

SPORTS



AAU Junior Olympic wrestling at Dallas Sat.

The AAU Junior Olympic Wrestling Tournament will be held Saturday, March 25, at the Dallas Senior High School. Weigh-ins will be held Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 7 to 9 a.m.

The Back Mt. Wrestling Club workers are to report Friday at 5:45 p.m. to help set up the mats and Saturday at 6:45 a.m. to set up the tournament.

The Back Mt. Wrestling Club's elementary team defeated the Hazleton Midgets 35-21 on Sunday at the Dallas Junior High. Pins were scored by Back Mt. matmen Dean Robinson, Tom Pollock and Chris Wargo. Carey Falcone registered a superior decision.

Results of the bouts were 50 lbs. Carey Falcone (BM) sup. dec. Frank Bove 18-2; 55 lbs. Jeff Austin (BM) dec. Steve Fisher 5-1; 60 lbs. Dean Robinson (BM) pinned Jason Seiwell :28; 65 lbs. Tom Pollock (BM) pinned John Rerry 1:59; 70 lbs. Mike Borton (BM) dec. Dan Fisher 8-2; 75 lbs.

Carmine Augello (BM) dec. Wayne Hoherchak 7-3; 80 lbs. Craig Rome (BM) dec. Jim Chaban 4-2; 85

lbs. Shawn Sweda (H) dec. Danny Kratz 6-3; 90 lbs. Tony Forte (H) dec. Jim Chernavage 2-1; 95 lbs. Bob

Fisher (H) pinned George Steltz 3:01; 100 lbs. Joe Yannuzzi (H) dec. George Fullerton 9-2; 107 lbs. Tim

Mahovich (H) pinned Shawn Kravitsky 2:30; and 117 lbs. Chris Wargo (BM) pinned Gary Kripp :24. Official was Joel Kislin.

WILKES-BARRE FATS

NCAA mat review

by Lee L. Richards

The 48th annual NCAA Wrestling Championships were held last weekend at the University of Maryland and here are some of our impressions and opinions:

Overall, we felt the eastern grapplers made a better than average showing. Out of the 60 place winners the East had 14. Ken Mallory of Montclair St. won at 134 and Lehigh's Mark Lieberman was most impressive at 177. Mallory never wrestled a bout in high school, but he's got some slicks. Lieberman was awesome. He was the class of the 177 pounders.

Lehigh Coach Thad Turner told us after the championships, "Mark wrestled super in the finals. I'd have to say he made very few mistakes during the competition. He's a very dedicated individual."

Lehigh's Mike Brown (190) impresses us with his drive. He keeps getting better and better. He's never lost to the same person twice and we see him as the leading contender for the title next season.

Penn State had two place winners in Mike DeAugustino (118) and Dave Becker (158). Becker got a bum call while wrestling for a chance to go for third and fourth against

Syracuse's John Janiak. Referee Bill Cramp hit Becker with a penalty point to give Janiak a 2-1 decision with 10 seconds showing.

Cramp made several calls which cost wrestlers from advancing. Had we been in charge of the referees we'd have sent him packing Friday afternoon. He was pathetic!

Speaking of Janiak, he set an NCAA record for timeouts. During his four years in NCAA competition he stalled and got more timeouts than John Wooden called while coach of the UCLA basketball team.

Navy Coach Ed Peery said, "Each year the competition in the NCAAs get tougher and tougher. Just placing in the top six is an accomplishment in itself."

Most impressed with Notre Dame's Bob Golic, who finished third in the heavyweight class. He's only a junior and could be the top contender for title next season. He's also one of the best linebackers in the country. Referee Cramp hurt his chances against Okie State's Jimmy Jackson. If Golic concentrated all his time on wrestling he'd be brilliant.

Lake-Lehman seeks to join volley ball elite

The Lake-Lehman Knights boys volleyball team had their 13-game winning streak snapped Monday afternoon, when the Valley West Spartans defeated them 15-0, in the first match, and 15-12 in the third match. The Knights took the second match 15-13.

Going into the contest Monday, the team was 4-0 for the 1978 season and had 13 consecutive wins over a two-year period. Their ability had been so great that in the Knights two-year streak, they played only one three-game series.

They got off to a good start this year on March 10 by defeating GAR in two straight games by scores of 15-2 and 15-5. The team then traveled to Meyers where they defeated the Mohawks in consecutive matches of 16-14 and 15-8.

With a 2-0 record they met the Wyoming Warriors in a home contest. When

the gym cleared the Knights had extended their record to 3-0 defeating the Warriors 15-11 and 15-2.

On March 17, they headed to Coughlin and came away with two easy victories by scores of 15-1 and 15-2.

This year's Knights were trying to duplicate last year's record with the hope of reaching the state volleyball championships. Last year's team had a perfect 9-0 record, taking the Wyoming Valley Conference championship, District II title, and becoming one of the nine teams in Pennsylvania entering the states at Shippensburg.

This year's team is classified as a pleasant rebuilding year by varsity coach John Baranowski. Five of six starters from last year were lost through graduation but a "great group" of underclassmen have taken their places, Baranowski notes.

The team is manned by the following members who have seen and will continue to see a great deal of varsity action: Greg Bogdon and John Coulton, co-captains and starters since freshmen; both are

McDowell places second at East Stroudsburg meet

The Dallas Senior High School track team began its season by competing in the East Stroudsburg State College indoor track meet on Saturday, March 18. Twenty-one boys qualified to participate in the meet. Approximately 20 other schools were also in attendance. The highlight for the Dallas team was having Jerry McDowell a junior, finish second in the shotput event with a put of 50'3"

Another junior, Paul McCue, made it to the semi-finals in the 60-yard high

hurdles, and sophomore, Scott Asby, reached the quarter-finals in the 60 yard dash.

The team is comprised of five seniors, 14 juniors, and 20 sophomores. Coaches Sallit and Jayne feel this

Riding Club plans exchange at fairgrounds

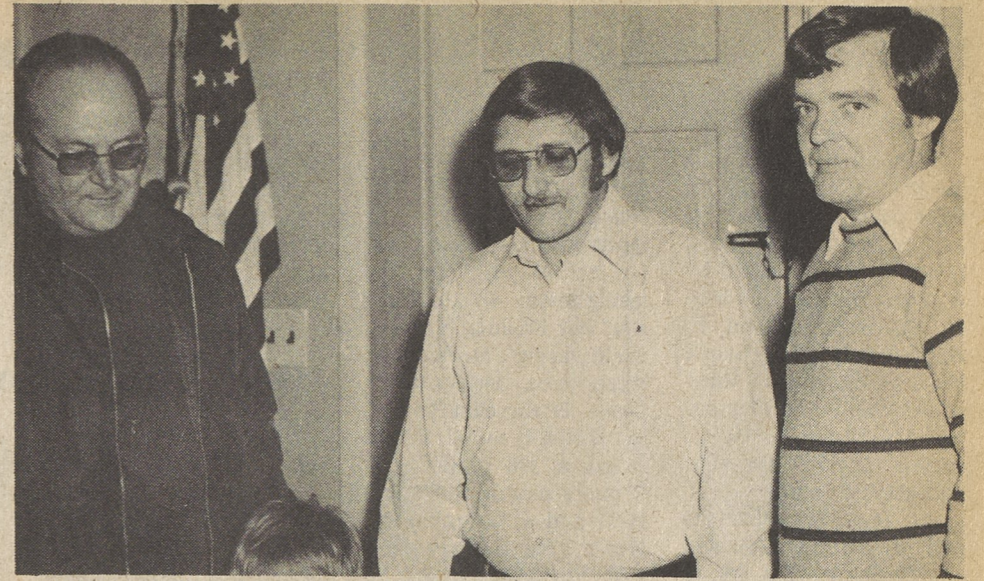
The English Riding Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania is sponsoring its second annual Horseman's Exchange Day, to be held

hard working and extremely enthusiastic crowd. "With a little luck," he said, "we could again end up with the volleyball elite at Shippensburg on April 21 and 22."

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will be a building year due to the lack of experience facing the team. They do, however, look forward to an enthusiastic current year, but anticipate success in the 78-79 season.

Saturday, April 1, at the Montour-DeLong Fairgrounds, Washingtonville, Pa., from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



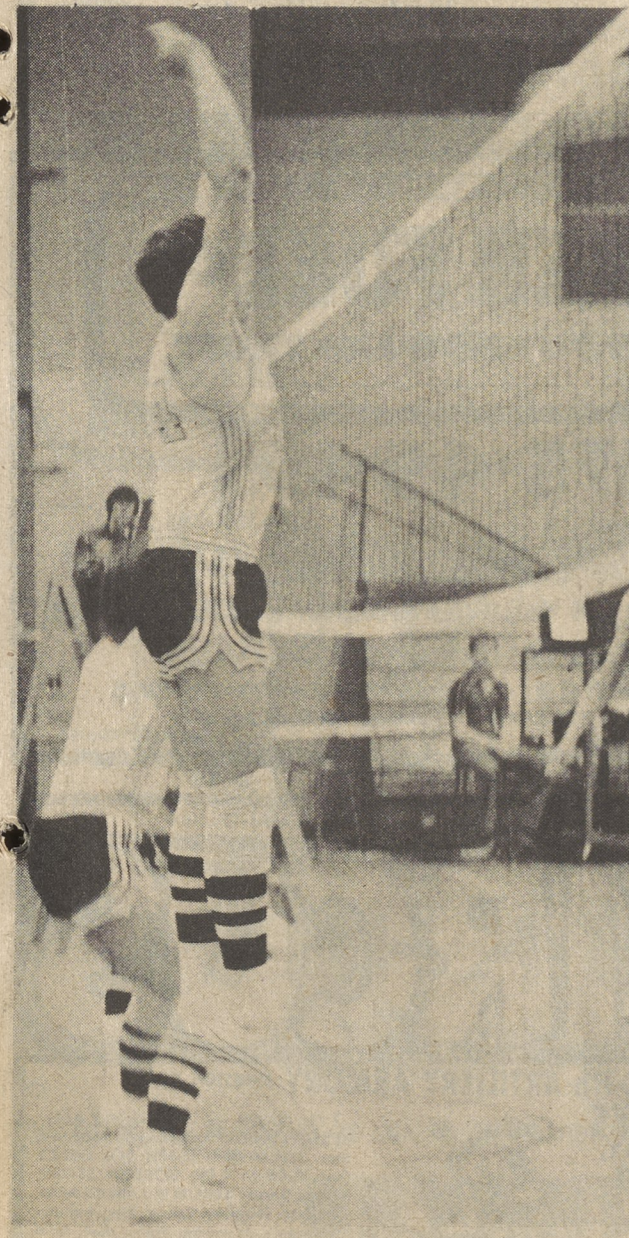
SHAVERTOWN LITTLE LEAGUE--Shavertown held its Little League signup this past Saturday at the fire hall there. William Garber (seated) is shown signing up while (left to right) his father David Garber, and league representatives Jack Dent and Jim Morgan look on. (Photo by Fay Broody)



GIRLS SOFTBALL--Girls planning to participate in the Back Mountain Girls Softball program signed up at Dallas Elementary School last Saturday. At the signup were (left to right) Pam Corcoran, Renee Corcoran, Cathy Dunkleberger, Doreen Askew (back row), Betsy Snyder, Cathy Askew and Bernie Corcoran. (Fay Broody Photo)



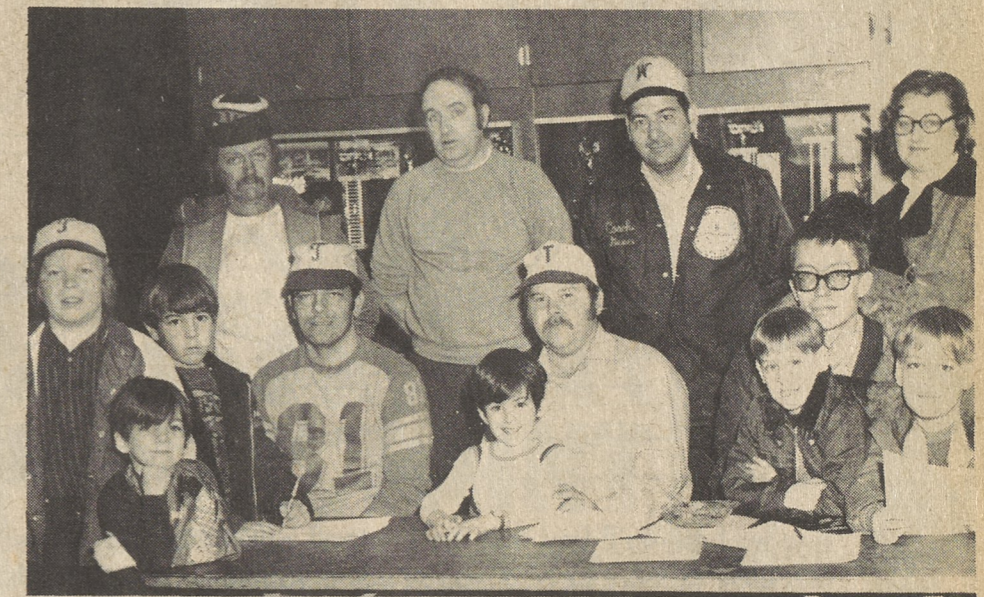
HARVEYS LAKE BOYS--Aaron Parrish (center) and Jason Butler (right) signup with Al Martin (left) for Harveys Lake's summer baseball programs. The signup was held Saturday at Javer's Store. (Photo by Fay Broody)



FLYING LOW--This Lake-Lehman Knight isn't flying low, he's going up high to volley the ball back to the Spartans in Monday's game at the Knight's gym. (Photo by Charlot M. Denmon)



OVER THE NET--Mark Derwin puts the ball over the net to the Spartans in Monday's volleyball game at the Lake-Lehman gym but the Spartans vollied it back. (Photo by Charlot M. Denmon)



TRUCKSVILLE SIGNUP--Trucksville and Westmoreland boys baseball hopefuls signed up at the Trucksville Fire Hall Saturday, in preparation for the 1978 season. Shown at the signup were (left to right) first row, Dale Morris, Gene Parry Sean Robbins, David Morris, Brian Kaplanski, Paul J. Kaplanski; second row, Charles Woolbert, David W. Morris and Paul Kaplanski; third row, Jack Robbins, Tom Oliver, Gene Fiorini, Tod Strawdinger and Dolores Strawdiner. (Photo by Fay Broody)

Dallas grapplers win over

Four Back Mountain elementary wrestlers came home with honors last weekend after winning in two tournaments.

55-lb. Billy Mathers took the title in his weight division in the Lackawanna Trail tournament on Saturday. He also was named 'Outstanding Wrestler' in the event. His

cousin, 50-lb. Danny Mathers, took first in his weight class. Both are from Trucksville.

In a tournament at Jersey Shore, Mark Yapple of Hunlock Creek, took second place in the 70-lb. class, and 50-lb. Donni Rogers of Dallas placed third in his weight class.

YWCA plans gymnastics

The Gymnastic Department, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. YWCA is sponsoring a USGF judges clinic-Class III, Friday and Saturday, March 24th and 25th, 10 a.m. The clinic is open to all interested persons involved in gymnastics and who would like to participate in judging CLASS III USGF Gymnastics