



Behrend's Ashley Swift exhibits "Grrrr" as he controls Waynesburg's John Zalenchak. The Cubs wrestled a fine match against a team rated seventh in the nation. Swift's record of duel meets consists of only one loss.



Ashley Swift tries to prevent John Zalenchak from escaping in his 10-5 decided victory. Also recording wins for Behrend were Alir Carter, in the 118 lb. class along with Brian Vollant at 167 lbs. Vollant has a perfect record of 9-0.

## Walsh Gets Higher Out Rebounds Cubs

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"Ah-GMY

"Ah-Huh," I commented to myself after a quick glance at the program I had just stolen from the girl in front of me. "They don't have anyone over 6'3". We might even win tonight."

I don't know why I became so naive all of a sudden perhaps the thought of the post-game party clouded my mind. Maybe it was because I was sitting behind the cheerleaders, I don't really know. I do know that last Saturday the Walsh College Cavaliers, sans big guy, defeated the Cubs 75-67. I also know that I liked Walsh's style—they had class.

Actually, Walsh's style of play was very simple. They were very quick and they could jump very high. Let me re-phrase that: They could jump very high and they were very quick. There is no simpler way to put it.

But old Doc Sweeting did his homework rather well. He put the Cubs into a 1-3-1 defense that was very impressive. He had speed up front in Jack Nill, Jack Weber or Frank Moorhead, he clogged up the middle with Jim Davis, Jeff Gillette and Larry Szoszorek and he put his play making guard Larry McAleer under the boards. What this strategy did was to match speed for speed up front, take away the drive or inside shot and provide excellent screening on rebounds.

Of course defense is only half the game, and Sweeting knew his team would be up against a torrid full court press. Dr. Sweeting also knew a series of good sharp passes could beat that press and Dr. Sweeting had that series lined up well.

With all these preparations, why did Behrend lose? Analyzing the cumulative statistics, Behrend averages 67 points per game. Cub opponents average 77 points per game. The score of last Saturday's game was Walsh - 75, Behrend-67. The Cubs played only an average game.

The same old problem of rebounds once again was the Cubs' down fall. Behrend did a fine job of forcing Walsh to attempt outside shots. The Cubs did a fair

job of grabbing defensive rebounds, but fair wasn't good enough considering the Cubs got only 6 offensive rebounds.

The Cubs had trouble as usual in the shooting department. Although they shot well, 45 per cent in both halves as opposed to a 39 per cent average on the season, they were still forced to rely on the long outside shot of Jack Nill who had 18 points for the Cubs and played an excellent game all around. Jeff Gillette checked in with 10 points and 9 rebounds and he has shown steady improvement from the first games.

The Cubs' next home game is January 29 against Grove City. Behrend is beginning to play some exciting basketball as they near the middle of the season. There were many excited fans at last Saturday's game but Erie Hall was no where near capacity.

By the way, the cheerleaders were great, the party was fantastic and I gave the girl back her program.

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### Record Slips To 5-4

# Cubs Exhibit GRRRR. .

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The score stood 17-9 with Behrend's Cubs behind. What the score doesn't reflect is the ferocity and spirit that Cub grapplers threw against a superior Waynesburg College. The Waynesburg coach spent many anxious, yelling, apprehensive moments near the mat, cajoling and encouraging his matmen to the slim victories they won.

Things started out well for the Cubs as Alir Carter conquered Waynesburg's Jim Miranda 9-3 in the 118 lb. division. The first period had each contestant testing each other out. Carter was the first to score on a takedown and the score at the end of the first period was 2-0 in favor of Carter. In the second period, Carter's dominance slowly surfaced as he took a 4-1 lead. The third period saw Carter's preponderant strength and balance secure a 9-3 victory.

A tight battle took place at 126 lbs. between Behrend's Greg Wozniak and Waynesburg's Tom Walter. At the end of two periods, Wozniak held a slight 1-0 edge. Superior condition payed off for Walter in the third period as he was able to hold on to a 4-2 lead which gave him the victory.

At 134, Larry Fabrizi wrestled Paul Hoover who placed fourth in

the NAIA last year. Although Fabrizi was pinned with 1:39 remaining in the second period, the score was even 6-6 and only seconds before, Fabrizi had Hoover's shoulders dangerously close to the mat before being reversed into the pinning combination.

Behrend's Kevin Yendell wrestled tall Dan Barnickle at 142. Barnickle was quick to use his height as an advantage in his 7-2 victory. Yendell seemed to lack the spirit and aggressiveness that was a characteristic of the rest of the Cub squad as Barnickle was on top and in control most of the latter two periods. What few mistakes Barnickle made, Yendell quickly took advantage of gaining two escapes but no reversals.

Once again Ashley Swift provided Behrend fans not only with a 10-5 win, but with highly spirited aggressive wrestling. Although Swift lead the whole way, there were a few moments when he was forced to rely on what he calls "GRRRRR". That's right—"GRRRRR". It seems that "GRRRRR" is used at times when submission is the only apparent consequence. "GRRRRR" entails gritting ones teeth, forming a

forboding look on ones face and wrestling like hell. I might add that it seems to work.

Brian Vollant remained undefeated at 167 when he beat Waynesburg's Al Minella 6-4. Vollant typified Behrend grapplers with his spirited, almost frantic wrestling. Several judgement calls by the ref that deprived Vollant of points, plus 3 stalling fouls against Minella gave Vollant added impetus to his win.

Mike Mucciarone, who usually wrestles 158, met Waynesburg's Robin Rembold at 177. The weight difference was too great for Mucciarone who wrestled admirably but lost to the stodgy Rembold 8-3. Jim Tracy and Alan Volman were merely victims of superior Waynesburg matmen, Tracy losing at 158 to John Mitsch 7-3 and Volkman succumbed to Waynesburg's Nevan Gochpour at 190 lbs.

All Behrend matmen wrestled with spirit and enthusiasm that was transferred to the near capacity crowd. What it comes down to is that it appears there is an abundance of "GRRRR" here at Behrend.



Behrend's Fred Bartnicki goes up for a rebound against a tough Walsh offense. Walsh won the contest 75-67, with superior quickness and excellent rebounding. The Cubs used the 1-3-1 defense that seemed very impressive. The next scheduled home game is January 29, when the Cubs are up against Grove City.

## Girls At One & One Go Today

The girls varsity basketball team fell to Edinboro State Thursday, January 17, losing a scrimmage by the score of 45-29. High scores for Behrend were Debbie Hadlock with nine points and Karen Smogorzewski with five. Undaunted, the girls came back with 49-44 victory over Fredonia in a scrimmage held Saturday, January 19. Jill Heenan was the high scorer with fourteen points and Debbie Hadlock and Darlene Howell ten and seven points respectively. Coach Mrs. Melody Laudensack wishes to express her thanks to Duane Zimmerman and other members of the men's basketball team for their valuable assistance in coaching the girls team.

On Thursday, January 24, the girls meet Mercyhurst College in their second away game. The team's next home game takes place on Monday, January 28 against Allegheny College. Coach Laudensack wants to remind all students that this is one of the team's few home games and hopes for a good turnout to support the girls.

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