

Gerke, Chambers lead Xavier wrestlers

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Josh Gerke and Patrick Chambers enjoyed perfect days for the Xavier wrestling team Saturday at the Linn-Mar Duals.

Gerke went 5-0 with three pins at 145 pounds and Chambers also finished 5-0 with three pins at 126 pounds.

Gerke, who is ranked No. 3 in Class 3A, made quick work of his opponents with pins in 35 seconds, 38 seconds and 54 seconds. He also posted a 5-0 decision and accepted a forfeit.

Chambers collected his pins in 1:04, 1:07 and 3:36. He also had a 10-7 decision and a forfeit.

Tommy Pudil registered four victories for the Saints at 285 pounds with pins in 2:52, 4:13 and 5:16. He also won a 7-0 decision.

Keegan Schultschik posted three pins at 120 pounds for Xavier. Erik Rodriguez had two pins at 195 and Garret Ries earned two victories at 152.

The Saints lost all five of their matches in the tournament. They fell to Clear Creek Amana (42-36), Mount Vernon (51-21), Linn-Mar (51-30) and Mediapolis (39-27) in pool competition and lost to Keokuk (43-33) in the consolation match for ninth place.

Western Dubuque defeated Mount Vernon in the championship match, 61-16. Ankeny Centennial topped Linn-Mar for third place (46-22), Clinton beat Clear Creek Amana for fifth place (66-10) and Marion trimmed Mediapolis for seventh place (40-36).