Brighton stuns ER wrestlers; Mendon falls

Brighton piled up an early 14-0 lead and went on to upset East Rochester, ranked 5th in the state, in a Monroe County League Eastern Division wrestling meet last night at East Rochester, 24-22.

Brighton (4-1) led after the 167-pound match by a 24-16 margin, but East Rochester could not score enough points in the last two matches to pull out the victory.

Rick Katz gave Brighton what turned out to be the winning points with a 13-7 decision over Drew Hill at 167.

John Zito of East Rochester decisioned Mark Evarts at 177 by a 5-2 score and teammate Rick Sidor decisioned Rob Thomas at heavyweight, 11-6. A pin in either match by Zito or Sidor would have given the Bombers (4-1) the victory.

Each team scored one pin. Kevin Willis stopped Frank Argento at 2:55 of the 105-pound match and Dennis Essom pinned Olney Kent of Brighton at 1:02 of the 155-pound match.

Brighton won the first three matches. Marty Presburg (98) decisioned John Walczyk by a 10-6 margin and after Willis' pin, Rick Lane (112) decisioned Scott McIntosh, 13-0. That decision was worth five points.

Gary Curwin of Brighton recorded a 4-point decision at 132, defeating Curtis Doreen, 15-7.