

Brearley Matmen Hold Down Spirited Raiders' Effort, 40-25

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4:18. Raider Pat Mineo used his favorite moves to do away with Matt Loffa in the 145-lb bout. After getting a throw-by takedown, a Turk with a Jacob's hook two-point nearfall and another takedown, Mineo snaked Loffa with another Turk to record the fall in 2:45.

"The Turk is one of my favorite moves. The guy stands up. It's a move that comes natural to me. I'm really tough with it and I usually get the guy down to his back," said Mineo.

At 152-lbs, Raider Trevor Cannon was tied 3-3 with Tom Mannix before being penalized a point at the end of the second period. Cannon let Mannix escape in the third period to attempt a takedown, but Mannix held on to win, 5-3.

Supercharged at 160-lbs, Raider Dave DeNichilo ripped into Anthony Evans and stacked him in 1:13 with a devastating double arm bar to tighten the team score to 27-25.

"I have been wrestling between 160 and 171. I have been cramping at 160 so, this time, I hydrated myself and I felt a lot stronger out there. Evans teched me last year. I guess I have more strength this year and coach said I have improved. So, I took it to him. I had a lot more power and I was a lot more focused than I was in the past," said DeNichilo.

At 171-lbs, Raider Mike Zamzam dropped a 5-2 bout with tough Umar Tamarov. Bear Hany El Shiekh won a 14-3, majority decision over Billy Jacobs at 189-lbs and state-ranked Jesse Boyden recorded a 53-second fall over Raider Keith Baker at the 215-lb class.

"The team score could have been a lot closer. There were four or five two-point matches. It was a lot of improve-

ment from last year, 55-12 last year," commented Mineo. "I'm pleased with the way our team wrestled, especially Dave (DeNichilo). He's my practice partner."

BOUQUET SEQUENCE:

- Hwt: — Loomis (S) d DuBeau, 10-8
- 103: — Knapp (B) won forfeit
- 112: — Phillips (B) d Bundy, 3-2
- 119: — Calderone (B) p Gaines, 3:34
- 125: — Gano (S) md Piper, 16-4
- 130: — Ferrara (S) p Vigilante, 2:35
- 135: — Mraz (B) d Olsson, 5-3
- 140: — Lospinoso (B) p Ridge, 4:18
- 145: — Mineo (S) p Loffa, 2:45
- 152: — Mannix (B) d Cannon, 5-3
- 160: — DeNichilo (S) p Evans, 1:13
- 171: — Tamarov (B) d Zamzam, 5-2
- 189: — El Shiekh (B) md Jacobs, 14-3
- 215: — Boyden (B) p Baker, :53

Raider Matmen Beat Hanover Park, 34-25

After dropping a close match with David Brearley, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School wrestling team regrouped to defeat host Hanover Park, 34-25, on January 13. Each team was victorious in seven weight classes but the Raiders accumulated more team points via falls and major decisions.

Pat Mineo (145-lbs), Dave DeNichilo (160-lbs), Keith Baker (215-lbs) and John Loomis (Hwt) all recorded falls. Sal Gano (125-lbs) claimed a 14-3 majority decision, while Mike Ferrara (130-lbs) and Mike Ridge (140-lbs) won their bouts by decision. The Raiders did get stung in three bouts. Tristan Bundy (112-lbs) lost 3-2 to Jordan Toma, Mike Zamzam (171-lbs) lost 3-2 to Ron Landy and Billy Jacobs (189-lbs) lost 4-3 to Joe Williams.



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KNOCKING OFF A CHAMP...Blue Devil John Barnes works an arm bar on Rahway Indian Juan Herrera, a two-time District 11 champ, en route to a 7-0 victory at 119-lbs.

Blue Devil Wrestlers Defeat Nwk Central, Fall to Rahway

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"The kid from Central (Hopkins) was the OW (Outstanding Wrestler) in the Edison Tournament. That was a good win! Boyd was smart. He's really starting to eliminate mistakes and stay with the stuff that he does best. If he sticks with that, we are going to be okay," commented Blue Devil Head Coach Glen Kurz.

After the Blue Devils forfeited the next five weight classes, Barnes recorded a first-period takedown, then added a takedown and a nearfall that lasted throughout the third period to dethrone Herrera, 7-0.

"I wrestled him last year. I noticed that he was a little stronger on bottom than I thought. I thought maybe I could take him on my feet, so I decided, when I got choice, not to go

bottom. I took him on my feet and worked my doubles (double leg takedowns)," said Barnes.

"I was not really that surprised. I was actually looking forward to seeing Barnes wrestle Herrera. He wrestled very smart. John looked fresh. Herrera looked a little gassed. I think if they meet again, he can put a little bit more heat on him in the beginning, wear him down and put him away in the end," said coach Kurz. "John Barnes went from getting pinned (last year) by that kid to beating him 7-0."

Serving up breakfast, Blue Devil Colin MacKay treated Aaron Bonner to a pancake to flatten him in 1:02 at 130-lbs. In the final bout, 140-lbs, Reichbach got taken down twice in the first period, but battled back with a pair of nearfalls, a pair of takedowns and an escape to win by 12-7 decision over Frank Pauling.

"I thought Sam Reichbach wrestled very well. Slow beginning, but he was persistent. He kept coming after him. That's what we try to preach and he got the win," said coach Kurz.

- RAHWAY 52, WESTFIELD 21:**
 145: — Carbajal (R) p Falzon, 1:35
 152: — Hurtand (R) p Granstrand, 1:09
 160: — Castrorao (W) d Elias Acuna, 7-1
 171: — Boyd (W) p Walsh, 1:42
 189: — Shedrick Goodridge (R) won forfeit
 215: — Sandile Manzini (R) won forfeit
 Hwt: — Andre Hunt (R) won forfeit
 103: — Rochelle Hinton (R) won forfeit
 112: — Nate St. Elme (R) won forfeit
 119: — Barnes (W) d Herrera, 7-0
 125: — Stewart Minaya (R) md Joe Panarese, 9-0
 130: — MacKay (W) p Bonner, 1:02
 135: — Octavio Bent (R) won forfeit
 140: — Reichbach (W) d Pauling, 12-7

Minutemen Boys Top Raider Cagers, 62-40

The Elizabeth High School boys basketball team erupted with 24 points in the second quarter and maintained its lead to defeat Scotch Plains-Fanwood, 62-40, in Scotch Plains on January 13. Bryan Dougher scored 13 points for the 6-4 Raiders and Lordly Okarter put up 10.

Elizabeth	10	24	13	15	62
Sc. Pl.-Fanwood	9	10	6	15	40

Lady Vikings Pulverize Comet Cagers, 40-25

The Union Catholic High School girls basketball team defeated Hillside, 40-25, in Scotch Plains on January 11. Reina Castro netted 10 of her 12 points in the first half when the Vikings rumbled to a 28-14 lead. Arielle Belk scored eight points, had six assists and pulled seven rebounds.

Hillside	5	9	6	5	25
Union Catholic	13	15	10	2	40

Raiders Set Shot Put Record At Union County Boys Relays

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them in the sprints so you hope a team like Roselle can break them up. Plainfield can score points to break them up. We want Rahway to jump in there and take some points from them. Hopefully, we can outscore them in the distance and in the shot put. That's what we need for victory," said Raider Head Coach Rich McGriff. "I'm sure that they are looking for Westfield to beat us in the distance races."

"The two-mile relay was definitely our best event on the track. The guys ran tough and they ran smart, too. Ragan ran a very nice anchor even though it was his second race of the night. He even managed to run about four seconds faster in his second race than he did in the first," said Raider coach Jeff Koegel.

The Union Catholic Vikings, who have built quite a strong distance and sprinting team, could have been an additional factor in the team scoring, but have opted to rest many of their top competitors for the Group 1 meet on January 12.

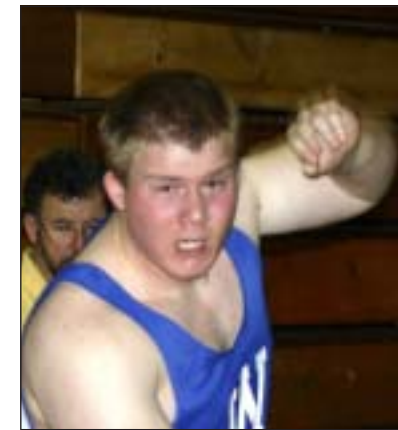
The Blue Devils finished fourth in the sprint medley relay — Craig Cognetti (26.6), Mike Mathews (26.8), Friedman (58.6) and Tarlow (2:18.2) — with a time of 4:10.7 and took sixth in the one-mile relay — Donny deRojas (61.3), Mike Weinberg (59.5), Davis (59.3) and Alex Forstenhauser (60.4) — with a time of 4:00.6. The Raiders were fourth in the mile relay at 3:58.4 and fifth in the shuttle hurdles with a time of 35.1.

TEAM TOTALS:

1. Rahway (Ra) 45, 2. Elizabeth (E) 35, 3. Union (U) 33, 4. Scotch Plains-Fanwood (SPF) 30, 5. Westfield (W), Roselle (Ro), Summit (S) 20, 8. Johnson (J) 12, 9. St. Patrick's 7, 10. Governor Livingston, New Providence, Plainfield, Union Catholic 6, 14. Linden 2

INDIVIDUAL WINNERS:

- 880-yard relay: (Ra) (Deion Lawson, Paul Jones-Burden, Marquis Barnes, John Ferrer) 1:41.5
- Mile relay: (Ra) (Lawson, Jones-Burden, Barnes, Ferrer) 3:50.2
- Two-mile relay: (S) (Roma Korkmazsky, Chris Diaz, Francisco Azevedo, Steve Hankinson) 9:07
- Sprint medley relay: (Ra) (Ferrer, Najee Calhoun, Lawson, Jones-Burden) 3:59.2
- Distance medley relay: (S) (Josh Alloco, David Roduit, Korkmazsky, Hankinson) 11:37.1
- Shuttle hurdles: (Ro) (Gerkenz Senesca, Terrell Guy, Jared Washington, Randel Savage) 31.1
- High jump: (E) (Kareem Andrews, Quinn Williams) 11-4
- Shot put: (SPF) (Alleman, Badala, Birnbaum) 146-0.25 (Meet record)



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INTENSITY...Blue Devil Erik Anderson shoved the shot put 46 feet.

The Blue Devils did take a few points away from the Raiders when Brent Souders (880-2:19.1), Connor Davis (440-59.1), Alex Tarlow (1,320-3:38.3) and Evan Friedman (mile-4:48.3) finished second in the



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SPINDOCTOR...Raider John Badala, with his spinning form, tossed the shot 47'5.75".

distance medley relay with a time of 11:44.7 ahead of Raiders Mike Ragan, Mike Chervenyak, Pat Doliber and Adam Biner who crossed third at 11:59.8.

Raiders Doliber, Tim Salisbury, Dan Sapienza and Ragan, however, crossed second in the two-mile relay in a time of 9:12.5 and Blue Devils Gus Gibbons (2:16.9), Josh Einbinder (2:20.6), Andy Flood (2:16.3) and Brendan Berkowitz (2:20) crossed third with a time of 9:14.7.



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HEADING HOME...Blue Devil Evan Friedman ran the anchor leg of the distance medley relay.



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INTIMIDATING STARE...Raider Mike Alleman stares down the mat prior to shoving the shot put 54'9.75" at the Union County Relays. Alleman, John Badala and Jon Birnbaum won the event with a distance of 146'0.25".

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