

## UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE 1986-87 WRESTLING PROSPECTUS

Head Coach: Jim Urquhart  
Record: 48-67-1 (7 years)  
Overall Record: Same  
President: Dr. Gordon Haaland  
Ath. Director: Andrew Mooradian  
Co-Captains: Con Madigan,  
Paul Schwern  
Lettermen Returning: 15  
Lettermen Lost: 7  
Home Arena: Lundholm Gym.  
Capacity: 3500  
1985-86 Record: 11-5

Location: Durham, NH 03824  
Founded: 1866  
Enrollment: 10,500  
Nickname: Wildcats  
Colors: Blue and White  
Division: I  
Sports Info. Director: Mike Bruckner  
Home Phone: (603) 749-4971  
Asst. S.I.D.: Eric McDowell  
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New England Finish: 2nd

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Lettermen Returning: (15): Nate Baldasaro-177; Mike Caracci-118; Marc Cooper-190; Ted Curley-158; Curt Digrigoli-126; Paul Dinkelmeyer-158; Dave Gamer-158; Wayne Hauser-167; Eric Hunziker-142; Howie Kosel-190; Con Madigan-HWT; Chris Murtha-190; Mark Perkins-167; Paul Schwern-150; Dan Shain-167.

Lettermen Lost: (7): Rob Anderson-142; Mark Briere-142; Dave Beaulieu-134; Rick Berardino-177; Ken Iwama-126; Joe Nelson-190; Tim Weckwerth-167.

Newcomers: (15): Dan Armetta-190; Mike Balsam-150; Scott Brennan-126; John Caramihalis-150; Mike Clark-177; Sean Condon-142; Brendan Foley-177; Dave Gibb-126; Jeff Hines-142; Andy Holder-HWT; Rob Rodler-158; Steve Russell-134; Ken Sperry-118; Doug Stuver-126; Chad Turner-134.

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### 1985-86 RESULTS (11-5)

Hofstra	22-20 L
W.P.I.	24-18 L
N.Y. Univ.	51- 3 W
Harvard	24-15 L
Rutgers	37--7 W
C.W. Post	33-11 W
Columbia	26-12 L
Lowell	50- 0 W
Central Conn.	29-13 W
Western N.E.	37-12 W
U.R.I.	21-17 W
Plymouth St.	37- 6 W
Boston Univ.	24-15 L
Maine	34-12 W
Seton Hall	25-21 W
Boston College	34-11 W

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UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
1986-87 WRESTLING SCHEDULE

November	15	at Albany State Invitational	
December	5-6	at Penn State Invitational	
	13	at WPI with Harvard & NYU	12:00
	30-31	at Sunshine Open (Deland, Fla.)	
January	2-3	at Maryland Invitational	
	10	at C.W. Post with Columbia & Rutgers	TBA
	14	at University of Lowell	7:30
	17	CENTRAL CONNECTICUT	6:00
	24	MAINE	7:30
	30	at Rhode Island College with Brown & WNEC	6:30
February	4	PLYMOUTH STATE	7:30
	7	at Northern New England Championships (Plymouth, N.H.)	
	11	BOSTON COLLEGE	7:30
	14	at Boston Univ. with Maine & Springfield	1:00
	21	Seton Hall, Wagner, Fairleigh Dickinson (at Boston University)	12:00
March	7-8	at New England Championships (New Britain, CT)	
	19-21	at NCAA Championships (College Park, MD)	

Head Coach: Jim Urquhart



# 1986-87 UNH WRESTLING ROSTER

<u>Name</u>	<u>Wt.</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Hometown</u>
Dan Armetta	190	Fr.	Parlin, NJ
Nate Baldasaro	177	So.	Bedford, MA
Mike Balsam	150	Fr.	New York, NY
Scott Brennan	126	Fr.	Keene, NH
Mike Caracci	118	So.	Great Neck, NY
John Caramihalis	150	Jr.	Dover, NH
Mike Clark	177	Jr.	Dover, NH
Sean Condon	142	Fr.	Warwick, RI
Marc Cooper	190	So.	Swampscott, MA
Ted Curley	158	Sr.	Wenham, MA
Curt Digrigoli	126	So.	Great Barrington, MA
Paul Dinkelmeyer	158	Jr.	Commack, NY
Brendan Foley	177	Fr.	Newbury, MA
Dave Gamer	158	Sr.	Glastonbury, CT
Dave Gibb	126	Fr.	Centerport, NY
Wayne Hauser	167	Jr.	Millburn, NJ
Jeff Hines	142	Fr.	Nashua, NH
Andy Holder	HWT	Fr.	Levittown, NY
Eric Hunziker	142	Jr.	Westfield, NJ
Howie Kosel	190	So.	West Nyack, NY
*Con Madigan	HWT	Sr.	Salisbury, MA
Chris Murtha	190	Jr.	Shoreham, NY
Mark Perkins	167	So.	Topsham, ME
Rob Rodler	158	So.	Huntington, NY
Steve Russell	134	Sr.	Binghamton, NY
*Paul Schwern	150	Sr.	Levittown, NY
Dan Shain	167	Sr.	Lexington, KY
Ken Sperry	118	Fr.	Lexington, KY
Doug Stuver	126	Fr.	Rochester, NH
Chad Turner	134	Fr.	Hollis Center, ME

## HEAD COACH JIM URQUHART

In seven seasons, Jim Urquhart has made the University of New Hampshire wrestling program one of the most successful in New England. He has had 11 individual New England champions, and guided the Wildcats to the Northern New England Championship and a second place finish in the New England's in last season's 11-5 campaign.

Urquhart graduated from the University of Rhode Island in 1974, and he earned his Master's Degree from URI in 1978. He was a super grappler for the Rams, winning the Yankee Conference and New England championships twice each. Jim was a two-time junior college All-American at the State University of New York at Farmingdale. He was also a fine lacrosse player at Rhode Island, and he toned his skills and knowledge into the coaching ranks. Urquhart served as an assistant wrestling coach at Brown prior to taking over the head position at New Hampshire. He is also serving as an assistant to Ted Garber and the Wildcat lacrosse program.

A native of Levittown, NY, Urquhart continues to guide potential college stars of the future at his summer wrestling camps.

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UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OUTLOOK BY WEIGHT CLASS

- 118 - Sophomore Mike Caracci returns to lead this category. Last season, he recorded a 15-8 mark with three pins. Freshman Ken Sperry also will see action at 118.
- 126 - Senior Curt Digrigoli was 14-10 in the 1985-86 season. He will be seeing a brunt of the action this season, but a slew of newcomers will also figure into Urquhart's plans. Freshmen Scott Brennan, Dave Gibb and Doug Stuver also could see time for the Wildcats this season.
- 134 - Steve Russell, who was third in the New Englands two years ago, returns after missing the 1985-86 season with an injury. Chad Turner, a freshman from Hollis Center, Maine, adds depth to the 134 weight class.
- 142 - Junior Eric Hunziker, who had six wins in the 1985-86 season, leads the 'Cats in the 142 class. Freshmen Sean Condon and Jeff Hines are also slated to contribute at 142.
- 150 - One of the Wildcats strongest weight classes is at the 150. Co-captain Paul Schwern was a New England runner-up last season. He recorded a superb 25-7 record and a 12-1 mark in dual meets. Schwern enters his final season with a 53-19-2 career slate, and is fourth all-time in wins, five behind third place Dave Beaulieu. Others in the 150 class include junior John Caramihalis and freshman Mike Balsam..
- 158 - Coach Urquhart also has strong depth and talent in the 158 class. Seniors Ted Curley and Dave Gamer lead the 'Cats in this weight event. The two veterans combined for 12 wins last season. Nine-match winner Mark Perkins also will be a factor, and sophomore Rob Rodler is in the plans.
- 167 - In the 167 class, the Wildcats feature senior Dan Shain and junior Mark Perkins as they attempt to fill the shoes of Tim Weckworth (27-5 last year). Urquhart is confident that the two upper-classmen can make up for the loss of the New England champion. Shain won three matches in 1985-86.
- 177 - Look for Nate Baldasaro to take over the 177 class this season. He was a four-match winner last winter. Others who could see time at the 177 are junior Mike Clark and freshman Brendan Foley.
- 190 - Three returning Wildcats will be performing in the 190 class. Junior Chris Murtha and sophomore Howie Kosel each won one match last season, and sophomore Marc Cooper will be a 190 class member this season.
- HWT - Senior Con Madigan a co-captain with Schwern, leads the heavyweight spot and brings in a hefty record. Last year he won 18 times, including 12 in dual meets. The senior now has 36 career victories, and was a New England runner-up last season. Andy Holder, a freshman, will see action in the future for the 'Cats.



# WILDCAT NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONS

Chet Davis	1980-177
Barry Chooljian	1982-150
Lou Ferullo	1983-118
Dave Yale	1982&1983-158
Dave Beaulieu	1984-118
	1985&1986-126
Neal Zonfrelli	1984-HWT
Tim Weckwerth	1985&1986-167

# ALL-TIME TOP WRESTLERS

1. Dave Yale	1980-84	85-31-1
2. Tim Weckwerth	1982-86	60-25-3
3. Dave Beaulieu	1983-87	58-28-5
4. Paul Schwern	1983-87	53-19-2
5. Chet Davis	1977-80	52-16-0
6. Kurt Massey	1980-82	46-12-0
7. Neal Zonfrelli	1982-85	45-16-1
8. Frank Guadagnino	1980-82	44-13-1

# ALL-TIME WILDCAT WRESTLING RECORDS

Most Wins in a Career	85; Dave Yale (1980-84)
Most Wins in a Season	32; Dave Yale (1980-84)
Best Percentage in a Season	.917; Kurt Massey (22-2-0)
Best Percentage in a Career	.882; Pete Johnson (18-2-1)

Feb. 8 Northern New England Championships:	FIRST PLACE
Mar. 1 New England Championships:	SECOND PLACE

# INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Wt. Wrestler	W-L-T (Dual Meets)	Pin/ Pinned	Career	Pin/ Pinned
118 Mike Caracci	15-8-0 (9-4)**	3-0+	15-8	3-0
126 Curt DiGripoli	14-10-0 (9-5)*	3-4	14-10	3-4
126 Ken Iwama	3-7-0 (1-3)	1-1	11-17	2-3
134 Dave Beaulieu	22-9-3 (10-2-3)*	4-0++++	58-28-5	16-4
142 Rob Anderson	0-2-0 (0-0)	0-1	0-2	0-2
142 Mark Briere	4-6-0 (3-4)*	1-1	4-6	1-1
142 Eric Hunziker	6-10-2 (4-3-2)*	0-0	6-10-2	0-0
150 Paul Dinkelmeyer	2-8-0 (0-4)	0-0	7-22	2-1
150 Paul Schwern	25-7-0 (12-1)**	6-1+++++	53-19-2	14-2
158 Ted Curley	7-5-0 (3-3)	2-0	15-20	2-3
158 Dave Gamer	5-10-1 (1-3-1)	1-0	14-24-1	4-2
158 Wayne Hauser	2-2-0 (0-0)	0-0	3-7	0-0
167 Dan Shain	3-5-0 (0-1)	0-0	7-11	0-1
167 Tim Weckwerth	27-5-0 (11-1)*	7-1++	60-25-3	18-4
177 Rick Berardino	20-7-0 (12-3)*	4-0++	34-16	4-0
177 Mark Perkins	9-7-0 (4-3)*	0-0	10-8	0-1
190 Nate Baldasaro	4-9-1 (4-5-1)*	3-5	4-9-1	3-5
190 Howie Kosel	1-5-0 (1-3)	1-1	1-5	1-1
190 Chris Murtha	1-3-0 (0-1)	1-1	6-15	2-7
190 Joe Nelson	0-2-0 (0-0)	0-0	0-2	0-0
HWT Con Madigan	18-10-0 (12-4)***	3-3	36-29-1	9-7

\* Indicates number of wins by forfeit included in totals  
+ Indicates number of wins by technical fall (15 points or more) counted as pins.

NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONS  
DAVE BEAULIEU  
TIM WECKWERTH

NEW ENGLAND RUNNERS UP  
PAUL SCHWERN  
DAVE GAMER  
CON MADIGAN

M080 Spts 12

Dec. 2, 1986

DURHAM, N.H. -- With its regular season opener still more than a week away, the University of New Hampshire wrestling team continues its pre-season tournament schedule. The Wildcats will compete in one of the toughest tournaments in the nation Saturday -- the Penn State Invitational.

UNH, which finished second in New England last year and posted an 11-5 regular season mark, is looking for strong individual showings in the tournament. The Wildcats open the regular season Dec. 13 with a quadrangular meet at WPI with Harvard and New York University. It will be the only meet action of the semester for the 'Cats.

Senior co-captains Paul Schwern and Con Madigan represented UNH at the NCAAAs last year. Schwern is a top contender for the New England title at 150 pounds, while Madigan is among the best in the heavyweight division. Head coach Jim Urquhart is looking for strong performances from 126-pounder Curt DiGrigoli and 190-pounder Marc Cooper. Nate Baldasaro wrestled 190 last year. He could challenge Cooper or drop down a weight class. Freshman heavyweight Andy Holder has also looked strong. A good battle is developing in the middle weights, where Dave Gamer, Ted Curley, Dan Shain and Mark Perkins all have experience at 158, 167 and 177.



M095 Spts 12

Jan. 12, 1986

DURHAM, N.H. -- With an impressive 4-2 record, the University of New Hampshire wrestling team is preparing for its home opener. The Wildcats visit Lowell Wednesday night at 7:30 p.m. and then host Central Connecticut Saturday at 6 p.m.

UNH finished 2-1 in a quadrangular meet at WPI in mid-December. Last weekend, the Wildcats also went 2-1. UNH handled C.W. Post, 37-6, and Rutgers-Newark, 44-6, before losing to powerful Columbia, 28-8.

Mike Caracci took two of three matches in the 118-pound class and improved his dual meet record to 4-1. Steve Russell was unbeaten in three matches and is now 4-0 at 126. In the 158-pound class, Paul Schwern had two wins and a tie. He is now 4-1-1 in dual meet action this season, while co-captain and heavy-weight Con Madigan is 4-2. Madigan took two of three matches this past weekend.

Over the semester break, UNH competed in the Sunshine Open in Deland, Fla., and the Maryland Invitational. UNH is now done with tournament action except the Feb. 7 Northern New England Championships and the New Englands, March 7-8. The Wildcats are expected to battle Boston University and Maine for the top spot in New England. UNH hosts Maine Jan. 24 and then will be in a quad-meet with BU, Maine and Springfield College, Feb. 14, at BU.

M097 Spts 12

Jan. 19, 1987

DURHAM, NH -- The University of New Hampshire wrestling team will look to resume its familiar winning ways when it hosts Maine and Brown in a quadrangular meet at Lundholm Gymnasium Saturday night at 7:30 p.m.

The Wildcats stand 5-3 on the season after losing its home opener this past Saturday, 24-14 to Central Connecticut State University. Mike Caracci upped his record to 5-1 in dual meet action with a victory in the 118 class, while Mark Perkins was a victor in the 177 class to up his record to 11-6 overall. Co-captain Con Madigan won the heavyweight grouping, and senior Paul Schwern was a winner in the 158 class. Schwern upped his dual-meet season slate to 5-1-1 with his victory, and he now has a career slate of 79-27-3, leaving him six shy of Dave Yale's all-time victory total.

After this Saturday's home date, the Wildcats will compete at Rhode Island with Western New England. UNH will return home on February 4 to face Plymouth State.



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M102 Spts 12

Jan. 26, 1987

DURHAM, NH -- After splitting a pair of home matches against Brown and Maine, the University of New Hampshire wrestling team will take its 6-4 record into action at Rhode Island College along with Western New England College on Friday.

The Wildcats lost to Brown, 29-10, but came back to defeat Maine, 39-17 in matches at Lundholm Gymnasium Saturday night. Brown defeated Maine in the other match, 38-14.

While three Wildcats won in both their matches Saturday, one put himself on the brink of making UNH wrestling history. Senior Paul Schwern of Levittown, NY improved his career record to 84-27-3, and will enter this week's action just one win shy of Dave Yale's all-time victory mark. Schwern could tie and break the record against Rhode Island College and Western New England. Mike Caracci upped his overall record to 15-9 with two wins, while Chris Murtha took two in the 190 class.

New Hampshire will return home to face Plymouth State on February 4 before competing at the Northern New England Championships at Plymouth, NH on February 7.

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Feb. 3, 1987

by Ronit Larone '89

DURHAM, N.H. -- The University of New Hampshire has a new all-time top wrestler. Paul Schwern, a senior co-captain, lifted his career record to 86-27-3 coming up with a pair of wins last weekend. Schwern, a 158-pounder, has a sparkling 22-5-1 mark this season. He moved past Dave Yale, a 1984 graduate, who had 85 career victories.

New Hampshire's top wrestler came to UNH from Levittown Division Avenue High School on Long Island. UNH head coach Jim Urquhart, a native of Levittown and also a graduate of the school, spotted Schwern while visiting his alma mater on a recruiting trip. Over the years, Schwern has developed his physical skills and his level of confidence. He began as a freshman, worried about making the proper weight, worrying about just making the team. Now, he is a senior record breaker with a chance to become an All-American.

A previous winner of the Northern New England title and a runner-up in last year's New England Championship, Schwern finally realized that he has the potential to be an All-American. This season, he has fared well outside of New England. A tie against a highly-regarded Penn State wrestler in December helped him to realize his ability to compete on the national level.

In order for Schwern to attain All-American status, he must win the New England crown and be one of the top eight finishers in his weight class at the NCAA Championships, March 19-21, at the University of Maryland. Schwern attended the NCAAAs last year, but was beaten in the early rounds.

The key to becoming an All-American is to "have everything go perfectly." Now at 158 pounds, Schwern may drop to 150 to better his chances of winning. Both Schwern and Urquhart feel that if Schwern wrestles his best and has some luck on his side, he's got a shot at finishing in the top eight.

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"If it doesn't happen, it's okay," says Schwern. "As long as I know that I wrestled as well as I could have. I will only feel bad if I didn't try my hardest at any point."

"I've had good wrestlers before," explains Urquhart, a former two-time junior college All-American at Farmingdale and a two-time New England champion at Rhode Island. "But, Paul is the most consistent wrestler I've ever had. He always wrestles hard."

Schwern is the type of captain that leads by example. He is not a yeller and a screamer, but supportive of his teammates. He explains that they have pushed him both mentally and physically to become a better wrestler.

Schwern first hit the mats in seventh grade. His family knew nothing about wrestling when he first began.

"I couldn't decide whether to wrestle or play hockey," says Schwern, "but, when I found out that I'd have to get up at five o'clock to skate, my mind was made up. Wrestling was the sport for me."

Paul Schwern has gone from being "a good high school wrestler to becoming the all-time top wrestler in UNH history. Unconcerned with his latest accomplishment, Schwern looks toward the remainder of the season. It is his last at UNH and his last chance to become an All-American.

M109 Spts 12

Feb. 9, 1987

DURHAM, NH -- For the second straight season, the University of New Hampshire wrestling team has won the Northern New England Championships. The Wildcats will take their 9-4 record into Lundholm Gymnasium Wednesday when they host Boston College.

Coach Jim Urquhart's squad came out on top of a 12-team field at the Northern New England Championships at Plymouth State last Saturday. UNH scored a total of 97.5 points, while Springfield was second with 87 and host Plymouth State was third at 59 points.

New Hampshire was led by senior Paul Schwern of Levittown, NY. Schwern, who recently became the all-time winner in UNH wrestling annals, was named the tourney's Outstanding Wrestler, as he won all four of his matches in the 158 class to improve his season record to 29-5-1 and his career mark to 91-27-3.

Mike Caracci won the 118 class and improved his stunning season record to 24-9. Chris Murtha took the 190 weight group with four victories to move to 19-11-1 on the season. Con Madigan won the heavyweight class while improving his 1986-87 mark to 20-11.

Wednesday's match with Boston College will be the last home date for the Wildcats this season. New Hampshire will also compete Saturday at Boston University along with Maine and Springfield.



UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE 1986-87 WRESTLING STATISTICS  
TEAM RECORD: 9-4

at WPI	17-25 L	at Rhode Island Coll.	28-7 W
Harvard	19-15 W	Western New England	27-10 W
New York University	35-9 W	PLYMOUTH STATE	23-7 W
at Sunshine Open, Deland, Fla.		at Northern New England (1st)	
at Maryland Invitational	12th	Feb. 11 BOSTON COLLEGE	
at C.W. Post	27-6 W	14 at Boston University	
Rutgers-Newark	44-6 W	Maine	
Columbia	8-28 L	Springfield College	
at Lowell	40-13 W	21 Seton Hall (at BU)	
CENTRAL CONN.	14-24 L	Wagner (at BU)	
MAINE	39-17 W	F. Dickinson (at BU)	
BROWN	14-38 L		

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Wt. Wrestler	W-L-T (Dual Meets)	Pin/ Pinned	Career	Pin/ Pinned
118 Mike Caracci	*****24-9 (12-1)	3-1	40-16	6-1
126 Ken Sperry	1-5 (0-2)	0-4+	1-5	0-4
126 Curt DiGrigoli	4-4 (1-2)	1-0+	18-14	3-4
126 Dave Gibb	0-1 (0-1)	0-0	0-1	0-0
134 Sean Condon	++11-14 (6-6)	6-1+	11-14	6-1
134 Jon Kongsvik	1-2 (0-0)	0-2+	1-2	0-2
134 Steve Russell	**9-9 (8-3)	3-1+	18-37	5-8
142 Jeff Hines	0-3 (0-0)	0-1	0-3	0-1
150 Eric Hunziker	++13-14-1 (6-6-1)	3-3++	19-24-3	1-2
150 Paul Schwern++++++29-5-1 (11-1-1)		13-1+	91-27-3	27-3
150 John Caramihalis	5-5 (3-4)	2-1+	5-5	2-1
158 Ted Curley	+11-11 (5-5)	2-2+	27-31	4-5
158 Paul Dinkelmeyer	+3-5 (1-1)	1-1	10-27	3-2
158 Dave Garner	0-0 (0-0)	0-0	14-24-1	4-2
167 Dan Shain	4-4 (1-0)	0-1	11-15	0-2
177 Nate Baldasaro	+4-3 (3-2)	+1-2	14-11	1-3
177 Mike Clark	0-2 (0-0)	0-0	0-2	0-0
177 Marc Cooper	2-4 (1-1)	0-0	2-4	0-0
177 Mark Perkins	*+11-6 (4-2)	1-2+	21-14	0-3
190 Dan Armetta	1-3 (0-2)	0-0	1-3	0-0
190 Chris Murtha	*****19-11-1 (7-4-1)	+8-1	25-26-1	9-8
HWT Andy Holder	1-2 (0-0)	1-1	1-2	1-1
HWT Con Madigan	*****20-11 (8-2)	+3-4+++	56-40-1	11-11

\* Indicates number of wins by forfeit included in totals  
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counted as pins.

ALL-TIME WILDCAT WINS:

1. PAUL SCHWERN (1983-87)	91-27-3
2. Dave Yale (1980-84)	85-31-1
3. Tim Weckwerth (1982-86)	60-25-3

SINGLE SEASON WINS

1. David Yale (1983-84)	32-6-0
2. PAUL SCHWERN (1986-87)	29-5-1
3. Barry Chooljian (1981-82)	27-7-1

M117 Spts 12

Feb. 16, 1987

DURHAM, NH -- With an 11-6 record, the University of New Hampshire wrestling team will take to the road again this week when it meets Seton Hall, Wagner and Fairleigh Dickinson at Boston University Saturday.

Last Saturday, the Wildcats defeated Maine, 48-3, but lost to Springfield, 33-6 and host Boston University, 24-12. Mike Caracci won all three of his matches to up his record to 28-9, while Paul Schwern inched closer to the century mark with a pair of wins. Schwern, a senior from Levittown, NY and the all-time winningest wrestler at UNH, improved his season record to 32-6-1, as he tied Dave Yale for the most victories in a season. Yale set the mark with a 32-6 slate in 1983-84.

Last Wednesday, the Wildcats were 34-12 victors over Boston College in the final home meet of the season. Caracci, Schwern, Steve Russell and Chris Murtha were all pin victors.

After Saturday's tri-meet at BU, the Wildcats will compete at the New England Championships at Central Connecticut State University March 7-8.



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M120 Spts 12

Feb. 23, 1987

DURHAM, NH -- After closing out the regular season with three victories Saturday, the University of New Hampshire wrestling team will have two weeks to prepare for the New England Championships at Central Connecticut State University March 7-8.

Competing at Boston University Saturday, the Wildcats upped their record to 14-6 with wins over Wagner (31-12), Fairleigh Dickinson (39-13) and Seton Hall (39-10). Sophomore Mike Caracci kept his winning streak alive at 16 with three victories, while improving his record to 31-9 on the season. Senior Paul Schwern shattered the single season win mark of Dave Yale (32) when he upped his season slate to 35-6-1 with three triumphs in the 158 class.

Also winning all three of their matches were Steve Russell (126), John Caramihalis (150) and Chris Murtha (190).

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Also winning all three of their matches were Steve Russell (126), John Caramihalis (150) and Chris Murtha (190).

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M131 Spts 12

March 9, 1987

DURHAM, NH -- Senior Paul Schwern and sophomore Mike Caracci were crowned New England Champions for the University of New Hampshire wrestling team last weekend. The two Wildcat grapplers will compete at the NCAA Championships at the University of Maryland March 19-21.

New Hampshire took a third place finish in the New Englands at Central Conn. State University. Host Central Connecticut won the event, with Boston University placing second.

Schwern, from Levittown, NY, won his first New England championship. He upped his season record to 37-6-1 with a pair of triumphs. Caracci, from Great Neck, NY, upped his winning streak to 18 with two victories that upped his season slate to 33-9.

Chris Murtha placed third in the 190 class, while Steve Russell was third at 126. Eric Hunziker also paced the Wildcats with a fourth place finish in the 142 weight group.

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April 20, 1987

DURHAM, N.H. -- Senior Paul Schwern of Levittown, NY was named the Most Valuable Player and also won two other awards at the University of New Hampshire annual wrestling team banquet held at the Elliot Alumni Center Saturday night.

Schwern, who recorded a 38-7-1 record this past season, also won honors for leading the team in pins (17) and earning the most points from Head Coach Jim Urquhart. Schwern joined sophomore Mike Caracci as UNH representatives in the NCAA Championships at Maryland in March. Schwern also wound up his career as the all-time winningest wrestler in UNH history, with a record of 100-29-3. He competed in the 158 class.

Caracci (Great Neck, NY) was named the Most Dedicated Award winner. His second season featured a 35-11 record, and he became the first Wildcat ever to win a match at the NCAA Championships. Caracci competed in the 118 group for UNH.

Junior Chris Murtha of Shoreham, NY, who wrestled at the 190 weight class, was named the Most Improved Wrestler at the banquet. Caracci, Murtha and junior Eric Hunziker (Westfield, NJ) were named tri-captains for next season.

The Wildcats recorded their best record in history under Urquhart with a 14-6 slate, and won the Northern New Englands as well as finishing third in the New Englands.



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May 11, 1987

DURHAM, N.H. -- University of New Hampshire junior Mike Caracci finished third in the National Greco-Roman Wrestling Championships in Schenectady, N.Y., this past week. Ranked third in the nation, Caracci has been invited to tryouts for the U.S. Olympic Festival and Pan American Games this summer.

Caracci, of Great Neck, N.Y., won the 1987 New England wrestling title for the Wildcats. He went to the NCAA Championships and became the first UNH wrestler ever to win a first round match. He competed at 118 pounds for UNH, but was in the 114.5 pound class in the Greco-Roman nationals.

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