nan (Port Clinton, 12-5), bye.

175 POUNDS

Craig Mitchell (Madison, 3-1), bye; Steve Hughes (Ashland, 13-4) vs. Paul Johnson (Mansfield Sr., 12-6); Matt Zoller (Tiffin, 12-1) vs. Jeff Martin (Marion, 4-6); Scott Boals (Malabar, 4-5), bye; Bruce Below (Port Clinton, 3-16), bye; Curt Stoldt (Bellevue, 15-3), bye; John Carver (Sandusky, 2-7) vs. Mike Weber (Galion, 0-3); Dale Reiter (Ross, 14-3), bye.

185 POUNDS

Derrol Waggoner (Marion, 11-5), bye; Mark Shephard (Malabar, 3-6) vs. Gary Garman (Bellevue, 7-6); Dave Mierke (Ross, 5-1) vs. Mike Warren (Tiffin, 3-0); Dave Funk (Ashland, 6-6); Bill Metz (Madison, 15-2), bye; Bill Peterson (Galion, 8-6), bye; Mike Matta (Port Clinton, 18-4) vs. John Hatcher (Mansfield Sr., 5-6); Dale Sartor (Sandusky, 8-4), bye.

HEAVYWEIGHT

Tiffin wrestler to be named, bye; Joe Hill (Galion, 10-6) vs. Scott Call (Ashland, 4-1); Rick Drollinger (Marion, 5-6) vs. Larry Stacco (Madison, 13-3-1); Steve McKillips (Sandusky, 6-8); Jim Sass (Port Clinton, 9-12), bye; John Hafford (Mansfield Sr., 12-3), bye; Mark Cooley (Ross, 0-4) vs. Dale Brutcher (Bellevue, 10-5); Rick Blahnik (Malabar, 4-12), bye.

Local Players By

Local and area high school basketball players failed to gain first team honors in the District six of the Ohio School Basketball Coaches Association All-Star balloting.

Only two Fremonters, Ross high's Bob Brudzinski and St. Joe's Tim Shetzer, gained second team berths in their respective classes.

The northcentral Ohio coaching association named two Buckeye Conference performers to the first team of the Class AAA division. Sandusky's Scott May and Mansfield Senior's Dave Hurley were first team choices. Other selected were Scott McDavid of Galion, Mike Schoen of Bellevue and Don Bland of Tiffin.

Brudzinski, a 6-4 junior forward who averages 13.5 points per game for the Little Giants, took second team honors

along with Marion's Mike Roads, Malabar's Bob Crawford and Roger Loesch, and Mansfield Senior's Terone Butler.

The first team Class AA selections, none of which stand under 6-5, included Lexington's Tim Davis, Ontario's Roger Ash, Mike Burma of Willard, Mike Hord of Colonel Crawford and Dave Sweet of Norwalk.

Shetzer shared the second team honors with Sam Esposito of Margaretta, Steve Schwan of Willard, and Ron Arnett and Dave Pigman of Lexington.

The 6-0 senior guard for St. Joe's Crimson Streaks is averaging 22.0 points a game. He was the only Streak named to either team.

Area ball players couldn't penetrate into the ranks of the top five Class A roundballers. Gary Olmstead and Brett Steffanni of Bettisville managed

Eight Ross Matmen Reach Semifinals

BELLEVUE — Ashland and Bellevue were almost even in the battle for the team championship when the semifinals started this afternoon in the Bellevue Class AAA Wrestling Tournament.

After two rounds of competition Friday, Ashland held a half-point edge over the Redmen in the team race, 20-19½. But four other squads appeared to have a shot at overtaking the two leaders.

Sandusky was third with 17 points while Mansfield Senior checked in with 15. Fremont Ross and Mansfield Madison each had 13. The Little Giants and Madison were followed by Tiffin Columbian (11), Port Clinton (8½), Galion (four and a half), Marion (four) and Madison (one).

Bellevue led in the number of qualifiers for the semifinal round — nine. Ross and Ashland each had eight while Madison got seven grapplers through the first two rounds and Sandusky six. Mansfield Senior and Tiffin Columbian each had five grapplers make it through the quarterfinals. Port Clinton had just two survivors and Galion one.

Still competing for individual titles for Ross were Eric Wolfe (180), Dave Alejandro (115), Bob Stierwalt (135), Terry Hinkle (150), Dave Skergan (170), Dale Reiter (178), Dave Mierke (185) and Mark Cooley (heavyweight). Jim Linder (180), Tom Beedy (115), Pete DeLuca (122), Mark Aigler (129), Chris Crosby (141), Greg Mira (148), Casey Didion (170), Carl Stoldt (178) and Dale Brutcher (heavyweight) made the semifinals for Bellevue.

The only Port Clinton survivors were John O'Nan (170) and Mike Matta (185).

Wolfe, who drew a bye in the opening round and then outscored Jim Bishop from Mansfield Senior, 14-10, in the quarterfinals drew Brad McPhillamy as his semifinal opponent. The other

half of the bracket had Linder going against Dave Ballinger of Marion. Linder advanced with a 13-0 win over Ashland's Greg Martin and a third period fall over Columbian's Bob Kissel.

Ashland's top-seeded Les Fulk was the semifinal opponent for Alejandro. Fulk, who entered the tournament with a 17-0 record, had a pin and lopsided 12-0 decision in Friday competition. Alejandro, who was one of nine Ross grapplers to have a bye in the opening round, pinned Mark Lapczenski in the quarterfinals.

Beedy and Sandusky's Dave Braeung were paired in the other 115-pound semifinal. All four semifinalists were seeded. Braeung was second and Beedy third while Alejandro had fourth. DeLuca reached the semis with decision wins over Ross' Kevin Haynes (10-2) and Sandusky's Ernie Ferguson (5-2). DeLuca met Columbian's Greg Patterson this afternoon. In the other half of the bracket, Ashland's Dave Broome faced Mansfield Senior's Parnall Cameron.

The four seeded competitors in the 129-pound bracket also reached the semifinals. Ashland's Tim Weidinger, the top seed, drew Aigler, while number three, Tim Whittaker of Sandusky, opposed Madison's Darwin Christensen.

Stierwalt, who opened with a bye and then topped Mansfield's Jim LeVack, faced top-seeded Skip Holmes of Mansfield Madison. Tad Sendebach and Greg Kinger were the other survivors. Stierwalt is the only member of the quartet who wasn't seeded.

The four seeds at 141 also survived the first two rounds. Crosby, who was number one based on a 17-0 regular season record, met number four Mike Wade of Tiffin Columbian while number two Mike Owens of

Madison collided with Ashland's Tom Simonsen, the third seed.

Mira reached the semifinals with a 4-2 upset of Ross' Jim Billow in the quarterfinals. Billow was the first seed and drew a first round bye while Mira was blanking Jack Wallack of Port Clinton, 8-0.

Mira faced Steve Lehrer of Sandusky for the right to wrestle in the championships. The winner would go against either John Fox of Madison or Mansfield Senior's Peter Drye.

Hinkle downed Gary Young of Columbian, 4-1, in the second round to earn the opportunity to battle top-seeded Jeff Ward this afternoon. Ward, in his only match Friday, flattened Charles Cain of Madison in 4:02. The Hinkle-Ward survivor meets either Gary Bishop of Ashland or Mansfield Senior's Marty Lamie.

Only one second remained in the first period when Skergan decked Steve Wright of Marion Harding in the quarterfinals. The victory earned Skergan the opportunity to meet John O'Nan of Port Clinton in the semifinals. O'Nan decisioned Terry Thompson of Madison, 2-0, in the second round.

Didion, the fourth seed, drew Ashland's Ken Heyde.

A matchup between Bellevue and Ross came at 178 where Reiter went against Stoldt in the semifinals. Reiter advanced by pinning John Carver of Sandusky while Stoldt decked Bruce Below from Port Clinton in 2:33. In the other semifinal bout, Stan Hughes of Ashland faced Matt Zoller from Port Clinton.

Unbeaten Mike Warren of Tiffin Columbian was Mierke's semifinal foe. Both grapplers had quarterfinal pins — Mierke decked Dale Sartor of Sandusky while Warren disposed of Mansfield Senior's John Hatcher. Warren is the top seed at 185.

Cooley also ran up against a number one seed in his semifinal match — Larry Stacco of Mansfield Madison. Cooley upset Galion's Joe Hill 8-5 in the quarterfinals.

Brutcher was pitted against John Hafford on Mansfield Senior this afternoon. They are the second and third seeds. Brutcher battled Bob Didion of Tiffin Columbian and decisioned Marion's Rick Drollinger in the first two rounds.

Ross grapplers who did not make it to the semifinals included: Roger Huff (98), Haynes, Tom Hendricks (129), Ed Farson (141) and Billow. Several members of that quintet were expected to have the opportunity to wrestle consolation matches, however.

Overall, acting Ross head coach Dave Long was fairly pleased with the Ross performance.

"There were a couple of surprises but I think we did fairly well," Long said. "We had a lot of byes in the first round and that hurt us in the team race. But if we can get some of these kids into the finals those points should even out."

Semifinal action began this afternoon at 1:30 p.m. Preliminary and quarterfinal consolation matches were scheduled to follow at the conclusion of the semis. Tonight, the championship and third place matches will be run at the same time starting at 7 p.m.

Practice Shoot

ELMORE — The Elmore Conservation Club will hold a practice trapshoot Sunday, beginning at 1 p.m. The club's regular monthly trapshoot will be held March 5. The annual membership trophy shoot is scheduled March 19.

AAA Summaries

115 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: Swickovsky (Mahabir), by: Ortlip (Galion), by: Shiltz (Mansfield Sr.), pinned Huff (Ross), 3:44.
Rea (Port Clinton), by: B. Lapczenski (Tiffin), by: Lee (Madison), by: Belle (Sandusky), dec. Meyer (Bellevue), 7-4.
QUARTERFINALS: Ortlip pinned Swickovsky, 2-41; Shiltz pinned Rea, 2:30.
Lee pinned Lapczenski, 3:08; Ferguson pinned Belle, 4:28.

125 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: Ballinger (Marion), by: St. Clair (Port Clinton), by: Linder (Bellevue), dec. Martin (Ashland), 12-0.
Kissel (Tiffin), by: Lepley (Galion), by: McPhillamy (Sandusky), by: Bishop (Mansfield Sr.), pinned O'Leary (Madison), 1:52.
Wolfe (Ross), by: QUARTERFINALS: Ballinger won by default over St. Clair. Linder pinned Kissel, 1:30; McPhillamy dec. Lepley, 6-1.
Wolfe dec. Bishop, 14-13.

135 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: Alejandro (Ross), by: M. Lapczenski (Tiffin), dec. Peter (Marion), 9-8; Fulk (Ashland) pinned Stone (Madison), 1:13.
Williams (Mansfield Sr.), by: Johnson (Mahabir), by: Braeung (Sandusky), by: Beedy (Bellevue), pinned Haffner (Port Clinton), 3:21.
Arlen (Galion), by: QUARTERFINALS: Alejandro pinned Lapczenski, 2:54; Fulk dec. Williams, 12-0; Braeung pinned Johnson, 3:41; Beedy dec. Arlen, 5-0.

145 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: Patterson (Tiffin), by: Fox (Mahabir) dec. Winback (Port Clinton), 5-0; DeLuca (Bellevue) dec. Haynes (Ross), 10-2; Ferguson (Sandusky), by: Cameron (Mansfield Sr.), by: Trubee (Marion), by: Godard (Galion) dec. Mergel (Madison), 10-1.
Broome (Ashland), by: QUARTERFINALS: Patterson pinned Fox, 1:30; DeLuca dec. Ferguson, 3:2; Cameron dec. Trubee, 7-1; Broome pinned Godard, 29.

155 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: Agler (Bellevue), by: Wood (Marion) dec. Meisner (Tiffin), 8-0; Weidinger (Ashland) pinned Kallenbach (Port Clinton), 2:23; Hendrick (Ross), by: Christensen (Madison), by: Lee (Mansfield Sr.), by: Whittaker (Sandusky) dec. Amicone (Mahabir), 7-2.
Foust (Galion), by: QUARTERFINALS: Agler dec. Wood, 6-0; Weidinger pinned Hendrick, 4:58; Christensen dec. Lee, 3-0; Whittaker pinned Foust, 3:48.

170 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: Stierwalt (Ross), by: LeVack (Mansfield Sr.), dec. Sauer (Ashland), 1-0; Parks (Marion) dec. Redmond (Mahabir), 7-5; Holmes (Madison), by: Andrews (Bellevue), by: Sendebach (Tiffin), by: Regal (Port Clinton) pinned Smith (Galion), 3:09.
King (Sandusky), by: QUARTERFINALS: Stierwalt dec. LeVack, 5-1; Holmes dec. Parks, 6-4; Sendebach dec. Andrews, 5-0; King dec. Regal, 4-2.

185 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: George (Galion), by: Wade (Tiffin) dec. Giesinger (Marion), 1-0; Crosby (Bellevue) dec. Morgan (Port Clinton), 4-0; Whittaker (Sandusky), by: Owens (Madison), by: Hinton (Marion), by: Farson (Ross) dec. Frontz (Mansfield Sr.), 8-5; Simonsen (Ashland), by: QUARTERFINALS: Wade pinned George, 2:31; Crosby dec. Whittaker, 9-0; Owens pinned Hinton, 1:09; Simonsen dec. Farson, 15-7.

195 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: Hiatt (Galion), by: Lehrer (Sandusky), by: Mira (Bellevue) dec. Wallack (Port Clinton), 8-0; Billow (Ross), by: Griffith (Marion), by: Fox (Madison), by: Bull (Ashland) dec.

Gilbert (Mahabir), 9-2; Drye (Mansfield Sr.), by:

QUARTERFINALS: Lehrer pinned Hiatt, 24; Mira dec. Billow, 4-2; Fox pinned Griffith, 3:17; Drye dec. Bull, 3-3.

195 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: Hinkle (Ross), by: Young (Tiffin) dec. Ray (Bellevue), 8-5; Cain (Madison) dec. Johnson (Marion), 3-2; Ward (Sandusky), by: Bishop (Ashland), by: Logan (Galion), by: Janine (Mansfield Sr.), pinned Shuster (Port Clinton), 2:17; Jim Fisher (Mahabir), by:

QUARTERFINALS: Hinkle dec. Young, 4-1; Ward pinned Cain, 4:02; Bishop dec. Logan, 5-1; Lamer dec. Fisher, 5-1.

195 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: Didion (Bellevue), by: Wagner (Galion) dec. Baehner (Mansfield Sr.), 1-0; 1-0 Taylor (Sandusky) pinned Kiser (Tiffin), 4:25; Heyde (Ashland), by: Skergan (Ross), by: Wright (Marion), by: Thompson (Madison) dec. Henry (Mahabir), 2-1; O'Nan (Port Clinton), by:

QUARTERFINALS: Didion dec. Wagner, 2-1; Heyde dec. Taylor, 7-0; Skergan pinned Wright, 1:59; O'Nan dec. Thompson, 2-0.

195 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: Mitchell (Madison), by: Hughes (Ashland) dec. Johnson (Mansfield Sr.), 4-2; Zoller (Tiffin) dec. Martin (Marion), 5-0; Boals (Mahabir), by: Below (Port Clinton), by: Stoldt (Bellevue), by: Carver (Sandusky) pinned Weber (Galion), 2-44; Reiter (Ross), by:

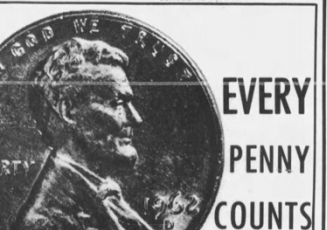
QUARTERFINALS: Hughes dec. Mitchell, 18-4; Zoller dec. Boals, 6-2; Stoldt pinned Below, 2:35; Reiter pinned Carver, 1-48.

195 POUNDS
FIRST ROUND: Mierke (Ross), by: Sartor (Sandusky) dec. Garmas (Bellevue), 11-6; Hatcher (Mansfield Sr.) pinned Peterson (Galion), 2:39; Warren (Tiffin), by: Metz (Madison), by: Shepherd (Mahabir), by: Matta (Port Clinton) pinned Hudell (Marion), 3:31.
Fulk (Ashland), by: QUARTERFINALS: Mierke pinned Sartor, 1:59; Warren pinned Hatcher, 10:00; Metz pinned Shepherd, 5-42; Matta dec. Fulk, 5-1.

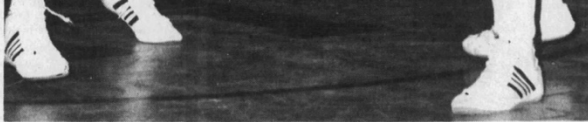
HEAVYWEIGHT

FIRST ROUND: Cooley (Ross), by: Hill (Galion), by: Carl (Ashland) pinned Sax (Port Clinton), 3:23; Stacco (Madison), by: Hafford (Mansfield Sr.), by: Blahnik (Mahabir), by: Brutcher (Bellevue) pinned Cooley (Tiffin), 1:39.

QUARTERFINALS: Cooley dec. Hill, 8-9; Stacco dec. Call, 4; Hafford pinned Blahnik, 3:09; Brutcher dec. Drollinger, 3-0.



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ST. JOE'S JIM SZAKOVITS (left) works for takedown against Mohawk's Jeff Weikert during the 170-pound championship match of the Heidelberg College Class AA-A sectional Saturday. Szakovits got the takedown and

won the title with a 4-2 decision. He and eight other Crimson Streak grapplers will be entered in the district competition at Toledo Northwood this weekend. (News-Messenger Photo By Don Fogleston)

Wolfe, Reiter, Cooley In District Competition

BELLEVUE — Fremont Ross will have only three representatives in the district wrestling tournament at Toledo Whitmer this weekend.

The Little Giants were blanked in the championship category in last weekend's Class AAA sectional at Bellevue High School, but did manage three second places.

Taking runner-up spots for the Purple and White were Eric Wolfe (108), Dale Reiter (178) and Mark Cooley (heavyweight).

I'm happy those three fellows are going to the district but am disappointed we didn't have more boys make it," acting Ross head coach Dave Long said.

Ross sent eight entrants into the semifinals, but only Wolfe, Reiter and Cooley survived. Dave Alejandro (115), Rob Stierwalt (135), Terry Hinkle (158), Dave Skergan (170) and Dave Mierke (188) all bowed in the semifinals.

Those five dropped into the consolation bracket where only Hinkle was able to get through his first match. He advanced to the consolation finals before losing a 5-3 decision to Greg Bishop of Ashland.

Wolfe, after downing Brad McPhillamy of Sandusky to advance to the semifinals, lost a referee's decision to Jim Linder of Bellevue for the title. At the end of the regulation six minutes, the score was 0-0. They also battled to a 0-0 draw in the three-minute overtime.

Steve Hughes of Ashland

stopped Reiter's bid for a sectional crown, 7-3. Reiter earned his ticket into the finals with a semifinal win over Curt Stoldt from Bellevue.

Cooley, who's a 230-pound sophomore, surprised top-seeded

CHAMPIONSHIP

101-Shiltz (Mansfield Senior) dec. Ferguson (Ashland), 10-2.
108-Linder (Bellevue) won by ref. dec. over Wolfe (Ross).
115-Braunig (Sandusky) dec. Faulk (Ashland), 8-2.
122-Cameron (Mansfield Sr.) pinned DeLuca (Bellevue), 4:20.
129-Whittaker (Sandusky) dec. Weidinger (Ashland), 4-2.
135-King (Sandusky) dec. Holmes (Mansfield Madison), 5-2.
141-Crosby (Bellevue) won by ref. dec. over Owens (Mansfield Madison).
148-Fox (Mansfield Madison) dec. Lehrer (Sandusky), 6-3.
158-Ward (Sandusky) dec. Lamie (Mansfield Sr.), 2-1.
170-Heide (Ashland) dec. O'Nan (Port Clinton), 3-1.
178-Hughes (Ashland) dec. Reiter (Ross), 7-3.
180-Metz (Mansfield Madison) pinned Warren (Tiffin Columbian), 5:05.
190-Hafford (Mansfield Senior) dec. Cooley (Ross), 3-0.

THIRD PLACE

101-Lee (Mansfield Madison) pinned Ortlip (Galion), 2:01.
108-Bishop (Mansfield Senior) dec. Ballinger (Marion), 8-3.
115-Johnson (Malabar) dec. Williams (Mansfield Senior), 3-1.
122-Ferguson (Sandusky) pinned Trubee (Marion), 1:56.
129-Christensen (Mansfield Madison) dec. Augler (Bellevue), 3-0.
135-Regal (Port Clinton) dec. Parks (Marion), 8-4.
141-Simonson (Ashland) dec. Wade (Tiffin), 1-0.
148-Drye (Mansfield Senior) dec. Mira (Bellevue), 6-3.
158-Bishop (Ashland) dec. Hinkle (Fremont), 5-3.
170-Didion (Bellevue) dec. Thompson (Madison), 5-3.
178-Stoldt (Bellevue) dec. Johnson (Mansfield Sr.), 13-2.
190-Brutcher (Bellevue) dec. Stacco (Mansfield Madison), 4-1.

Larry Stacco of Mansfield Madison in the semifinals, before losing a 3-0 verdict to John Hafford from Mansfield Senior. Cooley wasted little time with Stacco, recording a fall in 33 seconds.

Bellevue will send six contestants to the district competition at Toledo Whitmer High School while Port Clinton has two entries.

Linder was one of two champions for Bellevue. The only other winner was 141-pounder Chris Crosby who won an overtime referee's decision with Mike Owens of Mansfield Madison.

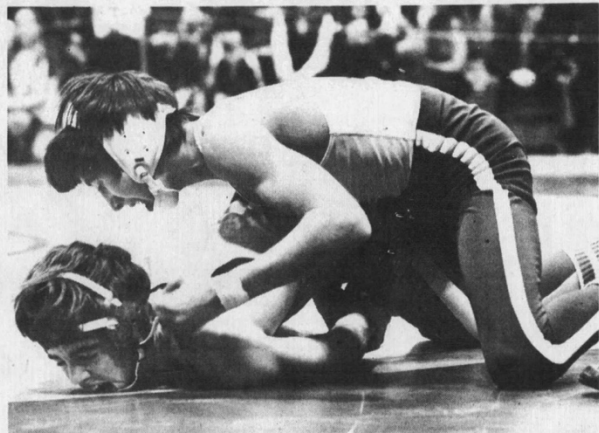
Also going to the district for Bellevue will be Pete DeLuca (122), Casey Didion (170), Curt Stoldt (178) and Dale Brutcher (heavyweight).

DeLuca finished second to Parnell Cameron of Mansfield Senior while Didion, Stoldt and Brutcher took third places.

Port Clinton will be represented by John O'Nan, the second place finisher at 170, and Dave Regal, who finished third at 135.

Mansfield Senior captured the sectional championship for the second consecutive year, edging Sandusky, 83-78½. Third place went to Ashland (77), while Madison (75) and Bellevue (72½) completed the top five.

Ross was sixth with 43 points followed by Port Clinton (27½), Tiffin (24), Marion Harding (14), Galion (eight and a half) and Mansfield Malabar (eight).



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ERIC WOLFE OF ROSS CONTROLS BELLEVUE'S JIM LINDER
The Bellevue Grappler Took A Referee's Decision



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