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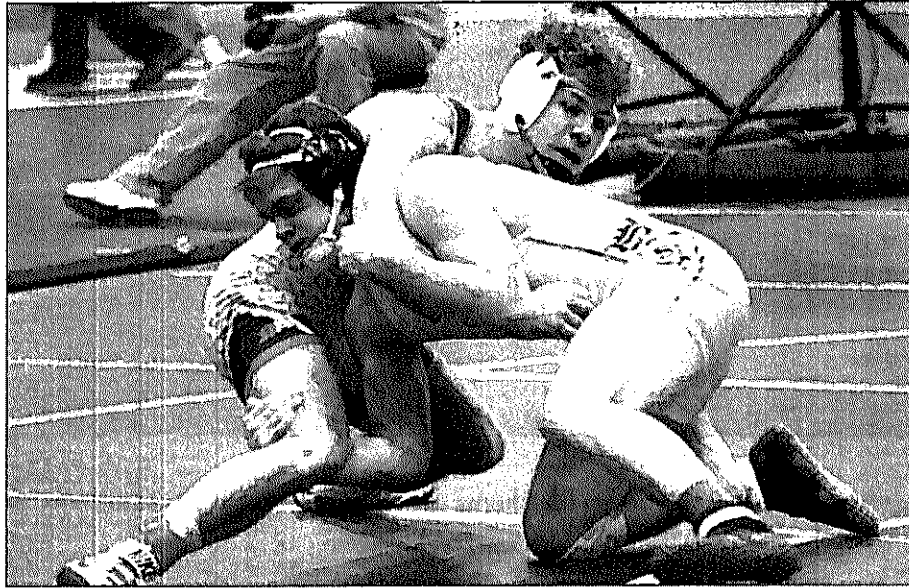
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Beaver Local claims overall OVAC mat crown

Barnesville wins Class 3A team title; Meadowbrook's Gatrell is 120-pound runner-up

By JEFF HARRISON
The Daily Jeffersonian

WHEELING, WV — The reign of the Parkersburg South Patriots has ended! Beaver Local High emerged as the overall champion at the 66th OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Tournament which concluded a three-day run at WesBanco Arena on Saturday, unseating Parkersburg South from the top spot after an impressive run of eight crowns in the last nine years.



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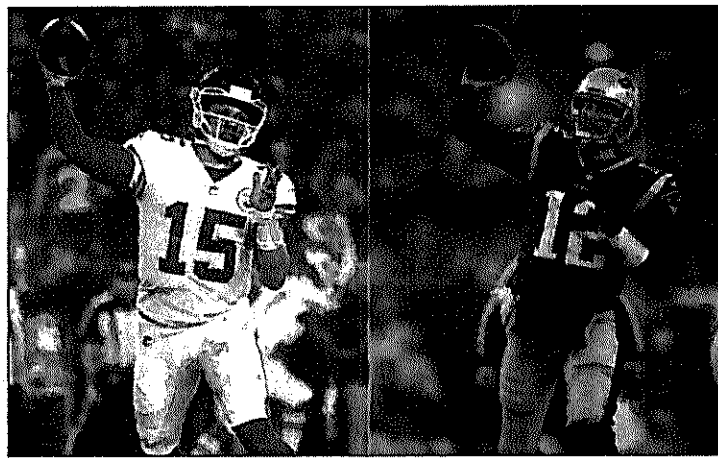
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Kansas City, seeking its first Super Bowl appearance in 49 years, to surpass the Patriots as the NFL's "it" team.

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There aren't two more dichotomous teams than the Patriots and Chiefs.

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AP photo
At left, in a Nov. 19, 2018, file photo, Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes throws a pass during a game against the Los Angeles Rams in Los Angeles. At right, in a Dec. 30, 2018, file photo, New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady throws during the second half of a game in Foxborough, Mass.

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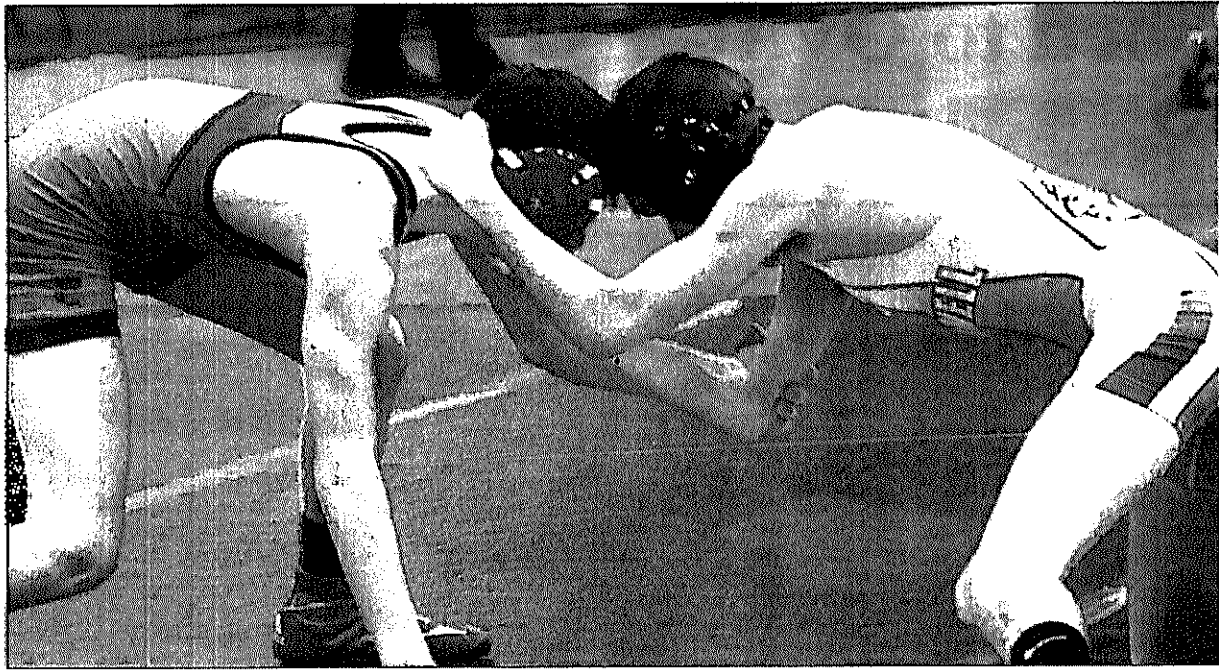
a member of the Tigers' football coaching staff. Other special awards included Rick Crosier of Steubenville, the Larry Deaton Official of the Year; Steve Kalo, a long-time worker at WesBanco Arena, the Syd Stoltz Tournament Worker of the Year; and Sean and Debbie Smith, Director's Award.

Shenandoah's Jerad Paterson was named the Assistant Coach of the Year. He's a 2013 graduate of Meadowbrook High where he was the OVAC 120-

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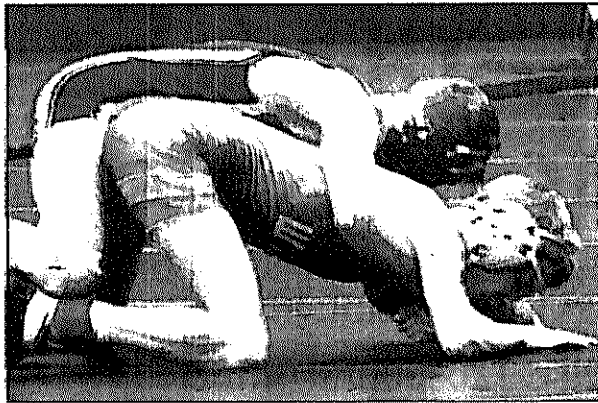
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The tournament had its first female match winner in Thursday's first round when Samantha Miller of Parkersburg South won by pinfall. However, she was eliminated on Friday.



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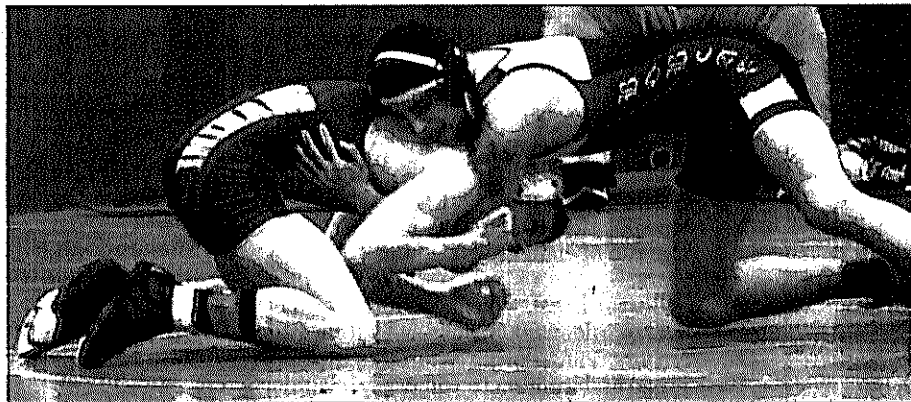
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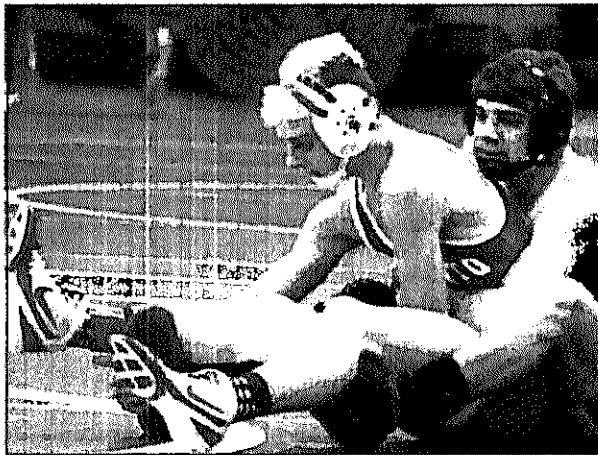
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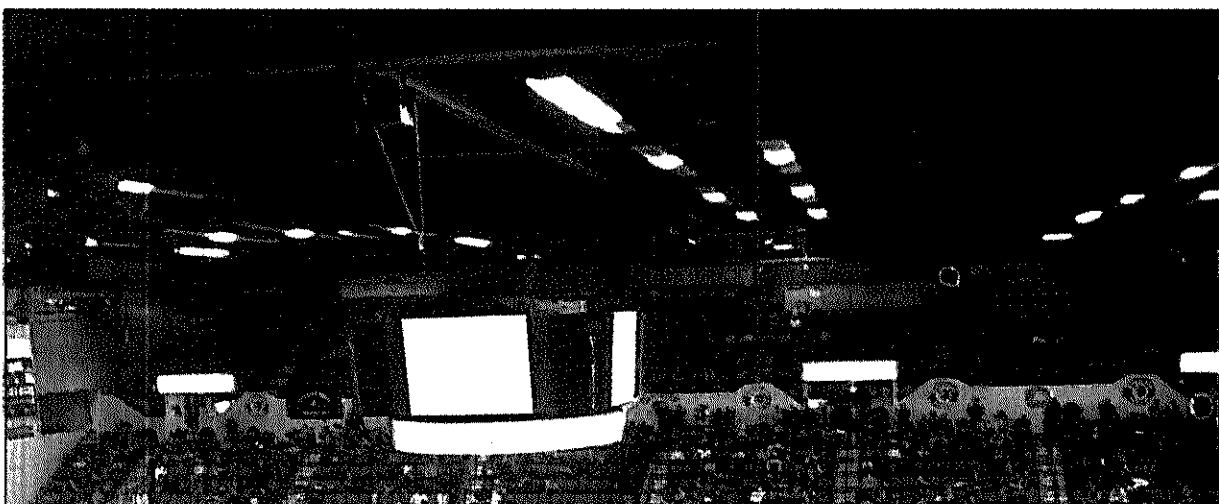
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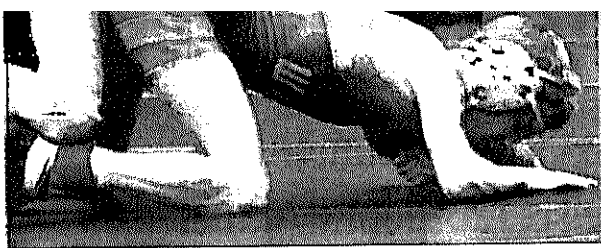


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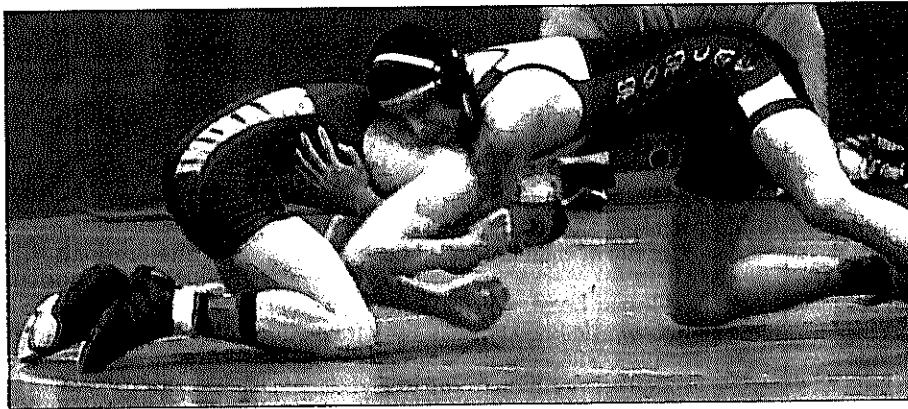




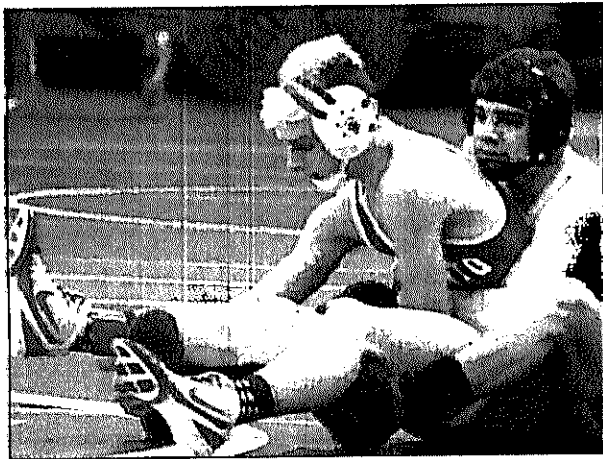
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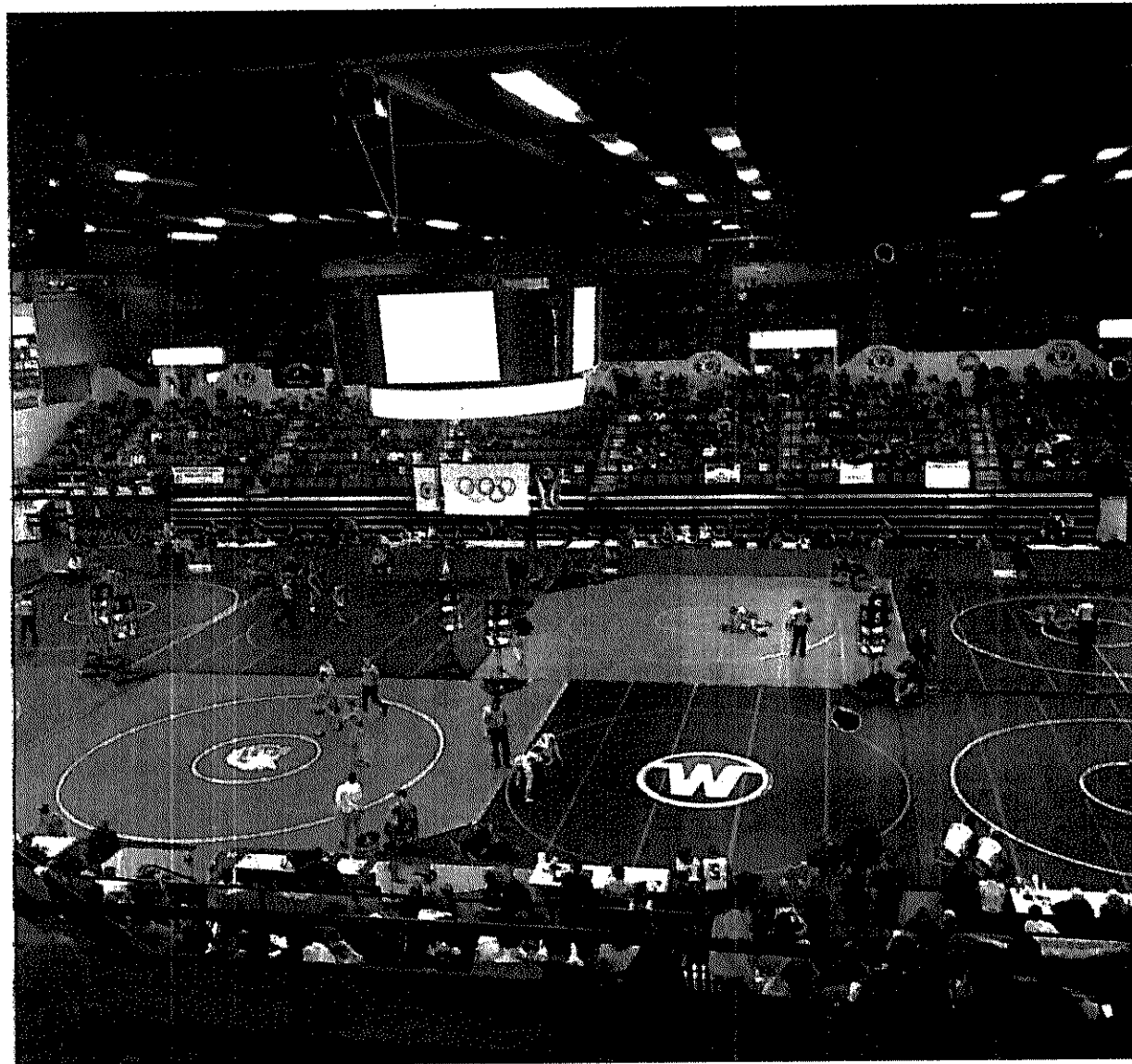
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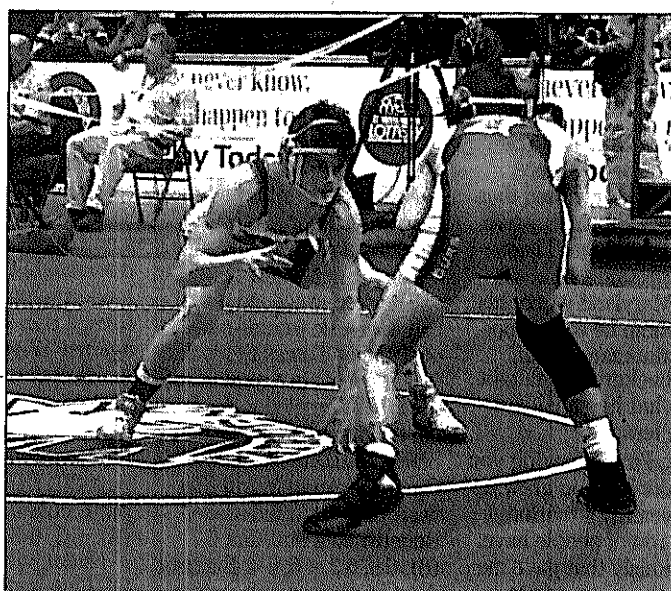
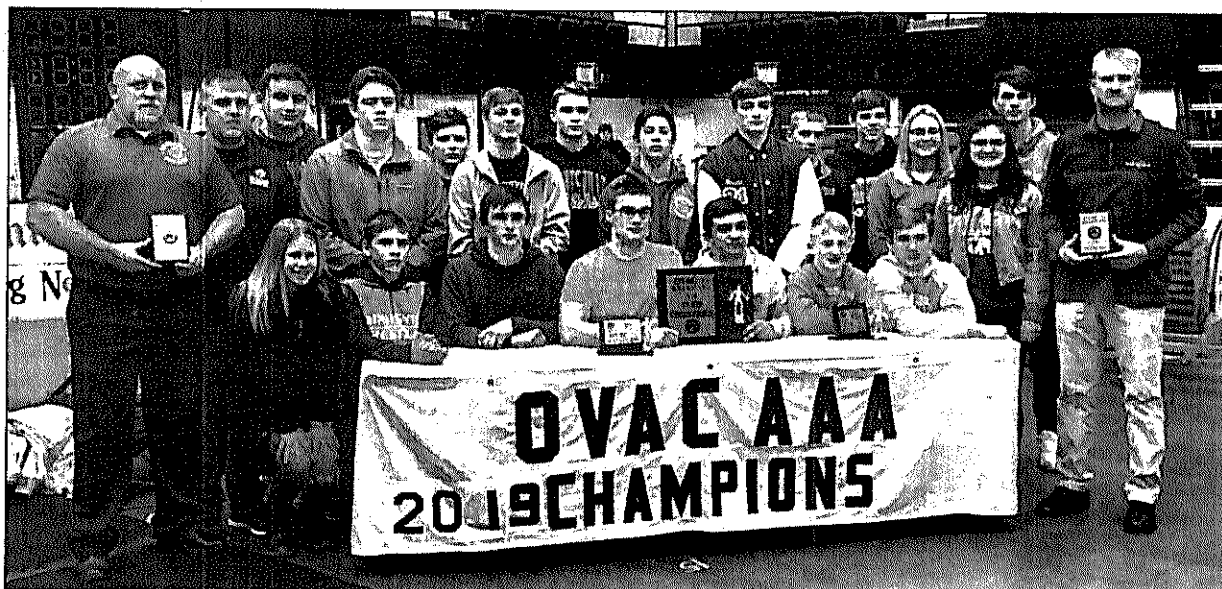


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An overview of the action at the 66th OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Tournament at WesBanco Arena in Wheeling, W.Va.

Top local finishers at OVAC



Jeff Harrison, Daily-Jeff.com

The top local finishers at the 66th OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Tournament which wrapped up Saturday evening at WesBanco Arena in Wheeling were the Barnesville Shamrocks, who captured the Class 3A team title; and Meadowbrook senior Terry Gatrell, who finished as the runner-up in the 120-pound weight class.

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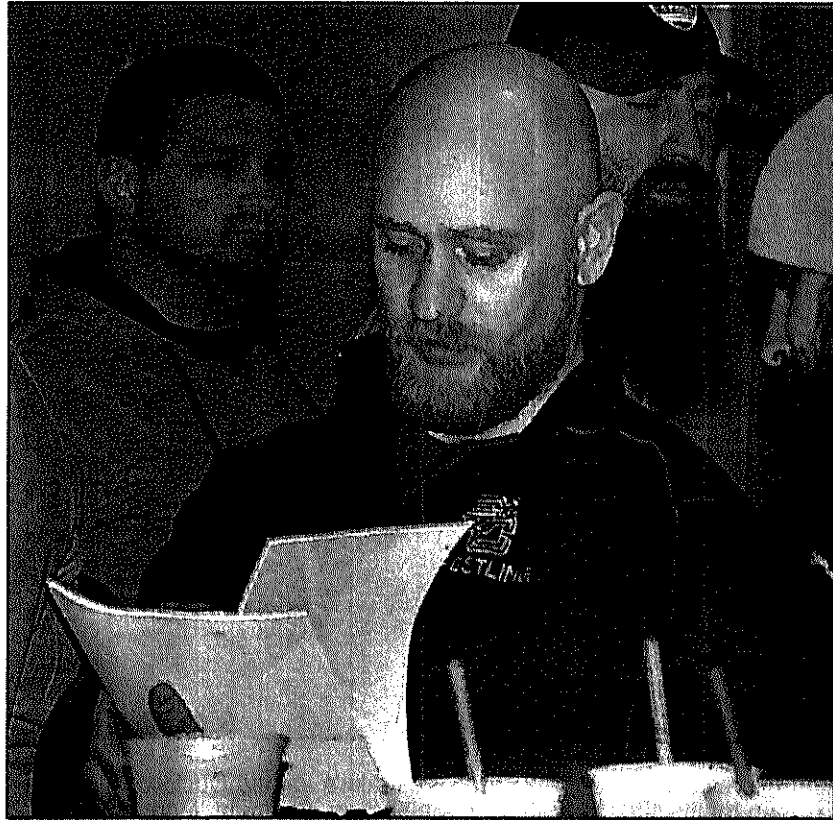
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ST. CLAIRSVILLE head coach Joel Sansone looks over his brackets during a press conference Sunday night for the 66th annual OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Tournament. The three-day event gets under way Thursday inside downtown Wheeling's WesBanco Arena at 6 p.m. and runs through Saturday night's championship finals.

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"I think we have a good, young team who is doing the right things. They are preparing the right way and I think the way things shook out in the seeding meeting is just an indication of how hard these kids work and prepare to be successful," Beaver Local head coach Jordan Williams said. "It's a testament to what they do on a day-in and day-out basis."

McComas is also a two-time Ohio Division II state runnerup.

The Beavers also have five second seeds.

Wheeling Park checks in with 12 seeded wrestlers, which is one more than Steubenville.

"I'm pretty excited for my first OVAC Tournament seed meeting. I think everyone's seeds panned out really well," first-year Wheeling Park head coach Brian Leggett explained. "They (the wrestlers) did all the hard work already, so the work in the seeding meeting was pretty easy for me."

Despite not having a No. 1 seed, the Patriots did receive two thirds in Billy Gooch (152) and Dylan Wood (220).

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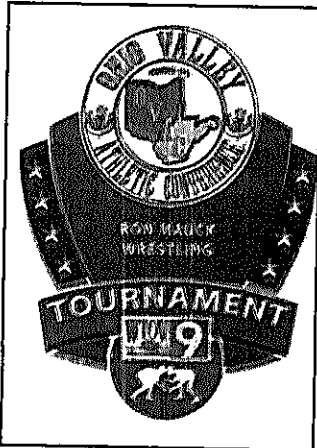
"You always want to get higher seeds. This tournament is tough. There are a bunch of good teams here," Steubenville head coach Mike Blackburn said. "The whole thing is to come in here and wrestle. Our kids have to perform on Thursday, Friday and Saturday."

Steubenville also has four No. 2 seeds.

Other top seeds include Shenandoah's Alex Overly (106); East Liverpool's Howard Williams (113); University's Jacob Simpson (132); Oak Glen's Peyton Hall (138); John Marshall's Anthony Carman (182); and Madonna's Garrett Cook (195).

Williams and Carman won titles at 106 and 160 last year, while Hall was a titlist as a freshman when he became the first frosh to win the coveted Bierkortte Award as the Most Outstanding Wrestler of the tournament.

The three-day event begins Thursday at 6 p.m. with Olympic-style opening ceremonies. Wrestling starts at 6:30. On Friday, action resumes at noon and then again at 6 p.m. Saturday begins with championship semifinals at noon. The night session kicks off at 6 with the naming of Mr. Mat. The championship finals are slated for 6:30.



Barnesville, Bridgeport claim OVAC mat crowns

• Bulldogs' Kusic finishes runnerup at 170 pounds

By KIM NORTH
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WHEELING - Although no area individuals won titles during the 66th annual Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Ron Mauck Wrestling Championships Saturday, a pair of local teams left Wes-Banco Arena with some top hardware.

Bridgeport hadn't won an OVAC mat championship since it went back-to-back in 1987-88 in Class 2A and 3A, respectively. The 31-year drought ended over the weekend as the Bulldogs piled up 62 points in three days to win the Class 1A/2A crown by four points over Caldwell.

Barnesville, meanwhile, returned to the-top for the first time since 2007 by claiming the Class 3A championship with 80 points, which was also good enough for 10th place overall.

"I'm proud of the entire team. We wrestled hard all weekend. This was a total team effort," Bridgeport head

coach David Nelson said. "Every kid that won a match contributed to this victory."

The title was the 10th overall for the Bulldogs. They also won the first seven tournaments ever held (1954-60) when it was a one-class field, but had fallen on some hard times until Nelson's arrival.

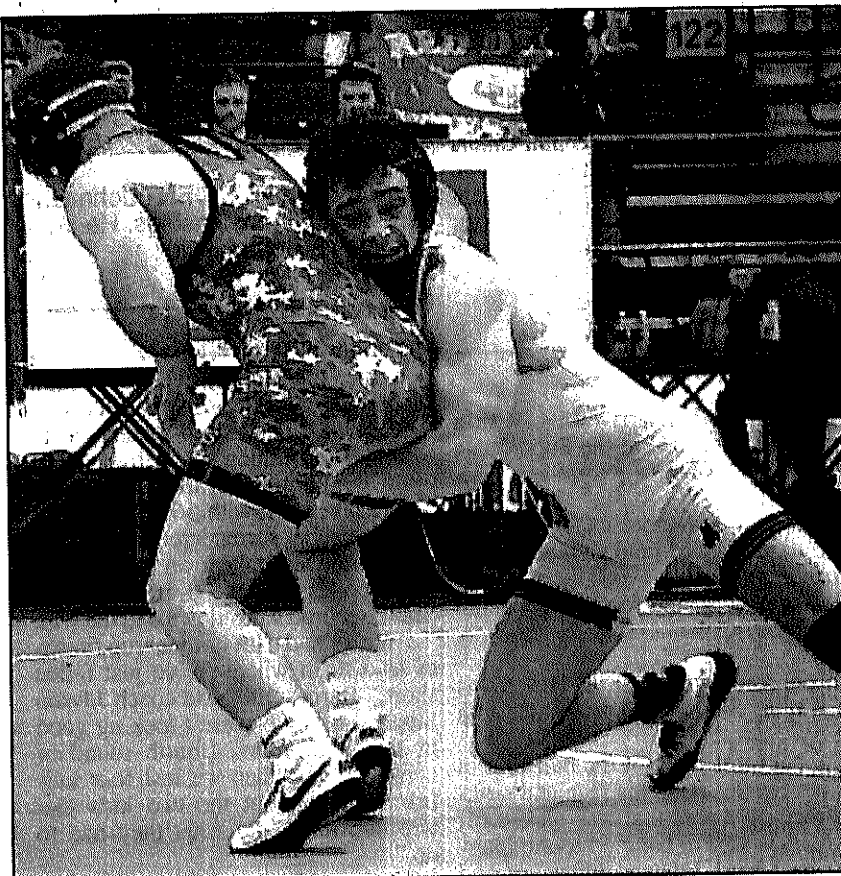
"As a staff we're good at getting kids to come out and developing them," Nelson noted. "The kids go out and wrestle hard and that's all we can ask for."

Bridgeport was led by its two senior leaders in Tino Kusic (170) and Mason Kuneff (160).

Kusic, who finished runnerup, became the school's all-time win leader Saturday afternoon with his 157th victory, surpassing Brian Roskovich and Bryan Skoff. Kuneff ended up fourth.

Kusic, the No. 2 seed, dropped a tough 7-5 sudden-victory decision to Beaver Local's top-seeded Beau Smith.

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BRIDGEPORT'S TINO KUSIC has a hold on Beaver Local's Beau Smith during their 170-pound championship bout Saturday night during the 66th annual OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Championships. Kusic lost 7-5 in sudden-victory.

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"We've had a lot of runnerup finishes as a team where we've just fallen short," Barnesville head coach Jayson Stephen said. "It wasn't looking good in the blood-round (fourth round of consolations) when we lost four kids from placing, but the two kids that wrestled today did what they had to do."

He was referring to freshman Griffen Stephen (106) and senior Brylan Clouse (182) who both lost in the semifinals but bounced back to each grab third place.

"Brylan and Griffen both battled back from tough semifinal losses to each get third place, and that was huge for points," he offered. "You can't ask for anymore than that after losing in the semis. It didn't affect them and they came back and did what they needed to do."

The Shamrocks also have 10 team titles now. They won their first title in 1977 as Class A/AA champs before taking the Class AAA titles in 1983 and 1985, which was the only time they won the overall title. They have been Class AA runnersup in 1995, 1997, 2000-01 and 2006-07.

St. Clairsville finished second in Class 4A with 120 points, which was well behind overall champion Beaver Local's 303. Head coach Joel Sansone had half-a-dozen of his Red Devils reach the podium.

"When you have the overall champions in your division, it kind of makes it hard to get first-place, but, you know what, we'll take second place to them," he said. "The kids wrestled a good tournament. The six placers are the most we've had since I've been here. We were on the brink of having 8 or 10, but the good news is that out of our six placers, only one is a senior."

That one would be senior Justice McCamick (220) who finished fifth. He was joined on the podium by sophomores Koen Kish (120-3rd), Caden Stout (132-6th), Austin DuRe (138-7th) and Reese Skaggs (170-5th); along with junior Derek Witsberger (195-4th).

Buckeye Local had four placers in sophomore Brian Palmer Jr. (132-3rd); junior Zac Cesario (220-8th); and seniors Charlie Smith (170-7th) and Shayne Christian (182-8th).

Martins Ferry had a trio of individuals reach the podium in senior Drake Dobson (195-3rd) and juniors Richie McFarland (182-5th) and Donte Lewis (285-8th).

Harrison Central also had three placewinners in seniors Blayne Erwin (182-6th), Josh Croft (195-6th) and Cody Gamble (285-3rd).

Bellaire checked with two placers in senior Joseph Bonfini (120-8th) and junior Cody Albaugh (160-8th).

Steubenville's Peyton Blasko earned the coveted Bierkorte Award. The Big Red senior capped his run through the 126-pound bracket with a stunning, 6-5, ultimate-tiebreaker victory over Beaver Local's two-time defending champion, Cole McComas.

Beaver Local, by virtue of four individual titlists, ran away with the overall and Class 4A team championships. The Beavers dammed up a whopping

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John Marshall's Anthony Carman (182) and Steubenville's Anthony Rice (152) defended their titles, and both did so in dominating fashion. Carman, who has signed with WVU, moved to 34-2 on the season with a 9-1 major decision over Steubenville's David Tuttle.

Other repeat winners were East Liverpool's Howard Williams (113) and Parkersburg South's Brayden Roberts (145) and nationally ranked Braxton Amos (220). Amos is ranked No. 1.

Oak Glen's Peyton Hall (138) rejoined the winners circle as he won a championship as a freshman before finishing second last year.

He won the Bierkorte Award two years ago.

University's Jacob Simpson (132), Madonna's Garrett Cook (195) and Parkersburg South's Loudon Haga (285) rounded out the individual titlists.

Parkersburg South won the Class 5A title.

Former West Virginia University defensive coordinator Tony Gibson is hired at North Carolina State/11

Seeds Are Set for OVAC Wrestling Tournament

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"I think we have a good, young team who is doing the right things. They are preparing the right way and I think the way things shook out in the seeding meeting is just an indication of how hard these kids work and prepare to be successful," Beaver Local coach Jordan Williams said. "It's a testament to what they do on a day-in and day-out basis."

McComas is also a two-time Ohio Division II state runnerup.

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The Beavers also have five second seeds.

Wheeling Park checks in with 12 seeded wrestlers, which is one more than Steubenville.

"I'm pretty excited for my first OVAC Tournament seed meeting. I think everyone's seeds panned out really well," first-year Wheeling Park coach Brian Leggett explained. "They (the wrestlers) did all the hard work already, so the work in the seeding meeting was pretty easy for me."

Despite not having a No. 1 seed, the Patriots did receive two thirds in Billy Gooch (152) and Dylan Wood (220).

Big Red's 11 seeds include a No. 1 in Anthony Rice (152), who is also ranked No. 1 in the state by BoroFan. The senior is also a defending champion.

"You always want to get higher seeds. This tournament is tough. There are a bunch of good teams here," Steubenville coach Mike Blackburn said. "The whole thing is to come in here and wrestle. Our kids have to perform on Thursday, Friday and Saturday."

Steubenville also has four No. 2 seeds.

Other top seeds include Shenandoah's Alex Overly (106); East Liverpool's Howard Williams (113); University's Jacob Simpson (132); Oak Glen's Peyton Hall (138); John Marshall's Anthony Carman (182); and Madonna's Garrett Cook (195).

Williams and Carman won titles at 106 and 160 last year, while Hall was a titlist as a freshman when he became the first freshman to win the coveted Bierkortte Award as the Most Outstanding Wrestler of the tournament.

The three-day event begins at 6 p.m. Thursday with Olympic-style opening ceremonies. Wrestling starts at 6:30. On Friday, action resumes at noon and then again at 6 p.m. Saturday begins with championship semifinals at noon. The night session kicks off at 6 with the naming of Mr. Mat. The championship finals are slated for 6:30.

Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for students for each session. Advance book of five (5) tickets is \$25 for adults and \$15 for students. A finals-only ticket is \$8 for adults and \$5 for students.

Trash talk is already heating up leading up to this weekend's rivalry/16

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For The Intelligence

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SHADYSIDE RESIDENT John Grinch, center, was named Mr. Mat during Saturday night's OVAC Ron Mauck Wrestling Championships. He is pictured with OVAC Tournament Director Dan Doyle, left, and Tournament namesake Ron Mauck.

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65th Annual OVAC Row Meek
Wrestling Championships
(at Weebanco Arena, Wheeling)
Final Results
Overall

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Class 5A
Parkersburg South 243; Steubenville 214.5; Wheeling Park 171; John Marshall 154.5; University 109.5; Weir 66; Brooke 49; Indian Creek 44; Morgantown 21

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Beaver Local 303; St. Clairsville 120; Oak Glen 111; East Liverpool 87.5; Cambridge 68; Martins Ferry 65; Buckeye Local 61; Harrison Central 59.5; Meadowbrook 46.5; Edison 21

Class 3A
Barnesville 80; Shenandoah 55; Magnolia 46; Crestview 39; Bellaire 37; Union Local 24; Linsly 17; Fort Frye 9

Class 1A/2A
Bridgeport 62; Caldwell 58; Southern Local 58.5; Madonna 53.5; Cameron 48; (tie) Toronto, Wellsville 26; Paden City 11; (tie) Bealsville, River 10; Steubenville Catholic 7; (tie) Shadyside, Wheeling Central 0

Placement 1st-8th
108
7th - 3 Danny Yost (BRK) def 11 Camden Barr (OG), Fall 0:49; 5th - 5 Jarell Stillion (MEAD) def 7 Cody Taggart (WP), Dec 2:0; 3rd - 6 Griffen Stephen (BARN) def 1 Alec Ovarly (SHEN), Dec 3:2; 1st - 2 Jeremy Salisbury (BVL) def 4 Carl Cochran (JM), Fall 1:10

113
7th - 6 Devin Easton (PS) def 9 Gabe Carman (JM), Fall 0:42; 5th - 7 Mark Emmerling Jr. (BVL) def 2 Jace Stockett (UNIV), Dec 5:3; 3rd - 4 Nate Shelek (WP) def 5 Marshall Newinger (CALD), Dec 7:2; 1st - 1 Howard Williams (EL) def 3 Shawn Moore (OG), Dec 8:4; 5V

120
7th - 5 Matthew Simpson (UNIV) def 8 Joseph Bonini (BELL), Dec 9:3; 5th - 9 Mason Richardson (WP) def 7 Ethan Gray (JM), Dec 3:2; 3rd - 2 Koen Kish (STC) def 4 Brayden Johnson (PS), Dec 3:1; 1st - 1 Logan Ours (BVL) def 3 Terry Garrett (MEAD), Fall 5:28

126
7th - 7 Wyatt Conley (WEIR) def 10 Jason Tice (WELL), Dec 5:3; 5th - 6 Derek Houser (CV) def 3 Jaka Staud (UNIV), Dec 3:0; 3rd - 4 Tucker Windbank (PS) def 5 Aubrey Anill (CAMP), M-Dec 11:2; 1st - 2 Peyton Blasko (STEUB) def 1 Cole McComas (BVL), Dec 6:5; 5V

132
7th - 9 Canon Walker (WP) def 5 Hayden Johnson (ED), Dec 7:3; 5th - 10 Austin Love (JM) def 8 Caden Stout (STC), Dec 12:10; 3rd - 4 Brian Palmer Jr. (BL) def 2 Tyler Muldrew (STEUB), Dec 1:1; 1st - 1 Jacob Simpson (UNIV) def 3 Jonathan Potts (BVL), Dec 6:4; 5V

138
7th - 12 Austin DeRe (STC) def 11 Garrett Collier (TOR), Dec 5:0; 5th - 5 Steve Mitchell (WP) def 6 Collin Wiley (CALD), Dec 5:2; 3rd - 4 Gavin Quachro (PS) def 3 Jared Wright (BVL), M-Dec 9:1; 1st - 1 Peyton Hall (OG) def 2 Jackson Muldrew (STEUB), Fall 3:30

145
7th - 6 Zane Minella (STEUB) def 11 Justin Sarge (WELL), Dec 5:1; 5th - 5 Jonathan Creech (OG) def 7 Christopher Helms (WEIR), Dec 8:1; 3rd - 2 Alec Cook (MAD) def 4 Andrew Shelek (WP), Dec 3:2; 1st - 1 Brayden Roberts (PS) def 3 Skyler Lesure (BVL), Dec 1:0

152
7th - 6 Mitch Wukelic (IC) def 11 Cooper Kerns (CAMP), Dec 8:5; 5th - 7 Braeden Pauley (UNIV) def 3 Billy Gooch (WP), Dec 1:0; 3rd - 4 Mikey Shamblin (PS) def 5 Dylan Whitman (SL), Dec 3:0; 1st - 1 Anthony Rice (STEUB) def 2 Logan Krulik (BVL), Dec 9:4

160
7th - 12 Reese Wills (WEIR) def 6 Cody Albaugh (BELL), Dec 4:5; 5th - 9 Max Camille (BRK) def 7 Hunter Nixon (WP), Fall 4:6; 3rd - 1 Zane Hinzman (PS) def 3 Mason Kunkel (BPT), Dec 5:1; 1st - 2 Brandon Severs (BVL) def 4 Ethan Pappas (STEUB), Dec 7:5

170
7th - 7 Charles Smith (BL) def 4 Brandon Kinney (STEUB), Dec 5:4; 5th - 9 Reese Skaggs (STC) def 5 Jeremiah Timberlake (WP), Dec 5:3; 3rd - 6 Jacob Bensford (JM) def 3 Ian Bush (CAM), Dec 3:2; 1st - 1 Beau Smith (BVL) def 2 Santino Kusic (BPT), Dec 7:6; 5V

182
7th - 4 James Stillwagoner (MAG) def 8 Shayne Christian (SL), Fall 2:08; 5th - 11 Richard McFarland (MF) def 12 Blayne Erwin (HC) Fall 3:0; 3rd - 3 Brycen Clouse (BARN) def 6 Hunter Morris (SL), M-Dec 9:1; 1st - 1 Anthony Carman (JM) def 2 David Tuttle (STEUB), M-Dec 9:1

195
7th - 6 Jermain Snodgrass (WP) def 7 Sam Lowe (SL), Dec 7:6; 5th - 3 Keith Bodnar (STEUB) def 11 Josh Croft (HC), Dec 8:1; 3rd - 5 Drake Dobson (MF) def 4 Derek Witsberger (STC), Dec 1:0; 1st - 1 Garrett Cook (MAD) def 2 Donovan Kirby (WEIR), Dec 2:1

220
7th - 7 Dalton Rice (SHEN) def 8 Zac Cesario (BL), Dec 7:5; 5th - 5 Justice McCamick (STC) def 2 Bradlee Clark (JM) Fall 3:0; 3rd - 4 Skylor Woolley (EL) def 6 Garrett Givens (BVL), Dec 2:1; 1st - 1 Braxton Amos (PS) def 3 Dylan Wood (WP), M-Dec 12:4

285
7th - 8 Brady Williams (JM) def 3 Donte Lewis (MF), Dec 3:2; 5th - 4 Emanuel Wiers (STEUB) def 5 Easton Hitchens (SHEN), Dec 4:1; 3rd - 10 Cody Gamble (HC) def 11 Mikey Hamrick (MAG), Fall 4:14; 1st - 1 Loudon Haga (PS) def 2 Daniel Wirth (BVL), M-Dec 9:1

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Class 3A
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Championship Round
108
1. Alex Ovarly (SHEN) def Justin Sampson (HC), M-Dec 18:6; 5. Jarell Stillion (MEAD) def Sean White (BPT), M-Dec 11:2; 4. Carl Cochran (JM) def Colin Greenwood (UL), Fall 0:22; 3. Danny Yost (BRK) def Tyler Sipes (IC), Fall 0:42; 6. Griffen Stephen (BARN) def Jason Rainer (CALD), Fall 3:09; 2. Jaymin Salisbury (BVL) def Justin Buchelt (EL), M-Dec 12:0

113
1. Howard Williams (EL) def Joseph Savage (TOR), Fall 1:10; 8. Eric Reed (CAMP) def Jordyn Spencer (BL), Fall 0:48; 5. Marshall Newinger (CALD) def Rydge Hale (STEUB), Fall 3:27; 4. Nate Shelek (WP) def Chad Tice (WELL), Fall 2:51; 3. Shawn Moore (OG) def Braydon Demaria (BRK), Fall 2:52; 6. Devin Easton (PS) def Eric Shriver (MORG), Fall 3:23; 7. Mark Emmerling Jr. (BVL) def Christian Waterman (BPT), Fall 1:17; 2. Jace Stockett (UNIV) def Carter Wells (BARN), Dec 8:3

120
1. Logan Ours (BVL) def Christian Polka (RIV), Fall 0:40; 9. Mason Richardson (WP) def Doug Whitman (TOR), Fall 3:49; Clayton Lamb (OG) def Logan Wagner (FF), Fall 3:21; 5. Matthew Simpson (UNIV) def Nathaniel Gibson (UL), Fall 1:25; 4. Brayden Johnson (PS) def Travis Harper (SHEN), Fall 0:38; 3. Terry Getrell (MEAD) def Cameron Wolfe (CV), T-Fall 17:1; 7. Ethan Gray (JM) def Valen Krzyston (WELL), Fall 1:13; 8. Joseph Bonini (BELL) def John George (BRK), Fall 0:36; 2. Koen Kish (STC) def Daniel Rose (IC), Fall 1:54

126
1. Cole McComas (BVL) def Neil Johnston (BRK), Fall 0:18; 9. Aubrey Anill (CAMP) def Caiden Thornton (BARN), Fall 1:48; 8. Chance Woolley (SL) def Peyton Shook (JM), Dec 14:11; 5. Gavin Ray (OG) def Jesse Coulter (MAG), Fall 0:23; 4. Tucker Windbank (PS) def Austin Maccek (MAD), M-Dec 18:4; 3. Jaka Staud (UNIV) def Neil Gilbert (MF), Fall 0:42; 6. Derek Houser (CV) def Isaac Ball (CAM), Fall 3:34; 7. Wyatt Conley

(WEIR) def Joel Ackley (CALD), Fall 1:45; 2. Peyton Blasko (STEUB) def Cameron Lawrence (MORG), Fall 1:38

132
1. Jacob Simpson (UNIV) def Tanner Rambo (WELL), Fall 0:25; 9. Canon Walker (WP) def Chance Gillies (RIV), Fall 0:38; 8. Caden Stout (STC) def Trenton Thompson (MORG), T-Fall 17:2; 5. Hayden Johnson (ED) def Michael Gerard (CALD), Fall 0:58; 4. Brian Palmer Jr. (BL) def Sam Zombotti (MAG), Def INJ; 3. Jonathan Potts (BVL) def Jacob Caughman (SL), Fall 0:25; 11. Jude Childers (PS) def Ryan Kamp (BPT), Fall 0:32; 6. Caden Kenworthy (CAMP) def George Hoover (BARN), Dec 9:6; 7. Ryley Crall (UL) def Diego Solano (LIN), Fall 1:16; 10. Austin Love (JM) def Reese Spencer (IC), Fall 3:08; 2. Tyler Muldrew (STEUB) def Connor Rogers (CAM), T-Fall 16:0

138
1. Peyton Hall (OG) def Dakoyta Thatcher (JM), Fall 1:13; 9. Austin Starr (IC) def Danny Nation (BL), Fall 1:30; 8. Gege Adams (MAG) def Sean Baker (WEIR), Fall 2:31; 5. Stevie Mitchell (WP) def Logan Cunningham (WELL), Fall 0:13; 12. Austin DeRe (STC) def Austin Howard (HC), Fall 3:50; Calvin Matthews (UNIV) def Shyann Underwood (SHAD), Fall 0:13; 4. Gavin Quachro (PS) def Gege Schwing (CAM), Fall 0:39; 3. Jared Wright (BVL) def Jesse Law (BRK), Fall 1:09; Michael Flynn (LIN) def Caden Schmida (MORG), Fall 1:28; 11. Garrett Dozlar (TOR) def Jordan Dalby (UL), Fall 4:00; 6. Collin Wiley (CALD) def Jacob Boulet (BARN), M-Dec 20:8; 7. Trey Wanner (CV) def Nick Machuca (RIV), Fall 2:40; 10. Chase Ward (MF) def Wasley Guy (SHEN), Dec 10:9; 2. Jason Muldrew (STEUB) def Trenton Klempa (BELL), Fall 1:01

145
1. Brayden Roberts (PS) def Logan Bennett (EL), Fall 0:45; Jeremy Brown (IC) def Caleb McWhorter (UL), Dec 7:5; 9. Isaac Ricketts (CV) def Jacob Anderson (BL), Fall 1:40; Dylan Grottelty (BARN) def 8 Brise Bennett (UNIV), Dec 11:5; 6. Jonathan Creech (OG) def Julian Giovengo (LIN), Fall 3:45; 12. Wyatt VanDyne (BEAL) def Billy Baker (SHAD), Fall 0:28; Griffen Leombruno (MORG) def Bryce Wade (HC), Dec 7:6; 4. Andrew Shelek (WP) def Bryce Hunt (CALD), Fall 1:53; 3. Skyler Lesure (BVL) def Roy Rayl (JM), Fall 1:06; Mason McCort (STC) def Joey Vincent (SHEN), Fall 0:38; 11. Justin Sarge (WELL) def Michael Mosti (SL), Fall 2:35; 6. Zane Minella (STEUB) def Joe Duskey (FF), Fall 0:30; 7. Christopher Helms (WEIR) def Cody Swauger (BPT), Fall 0:13; 10. Griffen Heatherington (BELL) def Jourdan Presto (CAM), Fall 1:31; Jacob Smith (BRK) def Zack Selby (MEAD), Fall 1:55; 2. Alec Cook (MAD) def Kyre Smith (TOR), Fall 1:29

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1. Beau Smith (BVL) def Brandon Marnie (BELL), Fall 0:37; 9. Reese Skaggs (STC) def Neil Gibbons (BARN), Fall 3:06; 8. Wyatt Linder (PS) def Tucker Coultrap (HC), Fall 1:50; 5. Jeremiah Timberlake (WP) def Cyrus Hill (LIN), Fall 1:06; 12. Latrell Crute (SL) def Gavin Donzila (IC), Fall 0:50; Tommy Mitchell (CALD) def Christopher Aubrey-Big (TOR), Fall 1:56; 4. Brandon Kinney (STEUB) def Nicholas D'Amico (WEIR), Fall 1:22; 3. Ian Bush (CAM) def Brody Rush (MAG), Fall 0:34; Briar Cunningham (WELL) def Wyatt Miley (SHEN), Fall 3:37; Justin Bartlett (CAMP) def Dylan Heinrich (OG), Fall 1:26; 6. Jacob Berisford (JM) def Jakob Klug (SHAD), Fall 0:59; 7. Charles Smith (BL) def Will Miller (UNIV), Fall 3:02; 10. Cameron Hughes (MF) def Mason Kameron (MAD), Fall 1:26; 2. Santino Kusic (BPT) def Dakota Isinghood (BRK), Fall 1:03

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1. Anthony Carman (JM) def Vincent Patrone (BELL), Fall 1:01; 5. Logan Wilson (IC) def Garret Parsons (WP), Fall 0:43; 4. James Stillwagoner (MAG) def Christian Lerusi (BVL), Dec 4:2; 3. Brylan Clouse (BARN) def James Beaver (PC), Fall 1:14; 6. Hunter Morris (SL) def Shayne Christian (BL), Fall 5:37; 2. David Tuttle (STEUB) def Logan Walters (WEIR), Fall 2:59

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1. Garrett Cook (MAD) def Austin Williams (BRK), Fall 0:49; 4. Derek Witsberger (STC) def Liam O'Connor (MORG), Fall 1:09; 3. Keith Bodnar (STEUB) def Noah Buckelaw (PS), M-Dec 14:4; 2. Donovan Kirby (WEIR) def Cameron Stillwagoner (MAG), Fall 2:23

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1. Braxton Amos (PS) def Ryan Cross (PC), Fall 0:51; 9. Chance Knight (LIN) def Evan Merryman (IC), Fall 1:55; 8. Zac Cesario (BL) def Tim Cheear (MEAD), Fall 1:33; 5. Justice McCamick (STC) def Sephen Hunter (STEUB) def 4 Skylor Woolley (EL) def Michael Tizziani (TOR), Fall 0:20; 3. Dylan Wood (WP) def Zakary Dobson (MF), Fall 0:12; 8. Garrett Givens (BVL) def Peyton Tuttle (STEUB), Fall 0:57; 7. Dalton Rice (SHEN) def Kaiten Hanlin (ED), Fall 1:57; 10. Zack Meade (BARN) def Jacob Honeywell (SHAD), Fall 0:38; 2. Bradlee Clark (JM) def Logan Ellis (HC), Fall 0:24

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1. Loudon Haga (PS) def Richard Montellone (SCC), Fall 0:56; 9. Trey Delguzzo (STC) def C.J. Rose (WCC), Fall 2:34; 8. Brady Williams (JM) def Austin Baumgartner (FF), Fall 2:52; 5. Easton Hitchens (SHEN) def Hayden Hoge (CAM), Fall 1:42; 12. Kaz Zubay (EL) def Stephen Craig (SL), Fall 2:59; Zachary Kuhoff (BPT) def Jason Peebles (MEAD), Fall 4:46; 4. Emanuel Ware (STEUB) def Daniel Rawson (BRK), Fall 0:48; 3. Donte Lewis (MF) def Cole English (OG), Dec 3:1; Joseph Hoepfner (BELL) def Caden Honeywell (SHAD), Fall 1:26; 11. Mikey Hamrick (MAG) def Avery Clouse (BARN), Fall 0:25; 6. Josh Fancher (TOR) def Nathan Zink (IC), Dec 6:0; 7. Calvin McGaha (WP) def Brett Long (CAMP), Fall 3:22; 10. Cody Gamble (HC) def T.J. Wehr (CALD), Fall 1:44; Tommy Thompson (ED) def Dylan Haselau (MORG), Fall 3:20; 2. Daniel Wirth (BVL) def Corbin Turney (UNIV), M-Dec 8:0

Bonus Points Are Key at OVACs

Beaver, South, Park each record 10 pins

By KIM NORTH
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WHEELING — Bonus points are always big in wrestling tournaments. That's why the good teams rise to the top of those events.

Beaver Local, Parkersburg South and Wheeling Park all recorded 10 pins during a rapid first night of the 66th annual Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Ron Mauck Championships inside WesBanco Arena, but the Beavers also recorded two major decisions to one for the Wood County Patriots for a 46-43 advantage. The Ohio County Patriots checked in third with 40 points.

"We had a good day. We got bonus points in every match that we won and we won all of them but one," Beaver Local coach Jordan Williams said. "We're in a good position going into (today). We had 10 pins and two major decisions. Bonus points are going to be huge if we're going to put ourselves in a position to win."

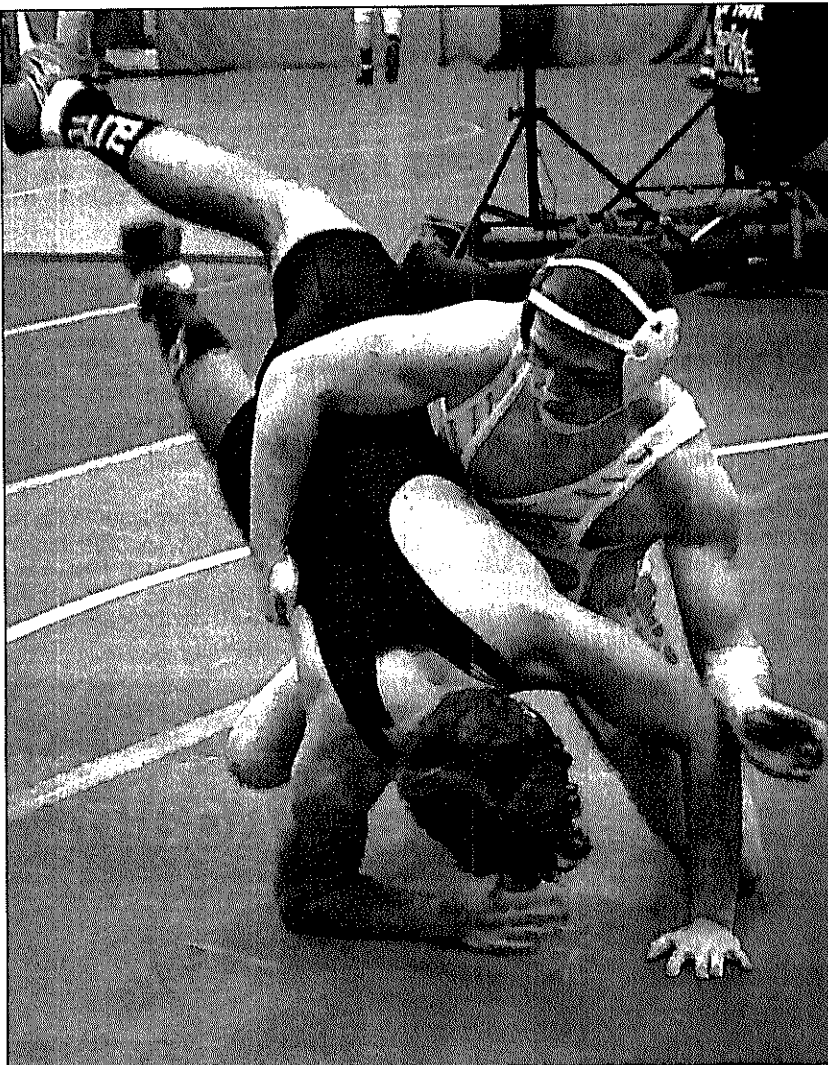
Parkersburg South coach Sean Smith echoed those thoughts.

"I thought my guys went out and wrestled well. When you wrestle 12 matches and win 10 by pins, that's pretty good," he said. "Bonus points are going to be absolutely big in this tournament. They are crucial and we try to get them whenever we can."

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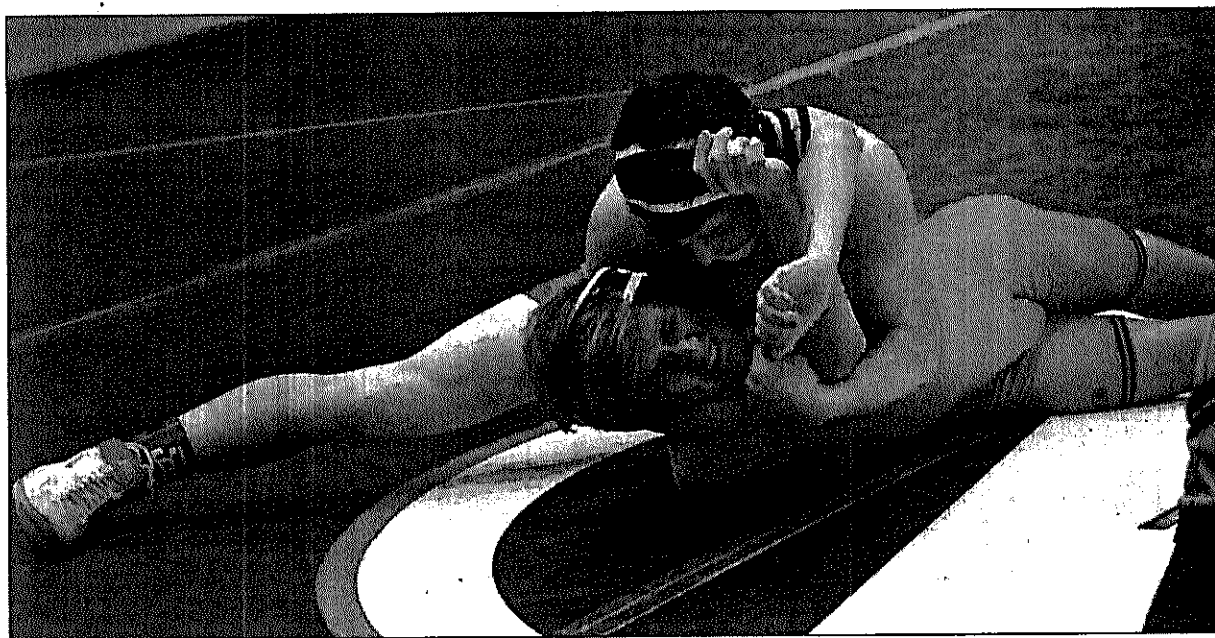
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Top: Wheeling Park's Jeremiah Timberlake has control of Linsly's Cyrus Hill during their 170-pound match at the 66th annual Ohio Valley Athletic Conference Ron Mauck Wrestling Championships Thursday night inside WesBanco Arena. Timberlake won by pin in 1-minute, 6-seconds. Bottom: John Marshall's Ethan Gray looks for back points in his 120-pound match with Wellsville's Valen Krzyston. Gray won by pin in 1:13.



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Wheeling Park first-year coach Brian Leggett also liked what he saw from his squad.

"We did really well. We only had one guy lose and the rest of them won by pin," he said. "Those bonus points are huge in a tournament like this. All of the pins were quick ones, so we're hoping to build off of that and keep that momentum rolling into (today)."

Beaver Local, which has three No. 1 seeds, and Parkersburg South, with four top seeds, each have 13 of 14 wrestlers remaining in the championship bracket. Wheeling Park has 12, as does Steubenville and St. Clairsville. Big Red is fourth

in the overall team race with 38 points, which is seven more than the fifth-place Red Devils.

"It's about what we expected," Steubenville coach Mike Blackburn said. "You always want to win one more than you did. Not a bad start, though. We got 12 in the championship round still. We had a couple of byes, so those guys will wrestle (today)."

Big Red had eight pins, a technical fall and a major decision among its victories.

St. Clairsville coach Joel Sansone wasn't real happy with the way some seeds shook out, but he was all smiles after the first round.

"The guys came out and wrestled really well. It's kind of hard to gauge how we're doing team-wise when four of our guys that are seeded had first-round byes, but we had nine matches and we went 8-1 with seven pins and a technical fall," Sansone said. "I'm not even thinking about the team races right now. There are still two long days to go. It's going to be a long weekend."

"I'm just preaching to the kids to go out there and battle. That's all I want every time they step on the mat. Win or lose we're going to get better."

When asked about the seven pins and a technical fall, Sansone agreed with the other coaches.

"We're always looking for bonus points. We were in the Southside Duals last weekend and I told the kids that dual meet tournaments are all about bonus points," he said. "Seven pins and a technical fall isn't a bad way to start off the tournament, though."

All 14 wrestlers seeded No. 1-7 in their respective weight classes were all victorious. The only two upsets came at 145 pounds when Barnesville's Dylan Glotfelty decisioned No. 8 Brise Bennett of University, 11-5; and at 152 when No. 10 Chris Parker of Toronto lost by injury default to Oak Glen's Chase Smith.

Of the 123 pins recorded in the 148 matches contested, 44 of them came in under one minute. The fastest being when Steubenville's defending champion Anthony Rice (152) flattened Crestview's Ty Harrison in a mere six ticks.

All 10 defending champions prevailed, seven from last year, and a trio from the season before.

Parkersburg South leads the Class 5A team race 43-40 over Wheeling Park. Beaver Local is tops in Class 4A over Steubenville, 46-38. Barnesville and Bridgeport have 2-point leads over Bellaire and Southern Local, respectively, in Class 3A and Class 1A/2A.

Action resumes today with Session II at noon, featuring second-round matches in the championship bracket, as well as first- and second-round bouts in the consolation bracket. Session III, which begins at 6 p.m., will include championship quarterfinals, as well as third- and fourth-round consolation bouts.



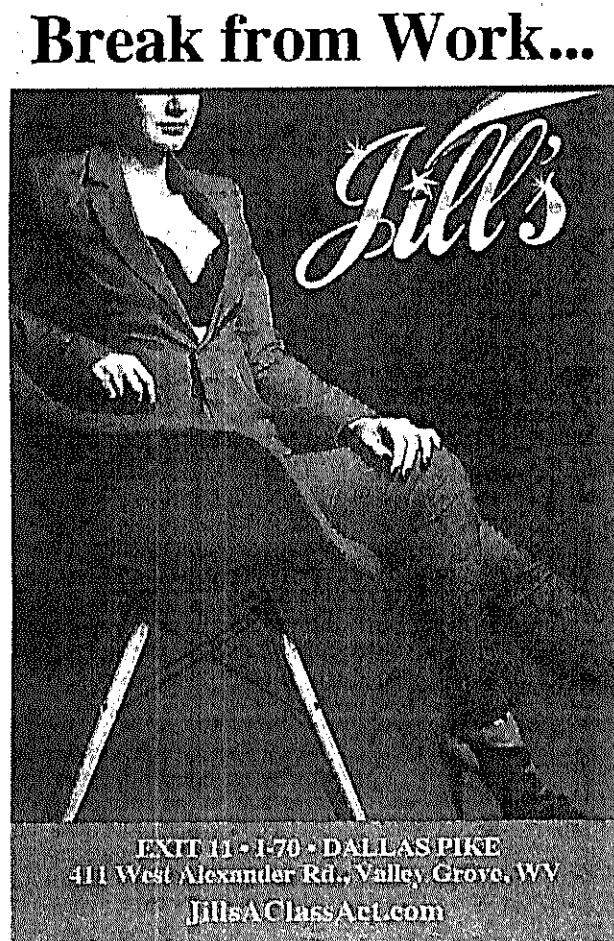
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