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No. 7 Brearley Bears Defeat SP-F Raider Matmen, 67-12

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Raider Head Coach John Scholz knew what to expect when the seventh-ranked Brearley Bears wrestling team lumbered into Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School on January 27.

"It's one of those matches, we are realists, if we can put up a couple of points on the board. I told every single kid I wanted them to wrestle tough, go aggressively, just like we have been," coach Scholz said. "We won three in a row. We are doing a great job gelling as a team. The kids are working really hard in practice. I wanted them to go out there, bang heads, try to get a score if you can, get a takedown, get an escape. Work something that is going to be a positive going into our next matches in the future on Friday and our quad (matches) on the weekend. That's what we will focus on."

With six champions, three second-place finishers and one fourth-place finisher at the Union County Tournament (UCT), the Bears, who have won five straight UCT titles, had few weak spots and proved it with a 67-12 victory.

Two Raiders emerged with victories. The first was freshman Anthony Tufaro, who broke a scoreless tie in his heavyweight bout with Rob Schielke by scoring an escape and finishing with a takedown to a headlock to record a fall in 5:22. Schielke did injure his left ankle but opted to complete the bout.

"I don't think they expected Tufaro to beat Schielke," coach Scholz said. "He got hurt, but still, if the coach is going to keep him out there, you got to take advantage of it, and he did. Tufaro is a freshman. He's a tough kid. He's learning and he is strong."

An expected victory came from Raider senior Tristan Bundy, the 125-lb. UCT champion. In his bout with Nick McElroy, he began with a spin-around takedown and ended it in 1:22 with a cradle.

"Tristan! What can I say? He took care of things. Being a county champ, I am really proud of him. He's on his way to get 100 (wins)," coach Scholz said.

At 103 lbs., Brearley's Dylan Oliva recorded four takedowns and an escape to claim a 9-1, majority decision over Lucas Cimafonte. Anthony

Madonia hit a double-leg takedown and followed with a Turk to a half nelson to pin Raider Danny Cardoza in 1:39 at 112 lbs. UCT champ Anthony Rice used a front double-arm bar to stop Raider Devin Ausbon in 22 seconds at 119 lbs.

Record Correction:

In the January 28 Edition of *The Leader* and *The Times* story of the Union County Wrestling Tournament, it had been indicated that Tristan Bundy's record entering the 2009-2010 season was 71-32. It was found that Bundy's three-year varsity record was actually 75-32, which puts his career victory record at 92 wins with his 17-1 record after the Brearley match.

Andrew Scarillo pinned Raider Dion Natale in 1:40 with a pull back cradle at 130 lbs. At 135 lbs., Allen Phillips converted a hammerlock to an arm bar to pin Vic Zanowicz in 3:13. UCT champ Dan Ries cradled Raider Mike Steinfeld in 27 seconds at 140 lbs. UCT champ Devin Geoghegan stopped Josh Foote in 5:10 with an arm bar, half nelson at 145 lbs. Bear John Balboni tallied a series of takedowns and tilts to tech Luke Vuono, 17-2, in 4:18 at 152 lbs.

UCT champ Dillon Geoghegan used barrel rolls, a single-leg takedown and a fireman's takedown to claim an 11-1, majority decision over John Devia at 160 lbs. Anthony Tancs pinned Raider Brian Laspe with an under-half nelson in 1:58 at 171 lbs. Bear Greg Rice stopped Raider Jon Boucharkian with an arm bar in 2:49 at 189 lbs.

BOUT SEQUENCE:

- 215: — Khusen Taramov (B) won forfeit
- Hwt: — Tufaro (S) p Schielke, 5:22
- 103: — Oliva (B) md Cimafonte, 9-1
- 112: — Madonia (B) p Cardoza, 1:39
- 119: — Rice (B) p Ausbon, :22
- 125: — Bundy (S) p McElroy, 1:22
- 130: — Scarillo (B) p Natale, 1:40
- 135: — Phillips (B) p Zanowicz, 3:13
- 140: — Ries (B) p Steinfeld, :27
- 145: — Geoghegan (B) p Foote, 5:10
- 152: — Balboni (B) tr Vuono, 17-2, 4:18
- 160: — Gorghegan (B) md Devia, 11-1
- 171: — Tancs (B) p Laspe, 1:58
- 189: — Rice (B) p Boucharkian, 2:49

Westfield Icemen Hit Stride With 3-Game Win Streak

The Westfield High School hockey team improved its record to 12-4-2 with three wins in a row against non-conference opponents last week. The winning streak capped a strong month for the Blue Devils, who won eight of 11 games during January, giving the team momentum heading into the final two weeks of the regular season.

The highlight of the streak was a 5-4, come-from-behind win over 14th ranked Hopewell Valley Bulldogs on January 28 at Woodbridge Arena. Westfield followed with a 4-2 come-from-behind win over Mountain Lakes on January 31 after launching its winning streak with a 5-3 win over Park Regional on January 26.

The Blue Devils actually came from behind three times to defeat the Bulldogs. After Gabe DeLisa staked Hopewell to an early lead, Westfield junior forward Nick Attanasio countered on a pass from linemate Henry O'Brien to knot the score at 1-1. Two Hopewell tallies in the middle of the first period put Westfield on its heels, but a shrewd timeout by Head Coach Dennis Doherty allowed the Blue Devils to regain their momentum.

O'Brien cut the lead to 3-2 early in the second period on a pass from senior defenseman Dylan Moran. Early in the third period, freshman Jon Macik crashed the net picking up senior Matt Wronski's rebound to tie the game. After Hopewell regained the lead with five minutes remaining, freshman Sam Meyer tipped in a pass from Joe Kramkowski to tie the score, setting the stage for Attanasio's game winning goal off a pass from junior CJ Meyer with 2:48 remaining. The final few minutes provided some scintillating action, with Morgan Bungez making sterling saves and defensemen Moran and Kramkowski steadfastly protecting the lead.

Westfield scored three unanswered goals in the third period to erase a 2-1 deficit against Mountain Lakes. Wronski stole the puck in the neutral zone and fired a shot to the top corner of the net with 5:06 remaining for the game winner. O'Brien notched an insurance market with just over two minutes to play on a pass from Attanasio. Bungez and the Westfield defense withstood a flurry of pressure in the final minute. CJ Meyer started the third-period rally with an unassisted tally taking advantage of a turnover created by O'Brien's tenacious forechecking. Sam Meyer had the other goal assisted by Macik at 10:01 of the second period.

Against Park Regional, Westfield struck first on a goal by Attanasio off a feed from senior defenseman Kramkowski. Less than a minute later, junior defenseman Colin Fitzhenry fed junior CJ Meyer, creating a 2-on-

1, which was finished by Henry O'Brien. Westfield carried the play for most of the opening period, with solid scoring chances from sophomores Oliver Bevan and Matt Lee and senior Zander Maslow.

Attanasio picked up his second goal on passes from CJ Meyer and O'Brien before the Blue Devils took a commanding 4-0 lead as CJ Meyer scored on a rebound, assisted by Attanasio and freshman defenseman Liam Devin. CJ Meyer rounded out the scoring with 23 seconds remaining and finished as the game's top scorer with two goals and two assists. Bungez stopped 23 shots, while carrying a shutout into the middle of the third period.

CJ Meyer scored his 100th career point in a 6-0 Westfield win over the Dayton Bulldogs on January 17.

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