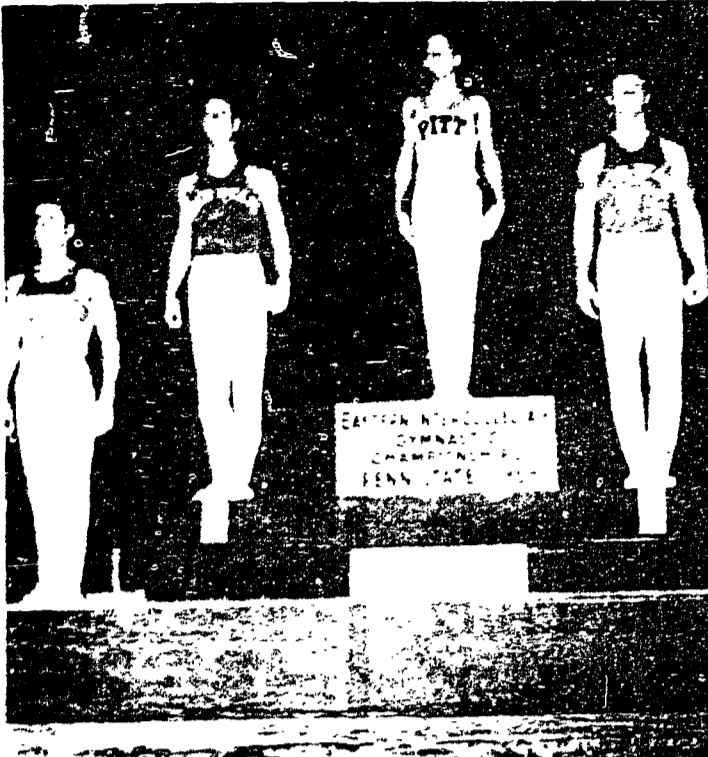


# Werner Amazes EIGL Fans

## Delaney, Mullen Also Take 1st In Tumbling, Rope Climbing



PENN STATE DOMINATES the top four positions on the high bar, but that little 121-pounder from Pitt is still the Eastern champion, senior Tom Darling. Second place went to sophomore Jay Werner; third, to senior Eddie Sidwell and fourth to Lion junior Jack Donahue.

By MATT MATHEWS  
It was Jay Werner Day in Penn State Saturday as the Lion sophomore walked away with the admiration of the fans, the coaches, the judges, the press and his fellow competitors.

Competing in his first Eastern 529 total. But he forgot about the championship tourney, the Lion ace took the long walk to the winner's podium five times. There were seven events, but he didn't compete on the side horse and rope climb. His list of walks included the trip for the number one spot in the toughest event in gymnastics—the all-around. His other achievements included second in tumbling, fourth on the high bar, third on the parallel bars, and second on the flying rings.

He started off the day in true championship style. After being behind his sophomore teammate Lee Cunningham through five of the six all-around events, he went into the final all-around event—the free exercise—with a 13-point handicap.

Cunningham completed his free "X" routine with a 251. What Werner needed to win the all-around was a 265. As he started to address the judges, Werner looked at manager Harry Oxman and said, "Give me some time."

The Philly flash didn't need too much time, for one minute and 25 seconds later he stepped off the mats. Cunningham reached over, shook his hand and held open the warm-up jacket of the East's new all-around champion.

The score was evident, but the judges made it a lot closer than expected by giving the Lion sophomore a 265, for a grand total of 1515 points. Cunningham had 1514.

But where the all-around left off, began another phase in the "Jay Werner Story" if we may use the tagline of Larry Haggarty, gymnastics writer for the Pitt News.

Tumbling was next, and Werner, who never competed on the mats and who barely worked on an exercise during practices all year, was the best performer of the day. The latter comment came from judge Louie Bordo. Bordo's contemporaries agreed in toto with him, for they gave the Lion the highest tumbling score of either day, a 264, but fortunately for junior teammate Dave Dulaney, it wasn't enough to over-



Jim Mulvihill ... a new champion's finish

come the lead Dulaney built in the preliminary session.

Dulaney was very consistent with a 258 and 259 for the winning 517. Werner had a 511. The first day leader, Pitt's Don Neeld with a 262, fell on his last run of the finals and dropped to a 245 and third place with 507.

Werner smashed one of his ribs on the high bar, causing him to weaken his dismount and fall. He still picked up a 255 for a two-day total of 515 points and a fourth on the bar. Teammate Lee Cunningham had the best routine of the day, but couldn't overcome a four-point lead by the eventual winner, Jim Mulvihill of Pitt. Mul-

vihill had a grand winning score of 540. Second was teammate Tom Darling with a 539, followed by the unlucky Cunningham at 538.

With the rib all taped up, Werner finished a painful parallel bar routine for third place with 498 points. Cadet Gar O'Quinn took the title with a 545, followed by Middle Ken McNutt with a 514. Cunningham was fifth with a 474.

Cunningham also missed his big chance to dethrone O'Quinn on the side horse, but Middle Fern Sheppard didn't. Displaying the most confident and speedy traveling movements on the horse, Sheppard scored a 265 and 268 for 533 points and a surprise win. O'Quinn, who followed Cunningham's weak routine, played it safe with a simple routine and an Intercollegiate Gymnastics League Navy and Sheppard followed up with a dangerous, but effective, winning routine.

An anti-climatic "place" for Werner on the flying rings followed the championship performance of the 121-pound Panther Darling. The champ racked up an insurmountable lead and Werner had to be content with the runner-up spot for the second straight week. Lion senior Eddie Sidwell bowed out in grand style with a third on the rings, behind two of the toughest "champions" in the East. Jack Donahue completed the winner's circle for the Lions with a fourth spot.

Not much can be said about the rope climb. It was Phil Mullen all the way. The revenged champ pulled down his second Eastern title with a :03.6 clocking. Tied for second were Lion sophomore Vince Neuhauser, Cadet Bob Degen, and Syracuse men Mike Shipley and Jack Hall.

All in all, it was a great day for the Lions.

### EIGL Final Results

- ALL-AROUND—1. Werner, (PSU) 1515; 2. Cunningham (PSU) 1514; 3. Briegel (Mass.) 1260; 4. Welsh (W.Va.) 1272; 5. Ray (T) 1215; 6. Savadove (PSU) 1161.
- TUMBLING—1. Dulaney (PSU) 517; 2. Werner (PSU) 511; 3. Neeld (Pitt) 507; 4. Meier (Syr) 500; 5. Cawen (PSU) 499; 6. Morrill (A) 461; 7. Phillips (A) 452; 8. Satter (S) 428.
- SIDE HORSE—1. Sheppard (N) 532; 2. O'Quinn (A) 529; 3. Cunningham (PSU) 519; 4. McFarlane (N) 506; 5. Peterson (Spring.) 502; 6. Hill (A) 489; 7. Chastin (T) 458; 8. Clements (A) 447.
- HORIZONTAL BAR—1. Mulvihill (Pitt) 540; 2. Darling (Pitt) 539; 3. Cunningham (PSU) 528; 4. Werner (PSU) 515; 5. Briegel (Mass.) 500; 6. Eckert (A) 482; 7. Degen (A) 447; 8. Sewall (A) 328.
- ROPE CLIMB—1. Mullen (PSU) 2.6; 2. Neuhauser (PSU) 3.8; 3. Hall (S) 3.8; 4. Shipley (S) 3.8; 5. Degen (A) 3.8; 6. Cohen (A) 4.0; 7. Shull (A) 4.0; 8. Littlewood (PSU) 4.1; 9. Wheatley (N) 4.5.
- PARALLEL BARS—1. O'Quinn (A) 545; 2. McNett (N) 514; 3. Werner (PSU) 498; 4. Shima (Pitt) 479; 5. Cunningham (PSU) 474; 6. Welsh (W.Va.) 472; 7. Briegel (Mass.) 466; 8. Lancaster (A) 465.
- SWINGING RINGS—1. Darling (Pitt) 567; 2. Werner (PSU) 549; 3. Sidwell (PSU) 505; 4. Donahue (PSU) 491; 5. Ray (T) 486; 6. Giallourakis (A) 464; 7. Reicher (A) 475; 8. Blitch (A) 473.
- JUDGES—Nelson, Camiskey, Bordo, Keckler, Walter, Meyer and Houston.



Lee Cunningham ... best of the day

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