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# Park, St. C. Hoping to Continue OVAC Success

Dover, New Philly have strong teams

By CODY TOMER  
Staff Writer

WHEELING — Plenty of new faces will have the opportunity to leave their mark in Saturday's OVAC Bill Brubaker Swimming Championships.

After Wheeling Park captured four straight OVAC 5A girls titles and back-to-back boys crowns, it will be tested by OVAC newcomers Dover and New Philadelphia.

"Dover is loaded," Wheeling Park coach Pat Durkin said. "They are the favorites. They qualified four girls in every event and their top four swimmers are in the Top 16 in their events."

Despite a talented group coming from Dover, the Patriots have a strong trio in Abby Turner, Jenna Bopp and freshman Lacie Langmyer.

Turner, last year's champion in the 50 (24.92) and the 100 (54.43), will again be the top seed in both events, while Bopp is the top seed in the 200 IM.

Langmyer will be looking to leave a lasting impression in the 200 and 500 events.

"Individually, I think Abby Turner is in real good position to win two first place medals and Bopp is in a good place to win gold," Durkin said. "Langmyer should be on the medal stand in her events, too. They are our three horses."

"Freshman Maddie Ross looks really good and sopho-

more Victoria Anderson should have a nice day, as well.

"Our lone senior is Emma Delk and she will do well in distance events."

On the boys' side of things, New Philadelphia looks to have an advantage.

"The New Philly boys are tough, along with Parkersburg South," Durkin said. "They will both be really good."

Leading the Park boys into action will be Devannand Kuttan in the 200 IM and the backstroke, along with Isaac McCabe in the breaststroke and the 50 and Max Kellas in the butterfly.

As for the small school competition, St. Clairsville comes in as back-to-back champions in

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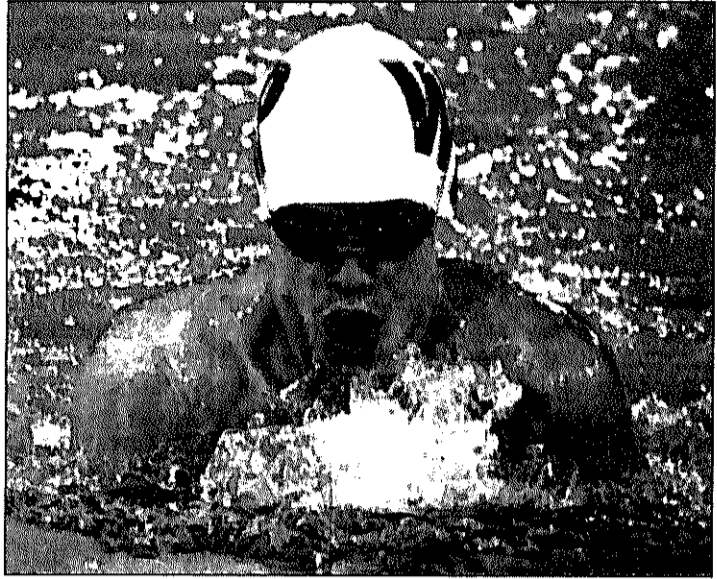


Photo by Cody Tomer  
Wheeling Park's Isaac McCabe will look to help the Patriots win a third straight OVAC title in the boys' event on Saturday.

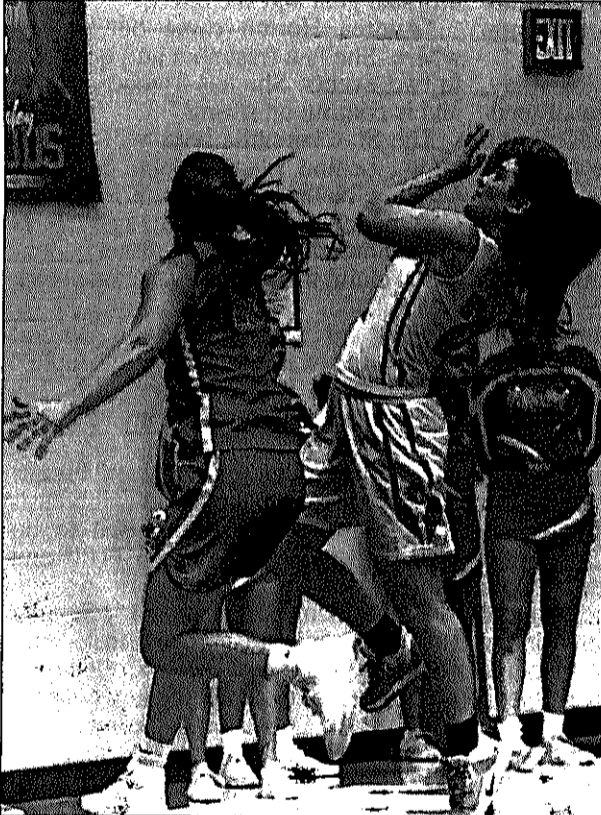


Photo by Josh Strobe  
Wheeling Park's Kieran Johnson (21) goes up for a shot against the defense of Morgantown's Catherine Wassick (13) during Thursday's game at the Palace on the Hill. The Patriots won, 47-39.

## Park Girls Hold Off Morgantown

Woods goes for 26 points

By JOSH STROPE  
Sports Editor

WHEELING — Wheeling Park is nearing the end of a long stretch — five games in eight days. And after tasting defeat Monday for the first time this season, the Patriots have bounced back nicely.

A 17-0 run to close out the first quarter proved to be just the cushion Wheeling Park needed in holding off Morgantown, 47-39, on Thursday in a battle between regional foes at the Palace on the Hill.

"Monday was a great game for us experience-wise with a great

atmosphere at Indian Creek," Wheeling Park coach Ryan Young said. "To come back the last two games and get back on track, that has been good for us. We still have a lot to clean up and we understand. It is not going to be perfect this time of year, but it should be progressing."

"Some areas we are getting better and some areas we just have to work on."

Morgantown (4-7) scored the first five points, but it was all Wheeling Park (12-1) the rest of the first quarter.

After two Bella Abernathy free throws and a 3-pointer by Asia Roby

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# Usual Suspects Leading at OVACs

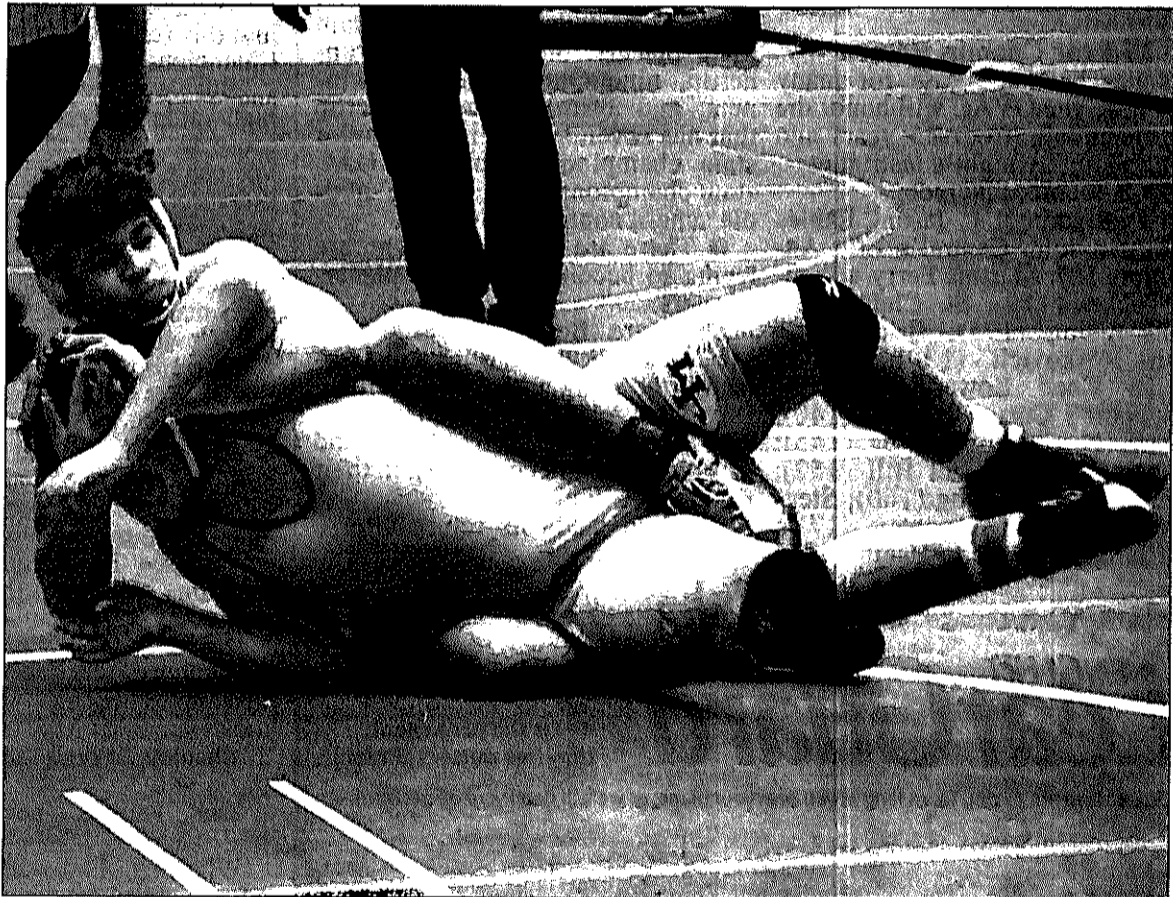


Photo by Kim North  
Wheeling Park's Charlie Tamburin, back, grapples with John Marshall's Mathieu Wright during Thursday's OVAC wrestling action.

## Beaver Local's Salsberry withdraws in 113 weight class

By KIM NORTH  
For The Intelligencer

WHEELING — The usual suspects are atop the leaderboard after the opening night of the 67th annual OVAC Ron Mauck wrestling tournament inside WesBanco Arena.

Multiple-time champion Parkersburg South leads the pack with 50 points after winning 13 of 14 matches. Defending overall and Class 4A titlist Beaver Local and cross-river rival Oak Glen are deadlocked for second at 42. University had a half-point edge on Wheeling Park for fourth, 39-38.5, while St. Clairsville and Steubenville have 35.5 each.

The tournament got interesting even before the first match was held when defending overall and Class 4A champion Beaver Local lost one of its top seeds and defending champions when 113-pound Jaymin Salsberry withdrew prior to the event. Tournament organizers said it could possibly cost the Beavers between 20-30 points depending on how far the sophomore would've advanced.

"I hate to see that, honestly. I would like to see the best kids wrestle, especially when he was the top seed and defending champion," Barnesville coach Jayson Stephen said of the 113-pound weight class shakeup that saw

his son, Griffen, go from the No. 3 seed to No. 2. "We don't shy away from competition. We want it, but that stuff happens and we'll work past it and keep going."

Parkersburg South coach Shaun Smith said it's a break his team needs to take advantage of. "Obviously that's a big deal. Hopefully, our guys can capitalize on it," Smith said.

Beaver Local coach Jonny McComas, in his first season, hopes his team can rebound and stay focused.

"I think it will make our kids more determined. I think they will wrestle harder," he said.

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## Bruins Bring

Cochran

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great. Glad to be back here for sure," Cochran said after pinning Indian Creek's Tyler Sipes in 1:14.

Cochran was an OVAC Tournament runnerup last winter when he lost to Beaver Local's Jaymin Salsberry at 106 pounds.

Both bumped up a weight this year, but Salsberry couldn't make weight and the bracket had to be re-seeded. Cochran then went from No. 2 to the top line, with Barnesville's Griffen Stephen moving up from No. 3 to No. 2.

"Not really. I'm just going to wrestle and do what I do no matter," Cochran said when asked if that put any more pressure on himself.

First-year John Marshall coach Ryan Asbury, who was a long-time assistant with the Monarchs before being elevated when Ted Zervos retired after last year, raved about Cochran's work ethic.

"Carl has done incredible this year," Asbury said.

"He got cleared to come back and work out with us in August.

"Ever since the day he was allowed to join us he's been 100 percent in with the weight room and in practice where he is one of the hardest working guys in the room.

"It's no accident that he's back to the level he's at now."

When asked if he was surprised of Cochran's success, Asbury didn't hesitate in answering.

"No, it doesn't surprise me at all. He's such a hard-working kid. If there was any chance of him coming back, it was going to happen."

Cochran (25-2) will meet Brooke's eighth-seeded Danny Yost in today's quarterfinals.

## 25-Year Champs Return

As has been the case for many years now, the OVAC will honor the past champions from 25 years ago during Saturday night's festivities.

Those honorees include:

East Liverpool's Jason Eckles (103); St. John Central's Eric Anderson (112); Martins Ferry's Lamont Tucker (119); St. Clairsville's Justin Ewing (125); Bridgeport's Brian Roskovich (130); Beaver Local's Chad Bowersock (135); Bridgeport's Cory Ellsworth (140); Martins Ferry's Jim Riser (145); Steubenville's Michael Hill (152); Cambridge's T.J. King (160); Steubenville's Aaron Newman (171); St. Clairsville's Cary Heath (189)

and Steubenville Catholic's Chinadu Achebe (HWT).

According to coordinator Steve Kish, only Anderson will not be on hand.

## Coaching Awards Handed Out

The OVAC Jr. High Coach of the Year was awarded to Brian Spahlinger of Southern Local, while the Assistant Coach of the Year went to Dave Colley of University.

The Class 1A/2A Coach of the Year was David Nelson of Bridgeport.

The 3A Coach of the Year Jayson Stephen of Barnesville.

The 4A Coach of the Year was Jordan Williams of Beaver Local; and the 5A Coach of the Year was Shaun Smith Parkersburg South.

## Moment of Silence

The OVAC wrestling family lost three staunch supporters since last year.

They were Mary Lou Mauck, Ronnie DiLorenzo and Ken Robison.

## By The Numbers

■ Of the 441 wrestlers who stepped on the mat Thursday night, 76 of them had placed in the top 8 at least once during the past three years.

■ Ten individuals are nationally ranked, including Oak Glen's Peyton Hall and Brayden Roberts of Parkersburg South who are both in the top 10 at 152 pounds.

Should that finals match materialize, it will be the marquee matchup Saturday afternoon.

That means the championship finals would start at 160 pounds and continue through to 152.

■ There are six West Virginia state champions among this year's field of wrestlers; 21 Mountain State placers; one Ohio state runnerup; nine Ohio state placemen; and a strong freshman crop that has seven West Virginia junior state champions; a pair of OAC state champions; and 10 OVC middle school conference titlists.

■ There are six seniors who are trying to become four-time placers.

They are Beaver Local's Cole McComas, Skyler Lasure and Daniel Wirth; along with Steubenville's David Tuttle; Hall and Roberts.

■ Dover, New Philadelphia and Warren Local are competing in their first OVAC tournament.

Hundred made its return after a long absence.

## Shell Gets Call to the Hall

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Donnie Shell knows what a Hall of Famer looks like.

It helps when you spend your career calling them teammates, as the hard-hitting safety did during 14 seasons dealing out punishment in the Pittsburgh Steelers secondary.

So Shell never panicked as the years passed and the call that he'd been invited to join Joe Greene, Mel Blount and the other members of the Steelers' dynasty of the 1970s already enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame never came. Shell knew one day he would get fitted for a gold jacket and pose for the bust that will stand alongside all of the rest of the all-time greats.

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both the boys and girls events and are in the conversation again to bring home titles.

The St. C. girls 200 medley relay, 200 relay, 400 relay teams are all seeded first, along with Casadie DiBetta, who is the No. 1 seed in the butterfly and the breaststroke.

"I really do believe that if our girls stay true to what they can do, they can be successful," St. C. swim coach Ernie Banks said.

"We have good momentum running into this (after winning the Buckeye 8 Championship).

"But we are in the middle of high-yardage training right now because we can't just focus on OVAC. We can't slow down our training for this meet because we have bigger objectives in mind."

Maggie Marody, DiBetta, Kylie McKeegan and Brenna Planey should each make their presence felt for the Red Devils, while Lyndsee Probst and Andrea Horton will also make a positive impact on the team.

"Maggie Marody, Casadie DiBetta, Kylie McKeegan and Brenna Planey each played a role in all 12 event wins to help lift us to a Buckeye 8 title and all of our kids are really great kids.

"Lyndsee Probst qualified for the first time in the 200 IM. That was her

"I had confidence and faith that they would make the right decision," Shell said.

"I think all the numbers were there. Got to keep praying and trusting and I never lost my confidence."

Shell never has. It's that confidence that helped him make the team as an undrafted rookie in 1974 out of South Carolina State, a self-assuredness that never wavered through four Super Bowl wins, five Pro Bowl selections, 51 interceptions and three decades of waiting. The wait finally ended this week when Shell became part of an expanded Hall of Fame class named in conjunction with the NFL's 100th anniversary.

Shell is the 10th player from the "Super Steelers" that won four championships in six seasons between 1974 and 1979 to make his way to Canton, Ohio, an honor many of those who earned the nod long ago felt was far overdue.

Greene, Blount, Franco Harris, John Stallworth and Tony Dungy were among Shell's outspoken advocates. They watched him morph from raw prospect to one of the league's most feared defenders.

"It's like we were on the field together again," the 67-year-old said. "It was like them saying, 'Hey, I've got your back.'"

Maybe because for many years, Shell had theirs.

ultimate goal and she did it.

"Andrea Horton came out of nowhere. She is a freshman and qualified in two events. She has a good attitude and is coming on strong."

The St. Clairsville boys will also be strong behind Ethan Banks, Matthew Marling, Nathan Yost, Jack Casper and Caleb McKeegan but the Linsly boys will be breathing down their neck looking to claim their first OVAC title since 2017.

"We are seeded well in several events and we are thin in a couple," Linsly coach Bill Brubaker said. "It's going to be close between my boys and the St. C. boys."

"William Yuan (butterfly and breaststroke), Luke Zwicker (100 and breaststroke) are seeded and poised to do well, as is Bernie Suchoza (100 and 200)."

Brubaker also believes Josh Schultz (200 IM and breaststroke), Jack Weir (butterfly) and Frederico Colloca-Bianchi (backstroke) will be key contributors for the Cadets on Saturday.

Martins Ferry's Jarrett Bolinger will also be a threat as he continues his outstanding swim career as the top seed in the breaststroke and the 100, while John Marshall's Victoria Kidney is the No. 1 seed in the girls' backstroke event.

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tied it, Wheeling Park took its first lead off a Shanley Woods free throw at 6-5.

The Patriots never trailed again.

Wheeling Park ended the first quarter on a 17-0 run, limiting Morgantown to 2 of 10 shooting and forcing six turnovers.

"Defensively we did a little bit better job than we have the last couple games," Young said.

"Zariah Marling came off the bench and was very active. She got some steals early and kind of jumpstarted things for us defensively. Then Shanley kind of carried the load offensively.

"Some kids who have been scoring for us didn't (Thursday) and that is going to happen. That is why we preach that defensively, you can control that end of the floor a lot more. If we can limit teams like we did (Thursday), you are

going to give your team a chance to win even if it is not your best shooting or scoring night."

Despite the 12-point deficit after one quarter, a young Morgantown team didn't go away.

The Mohigans won Quarters 2 and 4, and tied the third quarter, 14-14.

But the first-quarter hole was almost too much to dig out of against a team such as the top-ranked Patriots.

"I am proud of our kids and proud of our effort," Morgantown coach Jason White said. "We could have given in, but we didn't. We did a nice job opening the third quarter and closed the gap. I told the kids I thought we went on a minute, minute and a half freak out there after we closed the gap where we had some turnovers and gave up some layoffs on the other end.

"We can't do that and expect to stay in the game. I thought our de-

fense got better as the game went on. Our help side defense got better.

But you also can't give up 26 (points) to Woods. We know how good of a shooter she is. We had a good game plan at home and we tried to stick to that game plan, but she made us pay (Thursday)."

And the Patriots needed Woods to step up and the senior did impressively.

With the rest of the team struggling, Woods took it upon herself to provide the offense. She took half of the Patriots' shots (22 of 44), including draining four 3-pointers. She missed her first foul shot, but connected on her final six.

She was the only Patriot in double figures.

Her final two free throws came with 27 seconds left, sealing a victory after Morgantown had closed it to five points at 44-39 thanks to six straight points from 6-foot-3 standout Kaitlyn Ammons.

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318-126 record and four Presidents' Athletic Conference championships to go with four NCAA Tournament berths. That success landed Harris into the school's Hall of Fame in 2014.

Harris elevated St. Vincent basketball to the point where the Bearcats were perennial winners. However, the former Ohio University Eastern hoopster harbored bigger dreams, resulting in his decision to leave the Benedictine Monk-run school after last season and head south.

Harris accepted the head men's coaching position at St. Thomas University in Miami Gardens, Fl., in March. St. Thomas is an NAIA D-II institution.

"I have a dream to be a D-I coach like Skip Prosser, Jim O'Brien and the Wojcik brothers for example. The Ohio Valley produces good coaches," Harris said. "I am not in their category but that is my goal. To try and make that happen, I knew I had to go to a different part of the country. This is the right place.

"St. Thomas is the fastest growing university in Florida and one of the fastest in the nation. It is fairly new and has great facilities. It was established in 1963," he added. "We have just started a football program here and we have a law school. St. Thomas is a diamond in the rough."

Harris, age 49, has wasted no time weaving his coaching expertise in the Sunshine State. St. Thomas won just 10 games total last season. The Bobcats head into weekend play with an 11-4 record.

"When I got the job, I had about only 30 days to recruit. I was fortunate that there were some good remaining players," Harris said. "I was also able to attract four D-I transfers, including one from the University of Minnesota. Since we are NAIA D-II we offer scholarships. That wasn't the case at St. Vincent (D-III).

"The St. Thomas administration and president have been very supportive. We are in one of the top small-college conferences (The Sun Conference) in the country," he continued. "It is like the old West Virginia Conference. It's a grind every night and tough to win on the road."

St. Thomas has 10 more regular-season games in that grind. Harris is confident his charges will come through in fine fashion.

"I think our guys are optimistic. I am not a patient guy. I did not come here to finish second," the 1989 Wheeling Park grad said. "We want to knock on the door of the upper echelon in our conference and make them uncomfortable, and we have. We want to finish in the top three of our conference and make the national tournament."

Harris, who also serves as assistant athletic director at St. Thomas, was twice named the Presidents' Athletic Coach of the Year while at Saint Vincent: 2015 and 2019.

"I spent 23 years in Wheeling and 24 in Latrobe, Pa. I feel the same about both...places where I found myself as a coach and where I found my moral compass," Harris said. "St. Vincent was nothing but wonderful. My relations with the Benedictine Monks was outstanding. I was around so many outstanding people. It was not hard to be successful."

#### BUBBA'S BITS

THE NFL is down to its final four. I like the Chiefs and 49ers to punch their Super Bowl tickets today. Should the Chiefs and Packers both prevail, it would be a rematch of Super Bowl I, won by Green Bay, 35-10, in the Los Angeles Coliseum. That Super Bowl carried some interesting Ohio Valley flavor. Bob Brown was a starting defensive lineman for the Packers. Andy Rice was a starting defensive lineman for the Chiefs. Before they landed in the NFL, both were players for the Wheeling Ironmen. Brown recorded a sack in that first Super Bowl. He enjoyed an 11-year NFL career, making the Pro Bowl in 1972. Rice, meanwhile, played eight years in the NFL.

JOE BURROW may have just completed the greatest season ever by a college football player. The Ohio State transfer rewrote the SEC and NCAA passing record books, won the Heisman Trophy and carried LSU to a perfect 15-0 national championship season while setting himself up to be the No. 1 pick in the NFL Draft this April. It's a shame, however, he will find himself in a Cincinnati Bengals' uniform next season.

THE AUSTRALIAN Tennis Open unfolds today. My champion picks are Naomi Osaka and Novak Djokovic.

IT WAS refreshing to see Major League Baseball come down hard on the Houston Astros. The penalties were stiff and cost two people their jobs, but the punishment was justified. There is no room for cheating in baseball, or in any other sport.

LINSLY SCHOOL is moving up to Class AA in the 2020-2021 WVSSAC classifications.

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Stout upset the second seed and advanced to the championship finals late Saturday.

T-L Photo/KIM NORTH

## Four St. C. grapplers reach OVAC final

By KIM NORTH  
Times Leader Sports Writer

WHEELING – Saturday was a good day to be a St. Clairsville Red Devil, especially if you're associated with the wrestling program.

Head coach Joel Sansone's squad reeled off a perfect 4-for-4 semifinal round performance at the 67th annual OVAC Ron Mauck wrestling tournament to make school history as the Red Devils flexed their muscles Saturday afternoon inside WesBanco Arena.

Koen Kish (126), Caden Stout (138), Reese Skaggs (195) and Derek Witsberger (220) all advanced to the championship finals late Saturday after The Times Leader went to press. Complete results can be found in Monday's edition.

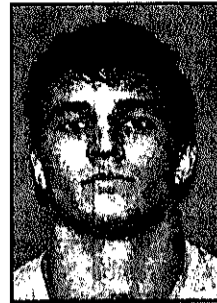
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that we have had four kids in the championship finals in the same year," Sansone said after taking a deep breath to relax. "These kids bought into what we've told them from the start. When we come to the OVACs it isn't going to be as tough as

what we've done so far. Trust the grind and trust what you've done, the work that you've put in and these four bought into it.

"They believe they are never out of a  
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## Monroe routs Bridgeport

By SETH STASKEY  
Times Leader Sports Editor

BRIDGEPORT – Monroe Central had an advantage in basically every area that's important to basketball success Saturday afternoon inside the John J. Havlicek Gymnasium at Bridgeport High School.

It showed, too.

The Seminoles assumed a 20-point lead at halftime and didn't slow down in the second half en route to claiming a convincing 76-33 repeat win over the Bulldogs.

"We tried to keep a tempo to work on some things we needed to work on," Monroe Central head coach Troy Baker said. "We created the tempo we wanted and we definitely had a size advantage. We created more shot opportunities for ourselves."

Absolutely. The Seminoles with a front line of multiple 6-foot post players collected 40 rebounds during the course of

the game, many of which came on the offensive end.

"It doesn't matter how high you're able to jump ... 6-1 is going to beat 5-5 every day of the week," Bridgeport head coach Greg Harkness said. "Their size and length hurt us. They're just bigger than us. That's not an excuse. You still have to find a way to get rebounds, but it also hurts (defensively) because you're unable to contest their shots."

On top of the size, the Seminoles showed a pressure defense, which forced the Bulldogs in numerous turnovers and led to run-out opportunities. All told, Monroe Central led 18-9 after one and then used an 11-2 run late in the second and a 10-3 spurt early in the third to fully blow the game open.

"Defensively, we wanted to create an up-tempo game to get as many shots as we could," Baker said. "But, at the same

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T-L Photo/SETH STASKEY

MONROE'S HAVEN Dick goes up for a shot as Bridgeport's Jaren Tucker defends Saturday afternoon. The Seminoles cruised to a 76-33 victory.

### Ohio Valley Unsung Hero

## UL's Kildow always on the go for sports

By RICK THORP  
Times Leader Sports Writer

MORRISTOWN – A few years ago, Julie Kildow was approached about keeping the scorebook for Union Local's junior varsity basketball team.

She accepted, but then learned the program was looking for someone to keep the varsity book.

She threw her hat in for that job,

too.

"But, don't you want to watch your daughters play?," someone asked her.

"That's the easiest way to watch them," Kildow recalled responding. "You don't get distracted at all. You have to watch the game."

Kildow is much more than you're typical sports mom. In addition to keeping the book for her daughters' team, she also helps coach them in

another sport and serves other athletic roles at UL.

In fact, Kildow has been a familiar athletic presence around the school for years, dating back to her days as a Jet in the early 1980s.

Kildow's daughters – Casey, a junior, and Torre, a freshman – are enjoying a successful run as basketball and volleyball players for UL. Previously, Ty and Cal, sons of Julie  
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### OVAC Swimming Championship



ST. CLAIRSVILLE junior Maggie Marody competes in the 500 freestyle during Saturday's Bill Brubaker OVAC Swimming Championship at Brooke High School. The meet concluded after The Times Leader's deadline, so complete coverage of the meet will be contained in Monday's print edition.

Photo/CODY TOMER

## St. C. fends off Bellaire

By DONNIE YEAGER JR.  
For The Times Leader

ST. CLAIRSVILLE - St. Clairsville has not lost to Bellaire in a while on the hardwood. To be more specific, it's 21 games and in a little less than a 10-year span. The Devils fought off a slow start and a feisty effort from the Big Reds en route to a hard earned 70-62 victory for number 22 in a row.

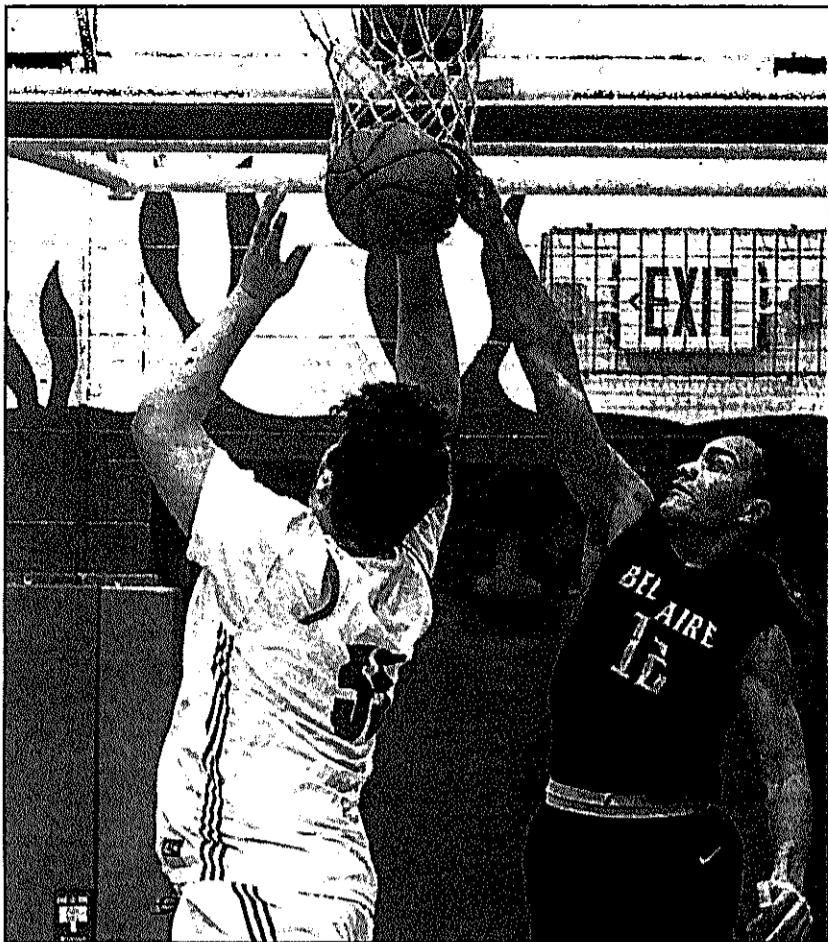
"It was a good effort. They worked hard, they tried hard and tried to gut one out, but you know, like I always tell them, you are supposed to play hard. You don't get extra points for playing hard, you are supposed to. You don't get medals for trying, you get medals for winning," stated Bellaire coach J.R. Battista following the contest. "We are close. Sooner or later we are going to break through and we are going to get one, but it wasn't tonight. That's a credit to St.C. They made plays. They made some tough treys, they made some guarded treys, it spread it out on us and we just couldn't get back into it."

In all, the Devils made seven, 3-pointers on the evening.

Battista continued "We made a good effort at the end, and we made a good run to try to get it down, but we needed another steal to make them nervous, but they made the foul shots and they made the plays to win."

"Our energy wasn't great to start for whatever reason; big game tomorrow night, we've had some success with them (Bellaire) in the recent past, for whatever reason. We've got to understand that we're not good enough to just come out and float around. We got on them at the quarter break about our energy and effort and from that point on we were pretty solid in that sense," noted Red Devils boss Ryan Clifford. "We made some game mistakes, but our energy and effort improved, and the score improved because of it. They (Bellaire) can score and we told them in the scouting report that they have scored against everybody, so you'd better concentrate on the defensive end."

The visitors held a definitive advantage in the first, as the Red Devils (9-4) struggled to find an offensive rhythm. Bellaire (2-12) thoroughly outworked the hosts in the first eight minutes, forcing four turnovers and out-rebounding St. C., 7-4. This accompanied by a pair of timely threes



Photo/KRISTIN MAZGAJ

**ST. CLAIRSVILLE'S** Avery Henry goes up for a shot against Bellaire's Trenton Wilson during Friday's game in St. Clairsville. The Red Devils posted a 70-62 victory.

by Owen Ward and tough inside shots by Trenton Wilson left Bellaire 20-14 after one. St. Clairsville was far from done, though.

The Red Devils put on a defensive clinic, holding Bellaire to just two second-quarter baskets. On the offensive side, St. Clairsville got its inside-outside game running like a well oiled machine, assisting on five of its six baskets in the period, which included a pair of threes by Will Balgo and a bonus bomb from Brett Vike. When the halftime buzzer sounded, the hosts held a 32-24 advantage.

The hosts' lead ballooned to 11 early in the third, after which both teams played even-up before Trenton Wilson started to take over for Bellaire, helping close the gap to 46-37 in favor of the Devils with 2:47 remaining. StC then received a quick pair of baskets from Drew Sefick and Brett Vike to go back up by nine 31 seconds later. The deficit stayed around there for the remainder of the period, after which St. Clairsville led 53-43.

Bellaire got an offensive boost from Wilson again in the final quarter, but

couldn't get within an arms-length of St. Clairsville, as the Devils took the air out of the ball by executing lengthy possessions against a Big Reds' half-court trap, which saw six Red Devils dent in the scoring column by working their way open. The visitors saw a spurt in the final 120 seconds that cut the lead under 10, but Cade Wolfe and Nate Harris salted away a pair of one-and-ones to seal the game.

The Red Devils received double-digit efforts from four players, led by a yeoman's effort from Nate Harris, who finished with 19 points, five boards and five assists.

Avery Henry added 14 with five rebounds and two blocks, Balgo added 13 and Vike scored 10.

Wilson was all over the place for the Big Reds, scoring a game-high 25 points to go with 12 rebounds and three steals.

Andrew Littell finished with 14 and Owen Ward scored 12.

St. Clairsville returns to action this evening as the host East Liverpool. Bellaire hosts Bridgeport Tuesday evening.

## St. C. looks for more hardware at OVAC swim meet

By CODY TOMER  
For The Times Leader

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Despite a talented group coming from Dover, the Patriots have a strong trio in Abby Turner, Jenna Bopp and freshman Lacie Langmyer.

Turner, last year's champion in the 50 (24.92) and the 100 (54.43), will once again be the top seed in both events, while Bopp is the top seed in the 200 IM.

Langmyer will be looking to leave a lasting impression in the 200 and 500 events.

"Individually, I think Abby Turner is in real good position to win two first place medals and Bopp is in a good place to win gold," Durkin said. "Langmyer should be on the medal stand in her events, too. They are our three horses."

"Freshman Maddie Ross looks really good and sophomore Victoria Anderson should have a nice day, as well.

"Our lone senior is Emma Delk and she will do well in distance events."

On the boys side of things, New Philadelphia looks to have an advantage.

"The New Philly boys are tough, along with Parkersburg South," Durkin said. "They will both be really good."

Leading the Park boys into action will be Devannand Kuttan in the 200 IM and the backstroke, along with Isaac McCabe in the breaststroke and the 50 and Max Kellas in the butterfly.

As for the small school competition, St. Clairsville comes in as back-to-back champions in both the boys and girls events and are in the conversation once again to bring home titles.

The St. C. girls 200 medley relay, 200 relay, 400 relay teams are all seeded first, along with Casadie DiBetta, who is the No. 1 seed in the butterfly and the breaststroke.

"I really do believe that if our girls stay true to what they can do, they can be successful," St. C. swim coach Ernie Banks said. "We have good momentum running into this (after winning the Buckeye 8 Championship)."

"But we are in the middle of high-yardage training right now because we can't just focus on OVAC. We can't slow down our training for this meet because we have bigger objectives in mind."

Maggie Marody, DiBetta, Kylie McKeegan and Brenna Planey should each make their presence felt for the Red Devils, while Lyndsee Probst and Andrea Horton will also make a positive impact on the team.

"Maggie Marody, Casadie DiBetta, Kylie McKeegan and Brenna Planey each played a role in all 12 event wins to help lift us to a Buckeye 8 title and all of our kids are really great kids."

"Lyndsee Probst qualified for the first time in the 200 IM. That was her ultimate goal and she did it."

"Andrea Horton came out of nowhere. She is a freshman and qualified in two events. She has a good attitude and is coming on strong."

The St. Clairsville boys will also be strong behind Ethan Banks, Matthew Marling, Nathan Yost, Jack Casper and Caleb McKeegan but the Linsly boys will be breathing down their neck looking to claim their first title since 2017.

"We are seeded well in several events and we are thin in a couple," Linsly coach Bill Brubaker said. "It's going to be close between my boys and the St. C. boys."

"William Yuan (butterfly and breaststroke), Luke Zwicker (100 and breaststroke) are seeded and poised to do well, as is Bernie Suchoza (100 and 200)."

Brubaker also believes Josh Schultz (200 IM and breaststroke), Jack Weir (butterfly) and Frederico Colloca-Bianchi (backstroke) will be key contributors for the Cadets.

Martins Ferry's Jarrett Bolinger will also be a threat as he continues his outstanding swim career as the top seed in the breaststroke and the 100, while John Marshall's Victoria Kidney is the No. 1 seed in the girls' backstroke event.

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It's true.

The Huskies (6-7) trailed 35-17 at the break, but Mitchell sparked a 9-3 run to start the second half, cutting the deficit to 12.

The Jets, which broke the game open with a 7-0 run midway through the second quarter, answered with four straight points to go back up 16. But Mitchell was starting to heat up, as was teammate Cruz Capers.

Capers, who paced the Huskies with 18 points, was the beneficiary of the excellent defensive job UL's Zach Bateman, etc. were doing on Mitchell, and he took advantage by finishing the third with five points, including one of his four 3s, as Harrison Central clawed back to within 12 as the fourth started.

## Lawrence's buzzer beater lifts River by Barnesville

HANNIBAL — Colton Lawrence drained a 3 from the left wing with 2.5 seconds remaining Friday night lifting River to a thrilling 45-44 boys' basketball victory against Barnesville inside the R.L. Potts Gymnasium.

Lawrence finished with 20 points as the Pilots improved to 5-9 and snapped a two-game losing streak.

Stone Thompson added 10 points for River, which led by six heading into the final quarter.

Luke Powell poured in a game-high 32 points for Barnesville (10-4), which has now dropped three straight after winning three in a row.

**Caldwell 60, Beallsville 47**  
BEALLSVILLE — Bede Lori scored 19 points and Jett Lori added 18 as Caldwell raced past Beallsville.

Matt Kowalsky added 12 points for the Redskins.

Dakota Phillips scored a game-high 24 points for the Blue Devils (5-9). Adam Baker added 11 points.

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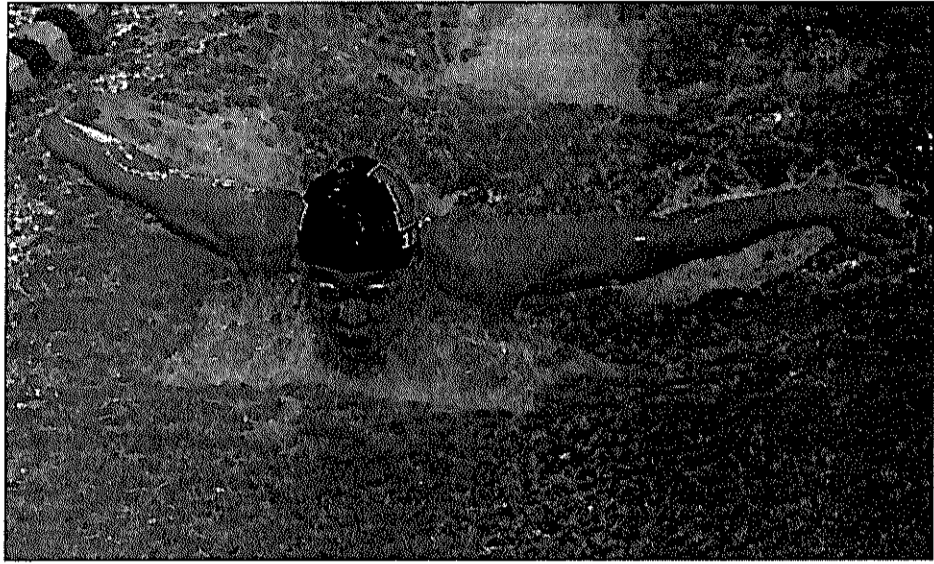
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## Linsly Boys Swim to Title

Cadets Claim OVAC Swimming Title; St. C. Girls, Dover Also Winners  
By CODY TOMER  
Staff Writer

WELLSBURG — The seniors of the Linsly boys' swim team have had their eyes set on their final OVAC meet all season.

After capturing the small school crown as freshmen three years ago, the Cadets have earned back-to-back runner-up accolades.

This year, they wanted to get back to where they began — on top.

They did just that as the Cadets racked up 315 points to secure the small school boys' title at Saturday's

OVAC Bill Brubaker Swim Championships at Brooke.

"They talked about it," Linsly coach Bill Brubaker said of his seniors. "This group won as freshmen and wanted to go out as seniors with the title after getting second two years in a row."

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Photo by Cody Tomer  
Linsly's William Yuan takes part in the butterfly event during Saturday's OVAC Bill Brubaker Swim Championships at Brooke.

## South Holds Off Park To Return to Top of OVAC

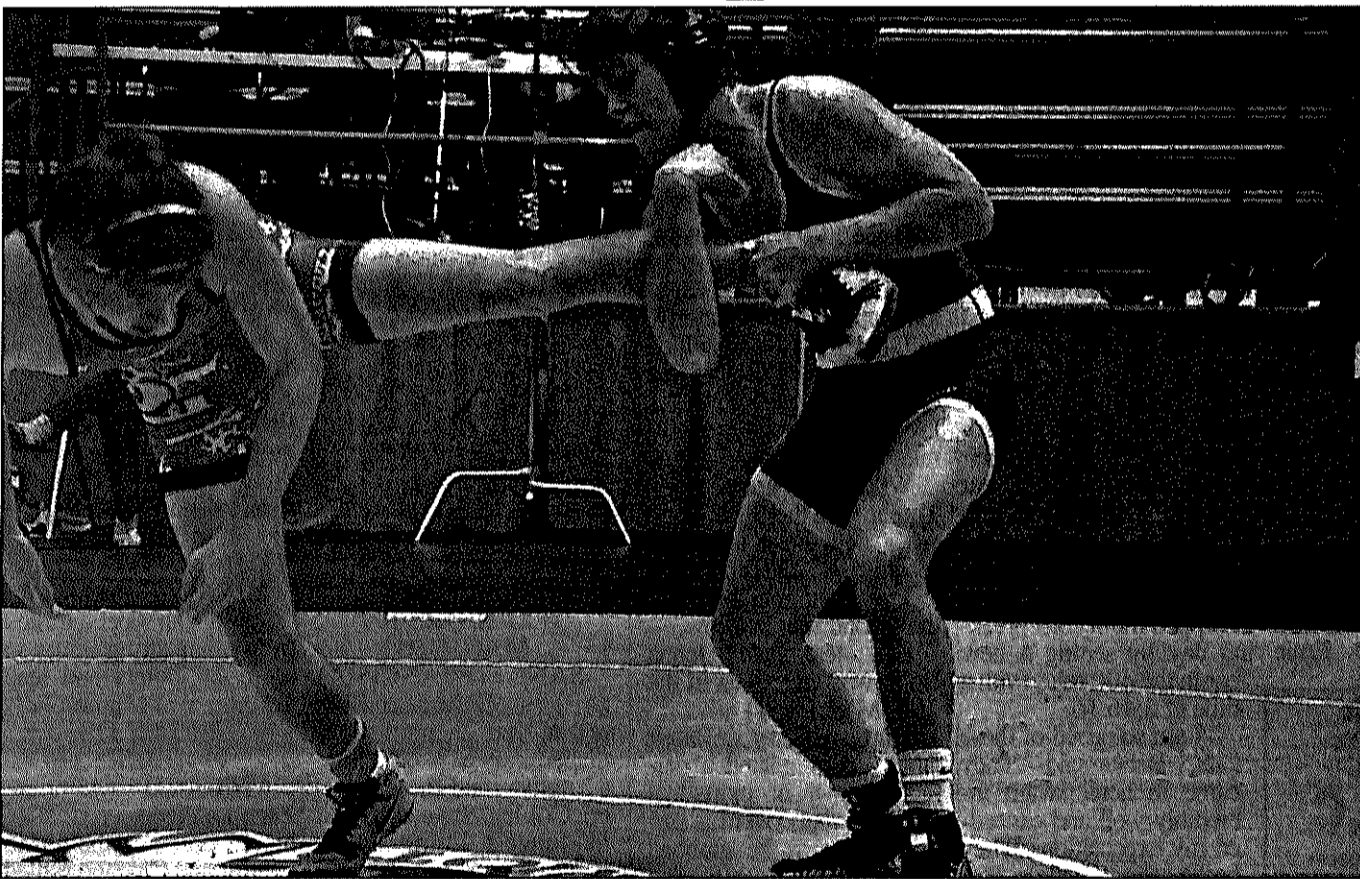


Photo by Kim North

Cameron's Ian Bush tangles with Beaver Local's Logan Krullk in the 170-pound championship of the OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Tournament. Bush won, 5-2, to be the first Dragon to win since 2011.

Taggart, Shelek Earn Individual Titles for Park; Cameron's Bush Wins at 170

By KIM NORTH  
For the News-Register

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Parkersburg South got back on top of the tournament after a runner-up finish last winter. The Wood County Patriots held off Wheeling Park, 251-236. Beaver Local was third, Steubenville (178.5) fourth and St. Clairsville (171) fifth.

"Obviously, I am very proud of the kids and the team. They really stepped up this weekend," Parkersburg South coach Shaun Smith said. "It was a long, tough battle but they

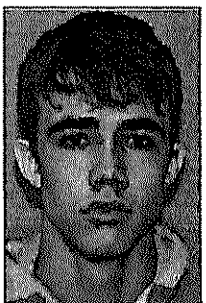
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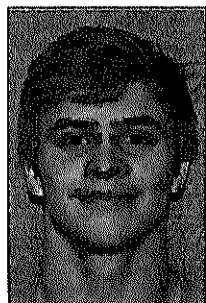
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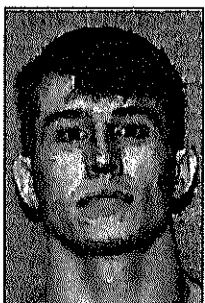
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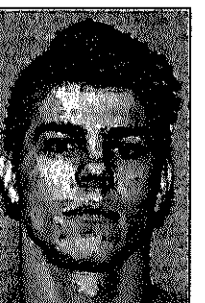
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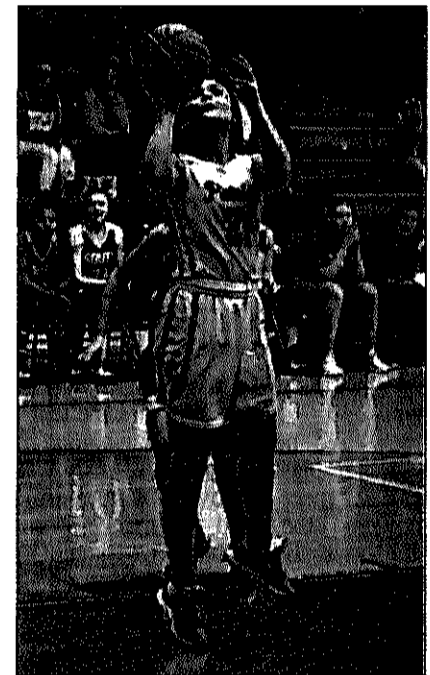


Photo by Kyle Lutz

Wheeling Park's Kieran Johnson goes up for a shot during Saturday's game against Parkersburg South.

## Park Girls Rout South

By BUBBA KAPRAL  
Executive Sports Editor

WHEELING — A busy week closed in stellar fashion for Wheeling Park as the Patriots toppled Parkersburg South, 73-54, Saturday afternoon at The Palace on the Hill.

The wire-to-wire win marked the fourth game in six days for Coach Ryan Young's battle-tested charges. The state's No. 1-ranked Class AAA team is 13-1.

Parkersburg South fell to 2-10. Park put 20 points on the first-quarter scoreboard and were never seriously challenged the balance of the contest, getting scoring from seven different players.

"Offensively we were pretty efficient. We drove the ball well at times instead of settling for the 3. We found Bella (Abernathy) inside when we needed to," Young said.

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## Central Bests Park. Catholic

By KYLE LUTZ  
Staff Writer

WHEELING — Even though Wheeling Central was down by five at halftime, coach Mel Stephens wasn't too worried. The veteran coach had the right mindset as the

run school after last season and head south.

Harris accepted the head men's coaching position at St. Thomas University in Miami Gardens, Fla. in March. St. Thomas is an NAIA D-II institution.

"I have a dream to be a D-I coach like Skip Prosser, Jim O'Brien and the Wojcik brothers, for example. The Ohio Valley produces good coaches," Harris said. "I am

when I got the job, I had about only 30 days to recruit. I was fortunate that there were some good remaining players," Harris said. "I was also able to attract four D-I transfers, including one from the University of Minnesota. Since we are NAIA D-II we offer scholarships. That wasn't the case at St. Vincent (D-III).

"The St. Thomas administration and president have been very supportive. We are in one

assistant athletics director at St. Thomas, was twice named the Presidents' Athletic Coach of the Year while at Saint Vincent: 2015 and 2019.

"I spent 23 years in Wheeling and 24 in Latrobe, Pa. I feel the same about both... places where I found myself as a coach and where I found my moral compass," Harris said. "St. Vincent was nothing but wonderful. My relations with

meanwhile, played eight years in the NFL.

■ Joe Burrow may have just completed the greatest season in history by a college football player. The Ohio State transfer rewrote the SEC and NCAA passing record books, won the Heisman Trophy and carried LSU to a perfect 15-0 national championship season while setting himself up to be the No. 1 pick in the NFL Draft

day, 60-17, to improve to 11-5 on the season.

■ Jim Crutchfield's Nova Southeastern Sharks are 12-2 on the season. The former West Liberty coaching great has his squad sitting No. 10 in the NCAA D-II national rankings.

■ Weir has added Marietta to its 2020 football card. *Bubba Kapral can be reached at bkapral@timesleaderonline.com*

## LINSLY

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Linsly's girls were second with 230.

The OVAC newcomers made a big splash in their first OVAC meet as Dover overpowered the field to win the boys' Big School event with 548 points and the girls' with 432.

The New Philadelphia boys were runners-up with 281 points.

Wheeling Park's girls finished second with 310 points — ending a four-year run as defending champions.

"Our girls swam a pretty good meet," Park coach Pat Durkin said. "Got some PRs and our 400 relay team set a school record with a lot of

improvement but Dover has an excellent team and St. C. had a great meet, too."

Linsly was led to victory by a mesmerizing performance from junior Colloca-Bianchi in the 100 backstroke.

Colloca-Bianchi won the event with a time of 53.63 to break Kevin Pietz's meet and pool records of 53.65 set in 2017.

"This is the meet we point to and for a lot of our swimmers, we just have a couple of dual meets left and the season is over, so this is a big meet to end the season," Brubaker said. "You have to give (St. Clairsville Coach) Ernie

(Banks) credit. He only has eight kids and they swam tremendously."

The St. C. girls left their mark and set new marks as Casadie DiBetta broke meet and pool records with a 58.91 in the butterfly, before breaking her own meet and pool records set last year with a 1:03.87 in the breaststroke.

Olivia Moyer, DiBetta, Kylie McKeegan and Brenna Planey also broke their own records from last year with a mark of 1:51.37 in the 200 medley relay.

Planey, McKeegan, Maggie Marody and DiBetta capped the record-breaking day by setting a new bar in the 400 relay with a time of 3:46.16.

"I am so proud of these kids," Banks said. "They came in here, swam incredibly well and exceeded my expectations. They broke school records, PRs and meet records. These kids never fail to impress me."

"Our girls did everything we needed them to do. They dropped huge amounts of time and I'm so proud of them."

Dover's girls didn't get a winner but received Top 10 individual performances all day en route to the

championship.

Lucas Lane won the 200 (1:44.90) and 500 (4:48.32) races, setting new records along the way.

Will McCrate won the 200 IM (2:07.79), Peyton Burris won gold in the 50 (22.49) and Blake Sexton captured the butterfly (57.40) for Dover, which also won the 200 medley relay (1:41.92), the 200 relay (1:34.40) and the 400 relay (3:25.46).

Wheeling Park's Abby Turner won the 50 (24.55) — a new meet and pool record — and the 100 (53.57), winning both for the second year in a row.

Her teammate Jenna Bopp was victorious in the 200 IM (2:15.51).

Martins Ferry's Jarrett Bolinger completed a perfect 8-for-8 in individual OVAC events over his storied career as he grabbed first in the 100 (50.04) and the breaststroke (1:01.49) — his fourth OVAC title in each event.

John Marshall's Victoria Kidney added to a record-shattering day as she delivered a 58.49 in the girls' backstroke to break Sarah Heilman's 2017 meet mark of 59.64 and Maggie Miller's 2014 pool record of 58.73.

## Suns Beat Celtics, Spoil Smart's Night

BOSTON (AP) — Devin Booker had 39 points, 10 rebounds and nine assists and the Phoenix Suns overcame a franchise-record 11 3-pointers by Boston's Marcus Smart and beat the Celtics 123-119 on Saturday night.

**BUCKS 117, NETS 97**  
NEW YORK (AP) — Giannis Antetokounmpo had 29 points and 12 rebounds, Khris Middleton scored 20 points, and Milwaukee beat Brooklyn for its sixth straight win.

**WARRIORS 109**  
**MAGIC 95**

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — D'Angelo Russell scored 26 points and dished out a season-high 12 assists, and short-handed Golden State snapped its longest losing streak in nearly 18 years at 10 games by beating Orlando.

**CLIPPERS 133**  
**PELICANS 130**  
NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Kawhi Leonard scored 39 points and Los Angeles rallied to beat New Orleans.

**PISTONS 136**  
**HAWKS 103**  
ATLANTA (AP) —

Derrick Rose had 27 points and nine assists, Svi Mykhailiuk added 25 points in a reserve role, and Detroit won its second straight game.

**76ERS 90, KNICKS 87**  
NEW YORK (AP) — Tobias Harris hit a go-ahead 3-pointer late in the fourth quarter, Ben Simmons had 21 points and Philadelphia won its third straight game.

**RAPTORS 122**  
**TIMBERWOLVES 112**  
MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Fred VanVleet returned from a hamstring injury to score 29 points and lead Toronto over Minnesota.

**BULLS 118**  
**CAVALIERS 116**  
CHICAGO (AP) — Zach LaVine scored 21 of his 42 points in the fourth quarter and Chicago rallied from 15 points down in the final period for a victory over Cleveland.

**LAKERS 124**  
**ROCKETS 115**  
HOUSTON (AP) — LeBron James had 31 points and 12 assists and the Los Angeles Lakers rode a big third quarter to a win over the Houston Rockets.

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**ST. CLAIRSVILLE'S** Koen Kish, right, battles with University's Jace Stockett during their 126-pound championship final during the 67th annual OVAC Ron Mauck wrestling tournament Saturday inside Wheeling's WesBanco Arena. Kish won his first OVAC title with a 6-0 decision.

**ST. CLAIRSVILLE'S** Casadia DiBetta, swims in the 100 breaststroke at the annual OVAC Bill Brubaker Swimming Championship Saturday at Brooke High School. DiBetta won the event and helped the Red Devils win the Class 1A/4A team race.

# St. C. pair wins OVAC wrestling titles

## • Parkersburg South claims overall team crown; Barnesville repeats in 3A

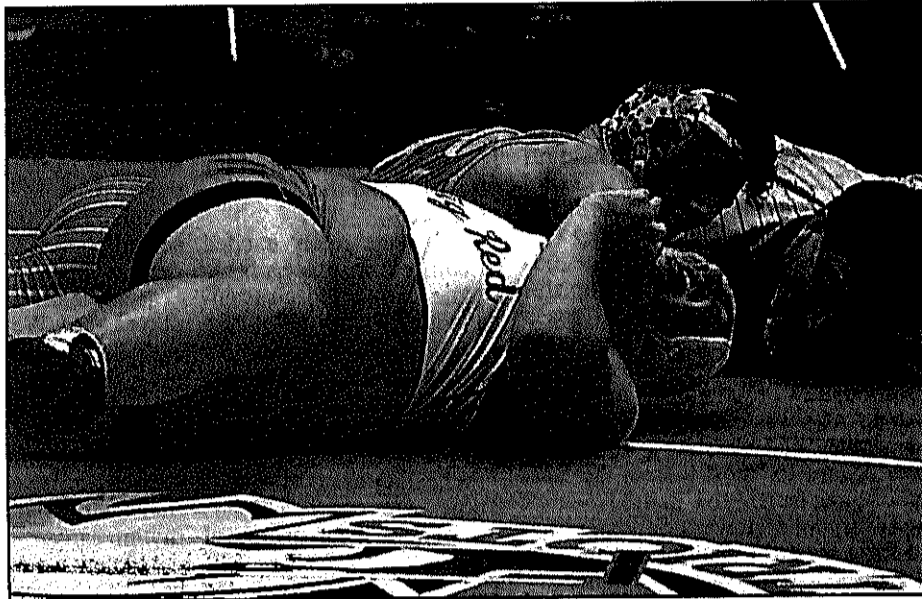
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Other titlists were Oak Glen's Peyton Hall (152); Parkersburg South's Brady Roberts (106) and Braxton Amos (220); Beaver Local's Mark Emmerling Jr. (120) and Logan Ours (132); Warren Local's



**ST. CLAIRSVILLE'S** Reese Skaggs looks for the pin call against Steubenville's top-seeded Keith Bodnar Saturday during their 195-pound championship final during the 67th annual OVAC Ron Mauck wrestling tournament Saturday inside Wheeling's WesBanco Arena. Skaggs captured his first OVAC title with a fall in 3:53.

Peyton Kellar (145) and Shenandoah's Easton Hitchens (285). It was the third crown for Hall and Amos. Ours won his second.

St. Clairsville capped a good weekend with a pair of titlists.

Skaggs, the No. 2 seed, turned the tables on Steubenville's No. 1 seed Keith Bodnar.

Pushing the issue early, the Red Devils junior led 4-1 after one period and was up 5-1 in the second before earning his championship with a pin in 3:53. It was Skaggs' fifth fall of the tournament.

"It's an awesome feeling. My grandparents couldn't be here tonight, so I was a little motivated to get it done on TV for them," Skaggs admitted. "It was a good weekend for me."

Kish, the top seed, was never threatened in the tournament as he posted a 6-0 shut-out of University's Jace Stockett, who was seeded third. Prior to that, he had pinned his first four foes in less than two minutes.

"It feels good to attain one of my high school goals. Since I've been a freshman I've wanted to be on top, but I always fell short. Tonight I wasn't going to let that happen," Kish said after moving his record to 21-2.

"They're a tough team ... a premiere team," St. Clairsville head coach Joel Sansone said of Beaver Local, who won the Class 4A crown, 209-171, over the runner-up Red Devils. "I'm very proud of the way our guys wrestled this weekend. Win or lose they went out and battled."

"We had a really good semifinal round when we set a school record with four finalists out of four in the semis," he added.

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# St. C. girls repeat as OVAC swim champs

## • Red Devil boys finish second to Linsly; Dover sweeps big-school titles

By **CODY TOMER**  
For The Times Leader

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# Shadyside boys avenge earlier loss at Ferry

By **RICK THORP**  
Times Leader Sports Writer

MARTINS FERRY — After watching Logan Smith record a 3-point play to end the first half Saturday night and almost getting one to begin the second, Ed Andes had seen enough.

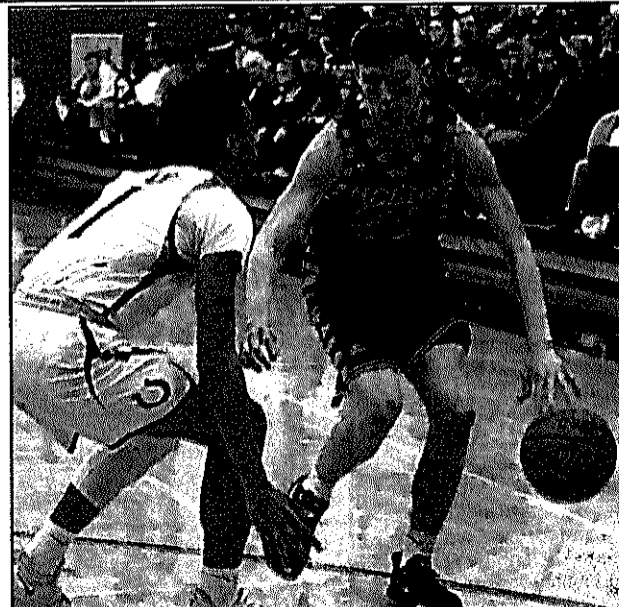
"I was just reassuring the guys to not let them in the lane," said Andes, Shadyside's veteran head coach on why he called a quick 30-second timeout early in the third. "He got in the lane too easy."

Smith was dominant when Martins Ferry visited Shadyside two weeks ago. He scored 24 points and grabbed nine boards as the Purple Riders dominated the inside in a 55-49 victory.

Martins Ferry was unable to duplicate that success Saturday night as the Tigers (10-4) used four double-digit scorers and a strong defensive effort as catalysts in 59-37 triumph inside Tolbert Gymnasium.

"Defensively, we played a lot better than that first game," Andes said after his team went 2-for-2 this weekend. "We were trying to keep them out of the lane because they're

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**SHADYSIDE'S** KELLY Hendershot (23) dribbles against Martins Ferry's Jaizen Miles (1) during their game Saturday night inside the Tolbert Gymnasium. Hendershot scored a game-high 19 points as the Tigers raced to a 59-37 victory.

# Ferry girls earn 'signature win' against Shadyside

By **RICK THORP**  
Times Leader Sports Writer

MARTINS FERRY — Dave Reasbeck secured the "signature win" he was looking for Saturday afternoon.

Behind a 14-3 second-quarter scoring advantage and a staunch defensive effort, Reasbeck's Martins Ferry Purple Riders picked up their biggest victory of the season, holding off Shadyside, 38-33, in girls' basketball action inside Tolbert Gymnasium.

"We have some wins, but we didn't have any quality wins," Reasbeck explained outside a victorious Martins Ferry locker room.

"We won games that we were supposed to win. This was a quality win. (Shadyside's) resume speaks for itself. We didn't play well down there the first time (a 59-44 loss in the season opener). We were a little wide-eyed. We needed this win to validate ourselves."

Now 9-5, the Purple Riders visit Beaver Local on Monday hoping to sweep the Beavers and cement their hold on an OVAC Class 4A tournament berth with the cutoff looming.

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## • Wrestling

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"The kids have bought into what we've been preaching to them and it's paying off.

"Reese pinned his way through the tournament. He's gaining confidence every day. Koen just goes out does what is expected of him," Sansone said of Skaggs and Kish."

Big Red's Pappas and Tuttle took care of business as the top seeds.

Pappas started the championship round with a pin of Beaver Local's Skyler Lasure in 4:33. Tuttle followed, two matches, later with a 4-2 nod over Southern Local's Hunter Morris.

Barnesville defended its Class 3A team championship with 98 points, which was nearly 40 better than Magnolia (58.5).

"Winning the (Class) 3A is a big deal," Barnesville head coach Jayson Stephen said. "I don't go into the tournament looking for stuff like that. I focus on the individuals. We've got four placers this year. That's more than we've had for awhile."

Shenandoah won the Class 1A/2A with 103.50 points. Southern Local was second with 82.5.

For Shelek, winning his title fulfilled a childhood dream.

"I've been dreaming about this my entire life. What a crazy experience this weekend has been," the Patriots fourth-seeded senior said after defeating St. Clairsville's Caden Stout, who was seeded sixth, by a 13-6 count.

"This was the hardest weight class in the OVAC Tournament. It's all about heart and what you have in here," he said while pounding on his chest. "That's why I'm the OVAC champion at my weight."

Shelek said there was a little more pressure applied to him when his younger brother, Nate, was pinned earlier in the 120-pound finals.

"It was tough to see him lose like that, but part of this is for him," he said of his title.

Wheeling Park head coach Brian Leggett was proud of both of his titlists.

"It's no secret that Andrew hit a slump there last month. He wrestled his way out of it with grit and determination. He got back into the (wrestling) room and worked his butt off to get back where he is," Leggett noted. "That shows a lot about his character. We knew he was capable of knocking off all the kids he did here. Proving it means a lot to him."

To earn his title, Shelek defeated the No. 5 (Steubenville's Tyler Muldrew), the No. 1 (Cole McComas) who was a two-time champion and the No. 6 (Stout).

Taggart, the third seed, executed a 4-point move in the waning seconds of the first period and held on for a 5-1 victory over Parkersburg South's Nathan Ford, the fourth seed.

"Cody wrestled a really good tournament," Leggett noted. "He came out strong

every match and did what he was supposed to."

"We didn't quite reach our ultimate goal, but we wrestled to our full potential," the Patriots second-year coach said. "We're improving every time we step out on that mat. I couldn't be any prouder of these guys."

Bush, the No. 2 seed, secured the Dragons first title since David Schleiper prevailed back in 2011 when he posted 5-2 decision over Beaver Local's top-seeded Logan Krulik.

"It's awesome," Bush, now an impressive 31-0 as a sophomore, said of being an OVAC champion. "There's a lot of hard work that goes into it."

Beaver Local head coach Jonny McComas said he was pleased with his team's effort despite not being able to defend its overall title.

"This sport is all about adversity and ups-and-downs. For the most part, this tournament didn't go the way we thought it would, but we are stepping out of here with some champions, some good wins and some things we can improve upon," he said.

"We're excited for Logan. He had to take a little time off to come back and win this tournament," the Beavers coach added. "That's big for him mentally in moving forward to compete for a state title down the road."

Hall defeated future WVU teammate Brayden Roberts of Parkersburg South, 3-2. It was his third title and fourth finals appearance.

"This tournament has been great to me. This title means a little more than the other two because it allows me to end my OVAC career on top, especially against a world-ranked wrestler like Brayden," Hall allowed.

Not only are the two standouts both headed to West Virginia University to continue their academic and athletic careers, they will also room together.

"We talked before the match and decided that whoever won would get first choice on beds," Hall said with a slight smile.

Parkersburg South got back on top of the tournament after a runnerup finish last winter. The Wood County Patriots held off Wheeling Park, 251-236. Beaver Local was third, Steubenville (178.5) fourth and St. Clairsville (171) fifth.

"Obviously, I am very proud of the kids and the team. They really stepped up this weekend," Parkersburg South head coach Shaun Smith praised. "It was a long, tough battle but they grinded it out and I can't say enough about how proud I am of them."

South's Amos was named the Bierkorte Award winner and also took home the Hercules Award for most pins in the least amount of time. he had five in 4:31.

East Liverpool's Howard Williams saw his bid for a third title fall by the wayside with a 2-0 sudden-victory loss to Ours.

## • Swimming

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The St. C. girls left their mark and set new marks as Casadie DiBetta broke meet and pool records with a 58.91 in the butterfly, before breaking her own meet and pool records set last year with a 1:03.87 in the breaststroke.

Olivia Moyer, DiBetta, Kylie McKeegan and Brenna Planey also broke their own records from last year with a mark of 1:51.37 in the 200 medley relay.

Planey, McKeegan, Maggie Marody and DiBetta capped the record-breaking day by setting a new bar in the 400 relay with a time of 3:46.16.

"I am so proud of these kids," Banks said. "They came in here, swam incredibly well and exceeded my expectations. They broke school records, PR's and meet records. These kids never fail to impress me."

"Our girls did everything we needed them to do. They dropped huge amounts of time and I'm so proud of them."

Dover's girls didn't get a winner but received Top 10 individual performances all day long en route to the championship.

Lucas Lane won the 200 (1:44.90) and 500 (4:48.32) races, setting new records along the way.

Will McCrate won the 200 IM (2:07.79), Peyton Burris won gold in the 50 (22.49) and Blake Sexton captured the butterfly (57.40) for Dover, which also won the 200 medley relay (1:41.92), the 200 relay (1:34.40) and the 400 relay (3:25.46).

"We were really excited to compete in this fantastic league," Dover coach Brenda Wherley said. "We were really looking forward to some great competition and I'm really proud of the kids. They had an outstanding day and it was fun."

Wheeling Park's Abby Turner won the 50 (24.55) - a new meet and pool record - and the 100 (53.57), winning both for the second year in a row.

Her teammate Jenna Bopp was victorious in the 200 IM (2:15.51).

Martins Ferry's Jarrett Bolinger completed a perfect 8-for-8 in individual OVAC events over his storied career as he grabbed first in the 100 (50.04) and the breaststroke (1:01.49) - his fourth OVAC title in each event.

John Marshall's Victoria Kidney added to a record-shattering day as she delivered a 58.49 in the girls' backstroke to break Sarah Heilmann's 2017 meet mark of 59.64 and Maggie Miller's 2014 pool record of 58.73.

## Bellaire girls roll by River

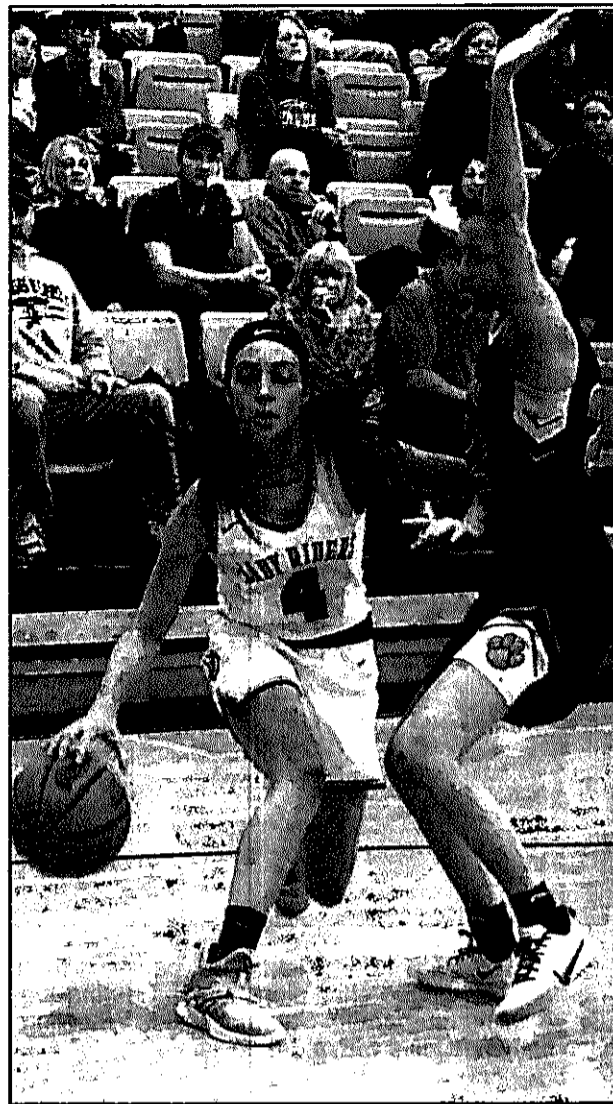
BELLAIRE - Katrina Davis scored 22 points - including 10 in the third quarter - to help Bellaire gain a victory over River, 57-37.

Four River players scored six points for the Pilots.

The Big Reds are back in action today against Steubenville

### BOYS

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MARTINS FERRY'S Maddie Ging (4) drives against Shadyside's Kamdyn Elerick (22) during their girls' basketball encounter Saturday afternoon inside the Tolbert Gymnasium.

## • Ferry

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"I can't be any happier," Reasbeck said.

Richella Spielvogel muscled her way to a team-high 13 points as the Purple Riders capitalized on a 20-4 run that stretched from the second quarter to midway through the third.

Spielvogel had a big hand in it, as did Allarah Jones, who scored eight points off the bench, with four coming in the second.

"Our defense played very well," Reasbeck noted. "We played hard. We rebounded. It was a total effort."

"Allarah came off the bench when Richella was struggling and she gave us an unbelievable lift. Then, in the third, Richella came out and played well and Shayla (Schuster) handled the ball well and kept their two stars in check. It was a total team effort."

As the third quarter wound down, the Tigers started to find their mojo after struggling to get into an offensive rhythm early.

"I knew we weren't going to lay down," said Shadyside head coach Serge Gentile, who's team ended the period on a 9-3 run to close to within five.

"Those girls are competitors. I knew they'd give the effort that we needed. We did that and were able to claw back and get some opportunities."

Spielvogel started the fourth with three straight points putting Martins Ferry up 30-22. But the Tigers (12-5) answered with back-to-back 3s by Julie Hendershot and Brooke Selmon, making it a 30-28 game with 5 minutes left.

The Purple Riders entered the bonus moments later, and Spielvogel and Ging both went 1 of 2 from the line as the hosts went up 32-28.

Baylee Wach came back with 1 of 2 from the line herself with 2:32 left making the score 32-29.

Wach, a senior, finished with 10 points and surpassed the 1,000-point mark for her career on the second of three first-quarter treys.

Tory Hendershot paced Shadyside, which welcomes River tonight, with 11 points.

The Tigers, however, never got closer as Martins Ferry did what it had to do down the stretch to maintain its lead, whether it was a free throw, defensive stop or shot.

"We knew (Shadyside) would start getting shots to go in," Reasbeck said. "We just had to stick with the program. Once they cut the lead down to three, we rebounded and were able to handle the press."

## • Shadyside

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very strong. That's what they wanted to do."

Smith finished with 17 points this time, but no one else was able to get on track for the Purple Riders (7-8) who dropped under .500 after falling for the second time at home in as many nights. Martins Ferry mustered just 27 points in a loss to Wheeling Park on Friday.

"We had four guys (score) in double figures, and that was our goal," said Bryce Amos (13) and Tyler

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# Bolinger Goes 8-for-8 In Career at OVACs

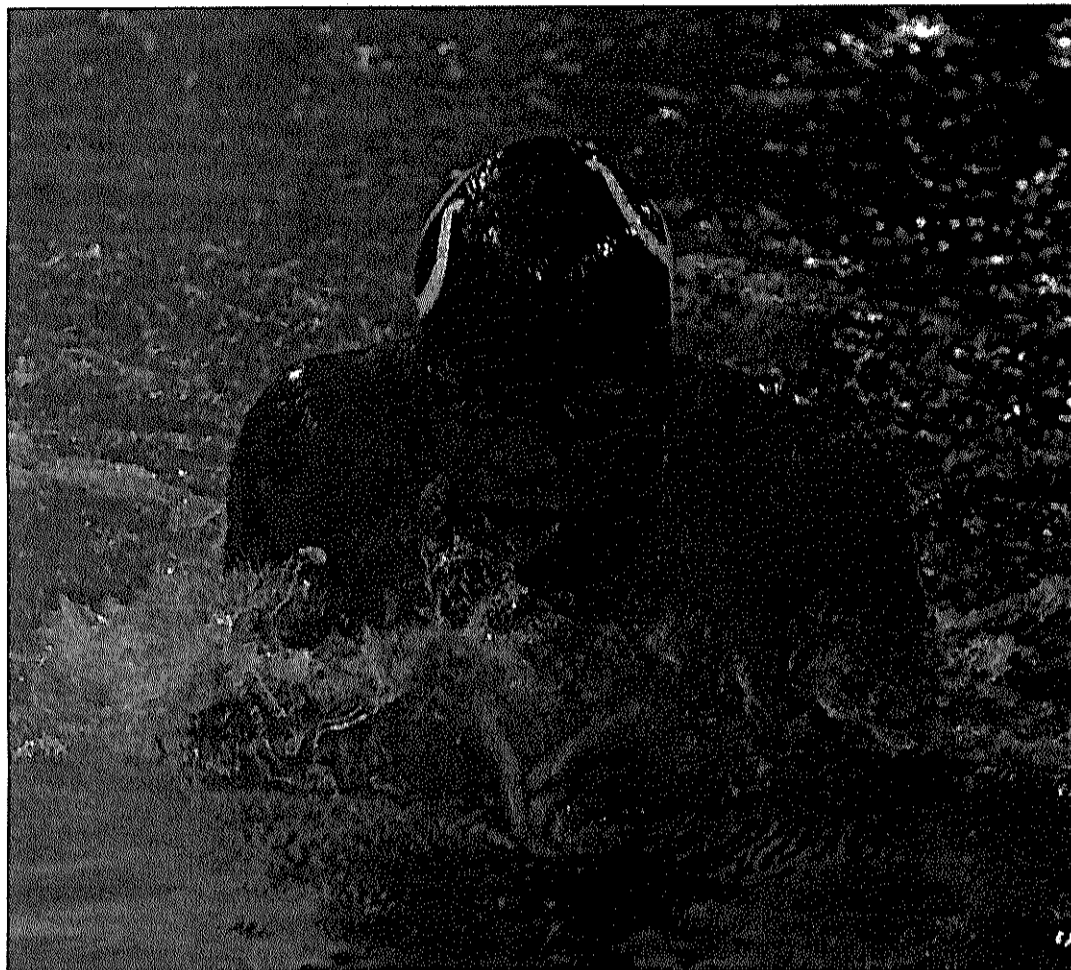


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Martins Ferry's Jarrett Bolinger competes in the breaststroke during Saturday's OVAC Bill Brubaker Swimming Championship at Brooke. He won the event with a time of 1:01.49.

## Ferry senior wins 100, breaststroke for 4th straight time

By CODY TOMER  
Staff Writer

WELLSBURG — Martins Ferry's Jarrett Bolinger wasn't a fan of the water when he was younger.

That has all changed now.

The Purple Riders' senior now spends most of his time in the water and his hard work and practice paid off enormously on Saturday in the OVAC Bill Brubaker Swim Championships at Brooke.

For the fourth season in a row, Bolinger hit the wall

first in both the 100 freestyle (50.04) and the 100 breaststroke (1:01.49) — making him a perfect 8-for-8 in those OVAC individual competitions throughout his illustrious career.

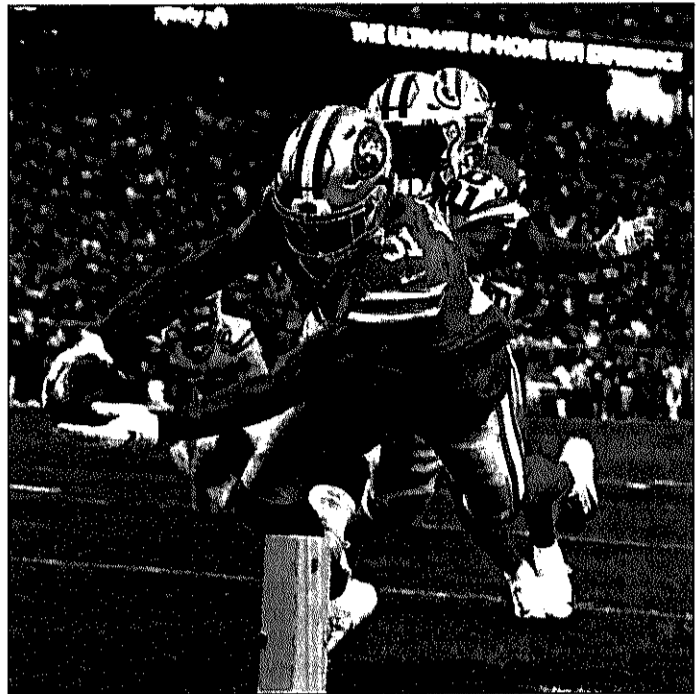
"Since my first year of high school swimming I didn't really expect to go 8-for-8 but I'm kind of happy that I did because it shows if you push yourself and you push your team it pays off. I have a great team and great coaches. They have my back and I have their back."

Bolinger's continued success could not be possible without a strong work ethic. It didn't happen overnight. He put in the work.

"I don't know how many guys have done it in this area but to be a part of that is incredible," Bolinger said of his perfect winning percentage at the OVAC meet. "I just worked."

Nobody can attest to that more than Martins Ferry coach Nicholas Levi.

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AP Photo

San Francisco running back Raheem Mostert (31) scores in front of Green Bay Packers free safety Darnell Savage during the first half of the NFC Championship.

# 49ers Advance To Super Bowl LIV

By JOSH DUBOW  
AP Pro Football Writer  
SANTA CLARA, Calif.

— From No. 2 pick in the draft to one of the last two teams standing.

It has been a remarkable turnaround for the Super Bowl-bound San Francisco 49ers.

Raheem Mostert rushed for 220 yards and four touchdowns to make quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo mostly a spectator, Nick Bosa harassed Aaron Rodgers from the start and the 49ers beat the Green Bay Packers 37-20 for the NFC championship on Sunday.

The 49ers (15-3) advanced to their first Super Bowl in seven years and will play the Kansas City Chiefs in two weeks in Miami for the championship.

"Our team, it's incredible to be a part of," Garoppolo said. "We can win so many different ways. Raheem,

those guys up front, the tight ends obviously were just dominating tonight. It was fun."

The Niners won just 10 games in the first two seasons under coach Kyle Shanahan and general manager John Lynch, going 4-12 last season after Garoppolo went down with a season-ending knee injury in Week 3.

Now, San Francisco is one of two teams remaining after delivering a second thorough beating of the season to Rodgers and the Packers (14-4). The 49ers are the third team to make it to the Super Bowl a year after winning four or fewer games, joining Cincinnati (1988) and the Rams (1999).

Bosa, the prize for last year's rough season as the No. 2 overall pick, helped set the tone when he ended Green Bay's second drive of

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# Osaka, Williams Win Openers

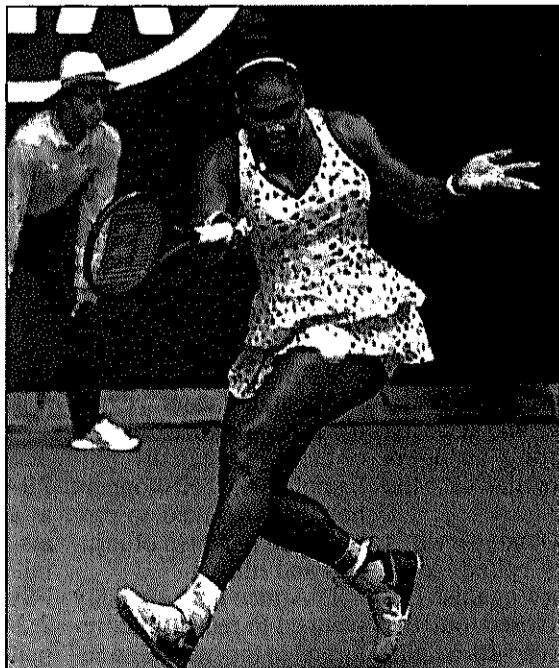
By JOHN PYE  
AP Sports Writer

MELBOURNE, Australia — Naomi Osaka won the tournament opening match for her dad at the Australian Open. Serena Williams won hers for her daughter.

The first two matches on center court at the Australian Open were all about families for two champions.

For something new, Osaka's father, Leonard Francois, was in the crowd watching as the defending champion reeled off the last four games after dropping serve for the only time to beat Marie Bouzkova 6-2, 6-4.

Next up, Williams started her bid for a first major title as a



AP Photo

Serena Williams makes a forehand return during their first round singles match at the Australian Open.

now," Williams said of her Auckland win. "I've been pretty close, but it was special for me and for her. I hope for her."

Williams has lost four Grand Slam finals since her last title, and is determined to end that streak.

She won seven straight games until Potapova held serve and changed the momentum — for a little while at least. The Russian got a service break, but broke Williams rallied quickly to get back on track.

Osaka thanked the crowd after her match, saying

"You probably didn't come for me, but thanks for filling up the stadium."



AP Photo

Kansas City's Patrick Mahomes (15) celebrates with Demarcus Robinson after running for a touchdown during the first half of the AFC Championship.

# Chiefs Claim AFC

fourth round, but says she learned some valuable lessons there.

"Definitely, it was really tough for me trying to control my nerves," she said of her first-round win. "I'm really glad I was able to finish it in two."

Other seeded players advancing on the women's side included No. 13

who has made a habit of taking out the No. 13 seed in Melbourne.

Shapovalov berated the umpire and received a code violation for spiking his racket after the third set.

"I didn't break it. If I break it, 100% code me," Shapovalov yelled at umpire Renaud Lichtenstein. "You're not doing your

said. "I played some of my best tennis today. Everything was working well."

There were several rain delays in the mid-afternoon, prompting organizers to close the roof on the three show courts. Play was suspended on the others when heavy rain fell shortly after the first delay.

## CHIEFS

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But they charged back three years later to beat Minnesota 23-7 behind Len Dawson, Otis Taylor and animated coach Hank Stram famously urging his team to "keep matriculating the ball down the field, boys!"

As they had done in their past three "elimination" games, the sixth-seeded Titans (11-8) got started quickly. The difference at Arrowhead as opposed to Houston, New England and Baltimore was that the Chiefs had Mahomes, Tyreek Hill, Sammy Watkins and Damien Williams on offense, and a vastly upgraded defense from when they lost in last year's AFC title game. Henry was held to 7 yards rushing in the second half.

"They were doubling all these guys," Mahomes said of his spectacular TD run on which he barely stayed in bounds. "I just ran it and got some good blocking at the end and found a way to get in the end zone."

A week after they overcame a 24-0 deficit against Houston, the Chiefs had to rally again.

Down 10-0 and 17-7, Kansas City didn't flinch, building a 35-17 lead while controlling the clock with a strong ground game. Naturally, Mahomes complemented that with sharp passing, spreading the ball on short and deep throws. The dagger came with a 60-yard completion to Watkins for the Chiefs' 28th straight point midway in the final period.

Mahomes thrust both arms in the air as the crowd sang "I Want To Dance With Somebody."

That somebody will be either the 49ers or Packers in two weeks. They were deciding the NFC crown later Sunday in California.

After taking a 3-0 lead on Greg Joseph's first field goal — with Tennessee's penchant for scoring in the red zone, he hadn't been called upon in his previous four games with the team — the Titans got a huge break. Bashaud Breeland appeared to make a diving interception, but replay review showed the ball hitting the ground.

Helped by consecutive offside penalties and a fourth-down pass to Adam Humphries for his first career playoff reception, the Titans converted on, what else, Henry's 4-yard run.

Then the Chiefs got rolling, scoring on three successive series. Hill took it in on a shovel pass, later beat top Titans cornerback Logan Ryan for a 20-yard reception, and Mahomes finished the half with his brilliant jaunt down the

left sideline with half the Tennessee defense seemingly expecting him to step out of bounds.

That gave the Chiefs a 21-17 lead. It went to 28-17 on Williams' 3-yard run to cap a seven-minute drive. Then Watkins toasted Logan for the clinching long pass.

Henry was held to 69 yards on 19 carries after rushing for 588 yards in the past three games as an unstoppable force.

"That's what we were able to do coming in," Titans coach Mike Vrabel said of his team's running game entering the AFC title game.

"We weren't (able to do that against KC). I felt we competed all the way there until the end. We got a stop, the offense gets the ball back and they fought."

"You don't prepare these types of speeches to talk to the team about at the end of the season or to talk to you guys (reporters) about the end of the season. That's where we're at."

The Chiefs easily outrushed the Titans on Sunday. Mahomes had 53 of those yards and also was 23 for 35 for 294 yards passing.

### REID'S RETURN

Reid goes back to the Super Bowl for the first time since the 2004 season, when his Eagles lost to New England. That gap is second longest to Dick Vermeil's hiatus

### TRICKERY

Last week, Henry threw a jump pass for a touchdown against Baltimore. On Sunday, Dennis Kelly emulated his coach, Mike Vrabel. He sneaked free for Ryan Tannehill's lob, falling back awkwardly but holding on for Tennessee's second TD. The backup tackle is the only offensive lineman since 2000 with two TDs receiving in a season. He also had one against Jacksonville.

Vrabel caught 12 touchdown passes as a linebacker, including one in the Super Bowl when his Patriots beat Reid's Eagles.

### FOURTH DOWNS

Displaying the gambling nature of both coaches, fourth-down conversions were key on early scoring drives. Humphries, who missed the last six games with an ankle problem, caught a 3-yarder on fourth-and-2 at the KC 29. Two plays later, Henry scored.

On the Chiefs' ensuing possession, they went on fourth-and-2 from the Titans 28. Travis Kelce's 4-yard reception continued a march to Hill's first TD.

## BOLINGER

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"That's not something that you just do in a year or two," Levi said. "He's been swimming since he was really little — probably 8 or 9 — swimming in the winters and summers. He put in a lot of time. Now, he gets to reap the benefits in front of the whole valley."

What makes Bolinger's string of success even more impressive is the strength of competition the OVAC has brought in over the last four years.

"This is a very competitive OVAC, bringing in Dover and New Philadelphia in the last couple

of years," Levi said. "We knew going into this year it was going to be competitive but we embraced the challenge and we like the competition. Jarrett's been working really hard and to do this is a great accomplishment for him."

"Nobody has done this from Martins Ferry. We have had kids win four individual titles for one race and we had a kid go seven out of eight but he is the first from Martins Ferry to go 8-for-8."

"We're looking for him to springboard off of this and into the last couple of weeks and finish strong."

Watching Bolinger stand on the podium with another gold medal around his neck brought back memories for Levi and also reminded him of how far the senior swimmer has come.

"He was eight and under and you probably saw him sitting on the pool deck more than swimming," Levi said with a laugh. "He was skinny and it was cold in the summer but he kept at it and 10-plus years of swimming are really paying off for him. I'm so excited for him and the next couple of weeks."

swered.

Johnson tied this game at 3 with a short-handed goal 1:41 into the third. He beat Halak to the blocker side with a slap shot from the top of the circle.

Rust gave Pittsburgh a 4-3 lead when he scored his 21st goal of the season at 12:35 of the third. Evgeni Malkin's pass from behind the net set up Rust in the slot.

"I was just trying to get into the slot and be ready for it, and (Malkin) put it right on my tape," Rust said.

The two teams met for the second time in four days. The Bruins won the first two games of the season series, both in Boston. Pittsburgh scored 24 seconds into the game on Thursday, but the Bruins responded with four straight goals.

Boston scored twice in the first 2:02 on Sunday.

Bergeron scored 11 seconds in, 3 seconds shy of the fastest goal to open a regular-season game by a Bruins player. Bjork netted the Bruins' second goal when he beat Murray with a glove-side wrist shot from the slot.

Simon made it 3-1 when he scored 1:37 after Boston's third goal. Blueger cut the Bruins' lead to 3-2 when he

swered. KALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — On a losing streak and missing their All-Star defenseman, the Carolina Hurricanes needed a boost.

They got one from Justin Williams, who returned to the lineup and scored in the eighth round of a shootout to lift Carolina over the New York Islanders.

Williams played for the first time since helping Carolina reach the Eastern Conference final last year. He took an extended offseason, signed with the club Jan. 8 and helped it end a three-game skid in his first game back.

### BLACKHAWKS 5, JETS 2

CHICAGO (AP) — Patrick Kane reached 1,000 career points when he picked up an assist on Brandon Saad's third-period goal, and the Chicago Blackhawks beat the Winnipeg Jets for their season-high fifth straight win.

Kane became the 90th player in NHL history to reach the milestone with 5:46 left.

The All-Star winger passed from behind the net to Ryan Carpenter in the right circle. Carpenter then fed a wide-open Saad at the left side of the net for an easy tap-in before goalie Connor Hellebuyck could slide across the crease.

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