

# Sports



**BIG WINNERS**—Team captains Joe O'Donnell, Jerry Ogurkis and Dave Mayers took first place honors at the recently held Back Mountain Wrestling Tournament.



**CLUB GRADUATES**—Back Mountain Wrestling Club awarded jackets to sixth grade boys who will be leaving the elementary program this year. Steve Mathers, Jeremy Roper and Jerry Ogurkis, all have five years with the program. Ogurkis is a two time State Champion

and a Grand National Champion. 1st row, Brian Novicki, Jim O'Donnell, Jeremy Roper, Steve Mathers, Jim Newell, Wayde Hoyt; 2nd row, Dave Mayers, Tom Shone, Ron Post, Jerry Ogurkis, Jerry Gizewski, Kris Justus, Sean McTigue.

## 15 Place in Wrestling Tourney

The Back Mountain Wrestling Club had 15 wrestlers place in the recently-held Back Mountain Wrestling Tournament. Over 400 boys competed in elementary and junior high divisions.

All three Back Mountain team captains took first place honors in the 12-year old division. Jim O'Donnell at 70 lbs., Dave Mayers at 75 lbs. and Jerry Ogurkis in the

unlimited division paced their team to an outstanding performance.

Rick Finnegan and Charlie Roper each took the gold in the eight-year-old division. Roper also won the outstanding wrestler award in his division, with three pins in the least time.

Other place winners were: 10 and under, Eric Williams, 50 lbs., second place; Jason Randazzo, 60

lbs., second place; Jason Naugle, 65 lbs., fourth; Jamie Janosky, 75 lbs., third; Wayde Post, 80 lbs., second; Charley Honeywell, unlimited, third.

12 and under: Sam Morick, 60 lbs., third place; Steven Mathers, 70 lbs., second; Ron Post, 85 lbs., third; Jerry Gizinski, 120 lbs., third.

Nine of 12 Back Mountain entrants at the Benton Elementary

Wrestling Tournament placed. Bringing home top honors were Rick Finnegan at 45 lbs., Charlie Roper at 55 lbs., Tom Shone at 90 lbs. and Jerry Ogurkis at unlimited.

Second place trophies were earned by Adam Hoover at 45 lbs., Bob Farber at 50 lbs., and Jason Naugle at 65 lbs. Sam Morek won third place at 65 lbs. and Fran Hoover placed 4th.

## Penn State Spring Sports Schedule

The following is the spring sports schedule for Penn State-Wilkes-Barre Campus:

**BASEBALL**  
March 30, at College Misericordia, 3 p.m.  
April 5, at Luzerne

County Community, 3 p.m.; 15, at Scranton PSU, 3 p.m.; 18, Northampton C.C., 3 p.m.; 20, College Misericordia, 3 p.m.; 23, College Misericordia (2), 1 p.m.; 28, Luzerne County Community, 3 p.m.; 30, at Wilkes College (2) 1 p.m.  
May 1, Ogontz PSU, 3:30 p.m.; 7, Scranton PSU (2) 1 p.m.

**TENNIS**  
April 5, at Keystone Jr. College, 3 p.m.; 8, at Northampton C.C., 3 p.m.; 14, at Schuylkill PSU, 3 p.m.

May 2, Keystone Jr. College, 3 p.m.; 4, Scranton PSU, 2 p.m.; 6-7, University Park. TBA.

**MEN'S VOLLEYBALL**  
April 9, University Park, TBA.

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## Wilkes-Barre Fats

# Iowa Dominates '83 Championships

BY LEE L. RICHARDS

The annual NCAA Wrestling Championships for 1983 are history now. It was an impressive show in Oklahoma City. Iowa dominated the team race once again, racking up 155 points for a new scoring record by placing nine of 10 wrestlers.

The Hawkeyes are simply the most dominating team in the country. It was their sixth straight championship and there isn't really a team capable of making a serious run at them.

Here's the 10 NCAA champs: 118-Adam Cuestas, Cal State; 126-Barry Davis, Iowa; 134-Clar Anderson, Okla. State; 142-Darryl Burley, Lehigh; 150-Nate Car, Iowa State; 158-Jim Zalesky, Iowa; 167-Mike Sheets, Okla. State; 177-Mark Schultz, Oklahoma; 190-Ed Banach, Iowa; HWT-Lou Banach, Iowa.

Sheets was voted Outstanding Wrestler. He ripped his way to the title allowing only three points in five bouts.

The action started Thursday morning with Oklahoma Gov. George Nigh welcoming fans, wrestlers and coaches.

The pre-tournament dinner was held on Wednesday evening for the coaches and members of the media at the Cowboy Hall of Fame. If you're a cowboy buff like myself it was a treat to wander around and see some of the history about our great country.

The championships were held in the Myriad which is a nifty arena. There was 61,815 tickets sold for the three-day event, but only 48,053 showed something of a disappointment because of Oklahoma's avid following.

Most of the wrestlers and coaches were housed right across the street from the Myriad.

Here's the final top seven in team scoring: 1-Iowa 155, 2-Oklahoma St. 102, 3-Iowa St. 94.25, 4-Oklahoma 64.75, 5-Lehigh 49, 6-Nebraska 46, 7-Penn State 33.75.

Coach Rich Lorenzo's Penn State team had three All-Americans; Scott Lynch (126), fourth; Bill Marino (134), seventh and Bob Harr (177), sixth. Lynch is the EWL's third two-time All-American.

The Nittany Lions suffered a shock when Carl DeStefanis (118) was caught in a headlock in his second bout by unseeded Robin Morris of Wisconsin and pinned. DeStefanis was the No. 2 seed. I gotta believe he would have placed among the top four had he not been upset.

Carr, Schultz and Ed Banach copped their third NCAA crowns. Burley of Lehigh was the fourth wrestler in the history of the tourney to make it to the finals four straight times. Banach became the fifth.

Next year's tournament comes east to the Meadowlands and is scheduled for March 8, 9 and 10.

The caliber of wrestling continues to improve every year. The level of competition is so intense and the difference in the top five or six place winners is only a move or two. The wrestlers appear stronger and much quicker.

Wilkes' Mark Popple won a couple of bouts and was close to winning an All-American berth. The first eight places are accorded A-A laurels. The folks who place sure deserve it.

Our Eastern Wrestling League didn't have that great of a tournament. Our wrestlers lost some close bouts by a single point or two, but that's the difference in being an outstanding wrestler and just an ordinary wrestler. It takes a heap of mental toughness to compete on that level.

Best of luck to our local wrestlers in the upcoming PIAA Mat Tourney. Dallas' Gregg Dukinas is in the hunt. Lake-Lehman's Wayne Rosencrans and Tracey Slocum are also headed for the States.

Big news around the NCAA Championship was the NCAA moving in for an investigation of SMU's recruiting practices for football. I predicted this would happen in my Feb. 16 column. The Ponnies do some things differently.

I've gotta believe the USFL is pretty competitive so far. I appreciate the overall defensive play of the teams. As they play more games the offenses will get more consistency.

## Knights Fall From Playoffs

"We were out-rebounded. We had our chances but we didn't hammer the boards," said the Lady Knights Coach Joe Martini following their 52-50 loss to Riverside.

Rebecca Clifford did some excellent outside shooting for the Lake-Lehman girls to give her team a 17-11 lead at the end of the first quarter. Rhonda Hudzik did the

scoring in the second period to give the Lady Knights a 31-25 lead at the half.

Clifford had a total of 21 points and Hudzik ended with 17 for the game.

Riverside, who advanced to the state finals last season, proved too much for the Knights when Kathy McGrail put in 22 points and Sue Brosky produced 20 points

and some strong inside play in the second half to edge the Knights by two points.

Riverside was leading 50-48 with 1:59 remaining in the game when their Debbie Hughes hit two from the free stripe to move her team in front 52-48.

Hudzik hit two good ones from the foul line with 1:22 left in the game but that was the end of the

Knights scoring as the husky Riverside girls shut off their opponents.

The Lady Knights hit on only 10 of 21 from the foul line while the Riverside girls hit 8 for 16 from the charity line for 50 percent foul shooting. They out-scored Lake-Lehman 22 to 20 shots from the field.

The loss dropped the Lady Knights from contention for the playoffs.

## Bowling

# Darings Falls by Four to Grotto

Big Bens shut out the CMP's in the Friday Night Major League with R. Bonomo hitting 526. Leading the ice cream team was Glen Mazer with 529. A. Wendel blasted the pins for 214-220-201 (635) to pace G.H. Harris to three points from Charlie's All Stars. He was aided by D. Purvin's 541, T. Doughton's 536, H. Bennett's 531 and C. Kazokas' 527. F. Stevens was high for the All Stars with 227 (603). K. Orkwis gave 215 (594) and K. Spencer rolled 233 (568). T. Zekas tumbled pins for 546 to lead the Hambos in three points from Bermudas. S. Bonomo helped with 529. L. Stallard's 533 and C. Washesky's 523 showed the way for three points for the Beach Combers from Back Mountain Sporting Goods.

In the Bowlerette League Mr. Donut blanked Tom Reese sparked by N. Crane's 187 (491). R. Gula scattered wood for 186 for the Reese girls. Franklin's took all from the Hoagie Bar with D. Long's 173 high for both teams. The hoagie girls' N. Moser rolled 172.

Daring's Market dropped four points to Grotto Pizza in the Ladies Country League. A. Hospodar walloped pins for 171-172 (483) for the pizza maker. G.H. Harris Associates took all from the Castlettes with the Harris girls showing great power. B. Rinus hit 185 (493), F. Allabaugh posted 189-179 (486), J. Lamoreaux 189 (475), G. Grant 185 (474) and Eileen Feher 205. P. Williams' 172 led the losing team. Fashion Vending copped three from A.F. Roan Inc. led by P. Gordon's 179 (489). K. Scavone added 171. L. Cyphers toppled pins for 471 for Roan.

C. Doty's 488 was wasted as her LaBarons dropped four points to the Lynx in the Compact League. Capris shut out the Firebirds with J. Curtis scattering pins for 563. D. Cross scored 175 for the birds. Aries made it three over the Camaros helped by K. Spencer's 552 and J. Roan's 524. R. Balberchak tumbled pins for 177 for the Camaros. Citations picked up three from the Cimmarons whose G. English hit 171. Omegas took three from the Mustangs.

In Our Gang League Cheap Shots picked up three from the Jokers and C. Exarhopoulis' 475 paced The Blitz to three from Numero Uno. Alabama Slammers divided with Spanky's who were aided by L. Busch's 181-175 (508) and K. Mintzer's 172 (477). Harvey's Wall-

bangers split 2-2 with the Melon Balls.

Carverton B blanked Carverton A in the Back Mountain Church League with T. Metz Jr.'s 534 showing the way. Orange A took four from Shavertown A with B. Cyphers rolling 521. F. Cornell's 222 (563) and R. Cyphers 548 sparked Orange B to three points over Shavertown B. T. Sponseller contributed 220. C. Kazokas posted 530 for the losing team. Trucksville B and Trucksville C divided evenly but the C team had high series from C. Cobleigh 238 (586) and S. Williams 531. East Dallas split 2-2 with Dallas A aided by J. Berti's 564, W. Moore's 528 and R. Witkowski's 523. R. Kerr pounded the pins to give the A team 231 (631). B. Moore added 575 and B. Roberts gave 542. Ted Wilson's 545 and C. Glasser's 535 paced the Lutherans to an even split with Maple Grove.

In the Imperialette League American Building Maintenance dropped three points to second place Jean Shop but continued in the lead by four games. The leaders had K. Scavone's 200-172 (503). The Jean Shop were led by M. Ritts 174 and I. Katyl's 171. Lamoreaux Auto took three from Mahaffey Oil helped by J. Lamoreaux's 176 and M. Neifert's 172. S. Johnson knocked down pins for 190 (474) for the oil dealer. A recap is necessary to determine whether or not Lombardo

Bakery took three or four points from Humphreys Apparel. J. Clark scattered pins for 171-176 (500) and J. Stacey rolled 178 for the bakery girls.

Dallas Nursery shut out Endless Mountains in the George Shupp League with N. Stredny slamming pins for 236-232 (649) and F. Adams hitting them for 578. C. Glasser rolled 533. Disque Funeral Home copped three from Fino's Pharmacy paced by L. Yankowski's 216 (565). J. Ide aided with 559, C. Williams gave 556 and B. Varner added 540. The pharmacy men had J. Strazdus and B. Downs 570's, R. Bonomo's 568 and K. Youngblood's big 220 (580). Roberts Oil lost three to Stanton TV despite D. Thomas' 225. D. Katyl rolled 578 for the TV men. Harris Associates picked up three points from Gino's Shoe Store with A. Wendel pounding pins for 232 (586) and D. Purvin hitting 574. The shoe dealer had J. Curtis' 558 and C. Kazokas' 557.

Jenks Volleyball

Jenks Women's Volleyball Standings as of March 7 are as follows:

	W	L
Jenks	17	3
Gino's Shoe Store	19	4
Monty's	9	11
Brown's Oil	7	13
Hugh T. Gilmore's	1	19

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