

WRESTLING

1993 OAKLAND COUNTY
WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS
(Troy High School)

TEAM RESULTS: 1. Troy 209, 2. Troy 209, 3. South Lyon 185, 4. Hazel Park, 160, 5. Goodrich, 151, 6. Rochester Adams, 139, 7. Troy Adams, 135, 8. Walled Lake, 129, 9. Farmington Hills, 128, 10. Lake Orion, 125, 11. Oak Park, 104, 12. Dearborn, 98, 13. Berkley, 97, 14. (tie) Ferndale, 96, 15. Birmingham, 92, 16. Novi, 92, 17. Auburn Hills, 89, 18. South Lyon, 85, 19. Westland, 86, 20. Rochester, 84, 21. Walled Lake, 83, 22. Royal Oak Kercheval, 77, 23. Pontiac, 76, 24. Farmington Hills, 75, 25. Pontiac Adams, 72, 26. Hazel Park, 70, 27. Royal Oak Dondrea, 59, 28. Pontiac Central, 58, 29. Birmingham Seaholm, 51, 30. Waterford Mott, 49, 31. Farmington, 41, 32. Westland, 39, 33. Hazel Park, 34, 34. Detroit Country Day, Orchard Lake Woods, 34, 35, 36. Oxford, 39, 37. Clawson, 34, 35, 37. (tie) South Lyon, 36, 38. Hazel Park, 30, 39. (tie) Birmingham Central, 28, 30. South Lyon, 23, 41. Madison Heights Buhman Foley, 20, 42. Berkley Adams, 13, 43. (tie) Greater Dearborn, Rothwell, 12, 44. (tie) Greater Dearborn, Custer, 11, 45. (tie) Dearborn, 10, 46. Waterford Lakes, 9. INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

275 POUNDS: 1. Brian Casen (Oak Park) pinned Mike Vaughn (Pontiac Northern), 1:29. 3. Brian Goodman (Pontiac Central) dec. Tim

Emmitt (Holt), 4:2, 5. Tony McGinnis (Hazel Park) dec. Jeremy Lewis (Groves), 12:0 (major decision). 10. Troy Mietz (Troy), 1:45. Jason Mietz (Athens), 9:4, 3. Matt Michael (Farmington) dec. Andy Anderson (Westland), 3:1; 5. Ryan Mick (Clarkston) pinned Lenny Christoff (Novi), 1:46.

145 POUNDS: 1. Ken Bergman (Goodrich) pinned Mike McDaniel (South Lyon), 1:10. 2. Mike McDaniel (South Lyon) pinned Mike Prough (Farmington), 12:8. 5. Mike Prough (Groves) dec. Brian Williams (Troy), 3:2.

125 POUNDS: 1. Lee Southard (Central) dec. Jesse Laycock (Clarkston), 11:4. 3. Mike Jumon (South Lyon) dec. Paul Benedict (Lake Orion), 3:2. 5. Kevin Adams (Benton) pinned Steve Eberhard (Athens).

130 POUNDS: 1. Corey Grant (Clarkston) pinned Mark Steffens (Lyon Orion), 2:0. 3. Jamie Miller (Clarkston) pinned Chris Patrick (Groves) dec. Chuck Amy (Goodrich), 4:3.

171 POUNDS: 1. Jeff Archibald (South Lyon) dec. Matt Forney (Groves), 1:3. 3. Chad Boyd (South Lyon) pinned Mike Prough (Farmington), 5:1. Bryan Legree (Hazel Park) won by default over Paul Bunting (South Lyon).

160 POUNDS: 1. Andrew Higdon (Hazel Park) dec. P.J. Vandeveer (Clarkston), 1:10. 3. Mike Prough (Groves) dec. Brian Williams (Troy), 3:2.

154 POUNDS: 1. Matt McDaniel (South Lyon) pinned Doug O'Dowd (Central), 1:54. 3. Rodney Simmons (Oak Park) won by default over Jason Brown (South Lyon).

140 POUNDS: 1. Brian Hartzell (Kensbaw) pinned Jason Rudolph (Adams), 2:0.

130 POUNDS: 1. Chad Fuhr (Hazel Park) dec. Matt McDaniel (South Lyon), 1:10. 3. Mike Prough (Troy) dec. Andy Anderson (Westland), 9:0 (major decision). 5. Steve Richardson (South Lyon) pinned Wayne Hiday (Adams), 1:23.

115 POUNDS: 1. Brian Hartzell (Kensbaw) pinned Rob Erns (Westland), 5:2. 3. Rich Van Duren (Goodrich) dec. Brian Beauchamp (Athens), 1:34. (major decision). 5. Chuck Gohman (South Lyon) pinned Mike Divers (Avalon), 12:9.

110 POUNDS: 1. Valentino Sestokas (Farmington) pinned Rob Erns (Westland), 5:2. 3. Rich Van Duren (Goodrich) dec. Brian Beauchamp (Athens), 1:34. (major decision). 5. Chuck Gohman (South Lyon) pinned Mike Divers (Avalon), 12:9.

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"I can remember one day, Mark was 10," Judy Vellucci said. "He came home and said, 'Mom, if I hear the word potential one more time I'm going to go nuts.' Everybody talked about his potential and I think he said that as practice."

Because of his size, athletics came easily to Vellucci. He was one of those kids who was proficient at everything he tried. He golfer only a few rounds before he scored his first hole-in-one. He decided to give tennis a try in high school and would up as one of the top players in the district in his first season.

"Because everything came so naturally, he never had to really work at anything," Judy said. "He never really sacrificed it to train to really make it big."

That changed when he played Tier II Juniors with Compuware. Playing with future NHLers like Lindros, Pat Peake and Brian Ralston, Vellucci was no longer the dominant man on the team.

Those were some great years, from 1988-89 through 1991-92. Compuware won its league all three years, was 0-4-3 in 1989 before losing in the nationals, and was second in the nation in 1991-92.

"Playing with those guys and at that level, I know I can play the game," Vellucci said. "I know how to play. And being with Eric Lindros and watching how hard he worked and how much discipline he had, I learned from that."

To the Falcons

It was his brother Mike Vellucci who tossed a life raft to Mark's career. Mike finished his professional career with the Falcons in the CHL, a minor league similar to Double-A baseball, helping them win the title in 1991-92. He arranged a tryout for Mark.

Mark showed enough to warrant a contract, but didn't really secure a spot until the first week of the season. Because of a mix-up with immigration papers, several Falcons weren't allowed to re-enter into the U.S. after a series of games in Canada. Vellucci was forced into the lineup and showed he belonged.

"I look at this as my big break,"

Vellucci said. "I have to take advantage of this now, if I don't show something now, it's over."

He's shown both a scoring touch (three goals in just 18 shots) and some punch. But he's

shown it in limited bursts and lately his ice time has dwindled.

"He's having trouble adjusting to the speed of the professional game," Franceschetti said. "The time he's missed has hurt him. But, he's fought some tough kids and he gets his space on the ice. He needs to keep working."

Vellucci came to camp at close to 260 pounds. He's now down to 245 and figures he'll reach his goal of 230 soon. He's eliminated fast foods from his diet. He stays after practice to work out with the club's trainer. In short, he's getting serious.

"I realize now how much discipline it takes to make it, both on the ice and off it," he said.

Which is music to the ears of Franceschetti and Mama Vellucci.

"He's never really wanted it before, but now he is talking a game that he's never talked before," Judy said. "We used to always say that if we could combine Mike's heart and personality with Mark's body and talent, that would be one special hockey player. Maybe that could still happen."

Mark Vellucci is working on it.

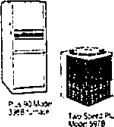
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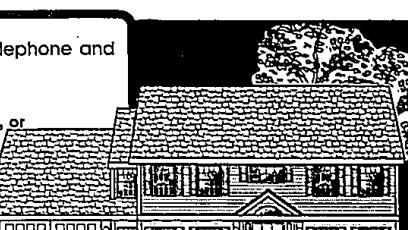
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