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Kendall wins Genesee Region wrestling title

Fry and Marriott win individual titles

by Tim Irving

Kendall has had it's problems winning dual meets this season. Coach Jim Sauberan said "we finally had a meet where forfeits didn't kill us." The Eagles scored 128.5 points to edge Lyndonville at 124. The host team, Holley, finished fifth with 96 points and Byron-Bergen followed with 85 points.

Byron-Bergen's Tim Herman was named the meet's co-outstanding wrestler, winning the award with Alexander's Chris Schaal. Herman won the 112lb. class with a technical fall over Ken Frasier of Holley in 4:04 in the finals. Herman defeated Attica's Jamie Anderson in the first round and then defeated Maurice Robinson of Kendall to get to the finals.

The Bees' Dave LaFrance won the 98lb. class, defeating Mike Oehns of Elba-Oakfield-Alabama in the semifinals and stopping Jeff Cooper of Holley in the finals 14-8.

Wade Marriott won the 132lb. weight class with a 5-0 decision in the finals over Mel Laude of Attica. Marriott defeated Dan Foss of Pembroke and Steve Tyson of Byron-Bergen en route to the title.

Darren Fry followed with a championship at 138lbs., defeating Chad Smith of Pembroke in the finals 8-0. He had defeated Jerrod Rowcliffe of Elba-Oakfield and Dave Duncanson of Lyndonville in the semifinals.

The Bees' Dan VanValkenberg won the 215lb. class with a 7-4 decision over Kevin Baker of Pavilion in the finals. He defeated Steve Soles of Alexander to get to the finals.

Here's a look at the rest of the local results:

91lbs.-Aaron Carlston of Holley finished second, losing to J.J. Romano of Lyndonville in the finals 4-2.

105lbs.-John Delano of Kendall finished fourth, dropping a 5-1 decision to Rich Hannon of Pavilion in the third-place match. Mike Howell of Holley was defeated by Hannon in the first wrestleback.

112lbs.-Robinson defeated Ben Dunn of Lyndonville after losing to Herman and then forfeited to Tom Distaffen for third place.

119lbs.-Kendall's Chuck Yarid was defeated in the finals by Jeff Newman of Lyndonville 13-2. Newman defeated Robert Requa of Holley in the semifinals. Requa would lose to Steve Boyce of Alexander for third place, getting pinned in 2:20. Boyce defeated Chris Worden of B-B in the first wrestleback.

126lbs.-Holley's Jeff List was the top seed and was shocked by Schaal in the semifinals. Schaal then defeated Brian Galletto of Kendall 2-1 in the finals. List would win third place with a pin of Shawn Wilkinson of Pavilion.

145lbs.-John Gagne of Kendall won third place with a pin of Ron Powell from Pavilion. Powell defeated Brent Sadler of B-B in the first wrestleback.

155lbs.-Kendall's Jason Kurtz finished second, losing to Nate Munger of Pembroke 11-6 in the final. Frank DiStasio of Holley finished fourth, losing to Scott Feary of Alexander in the first round and for third place. Kurtz defeated Francis Burdick of B-B in the first round.

167lbs.-Byron-Bergen's John Kuszlyk finished second, losing to Jeff Harris of Pavilion in the finals 8-2. Kendall's Jarrett MacMaster defeated Holley's Chris Butler in the first wrestlebacks before losing to Jim Zielman of Attica for third place.

177lbs.- Bob Asento of Holley finished fourth losing to Pete Szilaguy of Alexander in the consolation final. Szilaguy defeated John Kemp of B-B in the second wrestleback. Asento defeated Kendall's Al Gibson in the first wrestleback.

250lbs.-Holley's Jim VanDerven was pinned by Gene Day of Alexander at 3:37 of the final. They were the only two wrestlers in the weight class.

Kendall continued to dominate the region despite some injuries and some holes in their line-up. Holley and Byron-Bergen tied for the division title, pending an appeal. John Grillo's crew really turned everything around this season and did a fine job as hosts of the Regional Tournament.