



TOM GUYER (bottom) of St. Joe has a hold of Kevin Roth of Sandusky St. Mary's in the 115-pound finals of the Class A Sectional wrestling tournament Saturday night. Guyer pinned Roth for the second

time this season to give St. Joe its only championship in the tournament. (News-Messenger photos by Bill Stewart)

Ross 3rd; seven advance

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BELLEVUE — Buckeye Conference teams dominated the Class AAA Sectional Wrestling Tournament by finishing in the top three spots.

Sandusky, third in the Buckeye Conference Tournament a week ago, grabbed the top spot with 20 1/2 points. Mansfield, second in the BC tourney, was second in the sectional with 19 1/2, and Ross grabbed third with 14 1/2. Host Bellevue of the Northern Ohio League was fourth with 13 1/2, and another NOL school, Gallon, was fifth at 9 1/2.

Ross's Jessie Heidelberg successfully defended his 106-pound title to lead the Little Giants' contingent of seven wrestlers qualifying for next week's district tournament at Toledo Rogers High School.

Clarence Parks (158) and Jim Smith (heavyweight) of Ross took second place for Ross in the sectional. Grabbing third places for the Little Giants were Aaron Sewell (135), John Lipstraw (148), and Dave Campbell (170) while Rick Hinkle was fourth at 141 pounds.

The top four wrestlers in each of the 13 weight divisions qualified for the district tourney which is one step away from the state tourney.

Ross also had two wrestlers finish fifth. Paul "Tex" Miller (129) and Karl Schabel (188) will be in the district meet should any of the top four wrestlers in those divisions from the Bellevue sectional be unable to wrestle in the districts.

Heidelberg churned past Gus Walls of Perkins in the 105-110. The Ross senior, who reached the state tourney a year ago, surrendered all five points to Walls by letting him escape. Heidelberg scored on four takedowns and a reversal.

"He has really improved," Heidelberg said about Walls. In an earlier season match, Heidelberg had pinned Walls.

"I knew he was going to be coming after me," the Little Giants' lightweight pointed out. "I was a little sluggish out there (on the mat)."

Walls surprised Heidelberg by using a style that closely resembled the Ross wrestler.

Parks and Bellevue's Tom Linder hooked up in a thriller in the 158-pound finals. Linder, sporting a 13-0 record to Parks' 21-5-1, knocked over the Ross junior 11-6 in a match that resembled a bar room brawl.

Smith met and lost to Luther Henson of Sandusky for the fourth time this season. Smith, the only wrestler to really test the Sandusky big man, was pinned in 3:05.

Henson broke a Smith "cradle" early in the second period before reversing and pinning the Ross wrestler. Third seeded Sewell, after losing to eventual champ Steve Camella of Sandusky in the first round Friday, took third by easing past Duane Owens of Mansfield 3-0. John Lipstraw, after entering the tourney with a 5-9-1 record, walked out of it with a 10-10-1 mark. His 10th win, a 2:05 pin on Alex Pirooska of Madison, gave him his third place finish.

Campbell downed Bill Suver of Gallon 7-0 in his consolation finals match for third. In the last 1:10 of his match against Suver, Campbell had his rival's back to the mat but could not get the little extra for the pin.

Sandusky claimed six individual titles with Mansfield getting four. Bellevue finished with one champ, the same as Marion Harding.

Bellevue, in addition to Linder, will send Gary Ailer (115), Bill Weaver (122), Dan Redd (170), and Bruce Baker (141) into the district tourney.

14th consecutive year, the Knights won the district crown. This year, it was an easy 397-192 margin over Sandusky, a team that had been expected to give the Knights a stiff challenge.

St. Francis took home five first places and seven second places in dominating the meet.

In other Ross finishes, Koenig was fifth in the IM with a 2:08 and sixth in the butterfly with a 56.1. Hawk finished fifth in the backstroke with a 59.7 and Messina was sixth in the breaststroke with a

Mike Jones (SF) 4:11.06; Greg Patterson (SF) 3:50.3; Jeff Meckstroff (New Bremen) 3:51.4; Doug Verdin (MH) 3:28.4.

BUTTERFLY — Rayne Brown (Upper Sandusky) 55.0; Worth (SF) 54.4.

100-FREESTYLE — Schwab (Nap) 49:18; Waldox (Sand) 50:28; 500-Freestyle — Brian Taney (SF) 4:56.6; Steve Bialorucki (SF) 4:59.3.

BACKSTROKE — Conrad (SF) 57.4; Emmenecker (SF) 58.4; **BREASTSTROKE** — Tim Heck (SF) 1:06.1; Jim Cory (Lima) 1:04.2.

FREESTYLE RELAY — Napoleon (Mark Bertz, Mark Miller, Greg Jamison, Schwab) 3:22 (New district record. Old record held by St. Francis, 3:24.6); Sandusky (Waldock, Palazzo, Jim Parker, Scott Spayd) 3:23.7.



LYNN MCKINNEY IS BEING CONTROLLED BY LIBERTY CENTER'S **BOB CARPENTER**

Stritch shades Rockets in AA sectional

OAK HARBOR — The Oak Harbor Rockets won four championships and placed nine wrestlers for the district tournament in finishing a close second to Oregon Cardinal Stritch in the Class AA Sectional tournament here Saturday.

Cardinal Stritch, which placed 10 wrestlers and had three champions, edged Oak Harbor for the title 206-189. Elmwood was third with 149 and the Genoa Cornets were fourth with 135, and placed six wrestlers.

Winning championships for Oak Harbor were Randy Lewis (129), Todd Wink (148), Mike Carman (158) and Dan Zunk (170). Wink and Carman remained unbeaten for the season in winning title.

The third place with stirring upsets. Lewis snapped the unbeaten streak

of Jeff Hardy of Eastwood in the semi-finals and won 7-5 in the finals. Zunk, who upset previously unbeaten Alfredo Lozoya of Genoa in the opening round Friday, quickly pinned (0:32) Jeff Nonemaker of Elmwood in the finals.

Phil Weirich (101) and Al Lipstraw (141) finished second for Oak Harbor, with John Bigger (135) finishing third and Gary Lemmon (108) and Steve Burnett (115) in fourth.

Weirich was beaten for the third time in four matches this year against Dan Tank of Genoa (11-6) in the finals. Tank's victory avenged a loss to Weirich in the finals of the Suburban Lakes League tournament a week ago Saturday.

The other champion for Genoa was Mark Mancinotti (115). Dan

Lopez (108) and Randy Calhoun (188) finished second for Genoa, while Lozoya came back to finish third, along with heavyweight Butch Williams, who got a pin in the finals.

The Port Clinton Redskins, who finished seventh with 68 points, had four wrestlers place for the district tourney. Heavyweight Kevin Baldut was the only champion for Port Clinton as he won by default over Terry Reeves of Cardinal Stritch in the finals. Tim Celek (178) came close to winning a title for the Redskins. He lost by a referee's decision to Bob Loe of Elmwood in the finals.

Art Castillo (115) and Phil Gutkowski (158) placed third for the Redskins.

Lakota, which finished with 17 points, failed to place a wrestler.

Sectional wrestling tournaments

Class AAA

TEAM STANDINGS			
Sandusky	20 1/2	Malabar	77 1/2
Mansfield	192	Harding	67 1/2
Ross	146 1/2	Ashland	50
Bellevue	132 1/2	Findlay	47
Gallon	92	Columbian	47
Madison	86	Perkins	35

CHAMPIONSHIP

101-John Selmon (Man) d. Darren Owens (Mad) 10-3; 106-Jessie Heidelberg (R) d. Gus Walls (P) 10-5; 115-Vince Petrella (Man) d. Gary Ailer (B) 5-1; 122-Save Owens (Man) d. Bill Weaver (B) 5-3; 129-Kevin Irby (S) p. Jim Bender (A) 9-20; 135-Save Camella (S) d. Andy Vrabel (Mal) 4-3; 141-Ray Williams (S) d. Luther Branson (Man) 10-2; 148-Terry Handman (S) d. Jeff Devlin (Man) 10-4; 158-Tom Linder (B) d. Clarence Parks (R) 11-6; 170-Tony Jones (S) d. Dan Redd (B) 14-0; 178-Gary Redd (H) d. Kirk Wyatt (S) 7-3; 188-Larry Ailey (Man) p. Haywood Jordan (TC) 2-33; HVY-Luther Henson (S) p. Jim Smith (R) 3-05.

CONSOLATION

101-Howard Carr (S) d. Steve Hogg (Mar) 2-1; 106-Hal Maxfield (Mad) d. John Combs (P) 14-0 (overtime); 115-Van Wagner (G) d. Dave Black (Mal) 11-1; 122-Eb Brownlee (Mal) d. Randy Hinkle (P) 7-3; 129-Bob Doran (G) d. Dave Young (C) 4-2; 129-Aaron Sewell (R) d. Duane Owens (Man) 5-4; 141-Bruce Baker (S) d. Rick Hinkle (B) 9-2; 148-John Lipstraw (R) p. Alex Pirooska (Mad) 2-05; 158-Dave Elderbrook (P) d. Jay Wagner (G) 6-2; 170-Dave Campbell (R) d. Bill Suver (G) 7-4; 178-Oscar Ailey (Man) p. Harrison Smith (R) 1-38; 188-Drew Squire (Mad) d. Dominic Marocco (Mar) 3-2; HVY-Rick Legema (Mad) d. Ray Neate (P) 1-6.

Class AA

TEAM STANDINGS			
Cardinal Stritch	206	Perrysburg	76
Oak Harbor	198½	Port Clinton	68
Elmwood	149	Eastwood	56½
Genoa	135½	Rosford	49½
Lake	91	Lakota	17

CHAMPIONSHIP

101-Dan Tank (G) d. Phil Weirich (OH) 11-4; 108-Derr (CS) p. Dan Lopez (G) 11-3; 115-Mark Mancinotti (G) d. Tisdale (R) 4-2; 122-Paul Kokinos (P) d. Dave Lee (Elm) 9-0; 129-Randy Lewis (OH) d. Reided (CS) 7-5; 135-Talbot (CS) d. Craig Becker (Eas) 5-1; 141-Lad Plante (CS) d. Al Lipstraw (OH) 10-5; 148-Todd Wink (OH) d. Bergman (CS) 6-0; 158-Mike Carman (OH) d. Bill (CS) 8-4; 170-Dan Zunk (OH) p. Jeff Nonemaker (Elm) 18-7; 178-Bob Loe (Elm) d. Tim Celek (PC) referee's decision in overtime; 180-Rob Boltz (Elm) d. Terry Calton (G) 8-5; HVY-Kevin Baldut (PC) won by default over Terry Reeves (CS).

CONSOLATION

101-Barton (CS) d. Phil Kokinos (P) 11-10; 106-Wendle (P) d. Gary Lemmon (OH) 5-4; 115-Art Castillo (PC) d. Steve Burnett (OH) 4-2; 122-Zeller (CS) d. Youner (Lake) 1-0; 129-Jeff Hardy (Eas) d. Omet (Lak) 5-2; 135-John Bigger (OH) p. Munn (R) 2-17; 141-Lack (Lake) d. Joe Hagenmyer (Elm) 18-7; 148-Terry Davison (Elm) d. Kerry Petys (Eas) 5-1; 158-Paul Gutkowski (PC) d. Platt (P) 7-5; 170-Alfredo Lozoya (G) d. Blakely (Lake) 5-2; 178-Sample (Lake) d. Gary Gerwin (Eas) 10-6; 188-Largent (R) d. Handel (CS) 5-2; HVY-Butch Williams (G) p. Ken Hoste (P) 2-01.

Class A

TEAM STANDINGS			
Sandusky St. Mary's	25 1/2	Patrick Henry	58
Liberty Center	170 1/2	Gibbsburg	56
St. Joe	164	Van Buren	56
Northwood	99	Woodmore	54
Ottawa Hills	71 1/2	North Baltimore	47 1/2

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101-Jude Roth (SM) p. Louis Zamora (SJ) 2-06; 106-Bill Beverick (SM) p. Tim Schell (G) 11-25; 115-Tom Guyer (SJ) p. Kevin Roth (SM) 3-47; 122-Jeff Walter (VB) dec. Rick Collett (N) 1-4; 129-Jerry Hill (LC) p. Bill Drabehn (OH) 1-23; 135-Rob Carpenter (LC) dec. Lynn McKinney (SJ) 6-4; 141-John Moreland (OH) dec. Dave Roach (SM) 9-5; 148-Randy Carpenter (LC) won by default over Rob Fresh (K); 156-Mike Boonbender (LC) dec. Jim Meyer (SJ) 4-1; 170-Bob Valt (SM) dec. Chuck Sander (G) 8-1; 178-Mitch Nadel (SM) p. Rick Weirich (LC) 5-15; 188-Larry Hefflinger (LC) dec. Matt Nausei (SM) 6-4; HVY-John Sciarappa (SM) dec. Pat Maaser (V) 2-2.

CONSOLATION FINALS

101-Rodney Krebe (VB) dec. Josh Lutz (PH) 4-0; 106-Nick Piccuto (SJ) dec. Tom Haz (OH) 7-0; 115-Kraig Baker (G) dec. Steve Eckman (NB) 5-2; 122-Jerry Guerra (SM) dec. Brian Smith (NB) 11-2; 129-Bob Yockey (N) dec. Kyle Grubbs (SM) 6-3; 135-Jerry Herstein (N) won by default over Tom Spendiaran (SM); 141-Todd Boonbender (LC) dec. Jim McKinney (SJ) 4-2; 148-Andy Schwab (SM) p. Andy Lutz (PH) 4-10; 158-Tony Donley (PH) dec. Ralph Rusa (SM) 2-1; 170-Jim Frank (SJ) dec. Jim Carles (NB) 4-1; 178-Save Pfeiffer (SJ) dec. Joe Kautel (N) 2-1; 188-Nelson Golden (VB) p. Dan St. Johns (N) 2-04; HVY-Mike Jay (SJ) p. Mark Williams (PH) 1-36.