

Finishing 'Up'

Hughesville edges Warrior Run in HAC-II clash

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TURBOTVILLE—Hughesville wrestling coach Steve Budman describes a dual meet as a series of ups and downs.

That was the case Thursday night as his Spartans went against Warrior Run in a key Heartland Athletic Conference Division II matchup.

Early on Budman's team was on the bottom part of the ups and downs. But that didn't last long as they rebounded a post to 36-24 victory. Hughesville moved to 10-4, 2-2 HAC II. Warrior Run is 6-2, 2-2 HAC-II.

The big part of that early down period

came at 106 pounds where the Defenders' Jared Miller, on the way to suffering a possible tech fall loss, hooked up a spadle for a fall on frosh Braden Stahlnecker in 3:37 to push the home team ahead 6-3 on the way to building a 15-3 lead.

Wayne Smythe, the Warrior Run coach, noted that "spadles always get everyone excited. But when you get them when you're nearly tech failed it really gets them excited."

Budman said, "We really have been focused on there being ups and downs. Certainly that one (the spadle pin) was a 10-point or so change. They stayed with it. They do a good job. They don't pay attention to officials' calls or something that may have gone wrong in the match before. After that happened we didn't know what was coming.

"Those ups and downs of a dual meet are pretty neat."

In building the 15-3 lead, Warrior Run got a pin from defending District 4 champion Eric Hunt at 113 and Zach LeBarron, also a defending District 4 champion, a decision over Trevor Sones at 120.

LeBarron had to go overtime to beat Sones. A reversal in the third overtime period gave him the win.

Hughesville then got an overtime win at 126 as Devin Stahlnecker used a takedown in the sudden victory overtime for a 6-4 win. Hughesville then took off getting a pin and three decisions to build a 21-15 margin.

Elias George at 160 stopped the rush with a pin for a 21-21 tie.

Only Hunter Stroup at 195 was able to win for Warrior Run down the stretch.

As there is in most dual meets, a key win or loss can easily change the outcome. AT 152, WR's Masen Wagner led Houston Bryant 6-5 late in the third when Bryant hit a Peterson roll for a reverse and three back points for a 10-6 victory.

Smythe said, "We lost those close matches but they were close enough to think of all the ways you could have had that match won. Overall you have to say Hughesville just wrestled more fundamentally sound than we did tonight. I was pleased with the way we wrestled, even in some of matches we lost. There are some places where we weren't fundamentally sound and that is what we need to work on."

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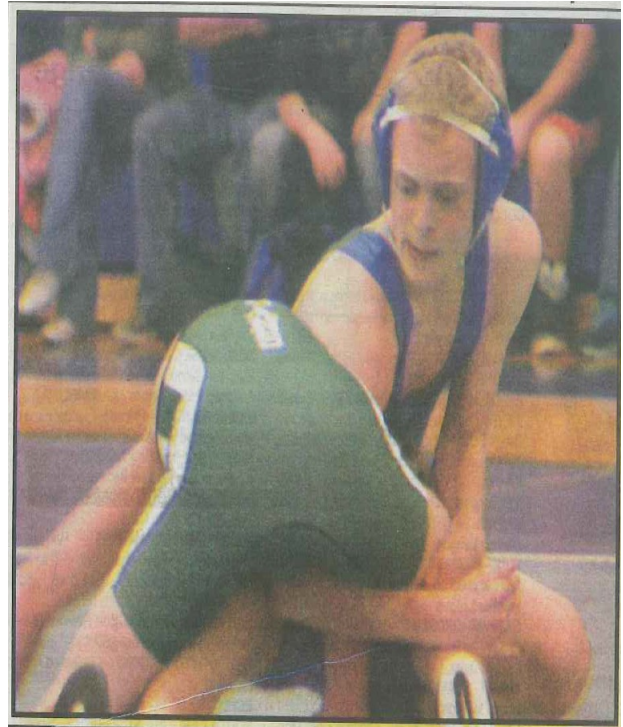
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Warrior Run's Eric Hunt, right, grabs a hold of Hughesville's Zach Beamer's leg during their bout at 112 Thursday night. Hunt would win by fall.

Notes: Warrior Run is in the Jersey Shore Duals on Saturday. Hughesville is at Williamsport on Saturday. Hughesville losses are to Downingtown East, Benton, Towanda and Pennridge.

- 285: Jacoby Foresman, H, dec. Matt Kilgus, 5-1.
- 106: Jared Miller, WR, pinned Braden Stahlnecker, 3:37.
- 113: Eric Hunt, WR, pinned Zach Beamer, 1:46.
- 120: Zack LeBarron, WR, dec. Trevor Sones 9-7 3rd OT.
- 126: Devin Stahlnecker, H, dec. Brian LeBarron, 6-4 SV.
- 132: Nate Hampton, H, pinned Brett Boush, 3:08.
- 138: Zach Fry, H, dec. Tyler Hornberger 6-0.
- 145: Matt Meinreich, H, dec. Andrew Walkeer, 6-3.
- 152: Bryant Houston, H, dec. Masen Wagner, 10-6.
- 160: Elias George, WR, pinned Adam Warburton, 1:08.
- 171: Robert White, H, pinned Dominic Lincalis, 1:29.
- 189: Matt Herr, H, dec. Jon LeBarron, 6-1.
- 195: Hunter Stroup, WR, dec. Dakota Gee, 10-3.
- 220: Ethan Barnes, H, pinned Wes Cupp, 1:21.



Warrior Run's Jared Miller, top, raches through and holds onto the leg of Hughesville's Braden Stahlnecker during their but at 106 Thursday night.



Warrior Run's Brian LeBarron, top, turns Hughesville's Devin Stahlnecker to his back during the first period of their bout at 126.