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Canandaigua's Greg Wild (left) and ER's Mike Kuhn maneuver for a takedown

advantage last night. Kuhn won 126-pound bout 8-5, but Canandaigua won meet.

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Canandaigua wrestling coach Weldon Conaugh had no trouble finding the turning point in last night's wrestling showdown with East Rochester.

He says Gary Mincer's pin at 145 pounds gave the Braves the momentum to turn back the host Bombers 25-23.

"That was the key," said Conaugh, whose team ranks fourth in the state poll. "We thought we were in good shape when Matt King beat Romeo Battazzi (7-6) at 119 pounds. But then we lost a couple of bouts I expected to win.

"Greg Wild lost at 126 (to ER's Mike Kuhn 8-5) and Mike Rio lost a decision at 132 and East Rochester had the momentum back. Then at

145 Mincer went out and pinned ^{Bruce} Jeff Kier with a three-quarter nelson in the second period."

Mincer, who didn't begin the season as a starter, has a 3-3 record in his part-time role.

Still the match wasn't decided until the heavy-weight bout. Canandaigua carried a 25-20 lead into the scrap between Guy Parker and ER's Rick Sidor. Sidor had pinned Parker in two previous seasons, so all the Canandaigua wrestler wanted to do was avoid another pin or superior decision by Sidor.

He did. Sidor won the decision 9-4, but the Braves held on to win the match 25-23. ER had been ranked 15th in the state.

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