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# **POSSIBLE STARTERS**

#### #2 PENN STATE NITTANY LIONS (9-1, 5-1 B1G)

WΤ	NAME	EL	HT/HS
		LL	
125	#9 Nico Megaludis	Fr.	Murrysville, Pa./Franklin Regional
133	Frank Martellotti	So.	Pittsburgh, Pa./Shady Side
	Derek Reber	Jr.	Lewisburg, Pa./Lewisburg
141	Bryan Pearsall	Jr.	Lititz, Pa./Warwick
149	#1 Frank Molinaro	Sr.	Barnegat, N.J./Southern Regional
157	#6 Dylan Alton	R-Fr.	Mill Hall, Pa./Central Mountain
165	#1 David Taylor	So.	St. Paris, Ohio/St. Paris Graham
174	#2 Ed Ruth	So.	Harrisburg, Pa./Susquehanna Twp.
184	#2 Quentin Wright	Jr.	Wingate, Pa./Bald Eagle Area
197	#12 Morgan McIntosh	Fr.	Santa Ana, Calif./Calvary Chapel
285	#6 Cameron Wade	Sr.	Twinsburg, Ohio/St. Peter Chanel

### #7 NEBRASKA CORNHUSKERS (14-1, 5-1 B1G)

WT	NAME	EL	HT	
125	Shawn Nagel	So.	Kimball, Neb.	
133	#18 Ridge Kelly	Jr.	Eagel Grove, Iowa	
141	#5 Jake Sueflohn	Fr.	Watertown, Wis.	
149	Brandon Wilbourn	R-Fr.	O'Fallon, Mo.	
157	#7 James Green	Fr.	Willingboro, N.J.	
165	#6 Robert Kokesh	R-Fr.	Wagner, S.D.	
174	Tyler Koehn	Jr.	Pittsburg, Kan.	
184	#7 Josh Ihnen	Jr.	Sheldon, Iowa	
197	James Nakashima	Sr.	Dwight, Ill.	
285	#9 Tucker Lane	Sr.	Redvale, Colo.	

#### #12 MICHIGAN WOLVERINES (6-3, 4-2 B1G)

WΤ	NAME	EL	HT/HS
125	Grant Pizzo	So.	Brighton, Mich./Brighton
133	#16 Zac Stevens	Sr.	Monroe, Mich./Monroe
141	#1 Kellen Russell	Sr.	High Bridge, N.J./Blair Academy
149	#7 Eric Grajales	So.	Brandon, Fla./Brandon
157	Brandon Zeerip	So.	Fremont, Mich./Hesperia
165	#14 Dan Yates	So.	Hesperia, Mich./Hesperia
174	#8 Justin Zeerip	Sr.	Fremont, Mich./Hesperia
184	Hunter Collins	Jr.	Gilroy, Calif./Gilroy
OR	Chris Heald	Fr.	West Bloomfield, Mich./West Bloomfield
197	#15 Max Huntley	Fr.	Emerald Isle, N.C./Blair Academy
285	#10 Ben Apland	Jr.	Woodbridge, Ill./Downers Grove South
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Indiv. Rankings Intermat as of 1/31; Team Rankings NWCA/USA Today as of 1/31

#### THIS WEEK

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#### **UP NEXT**

Penn State will make a cross country trek to Orem, Utah, outside of Salt Lake City, to battle Utah Valley on Saturday, Feb. 11. The dual is set for 9 p.m. Eastern/7 p.m. Mountain (local time).

### **ON THE AIR**

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# 2011-12 SCHEDULE

#### **NOVEMBER**

NOV	LEWR	=R	
Sun.	13	BLOOMSBURG	W, 39-3
Sun.	20	#4 MINNESOTA*	L, 14-23
DEC	EMB	ER	
Sun.	4	NITTANY LION OPEN	
(Penn S	State's six char	npions: Nico Megaludis at 125, Frank Molinaro at 149,	David Taylor at
	165, Ed .	Ruth at 174, Quentin Wright at 184, Cameron Wade at .	285)
Fri.	9	at #10 Lehigh	W, 24-12
Sun.	11	WEST VIRGINIA	W, 34-6
Sun.	18	at Lock Haven	W, 50-0
JAN	IUARY	,	
SunN	/lon.1-2	Southern Scuffle, Chattanooga, Tenn.	1st, 191.5
	(Molin	aaro 1st 149, Taylor 1st 165, Ruth 1st 174, Wright 1st 18	4,
	Alton 2nd	l 157, Brown 2nd 165, Megaludis 4th 125, Wade 4th H	WT)
Sun.	8	at Michigan State*	W, 36-6
Fri.	13	at #17 Northwestern*	W, 38-3
Sun.	15	at Wisconsin*	W, 43-0
Sun.	22	#2 IOWA*	W, 22-12
Sun.	29	#5 OHIO STATE*	W, 34-9
FEB	RUAR	Y	
Fri.	3	at #7 Nebraska*	8 p.m.
Sun.	5	#12 MICHIGAN*	2 p.m.
Sat.	11	at Utah Valley	9 p.m.
Sun.	19	PITTSBURGH	2 p.m.
MA	RCH		
SatSı	ın. 3-4	2012 Big Ten Championships, West Lafayet	te, Ind.
	Sat. 3	Session 1 Opening Round	TBA
	Sat. 3	Session 2 Semifinals	TBA
	Sun. 4	Session 3 Consolations, 7th place bouts	TBA
	Sun. 4	Session 4 Championship finals, 3rd, 5th p	lace TBA
	Sat.15-17	2012 NCAA Wrestling Championships, St.	Louis, Mo.
П	nur. 15	Session 1 1st Round	TBA
П	nur. 15	Session 2 2nd Round/Consolations	TBA
	Fri. 16	Session 3 Quarterfinals/Consolations	TBA
	Fri. 16	Session 4 Semifinals/All-America Round	TBA
	Sat. 17	Session 5 Medal Rounds	TBA
	Sat. 17	Session 6 Championship Finals	TBA

\* Big Ten Dual -- All Dates and Times Subject to Change All Times EASTERN



# **TODAY'S ACTION**

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.; Feb. 1, 2012 -- No. 2 Penn State (9-1, 5-1 B1G) is set for a busy weekend of Big Ten action, beginning with a road trip to No. 7 Nebraska (14-1, 5-1 B1G). The Nittany Lions battle the Cornhuskers on Friday, Feb. 3, at 8 p.m. Eastern/7 p.m. Central. Penn State will travel back to State College on Saturday, arriving home Saturday night and immediately get ready for a Sunday home dual against No. 12 Michigan (6-3, 4-2 B1G). The Lions and Wolverines tangle at 2 p.m. in Rec Hall. The Michigan dual is sold out but a limited number of Standing Room Only tickets still remain as of 2/1/12. With the Big Ten officially recognizing the regular season title (or a share of one) on the line and all three teams in the hunt for the outright title or a share of it.

Penn State is coming off dominating 34-9 win over Ohio State on Sunday, a win that moved it into a battle for the Big Ten dual meet crown. The Nittany Lions are 9-1 overall, 5-1 in the conference and face off against another 5-1 team (Nebraska) and a 4-2 squad (Michigan) that still has a chance to forge a massive five- or six-team tie for first. For Penn State, the math is simple, win two tough duals and it is assured of at least a share of the dual meet crown.

The Nittany Lions are being led by a balanced line-up featuring eight ranked wrestlers, all of which are ranked among the top 12 and four of whom are in the top two. Three-time All-American Frank Molinaro is ranked No. 1 at 149 with a perfect 21-0 mark. All-American David Taylor is also unblemished at 19-0 and is No. 1 at 165. All-American Ed Ruth is also perfect at 21-0 and No. 2 at 174 while two-time All-American Quentin Wright is 18-2 and No. 2 at 184. Senior Cameron Wade is 18-4 and ranked No. 6 at heavyweight while red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton is 16-4 and No. 6 at 157. True freshman Nico Megaludis is 17-5 and No. 9 at 125 while classmate Morgan McIntosh is 14-5 and No. 12 at 197. Sophomore Frank Martellotti is 6-3 at 133 while junior Bryan Pearsall checks in at 141 with a 10-8 record.

Nebraska brings a 14-1 record into the dual, with an impressive 5-1 Big Ten conference mark. The Huskers are being led by six ranked wrestlers, five of whom are in the top ten. The tough and balanced NU roster features No. 18 Ridge Kelly at 133, No. 5 Jake Sueflohn at 141, No. 7 James Green at 157, No. 6 Robert Kokesh at 165, No. 7 Josh Ihnen at 184 and No. 9 Tucker Lane at heavyweight. This will be the first meeting between the two schools since a 20-16 Nebraska win on Jan. 10, 2009, at the National Duals. Penn State won the last meeting in Lincoln, a 24-14 victory on Jan. 23, 1994. Nebraska has won three straight against Penn State, dating back to a 22-12 Penn State win on 12/5/98 in the Bryce Jordan Center. Nebraska owns an 8-4-1 edge in the series.

Michigan comes in 6-3 overall, with a 4-2 record in Big Ten action. The Wolverines are being led by seven ranked individuals, including No. 1 Kellen Russell at 141. UM also features No. 16 Zac Stevens at 133, No. 7 Eric Grajales at 149, No. 14 Dan Yates at 165, No. 8 Justin Zeerip at 174, No. 15 Max Huntley at 197 and No. 10 Ben Apland at 285. Penn State has won the last two meetings against UM and owns a slim 26-24 edge in the all-time series. Penn State won 28-13 last year on 2/6/11 in Ann Arbor and won 29-10 on 2/7/10 in Rec Hall.

Penn State will make a cross country trek to Orem, Utah, outside of Salt Lake City, to battle Utah Valley on Saturday, Feb. 11. The dual is set for 9 p.m. Eastern/7 p.m. Mountain (local time). Penn State's next home dual is the season dual finale against Pitt on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 2 p.m. All seats for the Pitt dual are sold out but some standing room only tickets remain. Fans can purchase a very limited number of SRO tickets by calling 1-800-NITTANY. Tickets are priced at \$8 for adults and \$5 for youth (18 and under) and can be purchased from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day or in person at the Bryce Jordan Center box office. The full season slate of live dual meet and tournament action will air locally on WRSC AM (1390 AM) with Friday evening duals being simulcast on WRSC FM (103.1 FM). Lock Haven's WBPZ (1230 AM) will also carry the entire season live and further affiliates may be added soon. WIEZ 670 AM (Huntingdon/Lewistown) will carry all Sunday duals during the regular season plus the Big Ten and NCAA Championships in March. The regular season schedule of radio broadcasts will be streamed live at www.GoPSUsports.com as part of Penn State's All-Access package, which will also feature live video streams of many home events. Ticket information is accessed easily online at www.GoPSUsports.com/tickets/m-wrestl-tickets.html . Fans are encouraged to follow Penn State wrestling via twitter at www.twitter.com/pennstatepat and on Penn State Wrestling's facebook page at www.facebook.com/pennstatewrestling. The 2011-12 Penn State Wrestling season is presented by The Family Clothesline.

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# INDIVIDUAL SEASON RECORDS (as of 1/24/11)

	1/27/11)
Name, Wt.	Record
Andrew Alton, 149	9-1
Dylan Alton, 157	16-4
Seth Beitz, 149	19-5
Matt Brown, 174	20-2
Collin Campbell, 285	6-3
Andrew Church, 174	18-8
Jordan Conaway, 125	11-5
Dirk Cowburn	0-0
David Crowell	0-0
James English	0-0
Nick Fischer, 157	10-5
James Frascella, 174	5-4
Luke Frey, 141	9-1
Jon Gingrich, 285	17-4
Cameron Kelly, 133	2-2
Rex Lutz, 165	7-9
Frank Martellotti, 133	6-3
Morgan McIntosh, 197	14-5
Nico Megaludis, 125	17-5
Frank Molinaro, 149	21-0
Kyle Moran, 141	8-2
Nate Morgan, 141	0-0
Justin Ortega, 197	13-5
David Owens, 141	2-3
Bryan Pearsall, 141	10-8
Brandon Phillips, 174	10-8
Derek Reber, 133	6-6
Nick Ruggear, 285	8-3
Ed Ruth, 174	21-0
Sam Sherlock, 141	3-3
Clay Steadman	0-0
Scott Syrek, 197	2-2
David Taylor, 165	19-0
James Vollrath, 157	12-4
Cameron Wade, 285	18-4
Michael Waters, 141	7-9
Quentin Wright, 184	18-2

This includes records w/unattached results listed in current mark

# HEAD COACH CAEL SANDERSON

Cael Sanderson, now in his third year as mentor of the Nittany Lions, came to Penn State after three extremely successful years as the head coach at his alma mater. Sanderson's teams did not finish any lower than fifth at the NCAA Championships and never had a wrestler not qualify for nationals, getting 30 of 30 grapplers through to the championship tournament. In 2007, Sanderson's rookie campaign, he led ISU to a 13-3 dual meet record and the first of three straight Big 12 Championships. An NCAA Runner-Up finished in Detroit capped off a wildly successful year as the Cyclones crowned one national championship and Sanderson was honored as Big 12 Coach of the Year, National Rookie Coach of the Year and National Coach of the Year. The next year, Sanderson led ISU to a 16-4 dual meet mark, another Big 12 title and a fifth place finish at nationals. Iowa State's seven All-Americans in 2008 were the most at the school since 1993. In his final year at ISU, Sanderson's team went 15-3 in duals, won its third straight Big 12 title and took third place at the NCAA Championships in St. Louis (just 12 points out of first place). The Cyclones also crowned another national champion. In three years, Sanderson's teams went 44-10, won three conference crowns, qualified all 30 wrestlers for nationals, and earned 15 All-America awards and two individual national titles. In his first year at Penn State (2009-10), he guided the Lions to a 13-6-1 dual meet mark, 5-3 in Big Ten action, and crowned his first Big Ten Champion. The Lions finished No. 10 in the final USA Today/Coaches dual meet poll and placed ninth at NCAAs. Last year, Sanderson guided the Nittany Lions to its first-ever Southern Scuffle Co-Championship (2010-11) and its first Virginia Duals Championship since 1991 (2010-11). In guiding Penn State to a 6-1-1 conference mark, Sanderson equaled the most Big Ten dual meet wins in Penn State history in just his second year at the helm of the Nittany Lions (Penn State won six Big Ten duals in 1998). Sanderson led Penn State to the school's first ever Big Ten Championship on March 5-6 and was named 2011 Big Ten Coach of the Year. Saving the best for last, he led the Nittany Lions to the 2011 NCAA National Championship in Philadelphia on March 17-19, Penn State's first since 1953 and Sanderson's first as a collegiate head coach. Coach Sanderson now sports a 83-18-2 dual meet mark in his sixth year as a collegiate head coach. He is 39-8-2 in his third year at Penn State.

### **RUTH'S QUICK PIN OVER #8 HEFLIN LEADS LIONS TO 34-9 ROUT OVER #5 OHIO STATE**

Sophomore All-American Ed Ruth made short work of 8th-ranked Nick Heflin of Ohio State in a marquee match-up at 174 to lead Penn State to a resounding 34-9 thumping over the 5th-ranked Buckeyes on 1/29. The dual, in a sold out Rec Hall, saw Penn State win eight of ten bouts, post a 16-4 takedown edge and amass a number of lopsided riding time advantages. Penn State got wins from #8 Nico Megaludis at 125 (over #15 Johnnie Dejulius), #1 Frank Molinaro at 149 (a 12-0 major), #7 Dylan Alton at 157 (4-0 over #20 Josh Demas), #1 David Taylor at 165 (a tech fall), #2 Quentin Wright at 184 (a pin), #12 Morgan McIntosh at 197 (a 5-4 win over #20 Andrew Campolattano) and #6 Cameron Wade at 285 (a 9-0 major over #16 Peter Capone.

## **RUTH AND MCINTOSH LEAD LIONS OVER IOWA**

All-American Ed Ruth posted a major at 174 and true freshman Morgan McIntosh clinched the deal with a win over a returning All-American as Penn State downed Iowa 22-12 in front of nearly 7,000 fans in a sold out Rec Hall on Sunday, Jan. 22. Ruth's 10-1 major over No. 9 Ethan Lofthouse at 174 helped keep the momentum going in what would be seven straight wins by Penn State to close out the dual. McIntosh thrilled the capacity crowd with a 5-3 sudden victory win over All-American Grant Gambrall at 197, clinching the victory. Penn State got consecutive wins from Frank Molinaro (149), Dylan Alton (157), David Taylor (165), Ruth (174), Quentin Wright (184), McIntosh (197) and Cameron Wade (285). The Lions dominated the dual in terms of wins (7), riding time points (4-0 edge) and takedowns (18-10).

## **IOWA CROWD LARGEST SINCE REC HALL RECONFIG!**

The crowd of 6,796 fans that saw Penn State take down Iowa 22-12 on 1/22 was the largest Rec Hall crowd since the building was reconfigured in the early/mid-1990s. The crowd out-distanced last year's Penn State/Iowa crowd of 6,686 on Jan. 30, 2011.

## MOLINARO'S ASSAULT ON THE PSU RECORD BOOKS

Senior Frank Molinaro is currently moving up many of Penn State's all-time records lists. His 11-5 dismantling of Iowa's Mike Kelly on Jan. 22 was the 137th match of his Penn State career, moving him into the top 20 all-time. Here is a breakdown of where the Lion veteran sits on some Penn State lists: Matches wrestled (20th with 138); victories (14th with 109); dual meet victories (11th with 51).

## WADE NOW 9TH ON ALL-TIME PINS LIST

Cameron Wade entered the season with 21 career falls. The senior heavyweight has seven on the year and now has 28 for his career, 9th on Penn State's all-time list.

## NATIONAL RANKINGS

David Tavlor

Quentin Wright

Morgan McIntosh 12th/197 Cameron Wade

Ed Ruth

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NWCA (1/31/12)				(1/31)	
1	Oklahoma Sta	te (10	)250	Nico Megaludis	6th/125
2	PENN STATE		236	Frank Molinaro	1st/149
3	Cornell		227	Dylan Alton	6th/157
4	Minnesota		214	David Taylor	1st/165
5	Iowa		212	Ed Ruth	1st/174
6	Ohio State		208	Quentin Wright	3rd/184
7	Nebraska		187	Morgan McIntosh	16th/197
8	Illinois		182	Cameron Wade	6th/285
9	Pittsburgh		161		
10	Oklahoma		159	AWN	
11	Wyoming		150	(1/31)	
12	Michigan		147	Nico Megaludis	9th/125
13	Missouri		121	Frank Molinaro	1st/149
	4 Kent State		118	Dylan Alton	7th/157
	4 Lehigh		118	David Taylor	1st/165
16	Oregon State		90	Ed Ruth	2nd/174
17	Maryland		85	Quentin Wright	3rd/184
18	Binghamton		76	Morgan McIntosh	
19	Northwestern		73	Cameron Wade	6th/285
20	Virginia		68	Cameron wade	011/205
21	Edinboro		55	WIN	
22	Central Michi	gan	35		
23	Hofstra		33	(1/31)	
24	Virginia Tech		31	TEAM:	1st TPI
25	Old Dominior	1	11	Nico Megaludis	8th/125
RV	: Chattanooga			Frank Molinaro	1st/149
				Dylan Alton	7th/157
IN	DIVIDUAI	LS		David Taylor	1st/165
INTERMAT				Ed Ruth	2nd/174
(1/31)				Quentin Wright	3rd/184
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	o Megaludis	9th/		Cameron Wade	6th/285
	nk Molinaro		149		
	lan Alton	6th/			
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### vs. RANKED FOES

1st/165

2nd/174

2nd/184

6th/285

Check here throughout the season for Penn State's dual meet results against foes ranked in the NWCA/USA Today Coaches Top 25.

11/20	vs. #4 Minnesota	L, 14-23
12/9	at #10 Lehigh	W, 24-12
1/13	at #17 Northwestern	W, 38-3
1/22	vs. #2 Iowa	W, 22-12
1/29	vs. #5 Ohio State	W, 34-9
2/3	at #7 Nebraska	
2/5	vs. #12 Michigan	

# DAVID TAYLOR AND ED RUTH'S STUNNING DUAL MEET POINT AVERAGES

Just 22 matches into his collegiate dual meet career, sophomore David Taylor surpassed the 100 point mark in dual meet points. Taylor is now 29-0 in collegiate duals with 140 dual meet points. That's an average of 4.83 dual points per match. Classmate Ed Ruth passed the 100 point mark a mere 23 matches as well. Ruth is now is 28-0 with 130 career dual meet points for an equally impressive average of 4.64 dual points per match.

# MOLINARO, TAYLOR, RUTH STILL PERFECT AND PILING UP BONUS WINS

The All-American trio of Frank Molinaro (149), David Taylor (157) and Ed Ruth (174) are all still perfect on the year and a combined 61-0 with 14 majors, 17 tech falls, 19 pins and an injury default victory. They have combined for 51 bonus point wins in 61 matches. Molinaro is 21-0 with 8 majors, 5 techs and three pins, giving him 16 bonus wins in 21 matches. Taylor is 19-0 with 9 pins, 6 tech falls and 2 majors, giving him 17 bonus point wins in 19 matches. Ruth is 21-0 with 7 pins, 6 techs, 4 majors and 1 injury default, giving him 18 bonus wins in 21 matches.

## THREE WEEKENDS, THREE ROAD TRIPS, SUCCESS!

Penn State left for the Southern Scuffle in Chattanooga, Tenn., on New Year's Eve Day to compete in the Scuffle on Jan. 1-2. Add to that three straight Big Ten road duals over the next two weekends and the Nittany Lions have been living, and feasting, on the road for quite a while. Penn State won the Southern Scuffle, running away from Minnesota and Cornell in the process; won nine of ten bouts in a 36-6 dual win at Michigan State on 1/8; won nine of ten bouts in a 38-3 dual win at Northwestern on 1/13; and won all ten bouts in a 43-0 shutout at Wisconsin on 1/15 (Penn State's first ever Big Ten dual shutout and the first shutout of UW since 1958). All in all, that's a major national tournament title with four individual champions and three Big Ten road duals by a combined score of 117-9 (with a 28-2 record).

## RUTH NABS LIONS' THIRD BIG TEN WoW HONOR

Penn State Nittany Lion wrestler Ed Ruth was named Big Ten Wrestler of the Week for the week ending Jan. 15, 2012. The honor is the second for the Nittany Lion sophomore and he shares this week's with Ohio State's Logan Stieber. The Lion All-American, ranked No. 2 at 174, was unstoppable in a 2-0 road weekend for Penn State in Big Ten action. Ruth made short work of No. 9 Lee Munster of Northwestern, blistering the top-ten Wildcat to the tune of an 18-3 technical fall at the 5:37 mark. Ruth helped spark Penn State to a 38-3 dismantling of No. 17 Northwestern in Evanston. Two days later, Ruth posted an equally quick 17-2 tech fall over Wisconsin's Matt Liegel at the same 5:37 mark. Ruth's win was part of Penn State's 43-0 shutout of Wisconsin in Madison. The shut-out was Penn State's first ever in a Big Ten dual and was the first shut-out of Wisconsin since 1958. The honor was the third for Penn State this year as junior Bryan Pearsall won on Dec. 20 and sophomore All-American David Taylor won on Jan. 3.

### NITTANY LIONS POST FIRST EVER BIG TEN DUAL SHUTOUT AT WISCONSIN; HAND BADGERS FIRST ZERO SINCE 1958

Two days after downing Northwestern 38-3 on 1/13, Penn State posted a resounding 43-0 shutout win at Wisconsin on 1/15. The shutout, highlighted by All-American Frank Molinaro's 12-0 major over #9 Cole Schmitt at 149, marks the first time that Penn State notched a shutout in a Big Ten dual, home or away. The blanking of the Badgers was the first against UW since Iowa shut out the Badgers in 1958.

## MEGALUDIS DOWNS #7 MELE; RUTH TECHS #9 MUNSTER AS LIONS ROLL 38-3 AT NORTHWESTERN

True freshman Nico Megaludis handed #7 Leve Mele of Northwestern a 7-3 loss at 125 and All-American Ed Ruth hammered #9 Lee Munster at 174 to the tune of an 18-3 technical fall at the 5:37 mark of the second period. The wins highlighted a 38-3 dismantling of the Wildcats in Evanston. Penn State's only loss was #9 Dylan Alton's close 2-1 decision on riding time to #3 Jason Welch at 157.

## **RUGGEAR TAKES THIRD AT HITCHCOCK INVITATIONAL**

– Red-shirting sophomore Nick Ruggear had a fine day at Sunday's Floyd 'Shorty' Hitchcock Invitational on the campus of Millersville University. The Nittany Lion heavyweight led a contingent of Penn Staters who competed unattached at the open event. Ruggear, who started at 197 for Penn State last year and is red-shirting this season, went 5-1 at heavyweight with a pin. He advanced to the semifinals before losing to Lehigh's John Delia by decision. Ruggear then wrestled back to take third place.

#### 2011-12 BIG TEN STANDINGS

(by Big Ten win % 1/31/2012)					
			Overall		
Pl.	Team	W-L-T	PCT	W-L-T	PCT
1.	Minnesota	6-1-0	.857	9-3-0	.750
2.	PENN STATE	5-1-0	.833	9-1-0	.900
	Nebraska	5-1-0	.833	14-1-0	.933
4.	Iowa	5-2-0	.714	10-3-0	.769
	Illinois	5-2-0	.714	13-2-0	.867
6.	Michigan	4-2-0	.667	6-3-0	.667
7.	Ohio State	3-3-0	.500	9-3-0	.750
8.	Northwestern	3-4-0	.429	7-4-0	.636
9.	Purdue	2-5-0	.286	7-9-0	.438
10.	Michigan State	1-6-0	.143	3-8-0	.273
11.	Indiana	0-6-0	.000	6-6-0	.500
	Wisconsin	0-6-0	.000	5-8-0	.385

## BIG TEN WRESTLERS OF THE WEEK

11/8	Logan Stieber, Ohio State
11/15	B.J. Futrell, Illinois
11/22	Kevin Steinhaus, Minnesota
11/29	Matt Fields, Purdue
12/6	Tony Ramos, Iowa
	Logan Stieber, Ohio State
12/13	Robert Kokesh, Nebraska
12/20	BRYAN PEARSALL, PENN STATE
1/2	DAVID TAYLOR, PENN STATE
1/9	Eric Terrazas, Illinois
	Tony Ramos, Iowa
1/16	ED RUTH, PENN STATE
	Logan Stieber, Ohio State
1/23	Hunter Stieber, Ohio State
1/30	Matt McDonough, Iowa

# THE PENN STATE WRESTLING RADIO SHOW

The Penn State wrestling radio show, a weekly coach's show focusing on Nittany Lion wrestling and hosted by Byers, aired regionally on the Pennsylvania Sports Network. The show hit the airwaves every Wednesday from November 3 through the end of the season from 6 to 6:30 p.m. (airtime is actually 6:06 p.m. after station breaks and news at the top of the hour). The call in number for the Penn State wrestling show is 814 237 0953. The initial list of affiliates for the show is lengthy and more affiliates will be added as the season nears:

3WZ	95.3	FM	State College/Bellefonte
WCPA	900	AM	Clearfield/DuBois
WIEZ	670	AM	Lewistown/Huntingdon
WLYC	1050	AM	Williamsport/Lewisburg
WLYC	104.1	FM	Montoursville/Jersey Shore
WBPZ	1230	AM	Lock Haven
WTZN	1310	AM	Troy/Canton
WTTC	1550	AM	Towanda/Elmira, N.Y.
WGET	1330	AM	Gettysburg/Hanover

# MOLINARO AND ALTON DOWN RANKED FOES IN NITTANY LIONS' WIN OVER MICHIGAN STATE

Senior Frank Molinaro and red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton made short work of Michigan State's ranked grapplers in Penn State's 36-6 win over Michigan State in Battle Creek's Kellog Arena on January 8. Molinaro downed #18 Dan Osterman 9-3 and Alton took care of #14 Anthony Jones 1-0 to lead Penn State to the victory.

# NITTANY LIONS CLAIM SECOND STRAIGHT SOUTHERN SCUFFLE CHAMPIONSHIP, THIS TIME OUTRIGHT

After tying Cornell for the Southern Scuffle championship last year, Penn State rolled away from the competition by crowning four champions and won the 2012 Southern Scuffle outright on Jan. 1-2 in Chattanooga. Penn State won the title with 191.5 points while Minnesota was second with 177.5. The Nittany Lions entered day two with a slim 7.5 point lead over the gophers and used a superb 6-3 run in the semifinals and a 4-2 showing in the finals to claim the crown. All-American David Taylor won the 165-pound title and was named Outstanding Wrestler. Joining Taylor as champs were All-American Frank Molinaro at 149, All-American Ed Ruth at 174 and All-American Quentin Wright at 184. Penn State posted a superb 56-23 overall mark among its 15 wrestlers, collecting 18 pins, nine tech falls and 11 majors along the way. 38 of Penn State's 56 wins were of the bonus point variety.

# TAYLOR BLAZES HIS WAY TO SCUFFLE TITLE TO EARN TOURNEY OW AND BIG TEN WOW HONORS

All-American David Taylor blazed his way to his second straight Southern Scuffle title and was named the tournament's Outstanding Wrestler (teammate Ed Ruth won the honor last year). Top-ranked Taylor took on No. 10 Cody Yohn of Minnesota in the finals at 165. Already owning a tech fall over the 10th-ranked Gopher, Taylor did it one better this time with a team-title clinching pin in the first period (2:36). Taylor, who claimed his second Scuffle crown, went 5-0 with three pins, a tech and a major. He was also named Big Ten Wrestler of the Week (1/3) for his efforts.

# MOLINARO STRONG ON HIS WAY TO SCUFFLE CROWN AND 100TH CAREER WIN

No. 1 Frank Molinaro met No. 11 Dylan Ness of Minnesota in the finals of the 2012 Southern Scuffle and the bout belonged in full to the three-time Nittany Lion All-American. Molinaro scored big for Penn State with a dominating 9-1 major over Ness and won his first Scuffle title with a 5-0 mark, including two techs and a major. His first win of the event was the 100th for his career, making him the 26th member of Penn State's 100-win club.

# **RUTH'S PERFECTION LEADS TO SECOND SCUFFLE CROWN**

All-American Ed Ruth, last year's Scuffle Outstanding Wrestler, won his second straight title in an All-PSU final at 174. Ruth downed talented teammate Matt Brown, posting a 6-3 decision. Ruth's win gave him his second straight Scuffle title and he went 6-0 with three pins, a tech and a major.

# WRIGHT HAMMERS #4 BOSAK ON WAY TO SCUFFLE TITLE

Defending National Champion Quentin Wright and put the exclamation point on Penn State's Southern Scuffle team title by dominating fourth-ranked Steve Bosak of Cornell to the tune of a 10-3 win in the 184-pound final. Wright claimed his first Scuffle title with the victory as he went 5-0 with three pins.

## ALTON AND BROWN TAKE SECOND AT SOUTHERN SCUFFLE

The red-shirt freshmen tandem of Dylan Alton and Matt Brown advanced to the finals of the 2012 Southern Scuffle to help Penn State claim the team title in Chattanooga. Alton, ranked No. 10, met No. 1 Kyle Dake of Cornell in the finals at 157. Alton battled the two-time NCAA champ tough before dropping a 3-0 decision to take second place in his first Scuffle. Alton went 4-1 with two pins and a major. Brown lost to teammate #2 Ed Ruth in the 174-pound title and ended an outstanding tournament with a 4-1 mark, including wins over the No. 7 and No. 11-ranked wrestlers.

## PEARSALL PINS #14 BONSON TO LEAD LIONS TO 50-0 WIN AT LOCK HAVEN; NAMED BIG TEN WRESTLER OF THE WEEK

Junior Bryan Pearsall pinned nationally ranked Matt Bonson of Lock Haven to lead the Nittany Lions to a 50-0 shut-out win at Lock Haven on 12/18. Pearsall pinned No. 14 Bonson in the second period of their battle at 141. The fall was one of four for Penn State in the dual (Nico Megaludis, Frank Molinaro and Cameron Wade added pins as well), which featured a 41-0 takedown edge for the Nittany Lions. Pearsall was named Big Ten Wrestler of the Week for the week ending 12/18, the first such honor of his career.

## 2011-12 ATTENDANCE

11/3	INTRASQUAD (appx*)	3,000
11/5	INTRASQUAD (appx)	5,000
11/13	BLOOMSBURG	6,059
11/20	MINNESOTA	6,277
12/11	WEST VIRGINIA	6,078
1/22	IOWA	6,796
1/29	OHIO STATE	6,728
2/5	MICHIGAN	
2/19	PITTSBURGH	
*TOTA	31,938	
*AVG. (	6,387	

# 2011-12 RIDGE RILEY AWARD WINNERS (home)

11/13	BLOOMSBURG	Nico Megaludis, 125
11/20	MINNESOTA	David Taylor, 165
12/11	WEST VIRGINIA	Derek Reber, 133
1/22	IOWA	Morgan McIntosh, 197
1/29	OHIO STATE	Ed Ruth, 174
2/5	MICHIGAN	
2/19	PITTSBURGH	

## 2011-12 ERNIE LUCAS AWARD WINNERS (away)

12/9	LEHIGH	Dylan Alton, 157
12/18	LOCK HAVEN	Bryan Pearsall, 141
1/8	MICHIGAN STATE	Bryan Pearsall, 141
1/13	NORTHWESTERN	Nico Megaludis, 125
1/15	WISCONSIN	Frank Molinaro, 149
2/3	NEBRASKA	
2/11	UTAH VALLEY	

## **HONORS WON**

#### Bryan Pearsall, 141

Big Ten Wrestler of the Week, 12/18

Ed Ruth, 174 Big Ten Wrestler of the Week, 1/17

#### David Taylor, 165

'12 Southern Scuffle Outstanding Wrestler, 1/2 Big Ten Wrestler of the Week, 1/3

# **RECORDS WATCH - CAREER**

		CALLER
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1.	184	Josh Moore, '01-04
2.	168	Jim Martin, '86-89
	168	Kerry McCoy, '92-97
4. 5.	162 158	Greg Elinsky, '83-87 Doc Vecchio, '00-03
5.	158	Clint Musser, '94, 96-99
7.	154	Ken Chertow, '85, 87-89
	154	Jason Suter, '88-91
9.	151	Adam Smith, '02-05
	151	Scott Moore, '00, '02- 03
11.	149	Mark Becks, '00-03
	149 149	Eric Brugel, '82-84, 86 John Hughes, '92, 94-96
14.	149	Andy Voit, '85, 87-89
15.	143	Dan Vallimont, '07-10
16.	142	John Hanrahan, '79-82
17.	140	Jeremy Hunter, '96-00
	140	Sanshiro Abe, '93-96
19.	139	Tim Flynn, '83, 85-87
20.	138	Frank Molinaro, '09-Prsnt.
	138 126	Pat Cummins, '01-04 Cameron Wade, '09-Prsnt.
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1.	155	Jim Martin, '86-89
2.	150	Kerry McCoy, '92-97
3.	146	Josh Moore, '01-04
4.	138	Greg Elinsky, '83-87 Sanshiro, Aba, '93, 96
5. 6.	125 123	Sanshiro Abe, '93-96 Jeremy Hunter, '96-00
0.	123	Clint Musser, '94, 96-99
8.	125	John Hughes, '92, 94-96
9.	116	Phil Davis, '05-08
10.	115	Ken Chertow, '85, 87-89
11.	114	Carl DeStefanis, '81-84
12.	112	Scott Moore, '00. '02-03
13.	110	Dan Mayo, '84, 86-88
14. 15.	109 108	Frank Molinaro, '09-Prsnt. Pat Cummins, '01-04
16.	108	Dan Vallimont, '07-10
17.	107	Mark Becks, '00-03
18.	106	Glenn Pritzlaff, '94, 96-99
19.	105	John Hanrahan, '79-82
	105	Tim Flynn, '83, 85-87
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FALLS	5	
1.	53	Josh Moore, '01-04
2.	34	Scott Moore, '00, '02-03
	34	Kerry McCoy, '92-97
4.	32	Josh Walker, '02-05
5. 6.	31 30	Biff Walizer, '95-99 Phil Davis, '05-08
0.	30	Pat Cummins, '01-04
8.	29	Jeremy Hunter, '96-00
9.	28	Cameron Wade, 2009-Prsnt.
	28	Cary Kolat, '93-94
11.	26	Shawn Nelson, '90, 92-94
12. 13.	25 24	John Lange, '94-98 DeWitt Driscoll, '03-06
15.	24	Jerry White, '74-77
15.	23	Bob Bury, '79-81, 83
	23	Gary Kaschak, '82, 84-86
	23	Shawn Nelson, '90, 92-93
	23	Sanshiro Abe, '93-96
	23	Johnston Oberly, '59-61
	23 23	Greg Haladay, '86-87,89-90 Jeff Prescott, '89-92
	23	Quentin Wright, '09-Prsnt.
	20	Ed Ruth, '11-Prsnt.
	18	Andrew Alton, '11-Prsnt.
	17	David Taylor, '11-Prsnt.
DUAT	MEET MOTORIE	
1.	73	Jim Martin, '86-89
2.	71	Kerry McCoy, '92-97
3.	62	Jeremy Hunter, '96-00
4.	58	Phil Davis, 05-08
5.	57	Sanshiro Abe, '93-96
_	57	Dan Vallimont, '07-10
7.	55	Greg Elinsky, '83-87 Clann Pritzlaff '94, 96, 99
8. 9.	54 53	Glenn Pritzlaff, '94, 96-99 Clint Musser, '94, 96-99
9. 10.	52	Troy Sunderland, '89, 91-93
11.	51	Frank Molinaro, '09-Prsnt.
	51	Jeff Prescott, '89-92
13.	50	Dave Hart, '89, 91-93
14.	48	Carl DeStefanis, '81-84
	48	Ken Chertow, '85, 87-89
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18.	48 47	Brad Pataky, 2006-11 Dan Mayo, '84, 86-88
10.	47	Andy Voit, '85, 87-89
	47	Jake Strayer, '06-09
	43	Cameron Wade, '09-Prsnt.

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## **BROWN GETS TF IN PENN STATE DUAL DEBUT**

Matt Brown got the call at 174 in Penn State's 50-0 shut-out win at Lock Haven on 12/18 and posted a convincing 19-4 technical fall in just 3:47 over LHU's Aaron McKinney. The win helped Penn State earn its first shut-out since a 48-0 win over LHU back in December of '10.

# WRIGHT PINS #17 RYAN TO LEAD LIONS TO 34-6 WIN OVER WEST VIRGINIA

Defending national champion Quentin Wright, ranked No. 5 at 184, pinned No. 17 Matt Ryan of West Virginia in the first period (1:57) to spark Penn State to a 34-6 win over WVU in a packed Rec Hall. Over 6,000 fans watched Penn State post a 35-2 edge in takedowns in the lopsided win on 12/11.

# LIONS RUN AWAY FROM #10 LEHIGH FOR ROAD WIN IN 100TH MEETING BETWEEN TWO TEAMS

Penn State built up a huge early lead and coasted to a 24-12 win at No. 10 Lehigh on 12/9. Penn State got a key win from David Taylor over No. 9 Brandon Hatchett (8-5) and majors from Bryan Pearsall, Frank Molinaro and David Taylor while Ed Ruth, leading 12-1 at the time, got an injury forfeit win at 174. The win gave Penn State a 63-34-3 lead in the all-time series as the dual was the 100th meeting between the two eastern powers.

## NITTANY LION WRESTLING ATTENDANCE SOARING

Three dual meets into the 2011-12 season and Penn State's average wrestling attendance is soaring once again. All three of Penn State's duals have topped the 6,000 fan mark, including sellouts against Minnesota, Iowa, Ohio State, Michigan and Pitt. Penn State is average 6,303 fans per event to date.

# LIONS CROWN SIX CHAMPS AT '11 NLO

Penn State crowned six champions at the 2011 Nittany Lion Open. Freshman Nico Megaludis won the title at 125; senior Frank Molinaro won the title at 149 (his third Open crown); sophomore David Taylor won the title at 165 (his second Open crown); sophomore Ed Ruth won the 174-pound bracket (his first NLO gold); junior Quentin Wright won the 184-pound title (his first as well); and senior Cameron Wade won the championship at heavyweight (his second). Wins over ranked wrestlers for the champions included: Molinaro with an 8-0 major over #20 Steve Santos of Columbia and a first period pin (1:23) of #9 Donnie Vinson of Binghamton; Taylor with a pin (4:40) of #14 Peter Yates of Virginia Tech and a 14-6 major over former American All-American Steve Fittery; and Ruth with a 7-4 win over #17 Jimmy Sheptock of Maryland.

# PENN STATE WITH 18 PLACE WINNERS AT '11 NLO

In addition to the above six champions, Penn State had 12 other place winners at the 2011 Nittany Lion Open, headed by finalists/runners-up Dylan Alton at 157 and Morgan McIntosh at 197. Jordan Conaway was fourth at 125, Frank Martellotti was eighth at 133, Andrew Alton was third at 149, Seth Beitz was fifth at 149, James Vollrath was third at 157, Nick Fischer was fourth at 157, Matt Brown was fifth at 174, Justin Ortega was eighth at 197, Nick Ruggear was fourth at 285 and Jon Gingrich was fifth at 285.

## THREE LIONS GRAB WINS IN MINNESOTA DUAL

Penn State's loss to Minnesota on 11/20 in front of a sold out Rec Hall crowd of over 6,200 including three dominating wins from a trio of Penn State All-Americans. No. 1 David Taylor handled No. 8 Cody Yohn with ease, notching a 16-1 technical fall in only 4:29 at 165. No. 1 Frank Molinaro roughed up No. 5 Dylan Ness, notching five takedowns to roll to a 16-10 win at 149. No. 2 Ed Ruth pinned Gopher Eric Ortiz at the 2:27 mark at 174.

## FIVE LIONS WIN TITLES AT LAKER OPEN

Five of Penn State's ten-man contingent taking part unattached at the Mercyhurst Laker Open came home with first place titles with seven of the nine playing in the top three. Penn State earned five firsts, a second and a third place showing in Erie. Red-shirt freshman Kyle Moran went 4-0 at 141 to win the first place title while classmate Seth Beitz was 5-0 with a pin at 149 to win the title. Red-shirt freshman Matt Brown was superb with a 5-0 mark to win the crown at 174. Brown notched two pins and three tech falls to roll to the title. Brown defeated teammate Andrew Church in the finals at 174. Church was 3-1 with a major to place second in front of a hometown crowd. Junior Justin Ortega was a perfect 4-0 at 197 to win the title while red-shirt freshman Jon Gingrich won another heavyweight title, this time going 4-0 with three pins to win it all. Also competing for Penn State was true freshman Mike Waters, who went 2-2 at 141; true freshman Rex Lutz, who won once at 165, and red-shirt freshman Brandon Phillips, who was 3-2 at 174.

# LION FRESHMEN SHINE IN PENN STATE DEBUTS

Plenty of new faces picked up big wins for Penn State in their collegiate debuts in the Nittany Lions' 39-3 win over Bloomsburg in the season opener on 11/13. True freshman Nico Megaludis pinned Bloomsburg's Sean Boylan at the 2:15 mark at 125, giving Penn State an early leg up in the dual. Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton downed No. 14 Frank Hickman 10-8 at 157. True freshman Morgan McIntosh then posted a 6-0 win over Huskie Richard Perry at 197.

# LIONS USE THREE FIRST PERIOD PINS TO BLAST HUSKIES

Penn State used three early pins to rout the Bloomsburg Huskies before 6,059 fans in the team's season opener in Rec Hall on 11/13. True freshman Nico Megaludis got a pin over BU's Sean Boylan at the 2:15 mark at 125, getting the Nittany Lion season off to a fast start. All-American David Taylor pinned BU's Kevin Hartnett at the 2:21 mark at 165 and All-American Quentin Wright pinned Huskie Mike Mirra at the 1:55 mark at 184. Penn State also picked up tech fall from All-American Frank Molinaro at 149 and a major from Cameron Wade at HWT.

## SIX LIONS WIN CROWNS AT ESU OPEN

Eighteen Nittany Lion wrestlers trekked to East Stroudsburg University for the ESU Open on Saturday with six Penn Staters grabbing individual crowns. In all, 14 of Penn State's 18 entrants placed at the event. Red-shirt freshman Matt Brown went 5-0 with two pins and three majors to win the title at 174. True freshman Jordan Conaway went 4-0 with a pin and a major to win the title at 125. One win, the major, was against a non-collegiate wrestler, meaning Conaway was officially 3-0 on the day. True freshman Luke Frey was 4-0 at 141, winning the title and picking up two tech falls along the way. Sophomore Andrew Alton dominated 149, going 5-0 with two pins and two majors to win the title. One pin was against a non-collegiate wrestler, meaning Alton went 4-0 with a pin officially. Sophomore James Vollrath was 5-0 with a pin, a tech and a major to win the title at 157. Rounding out Penn State's champions was red-shirt freshman Jonathan Gingrich, who went 5-0 with a major and a pin at heavyweight. His pin was against an NC grappler, giving him a 4-0 official mark on the day.

# FREY, CHURCH AND CONAWAY PLACE AT CLARION OPEN

Six members of Penn State's wrestling team competed unattached at the 2011 Clarion Knight Point Open on Sunday. True freshmen Jordan Conaway and Luke Frey and sophomore Andrew Church each placed at their respective weights. Frey, a true freshman from Montoursville, took the runner-up spot at 141, advancing to the finals with three wins including a major and a tech fall before dropping a 5-1 decision in the finals to unattached Daniel Neff. Conaway, an Abbottstown native, placed third at 125 with a 4-1 mark that included two tech falls and a 13-7 loss in the semifinals to the eventual champion. Church, an Erie native, went 3-1 at 174 and advanced to the finals before losing to take the runner-up spot. Other Nittany Lions competing included Michael Waters, who went 2-2 at 141; and Brandon Phillips, who went 2-2 at 174.

#### PENN STATE RANKED #2 IN NWCA/USA TODAY COACHES POLL; #1 IN TPI; EIGHT LIONS RANKED BY INTERMAT

Eight members of the Nittany Lion wrestling team continue to be ranked in the latest version of the Intermat national individual rankings. Four Nittany Lion All-Americans are ranked in the top two and all eight are listed in the top 12. Penn State is now 9-1 overall, 5-1 in the Big Ten, after a resounding 34-9 thumping of Ohio State in a sold out Rec Hall last Sunday. Head coach Cael Sanderson's Lions are ranked No. 2 in the latest USA Today/NWCA Coaches Poll and continue to hold the No. 1 in Intermat's Tournament Power Index (TPI). Three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.) is 21-0 on the year and ranked No. 1 at 149. All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) is 19-0 thus far and is No. 1 at 165 and All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) is 21-0 at ranked No. 2 at 174. Two-time All-American Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.) is No. 2 at 184 with an 18-2 mark. Senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio) is 18-4 at heavyweight and is ranked No. 6 and red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) is 16-4 at 157 and ranked No. 6. True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.) is 17-5 at 125 and ranked No. 9 while classmate Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.) is 14-5 at 197 and ranked No. 12. Penn State is now ranked No. 2 in the latest USA Today/NWCA Coaches Poll. Oklahoma State is No. 1 with 250 points while the Lions follow with 236. Cornell is No. 3 with 227; Minnesota is No. 4 with 214 and Iowa No. 5 with 212. The Nittany Lions retain their hold on the No. 1 spot on Intermat's Tournament Power Index with 102.0 points while Oklahoma State is second with 81.5. Minnesota (73.0), Cornell (69.5) and Iowa (54.0) follow to round out the TPI top five.

## WRESTLING RADIO NETWORK READY FOR '11-12 SEASON

The Penn State Wrestling Radio Show will begin yet another season on Wednesday, Nov. 2, while multiple local stations will once again broadcast the entire 2011-12 Nittany Lion season. The march to St. Louis begins with the Intrasquad dual on Nov. 3 and concludes with the national championships in late-March. The wrestling radio season begins on Nov. 2 when Jeff Byers hosts the first edition of the Penn State Wrestling Show. The show will air every Wednesday from 6 to 6:30 p.m. and will air across the state on the Pennsylvania Sports Network. Local affiliate 3WZ (95.3 FM) will serve as the flagship station for the show that will features coaches, wrestlers and other individuals affiliated with the Nittany Lion wrestling program. The 30-minute show welcomes calls from fans, who can call into the show at 814-237-0953. In addition to 3WZ, the weekly show can be heard on the following stations: WCPA (900 AM) Clearfield/DuBois; WIEZ (670 AM) Lewistown/Huntingdon; WLYC (1050 AM) Williamsport/Lewisburg; WLYC (104.1 FM) Montoursville/Jersey Shore; WBPZ (1230 AM) Lock Haven; WTZN (1310 AM) Troy/Canton; WTTC (1550 AM) Towanda/Elmira, N.Y.; WGET (1330 AM) Gettysburg/Hanover. The full season slate of live dual meet and tournament action will air locally on WRSC AM (1390 AM) with Friday evening duals being simulcast on WRSC FM (103.1 FM). Lock Haven's WBPZ (1230 AM) will also carry the entire season live and further affiliates may be added soon. Lewistown/ Huntingdon's WIEZ (670 AM) will carry every Sunday dual and the postseason. The regular season schedule of radio broadcasts will be streamed live at www.GoPSUsports.com as part of Penn State's All-Access package, which will also feature live video streams of many home events.

# 2011-12 PENN STATE WRESTLING ROSTER

NAME	Wt.	YREL.	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL
Andrew Alton	141/149	SoSo.	Mill Hall, Pa./Central Mountain
Dylan Alton	149/157	SoFr.	Mill Hall, Pa./Central Mountain
Seth Beitz	149/157	SoFr.	Juniata, Pa./Juniata
Matt Brown	165/174	SoFr.	West Valley City, Utah/Cyprus
Andrew Church	174/184	JrSo.	Erie, Pa./Fort LeBoeuf
Jordan Conaway	125	FrFr.	Abbottstown, Pa./New Oxford
Dirk Cowburn	165/174	SoFr.	Coudersport, Pa./Coudersport
David Crowell	197	SrSr.	Easton, Pa./Nazareth
James English	149/157	SrJr.	York, Pa./Central York
Nick Fischer	157/165	SrJr.	Unionville, Pa./Unionville
James Frascella	165/174	FrFr.	Carmel, Ind./Carmel
Luke Frey	141/149	FrFr.	Montoursville, Pa./Montoursville
Jon Gingrich	HWT	SoFr.	Wingate, Pa./Bald Eagle Area
Cameron Kelly	125	SoFr.	Pittsford, N.Y./Pittsford
Rex Lutz	165	FrFr.	Easton, Pa./Penn Argyl
Frank Martellotti	125/133	SoSo.	Pittsburgh, Pa./Shady Side
Morgan McIntosh	184/197	FrFr.	Santa Ana, Calif./Calvary Chapel
Nico Megaludis	125	FrFr.	Murrysville, Pa./Franklin Regional
Frank Molinaro	149	SrSr.	Barnegat, N.J./Southern Regional
Kyle Moran	149	SoFr.	Oxford, Pa./Oxford
Nate Morgan	125	SoSo.	McCook, Neb./McCook
Justin Ortega	184/197	SrJr.	Oxford, Pa./Oxford
David Owens	141	FrFr.	Derry, N.H./Pinkerton
Bryan Pearsall	133/141	SrJr.	Lititz, Pa./Warwick
Brandon Phillips	174	SoFr.	Timonium, Md./Delaney
Derek Reber	125/133	SrJr.	Lewisburg, Pa./Lewisburg
Nick Ruggear	197	SoSo.	Oxford, Pa./Oxford
Ed Ruth	174/184	JrSo.	Harrisburg, Pa./Susquehanna Township
Clay Steadman	197	SrSr.	McKean, Pa./General McLane
Scott Syrek	184/197	FrFr.	Chester Springs, Pa./Owen J. Roberts
David Taylor	157/165	JrSo.	St. Paris, Ohio/St. Paris Graham
James Vollrath	157	JrSo.	Richboro, Pa./Council Rock South
Cameron Wade	HWT	SrSr.	Twinsburg, Ohio/St. Peter Chanel
Michael Waters	125/133	FrFr.	Advance, N.C./Davie
Quentin Wright	184/197	SrJr.	Wingate, Pa./Bald Eagle Area

HEAD COACH: CAEL SANDERSON (Iowa State, '02) ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH: Cody Sanderson (Iowa State, '00) HEAD ASSISTANT COACH: Casey Cunningham (Central Michigan, '99) ASSISTANT COACH: Aaron Anspach (Penn State, '07) DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Adam Lynch (Penn State, '10) MANAGERS: Taylor Durci, Sami Gundaker, Jen Ronayne and Kirstin Valania

# 2011-12 PENN STATE WRESTLING INDIVIDUAL RECORDS & STATS 9-1, 5-1 B1G, 4-1 HOME, 4-0 ROAD, 1-0 NEUTRAL

	Overall	Collegiate	Dual	Big 10 Dual	* Dual Pts.	SV	ТВ	MD	TF	Pins	Fastest
Wrestler, Wt.	Record	Record	Record	Record	For/Against	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L	W-L	Fall
Andrew Alton, 149	9-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	3-0	0-0	2-0	0:55
Dylan Alton, 157	16-4	16-4	8-2	4-2	27/6	0-0	0-0	8-0	0-0	2-1	0:47
Seth Beitz, 149	19-5	10-3	0-0	0-0	0/0	1-0	0-0	3-0	1-0	2-0	1:32
Matt Brown, 174	20-2	15-2	1-0	0-0	5/0	0-0	0-0	6-0	4-0	6-0	1:10
Collin Campbell, 285	6-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	
Andrew Church, 174	18-8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-1	2-0	1-1	0-1	
Jordan Conaway, 125	11-5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-0	1-0	4:21
Dirk Cowburn	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
David Crowell	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
James English	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Nick Fischer, 157	10-5	10-5	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	3-2	1-0	2-0	2:25
James Frascella, 174	5-4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	2-0	2:22
Luke Frey, 141	9-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	2-0	3-0	0-0	
Jon Gingrich, 285	17-4	9-4	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	5-0	0-0	3-0	1:22
Cameron Kelly, 133	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1:20
Rex Lutz, 165	7-9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-2	0-1	2-2	2:51
Frank Martellotti, 133	6-3	3-2	3-2	3-2	10/12	0-0	0-0	2-0	0-0	0-2	
Morgan McIntosh, 197	14-5	14-5	7-1	5-1	22/3	1-0	0-0	3-0	0-0	3-0	4:03
Nico Megaludis, 125	17-5	17-5	7-3	3-3	30/12	0-1	0-0	4-0	2-0	5-0	2:15
Frank Molinaro, 149	21-0	21-0	10-0	6-0	40/0	0-0	0-0	8-0	5-0	3-0	0:58
Kyle Moran, 141	8-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	1-0	0-0	3-1	0-0	0-1	
Nate Morgan, 141	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Justin Ortega, 197	13-5	9-5	0-2	0-0	0/6	0-0	0-1	1-0	0-0	3-1	1:48
David Owens, 141	2-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-1	2-0	0-2	
Bryan Pearsall, 141	10-8	10-8	5-3	3-2	25/9	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-1	4-0	1:06
Brandon Phillips, 174	10-8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	3-2	0-0	0-2	
Derek Reber, 133	6-6	6-6	2-3	0-1	7/10	0-0	0-0	1-1	1-0	1-0	1:10
Nick Ruggear, 285	8-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-0	4:22
Ed Ruth, 174	21-0	21-0	9-0	6-0	44/0	0-0	0-0	4-0	6-0	7-0	1:05
Sam Sherlock, 141	3-3	3-3	1-1	0-1	3/4	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	
Clay Steadman	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
Scott Syrek, 197	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
David Taylor, 165	19-0	19-0	10-0	6-0	47/0	0-0	0-0	2-0	6-0	9-0	1:48
James Vollrath, 157	12-4	3-3	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-1	3-0	1-0	3-0	1:08
Cameron Wade, 285	18-4	18-4	8-2	5-1	30/6	0-0	0-0	3-0	3-0	7-0	1:26
Michael Waters, 141	7-9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-3	
Quentin Wright, 184	18-2	18-2	8-2	5-1	44/6	0-0	0-0	1-0	4-0	10-0	1:12
TOTALS	364-126	219-60	79-21	46-14	334-74	4-2	0-3	73-12	45-3	75-15	0:47

SV - sudden victory • TB - tiebreak • MD - major decision • TF - technical fall • \* Big Ten Dual record for eight regular season duals only

## **SEASON LEADERS -- OVERALL\***

WIN	IS			Quentin Wright, 184	4	MA	JOR DECISIONS	
1,	Frank Molinaro, 149	21	6.	Luke Frey, 141	3	1.	Dylan Alton, 157	8
	Ed Ruth, 174	21		Cameron Wade, 285	3		Frank Molinaro, 149	8
3.	Matt Brown, 174	20	8.	Jordan Conaway, 125	2	3.	Matt Brown, 174	6
4.	Seth Beitz, 149	19		Nico Megaludis, 125	2	4.	Jon Gingrich, 285	5
	David Taylor, 165	19		David Owens, 141	2		Nico Megaludis, 125	5
6.	Andrew Church, 174	18	11.	Seth Beitz, 149	1	6.	Ed Ruth, 174	4
	Cameron Wade, 285	18		Andrew Church, 174	1	7.	Andrew Alton, 149	3
	Quentin Wright, 184	18		Nick Fischer, 157	1		Seth Beitz, 149	3
9.	Jon Gingrich, 285	17		James Frascella, 174	1		Nick Fischer, 157	3
	Nico Megaluids, 125	17		Bryan Pearsall, 141	1		Morgan McIntosh, 197	3
11.	Dylan Alton, 157	16		Derek Reber, 133	1		Kyle Moran, 141	3
12.	Morgan McIntosh, 197	14		Nick Ruggear, 285	1		Brandon Phillips, 174	3
13.	Justin Ortega, 197	13		James Vollrath, 157	1		James Vollrath, 157	3
14.	James Vollrath, 157	12		-			Cameron Wade, 285	3
15.	Jordan Conaway, 125	11	FAI	LS		15.	Andrew Church, 174	2
16.	Nick Fischer, 157	10	1.	Quentin Wright, 184	10		Luke Frey, 141	2
	Bryan Pearsall, 141	10	2.	David Taylor, 165	9		Frank Martellotti, 133	2
	Brandon Phillips, 174	10	3.	Ed Ruth, 174	7		David Taylor, 165	2
19.	Andrew Alton, 149	9		Cameron Wade, 285	7	19.	Justin Ortega, 197	1
	Luke Frey, 141	9	5.	Matt Brown, 174	6		Bryan Pearsall, 141	1
21.	Kyle Moran, 141	8	6.	Nico Megaludis, 125	5		Derek Reber, 133	1
	Nick Ruggear, 285	8	7.	Bryan Pearsall, 141	4		Quentin Wright, 184	1
23.	Rex Lutz, 165	7	8.	Jon Gingrich, 285	3		<i>c b</i>	
	Mike Waters, 141	7		Morgan McIntosh, 197	3	* ir	cludes wrestlers w/unattached	l wins and
25.	Frank Martellotti, 133	6		Frank Molinaro, 149	3	red	-shirts.	
	Derek Reber, 133	6		Justin Ortega, 197	3			
27.	James Frascella, 174	5		James Vollrath, 157	3			
28.	Cameron Kelly, 133	2	13.	Andrew Alton, 149	2			
	David Owens, 141	2		Dylan Alton, 157	2			
	Scott Syrek, 197	2		Seth Beitz, 149	2			
				Nick Fischer, 157	2			
				James Frascella, 174	2			
TEC	CHNICAL FALLS			Rex Lutz, 165	2			
1.	Ed Ruth, 174	6	19.	Jordan Conaway, 125	1			
	David Taylor, 165	6		Cameron Kelly, 133	1			
	Frank Molinaro, 149	5		Derek Reber, 133	1			
3.								

## **DUAL TAKEDOWNS**

(inumbers	s listed 1010/10/10/	(31)				
Wt.	Wrestler	İst	2nd	3rd	OT	Total
125	Nico Megaludis	18-1	11-0	1-1	0-1	30-3
133	Derek Reber	1-4	1-3	4-1	0-0	6-8
133	Frank Martellotti	3-5	0-2	3-0	0-0	6-7
141	Sam Sherlock	0-3	2-2	2-4	0-0	4-9
141	Bryan Pearsall	4-5	3-1	0-3	0-0	7-9
149	Frank Molinaro	11-1	8-1	9-4	0-0	28-6
157	Dylan Alton	12-0	7-2	8-2	0-0	27-4
165	David Taylor	27-2	16-0	3-0	0-0	46-2
174	Ed Ruth	18-0	8-0	9-0	0-0	34-0
174	Matt Brown	3-0	3-0	0-0	0-0	6-0
184	Quentin Wright	13-3	3-1	4-2	0-0	20-6
197	Morgan McIntosh	9-2	2-1	4-1	1-0	16-4
197	Justin Ortega	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-1
285	Cameron Wade	5-1	2-2	2-2	0-0	9-5

TOTAL

124-27 66-16 48-20 1-1 239-64

2011-12 DUAL	MEET T	EAM F	POINTS	s sco	ORED	BY W	<b>EIGH</b>	T/FIN		CORES	5
Opponent	125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	FINAL
11/13: BLOOMSBURG	6-0	0-3	3-0	5-0	3-0	6-0	3-0	6-0	3-0	4-0	39-3
11/20: #4 MINNESOTA*	0-3	0-4	0-4	3-0	0-3	5-0	6-0	0-3	0-3	0-3	14-23
12/9: at #10 Lehigh	3-0	0-3	4-0	4-0	4-0	3-0	6-0	0-3	0-3	0-3	24-12
12/11: WEST VIRGINIA 12/18: at Lock Haven	3-0 6-0	4-0 3-0	0-3 6-0	4-0 6-0	4-0 4-0	5-0 5-0	4-0 5-0	6-0 5-0	0-3 4-0	4-0 6-0	34-6 50-0
1/8: at Michigan State*	0-6	3-0	6-0	3-0	3-0	3-0 4-0	5-0	6-0	4-0 3-0	3-0	36-6
1/13: at #17 Northwestern*	3-0	3-0	6-0	4-0	0-3	5-0	5-0	6-0	3-0	3-0	38-3
1/15: at Wisconsin*	6-0	4-0	3-0	4-0	3-0	6-0	5-0	6-0	3-0	3-0	43-0
1/22: #2 IOWA*	0-3	0-6	0-3	3-0	3-0	3-0	4-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	22-12
1/29: #5 OHIO STATE* 2/3: at Nebraska* 2/5: MICHIGAN* 2/11: at Utah Valley	3-0	0-6	0-3	4-0	3-0	5-0	6-0	6-0	3-0	4-0	34-9
2/19: PITTSBURGH TEAM TOTALS * Big Ten Dual	30-12	17-22	28-13	40-0	27-6	47-0	49-0	44-6	22-9	30-6	334-74
INDIVIDUAL DUAL RECORD BY WEIGHT											
	125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
	7-3	5-5	6-4	10-0	8-2	10-0	10-0	8-2	7-3	8-2	79-21
DUAL PINS BY WEIG	нт										
	125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
	3-0	0-2	2-0	1-0	0-0	2-0	2-0	6-0	0-0	1-0	17-2
DUAL TECHNICAL F		/EIGHT									
	125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	5-0	4-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	11-0
DUAL MAJOR DECIS											
	125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
	0-0	2-1	1-1	5-0	3-0	1-0	2-0	0-0	1-0	3-0	18-2
DUAL FORFEITS/DIS											momu
	125	133 0-0	141	149 0-0	157	165 0-0	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
	0-1	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-1
DUAL DECISIONS BY			. (.	. ( .							
	125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
	4-2	3-2	2-3	3-0	5-2	2-0	1-0	1-2	6-3	4-2	31-16
TEAM RECORD AT D											
	125	133	141	149	157	165	174	184	197	HWT	TOTAL
	7-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	7-3

# **SEASON LEADERS -- DUAL MEETS**

DUA	AL POINTS		DU	AL MAJOR DECISIONS		DU	AL REVERSALS		DUAL STALLS FORCED/TA	KEN	
1.	David Taylor, 165	47	1.	Frank Molinaro, 149	5	1.	Frank Martellotti, 133	4	125: Nico Megaludis	6	0
2.	Ed Ruth, 174	44	2.	Dylan Alton, 157	3	2.	Morgan McIntosh, 197	3	133: Derek Reber	3	1
	Quentin Wright, 184	44		Cameron Wade, 285	3		David Taylor, 165	3	133: Frank Martellotti	3	1
4.	Frank Molinaro, 149	40	4.	Ed Ruth, 174	2		Cameron Wade, 285	3	141: Sam Sherlock	0	3
5.	Nico Megaludis, 125	30	5.	Frank Martellotti, 133	1	5.	Derek Reber, 133	2	141: Bryan Pearsall	1	4
	Cameron Wade, 285	30		Morgan McIntosh, 197	1		Bryan Pearsall, 141	2	149: Frank Molinaro	4	1
7.	Dylan Alton, 157	27		Bryan Pearsall, 141	1		Quentin Wright, 184	2	157: Dylan Alton	8	3
8.	Bryan Pearsall, 141	25		Derek Reber, 133	1	8.	Dylan Alton, 157	1	165: David Taylor	5	0
9.	Morgan McIntosh, 197	22		David Taylor, 165	1		Frank Molinaro, 149	1	174: Ed Ruth	10	1
10.	Frank Martellotti, 133	10					Ed Ruth, 174	1	174: Matt Brown	1	0
11.	Derek Reber, 133	7	DU	AL PINS					184: Quentin Wright	5	0
12.	Matt Brown, 174	5	1.	Quentin Wright, 184	6	DU	AL NEAR FALL 2		197: Morgan McIntosh	2	0
			2.	Nico Megaludis, 125	3	1.	David Taylor, 165	7	285: Cameron Wade	2	5
DUA	AL BONUS POINTS		3.	Bryan Pearsall, 141	2	2.	Ed Ruth, 174	6	TOTAL	50	19
1.	Quentin Wright, 184	20		Ed Ruth, 174	2	3,	Frank Molinaro, 149	4			
2.	Ed Ruth, 174	17		David Taylor, 165	2	4.	Bryan Pearsall, 141	3	DUAL RIDING TIME POIN	TS	
	David Taylor, 165	17	6.	Frank Molinaro, 149	1		Quentin Wright, 184	3	FOR/AGAINST		
4.	Frank Molinaro, 149	10		Cameron Wade, 285	1	6.	Cameron Wade, 285	2	125: Nico Megaludis	3	1
	Bryan Pearsall, 141	10				7.	Frank Martellotti, 133	1	133: Derek Reber	2	2
6.	Nico Megaludis, 125	9	DU	AL TAKEDOWNS			Bryan Pearsall, 141	1	133: Frank Martellotti	3	0
7.	Cameron Wade, 285	6	1.	David Taylor, 165	46				141: Sam Sherlock	0	1
8.	Dylan Alton, 157	3	2.	Ed Ruth, 174	33	DU	AL NEAR FALL 3		141: Bryan Pearsall	2	1
9.	Matt Brown, 174	2	3.	Nico Megaludis, 125	30	1.	Frank Molinaro, 149	8	149: Frank Molinaro	9	0
10.	Frank Martellotti, 133	1	4.	Frank Molinaro, 149	28	2.	David Taylor, 165	7	157: Dylan Alton	5	2
	Morgan McIntosh, 197	1	5.	Dylan Alton, 157	27	3.	Ed Ruth, 174	5	165: David Taylor	5	0
	Derek Reber, 133	1	6.	Quentin Wright, 184	20	4.	Cameron Wade, 285	4	174: Ed Ruth	4	0
			7.	Morgan McIntosh, 197	16		Quentin Wright, 184	4	174: Matt Brown	0	0
DUA	AL TECH FALLS		8.	Cameron Wade, 285	9	6.	Dylan Alton, 157	2	184: Quentin Wright	1	1
1.	David Taylor, 165	5	9.	Bryan Pearsall, 141	7		Matt Brown, 174	2	197: Morgan McIntosh	3	0
2.	Ed Ruth, 174	3	10.		6		Bryan Pearsall, 141	2	197: Justin Ortega	0	1
3.	Matt Brown, 174	1		Derek Reber, 133	6	9.	Morgan McIntosh, 197	1	285: Cameron Wade	5	1
	Frank Molinaro, 149	1		Frank Martellotti, 133	6		0		TOTAL	42	10
	Quentin Wright, 184	1									



# Nico MEGALUDIS Fr./Fr. Eligible

Murrysville, Pa./ Franklin Regional

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#### CAREER STATISTICS

Career	17-5	7-3 (3-3)	10-2 (0-0/0-0)	3-0	2-0	5-0	30
2011-12	17-5	7-3 (3-3)	10-2 (0-0/0-0)	3-0	2-0	5-0	30
Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	М	PTS

# **MEGALUDIS MATCH-BY-MATCH**

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/13	125	WBF	Sean Boylan, Bloomsburg (2:15)	dual	1-0
11/20	125	L, 2-6	#2 Zach Sanders, Minnesota	dual	1-1
12/4	125	W, 17-3	Ryan Dowd, Boston	NLO	2-1
12/4	125	W, 10-1	Conor Youtsey, UA-Army (major)	NLO	3-1
12/4	125	W, 12-3	Max Soria, Buffalo (major)	NLO	4-1
12/4	125	W, 3-2	Erik Spjut, Virginia Tech	NLO	5-1
12/4	125	W, 11-1	Coltin Fought, North Carolina St. (maj.) N	NLO (1st)	6-1
12/9	125	W, 4-0	Mason Beckman, Lehigh	dual	7-1
12/11	125	W, 8-2	Shane Young, West Virginia	dual	8-1
12/18	125	WBF	Bobby Rehm, Lock Haven (4:02)	dual	9-1
1/1	125	W, 18-3	Richard Alarcon, The Citadel (TF; 4:58)	Scuffle	10-1
1/1	125	W, 19-7	David White, Army (major)	Scuffle	11-1
1/1	125	L, 3-9	#7 Frank Perrelli, Cornell	Scuffle	11-2
1/2	125	W, 18-2	Pat Rollins, Oregon State (TF; 6:17)	Scuffle	12-2
1/2	125	W, 5-2	Bricker Dixon, Cornell	Scuffle	13-2
1/2	125	W, 4-1	#9 Matt Snyder, Virginia	Scuffle	14-2
1/2	125	L, 4-6	#7 Frank Perrelli, Cornell Scu	iffle <b>(4th)</b>	14-3
1/8	125	L, DQ	Eric Olanowski, Michigan State (ill. hold)	dual	14-4
1/13	125	W, 7-3	#7 Levi Mele, Northwestern	dual	15-4
1/15	125	WBF	Austin Hietpas, Wisconsin (6:05)	dual	16-4
1/22	125	L, 1-3 (sv)	#2 Matt McDonough, Iowa	dual	16-5
1/29	125	W, 6-2	#15 Johnni Dejulius, Ohio State	dual	17-5

#### **NOTES**

Ranked No. 9 nationally by Intermat...downed Jordan Conaway 5-1 in Intrasquad on 11/3....pinned Bloomsburg's Sean Boylan in collegiate debut (2:15) on 11/13...lost close 6-2 decision to #2 Zach Sanders of Minnesota on 11/20...went 5-0 (plus a NC win) to claim the 125 crown at the Nittany Lion Open on 12/4...went 5-2 at the Southern Scuffle to take fourth, only two losses to #7 Frank Perrelli of Cornell...downed #9 Matt Snyder of Virginia at Scuffle...was dominating MSU's Eric Olanowski 8-3 on 1/8 when illegal throw call and subsequent injury gave him a DQ loss...rebounded in stellar fashion with 7-3 win over #7 Levin Mele of Northwestern in Big Ten road dual on 1/13...took former national champion and #2 Matt Mc-Donough of Iowa to SV before losing 3-1 on 1/22...downed #15 Johnni Dejulius 6-2 with nearly 3:00 RT on 1/29.



# REBER

Sr./Jr. Eligible Lewisburg, Pa./Lewisburg NCAA Qualifier (2009\*)

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#### CAREER STATISTICS

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Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	Μ	PTS	
2008-09	31-12	16-4 (0-0)	15-8 (0-0/0-2)	2-0	1-0	7-2	n/a	
2009-10	red-shirt season (injured)							
2010-11	15-14	9-9 (0-0)	6-5 (0-0/0-0)	3-0	1-0	0-3	n/a	
2011-12	6-6	2-3 (0-1)	4-3 (0-0/0-0)	0-0	1-0	2-1	7	
Career	52-32	27-16 (0-1)	25-16 (0-0/0-2)	5-0	3-0	9-6	7	

# **REBER MATCH-BY-MATCH**

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/13	133	L, 0-2	Nick Wilcox, Bloomsburg	dual	0-1
11/20	133	L, 5-14	#7 David Thorn, Minnesota	dual	0-2
12/4	133	W, 4-1	Taylor Golba, Buffalo	NLO	1-2
12/4	133	W, 3-2	Joseph Gosinski, Hofstra	NLO	2-2
12/9	133	L, 7-10	Chris Dinnien, Lehigh	dual	2-3
12/11	133	W, 12-4	Jesse Schiffbauer, West Virginia (maj	or) dual	3-3
12/18	133	W, 6-3	John Trumbetti, Lock Haven	dual	4-3
1/1	133	L, 3-4	Jodrdan O'Donnell, Virginia Tech	Scuffle	4-4
1/1	133	L, 3-5	Nikkolas Pena, Cornell	Scuffle	4-5
1/28	133	L, 3-6	Rocco Rosso, Brockport	JCC Open	4-6
1/28	133	W, 16-0	Alex Bossert, Cortland (TF; 4:57)	JCC Open	5-6
1/28	133	WBF	Caleb Green, Niagara (1:10) J	CC Open (3rd)	6-6

#### NOTES

Beat Cam Kelly 4-0 in Intrasquad on 11/3...dropped 2-0 decision to Bloomsburg's Nick Wilcox in PSU debut on 11/13...went 2-0 (plus a NC win) at the Nittany Lion Open on 12/4...first PSU dual win was a 12-4 major over West Virginia's Jesse Schiffbauer on 12/11...went 0-2 at Southern Scuffle on 1/1...went 2-1 at the Jamestown Open on 1/28 to take third.



# Frank MARTELLOTTI So./So. Eligible

Pittsburgh, Pa./Shady Side

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## **CAREER STATISTICS**

Career	24-6		14-4 (0-0/0-0)					
2011-12	6-3	3-2 (3-2)	3-1 (0-0/0-0)	0-2	0-0	2-0	10	
2010-11	18-3	7-0 (1-0)	11-3 (0-0/0-0)	3-0	1-0	5-1	23	
Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	М	PTS	
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## **CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	М	PTS
2011-12	19-5	0-0 (0-0)	19-5 (0-0/0-0)	2-0	1-0	3-0	0
Career	19-5	0-0 (0-0)	19-5 (0-0/0-0)	2-0	1-0	3-0	0

# **MARTELLOTTI MATCH-BY-MATCH**

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
12/4	133	L, 0-3	Geoffrey Alexander, Navy	NLO	0-1
12/4	133	W, 12-0	Taylor Golba, Buffalo (major)	NLO	1-1
12/4	133	W, 6-0	Joe Waltko, Clarion	NLO	2-1
12/4	133	W, 6-0	Erik GAlloway, UA-Pittsburgh	NLO (8th)	3-1
1/8	133	W, 7-5	Brandon Fifield, Michigan State	dual	4-1
1/13	133	W, 10-4	Jameson Oster, Northwestern	dual	5-1
1/15	133	W, 14-6	Shane McQuade, Wisconsin (major)	dual	6-1
1/22	133	LBF	#3 Tony Ramos, Iowa (4:20)	dual	6-2
1/29	133	LBF	#3 Logan Stieber, Ohio State (1:38)	dual	6-3

### NOTES

Will be eligible to compete for 133 spot at end of first semester in December...wrestled unattached at the 2011 Nittany Lion Open, going 3-1 (with a NC win) and placing eighth on 12/4...made season dual debut on 1/8 with 7-5 win over Michigan State's Brandon Fifield at 133...downed NU's Jameson Oster on the road on 1/13.

# **BEITZ MATCH-BY-MATCH**

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/12	149	W, 16-1	Michael Emana, UA-Army (TF; 3:16)	ESU	1-0
11/12	149	WBF	Andrew Wesner, Kutztown (4:36)	ESU	2-0
11/12	149	W, 1-0	Derek Shingara, Bloomsburg	ESU	3-0
11/12	149	L, 3-5	Anthony Salupo, Lehigh	ESU	3-1
11/12	149	W, 16-4	Jordan Moss, Pittsburgh (major)	ESU	4-1
11/12	149	L, 2-3	Josh Roosa, Bloomsburg	ESU (4th)	4-2
11/19	149	W, 2-0	Nick Nichols, Seton Hill	Laker	5-2
11/19	149	W, 5-0	Jess Green, Cleveland State	Laker	6-2
11/19	149	W, 5-0	Anthony Durso, Mercyhurst	Laker	7-2
11/19	149	WBF	Jon Kapus, John Carroll (1:32)	Laker	8-2
11/19	149	W, 9-2	Joe Salinetro, Lock Haven	Laker (1st)	9-2
12/4	149	W, 8-1	Derek Leiby, UA-Penn College	NLO	10-2
12/4	149	W, 4-0	Gregory Flournoy, George Mason	NLO	11-2
12/4	149	L, 2-6	Steve Santos, Columbia	NLO	11-3
12/4	149	W, 2-1	John Belanger, Army	NLO	12-3
12/4	149	W, 7-6	Malcolm Martin, Central Michigan	NLO	13-3
12/4	149	W, 4-2	John Bellanger, Army	NLO	14-3
12/4	149	W, 11-3	Matthew Nereim, N.C. State (major)	NLO	15-3
12/4	149	W, 2-0	Eric Filipowicz, Navy	NLO (5th)	16-3
1/1	141	W, 12-3	Jordan Tolbert, Campbell (major)	Scuffle	17-3
1/1	141	L, 1-6	Casey Smith, Army	Scuffle	17-4
1/1	141	W, 5-4	Jordan Dix, The Citadel	Scuffle	18-4
1/1	141	W, 10-8 (sv)	Raymond Borja, Navy	Scuffle	19-4
1/1	141	L, 1-2	Matt Ortega, Indiana	Scuffle	19-5

### NOTES

Took 4th at the ESU Open on 11/12...won the Mercyhurst Laker Open on 11/19...placed 5th at the Nittany Lion Open on 12/4...went 3-2 at 141 for Penn State at the Southern Scuffle on 1/1.



# Bryan PEARSALL

Sr./Jr. Eligible Lititz, Pa./Warwick

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### CAREER STATISTICS

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Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	Μ	PTS	Ľ
2008-09			Red-shirt season					Ľ
2009-10	3-23	1-16 (1-7)	2-7 (0-2/0-0)	0-5	0-1	0-5	3	L
2010-11	13-6	5-2 (1-0)	8-4 (0-0/0-0)	8-1	0-0	0-1	24	Ľ
2011-12	10-8	5-3 (3-2)	5-5 (0-0/0-0)	4-0	1-1	1-0	25	Ľ
Career	26-37	11-21 (5-9)	15-16 (0-2/0-0)	12-6	1-2	1-6	52	

# PEARSALL MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/12	141	W, 11-4	Adam Hluschak, East Stroudsburg	ESU	1-0
11/12	141	WBF	Anthony Rizzolo, unattached (2:34)	ESU	2-0
11/12	141	L, 8-12	Ronnie Garbinsky, Pitt	ESU	2-1
11/12	141	L, 3-7	Adam Hluschak, East Stroudsburg	ESU (5th)	2-2
12/4	141	L, 0-2	Derek Heyman, UA-Binghamton	NLO	2-3
12/9	141	W, 12-2	Jimmy Carucci, Lehigh (major)	dual	3-3
12/11	141	L, 4-5	#19 Nathan Pennesi, West Virginia	dual	3-4
12/18	141	WBF	#14 Matt Bonson, Lock Haven (4:22)	dual	4-4
1/1	141	WBF	Jimmy Nehls, UA-Virginia (1:06)	Scuffle	5-4
1/1	141	L, 4-6 (sv)	Darius Little, North Carolina State	Scuffle	5-5
1/1	141	W, 3-1	Undrakhm Khishigayam, The Citadel	Scuffle	6-5
1/1	141	W, 17-1	Chris Mullin, Duke (TF; 6:37)	Scuffle	7-5
1/2	141	L, 0-17	#15 Michael Nevinger, Cornell (TF; 6:36)	) Scuffle	7-6
1/8	141	WBF	Brian Gibbs, Michigan State (4:21)	dual	8-6
1/13	141	W, inj. def.	Colin Shober, Northwestern (up 4-2; 3:18	3) dual	9-6
1/15	141	W, 4-2	Thomas Glenn, Wisconsin	dual	10-6
1/22	141	L, 3-7	#3 Montell Marion, Iowa	dual	10-7
1/29	141	L, 5-9	#6 Hunter Stieber, Ohio State	dual	10-8

#### NOTES

Lost 11-5 decision to Sam Sherlock in Intrasquad on 11/3...went 2-2 for fourth place at ESU Open on 11/12...went 0-1 at Nittany Lion Open 12/4... first dual win of the year was a 12-2 major over Lehigh's Jimmy Carucci on 12/9, followed by tough 5-4 loss to #19 Nathan Pennesi of WVU on 12/11...pinned #14 Matt Bonson of Lock Haven at the 4:22 mark in dual meet on 12/18 at LHU...named Big Ten Wrestler of the Week (12/18)... went 3-2 with a pin and a tech fall at the Southern Scuffle on 1/1-2...pinned MSU's Brian Gibbs (4:21) in road dual win on 1/8...leading NU's Colin Shober 4-2 on 1/13 when Shober injury defaulted, giving Pearsall the sixpoint dual win.



# Frank **MOLINARO**

Sr./Sr. Eligible Barnegat, N.J./Southern Regional **3X All-American** (2009, 8th at 141; 2010, 5th at 149; 2011, 2nd at 149)

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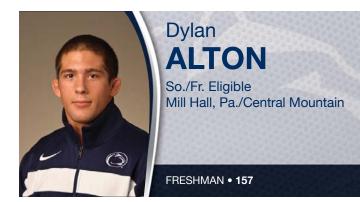
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Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M PTS	5
2007-08			Red-shirt season				
2008-09	23-19	9-12 (3-5)	14-7 (1-3/4-3)	4-2	0-1	5-4 33	3
2009-10	33-7	17-3 (6-2)	16-4 (2-2/4-2)	1-2	1-0	12-1 62	2
2010-11	32-3	15-0 (8-0)	17-3 (3-0/4-1)	3-0	3-0	10-0 55	5
2011-12	21-0	10-0 (6-0)	11-0 (0-0/0-0)	3-0	5-0	8-0 40	)
Career	109-29	51-15 (23-7)	58-14 (6-5/12-6)	11-4	9-1	35-5 190	)

# **MOLINARO MATCH-BY-MATCH**

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Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/13	149	W, 16-0	Bryce Busler, Bloomsburg (TF; 5:05)	dual	1-0
11/20	149	W, 16-10	#5 Dylan Ness, Minnesota	dual	2-0
12/4	149	W, 16-0	Jake Kazimir, Columbia (TF; 7:00)	NLO	3-0
12/4	149	W, 11-0	Peyton Walsh, Navy (major)	NLO	4-0
12/4	149	W, 17-0	Leonard Drummond, Kutztown (TF; 4:08)	NLO	5-0
12/4	149	WBF	Cameron Moran, Clarion (0:58)	NLO	6-0
12/4	149	W, 8-0	#20 Steve Santos, Columbia (major)	NLO	7-0
12/4	149	WBF	#9 Donnie Vinson, Binghamton (1:23) NL	.O (1st)	8-0
12/9	149	W, 14-3	Anthony Salupo, Lehigh (major)	dual	9-0
12/11	149	W, 10-1	George Scheffel, West Virginia (major)	dual	10-0
12/18	149	WBF	Owen Wilkenson, Lock Haven (2:30)	dual	11-0
1/1	149	W, 16-0	Samuel McCauley, The Citadel (TF; 3:28)	Scuffle	12-0
1/1	149	W, 9-3	Chris Villalonga, Cornell	Scuffle	13-0
1/1	149	W, 16-0	Dean Pavlou, Chattanooga (TF; 3:25)	Scuffle	14-0
1/2	149	W, 4-0	#20 Scott Sakaguchi, Oregon State	Scuffle	15-0
1/2	149	W, 9-1	#11 Dylan Ness, Minnesota (major) Scuff	fle (1st)	16-0
1/8	149	W, 9-3	#18 Dan Osterman, Michigan State	dual	17-0
1/13	149	W, 10-0	Kaleb Friedley, Northwestern	dual	18-0
1/15	149	W, 12-0	#9 Cole Schmitt, Wisconsin (major)	dual	19-0
1/22	149	W, 11-5	Mike Kelly, Iowa	dual	20-0
1/29	149	W, 12-0	Alex Gordon, Ohio State (major)	dual	21-0

### **NOTES**

Ranked No. 1 at 149 by Intermat...downed Seth Beitz 8-1 in Intrasquad on 11/3....opened season w/ tech fall over Bloom's Bryce Busler on 11/13... downed #5 Dylan Ness of Minnesota 16-10 on 11/20...went 6-0 to win 2011 Nittany Lion Open crown on 12/4, including an 8-0 major over #20 Steve Santos of Columbia and a pin (1:23) of #9 Donnie Vinson of Binghamton in the finals (it was his third NLO crown)...won the 2012 Southern Scuffle title with 5-0 mark, beating #20 Scott Sakaguchi of Oregon State, then majored #11 Dylan Ness of Minnesota in the finals...downed #18 Dan Osterman of Michigan State 9-3 on 1/8...majored #9 Cole Schmitt of Wisconsin 12-0 in Madison on 1/15...majored Ohio State's Alex Gordon 12-0 on 1/29.



### CAREER STATISTICS

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Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	М	PTS
2010-11			Red-shirt season				
2011-12	16-4	8-2 (4-2)	8-2 (0-0/0-0)	2-1	0-0	8-0	27
Career	16-4	8-2 (4-2)	8-2 (0-0/0-0)	2-1	0-0	8-0	27

# **ALTON MATCH-BY-MATCH**

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/13	157	W, 10-8	#14 Frank Hickman, Bloomsburg	dual	1-0
11/20	157	L, 4-9	#9 Jake Deitchler, Minnesota	dual	1-1
12/4	157	W, 16-5	Aaron Fry, Lock Haven (major)	NLO	2-1
12/4	157	W, 12-3	Jake O'Hara, Columbia (major)	NLO	3-1
12/4	157	W, 13-4	Eric Hess, UA-Lehigh (major)	NLO	4-1
12/4	157	W, 9-1	Nick Fischer, Penn State (major)	NLO	5-1
12/4	157	LBF	#8 James Fleming, Clarion (1:58)	NLO (2nd)	5-2
12/9	157	W, 10-1	Sean Bilodeau, Lehigh (major)	dual	6-2
12/11	157	W, 16-4	Dominic Prezzia, West Virginia (major	) dual	7-2
12/18	157	W, 19-8	Aaron Fry, Lock Haven (major)	dual	8-2
1/1	157	WBF	Tanner Hirstine, Virginia (3:51)	Scuffle	9-2
1/1	157	WBF	Harrison Hightower, Ohio (0:47)	Scuffle	10-2
1/1	157	W, 13-2	Matt Stephens, Virginia Tech (major)	Scuffle	11-2
1/2	157	W, 4-1	Corey Mock, North Carolina	Scuffle	12-2
1/2	157	L, 0-3	#1 Kyle Dake, Cornell	Scuffle (2nd)	12-3
1/8	157	W, 1-0	#14 Anthony Jones, Michigan State	dual	13-3
1/13	157	L, 1-2	#3 Jason Welch, Northwestern	dual	13-4
1/15	157	W, 11-4	Shawn Perry, Wisconsin	dual	14-4
1/22	157	W, 5-3	Nick Moore, Iowa	dual	15-4
1/29	157	W, 4-0	#20 Josh Demas, Ohio State	dual	16-4

#### NOTES

Ranked No. 6 nationally at 157 by Intermat...downed Dirk Cowburn 5-3 in Intrasquad on 11/3...made collegiate dual debut with 10-8 win over #14 Frank Hickman of Bloomsburg on 11/13...advanced to the finals of the 2011 Nittany Lion Open, taking second with a 4-1 record. (plus an NC victory)...went 4-1 at Southern Scuffle on 1/1-2 to take second place, losing in finals by close 3-0 dec. to #1 Kyle Dake of Cornell, had two pins and a major...beat #14 Anthony Jones of Michigan State 1-0 on 1/8...lost tough 2-1 decision on riding time to #3 Jason Welch of Northwestern on 1/13... dominated #20 Josh Demas of Ohio State 4-0 with nearly 2:00 RT on 1/29.



# David TAYLOR

Jr./So. Eligible St. Paris, Ohio/St. Paris Graham All-American (2011, 2nd at 157)

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## **CAREER STATISTICS**

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M PTS
2009-10		1	Red-shirt season			
2010-11	38-1	19-0 (8-0)	19-1 (3-0/4-1)	8-1	15-0	11-0 93
2011-12	19-0	10-0 (6-0)	9-0 (0-0/0-0)	9-0	6-0	2-0 47
Career	57-1	29-0 (14-0)	28-1 (3-0/4-1)	17-1	21-0	13-0 140

# TAYLOR MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/13	165	WBF	Kevin Hartnett, Bloomsburg (2:21)	dual	1-0
11/20	165	W, 16-1	#8 Cody Yohn, Minnesota (TF; 4:29)	dual	2-0
12/4	165	WBF	Ross Renzi, UA-West Virginia (3:12)	NLO	3-0
12/4	165	WBF	Kyle Czarnecki, Boston (2:33)	NLO	4-0
12/4	165	WBF	Joseph Favia, Stevens Tech (1:48)	NLO	5-0
12/4	165	WBF	#14 Peter Yates, Virginia Tech (4:40) NL0	O (1st)	6-0
12/9	165	W, 8-5	#9 Brandon Hatchett, Lehigh	dual	7-0
12/11	165	W, 22-7	Kyle Eason, West Virginia (TF; 4:17)	dual	8-0
12/18	165	W, 21-5	Seth Creasy, Lock Haven (TF; 3:21)	dual	9-0
1/1	165	WBF	Justin Guthrie, UA-Gardner Webb (1:54)	Scuffle	10-0
1/1	165	W, 21-6	Tristan Warner, Old Dominion (TF; 7:00)	Scuffle	11-0
1/1	165	WBF	John Staudenmayer, North Carolina (2:13)	Scuffle	12-0
1/2	165	W, 12-3	#20 Kyle Blevins, Appalachian St. (major)	Scuffle	13-0
1/2	165	WBF	#10 Cody Yohn, Minnesota (2:34) Scuff	le (1st)	14-0
1/8	165	W, 13-5	David Cheza, Michigan State (major)	dual	15-0
1/13	165	W, 20-5	Pierce Harger, Northwestern (TF; 7:00)	dual	16-0
1/15	165	WBF	Alex Yde, Wisconsin (2:28)	dual	17-0
1/22	165	W, 9-4	#6 Mike Evans, Iowa	dual	18-0
1/29	165	W, 18-3	Derek Garcia, Ohio State (TF; 6:20)	dual	19-0

#### **NOTES**

Ranked No. 1 at 165 by Intermat...21-6 tech. fall over Nick Fischer in Intrasquad on 11/3...pinned Bloomsburg's Kevin Hartnett in season opening dual on 11/13...sizzling 16-1 tech fall in just 4:29 over #8 Cody Yohn of Minnesota on 11/20, win put him over the 100 career dual meet point mark in just his 21st dual meet...went 4-0 with four pins to win the 2011 Nittany Lion Open on 12/4 plus downed former All-Americna Steve Fittery, a NC entry, 14-6 in the finals (which does not count on his record)...downed #9 Brandon Hatchett of Lehigh on 12/9 at LU...rolled to the 2012 Southern Scuffle title, earning OW honors as well, with three pins, a tech and a major... pinned #10 Cody Yohn of Minnesota at the 2:34 mark in the finals...20-5 TF over NU's Pierce Harger on 1/13 and a pin of UW's Alex Yde at 2:28 on 1/15...dominated #6 Mike Evans of Iowa 9-4 in dual on 1/22 with over 3:00 riding time...18-3 TF (6:20) over Ohio State's Derek Garcia on 1/29.



# Ed RUTH

Jr./So. Eligible Harrisburg, Pa./Susquehanna Twp. All-American (2011, 3rd at 174)

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## CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	Μ	PTS
2009-10		I	Red-shirt season				
2010-11	38-2	19-0 (8-0)	19-2 (3-0/6-1)	13-0	5-0	4-0	86
2011-12	21-0	9-0 (6-0)	12-0 (0-0/0-0)	7-0	6-0	4-0	44
Career	59-2	28-0 (14-0)	31-2 (3-0/6-1)	20-0	11-0	8-0	130



## **CAREER STATISTICS**

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2008-09 Red-shirt season (at Iowa State)		
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# **RUTH MATCH-BY-MATCH**

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/13	174	W, 10-4	#20 Mike Dessino, Bloomsburg	dual	1-0
11/20	174	WBF	Alec Ortiz, Minnesota (2:28)	dual	2-0
12/4	174	W, 17-0	Collin Zeerip, Michigan (TF; 7:00)	NLO	3-0
12/4	174	WBF	Stephen West, Columbia (2:49)	NLO	4-0
12/4	174	W, 24-9	Stephen Doty, Virginia (TF; 7:00)	NLO	5-0
12/4	174	WBF	James Mannier, Navy (1:38)	NLO	6-0
12/4	174	W, 11-3	John-Martin Cannon, UA-Buffalo (majo	r) NLO	7-0
12/4	174	W, 7-4	#17 Jimmy Sheptock, Maryland	NLO (1st)	8-0
12/9	174	W, inj. def.	Nathaniel Brown, Lehigh (up 12-1)	dual	9-0
12/11	174	W, 18-6	Lance Bryson, West Virginia (major)	dual	10-0
1/1	174	W, 16-1	William Coggins, Virginia (TF; 3:33)	Scuffle	11-0
1/1	174	WBF	Cody Walters, UA-Ohio (1:22)	Scuffle	12-0
1/1	174	WBF	Levin Clemmons, Chattanooga (3:11)	Scuffle	13-0
1/1	174	WBF	William George, Cornell (1:05)	Scuffle	14-0
1/2	174	W, 10-1	Patrick Wright, Missouri (major)	Scuffle	15-0
1/2	174	W, 6-3	Matt Brown, Penn State	Scuffle	16-0
1/8	174	W, 17-2	Curran Jacobs, Michigan St. (TF; 6:33)	dual	17-0
1/13	174	W, 18-3	#9 Lee Munster, Northwestern (TF; 5:37	) dual	18-0
1/15	174	W, 17-2	Scott Liegel, Wisconsin (TF; 5:37)	dual	19-0
1/22	174	W, 10-1	#9 Ethan Lofthouse, Iowa (major)	dual	20-0
1/29	174	WBF	#8 Nick Heflin, Ohio State (2:05)	dual	21-0

#### NOTES

Ranked No. 2 nationally at 174 by Intermat...beat Matt Brown 7-4 in Intrasquad on 11/3...downed #20 Mike Dessino 10-4 in season opening dual on 11/13...pinned Minnesota's Alex Ortiz at the 2:28 mark on 11/20...went 6-0 to win the 2011 Nittany Lion Open title on 12/4, downing #17 Jimmy Sheptock of Maryland in the finals...rolled through the field at the 2012 Southern Scuffle for his second title, going 6-0 with three pins, a tech fall and a major...dominating 18-3 tech fall over #9 Lee Munster of Northwestern on 1/13...majored #9 Ethan Lofthouse of Iowa 10-1 in dual win on 1/22...pinned #8 Nick Heflin of Ohio quickly at the 2:05 mark of the first period on 1/29.

# **BROWN MATCH-BY-MATCH**

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Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
174	W, 18-5	Stout Watson, UA-Navy (Prep) (major)		1-0
174	W, 16-3	Robert Doyle, Army (major)	ESU	2-0
174	WBF	Brandon Phillips, Penn State (2:55)	ESU	3-0
174	W, 20-6	Conner Gabriel, Delaware Valley (majo	r) ESU	4-0
174	WBF	Gordon Widington, Gloucester (1:10)	ESU (1st)	5-0
174	WBF	Randall Wagner, Seton Hill (3:45)	Laker	6-0
174	WBF	Matthew Barton, Wash. & Jefferson (1:	38) Laker	7-0
174	W, 19-3	Todd Gaydosh, John Carroll (TF)	Laker	8-0
174	W, 22-7	Agusut Mizia, Mercyhurst (TF)	Laker	9-0
174	W, 23-8	Andrew Church, Penn State (TF)	Laker (1st)	10-0
174	W, 14-4	Chris Moon, Virginia Tech (major)	NLO	11-0
174	W, 18-5	Stephen McPeek, Bucknell (major)	NLO	12-0
174	L, 5-8	#17 Jimmy Sheptock, Maryland	NLO	12-1
174	W, 15-6	Vinny Waldhauser, Bucknell (major)	NLO	13-1
174	W, 3-1	Quinton Godley, North Carolina State	NLO	14-1
174	W, def.	Stephen West, Columbia	NLO (5th)	15-1
174	W, 19-4	Aaron McKinney, Lock Haven (TF; 3:4	7) dual	16-1
174	WBF	Aric Thurn, Cleveland State (4:56)	Scuffle	17-1
174	WBF	Michael Alexander, Cornell (3:20)	Scuffle	18-1
174	W, 6-3	#7 Dorian Henderson, Missouri	Scuffle	19-1
174	W, 7-5	#11 Logan Storley, Minnesota	Scuffle	20-1
174	L, 3-6		Scuffle (2nd)	20-2

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Red-shirted in 2008-09...went 5-0 to win title at ESU Open on 11/12...5-0 at Laker Open on 11/19 to win crown, including two pins and three techs...5-1 at the Nittany Lion Open on 12/4 to pladce fifth...made Penn State dual debut at 174 with 19-4 tech fall over Lock Haven's Aaron McKinney on 12/18...superb run at the Southern Scuffle, going 4-1 to take second place...lost in finals to teammate #2 Ed Ruth by 6-3 margin, beat #7 Dorian Henderson and #11 Logan Storley of Minnesota in the process, also had two pins.



# Quentin WRIGHT

Sr./Jr. Eligible Wingate, Pa./Bald Eagle Area 2X All-American (2009, 6th at 174; 2011, 1st at 184)

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### CAREER STATISTICS

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Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	ΜF	PTS
2008-09	33-13	15-7 (5-3)	18-6 (3-1/4-3)	7-1	2-0	5-1	55
2009-10			Red-shirt season				
2010-11	21-6	8-5 (3-4)	13-1 (4-0/5-0)	5-1	0-0	5-1	36
2011-12	18-2	8-2 (5-1)	10-0 (0-0/0-0)	10-0	4-0	1-0	44
Career	72-21	31-14 (13-8)	41-7 (7-1/9-3)	22-2	6-0	11-2	135

# WRIGHT MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/13	184	WBF	Mike Mirra, Bloomsburg (1:55)	dual	1-0
11/20	184	L, 1-6	#6 Kevin Steinhaus, Minnesota	dual	1-1
12/4	184	WBF	Giovanni Ortiz, Kutztown (4:58)	NLO	2-1
12/4	184	W, 25-10	Luke Johnston, The Citadel (TF; 7:00)	NLO	3-1
12/4	184	W, 15-0	Alex Najjar, Boston (TF; 6:01)	NLO	4-1
12/4	184	W, 15-1	John Dickson, Virginia Tech (major)	NLO	5-1
12/4	184	W, 17-0	Cole Baxter, UA-Kent State (TF; 6:23)	NLO (1st)	6-1
12/9	184	L, 3=8	#1 Robert Hamlin, Lehigh	dual	6-2
12/11	184	WBF	#17 Matt Ryan, West Virginia (1:57)	dual	7-2
12/18	184	W, 17-2	Zach Heffner, Lock Haven (TF; 7:00)	dual	8-2
1/1	184	WBF	Jesse Johnson, Appalachian State (5:13)	Scuffle	9-2
1/1	184	WBF	Angelo Malvestuto, Virginia Tech (6:51)	Scuffle	10-2
1/1	184	WBF	#17 Mike Larson, Missouri (1:12)	Scuffle	11-2
1/2	184	W, 7-3	#15 Luke Rebertus, Navy	Scuffle	12-2
1/2	184	W, 10-3	#4 Steve Bosak, Cornell	Scuffle (1st)	13-2
1/8	184	WBF	John Rizqallah, Michigan State (5:52)	dual	14-2
1/13	184	WBF	Marcus Shrewsbury, Northwestern (2:41	) dual	15-2
1/15	184	WBF	Timmy McCall, Wisconsin (6:05)	dual	16-2
1/22	184	W, 8-2	Vinnie Wagner, Iowa	dual	17-2
1/29	184	WBF	Craig Thomas, Ohio State (3:18)	dual	18-2

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Ranked No. 2 at 184 by Intermat...pinned David Crowell at the 4:47 mark in the Intrasquad on 11/3...pinned Bloomsburg's Mike Mirra at the 1:55 mark in season opening dual on 11/13...went 5-0 with three tech falls to win the 2011 Nittany Lion Open on 12/4...lost tough 8-3 decision to #1 Robert Hamlin of Lehigh on 12/9, rebounded by pinning #17 Matt Ryan of West Virginia (1:57) on 12/11...excellent showing at Southern Scuffle, going 5-0 to win title at 184...pinned #17 Mike Larson in quarters, beat #15 Luke Rebertus in the semis. and then hammered #5 Steve Bosak 10-3 in finals, totalled three pins at the tourney...Big Ten road pins over John Rizqallah of MSU on 1/8, Marcus Shrewsbury of Northwestern on 1/13 and Timmy McCall of Wisconsin on 1/15...pinned Ohio State's Craig Thomas at the 3:18 mark on 1/29.



#### CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	Μ	PTS
2011-12	14-5	7-1 (5-1)	7-4 (0-0/0-0)	3-0	0-0	3-0	22
Career	14-5	7-1 (5-1)	7-4 (0-0/0-0)	3-0	0-0	3-0	22

# McINTOSH MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/13	197	W, 6-0	Richard Perry, Bloomsburg	dual	1-0
11/20	197	L, 3-4	#2 Sonny Yohn, Minnesota	dual	1-1
12/4	197	W, 14-4	Kelby Smith, The Citadel (major)	NLO	2-1
12/4	197	WBF	Austin Akins, Columbia (4:40)	NLO	3-1
12/4	197	W, 15-1	Tim Murphy, UA-Hofstra (major)	NLO	4-1
12/4	197	W, 8-1	Kadeem Samuels, Lehigh	NLO	5-1
12/4	197	L, 9-12	#20 Christian Boley, Maryland	NLO (2nd)	5-2
12/18	197	W, 13-4	Matt Parlier, Lock Haven (major)	dual	6-2
1/1	197	WBF	Paul Weiss, Appalachian State (4:03)	Scuffle	7-2
1/1	197	WBF	Zach Bennett, North Carolina (6:39)	Scuffle	8-2
1/1	197	W, 13-8	Paul Rands, Navy	Scuffle	9-2
1/2	197	L, 5-12	#1 Cam Simaz, Cornell	Scuffle	9-3
1/2	197	L, 3-4	#4 Matt Powless, Indiana	Scuffle	9-4
1/2	197	L, 6-11	Scott Schiller, Minnesota	Scuffle (6th)	9-5
1/8	197	W, 7-5	Nick McDiarmid, Michigan State	dual	10-5
1/13	197	W, 6-4	John Schoen, Northwestern	dual	11-5
1/15	197	W, 7-3	Jackson Heim, Wisconsin	dual	12-5
1/22	197	W, 5-3 (sv)	Grant Gambrall, Iowa	dual	13-5
1/29	197	W, 5-4	#20 Andrew Campolattano, Ohio State	dual	5-4

#### **NOTES**

Ranked No. 12 in the nation at 197 by Intermat...majored Justin Ortega 13-5 in Intrasquad on 11/3...beat Bloomsburg's Richard Perry 6-0 in collegiate debut on 11/13...thrilled over 6K Rec Hall fans by nearly upsetting #2 Sonny Yohn of Minnesota on 11/20, losing 4-3 decision on last second takedown...went 4-1 and advanced to the finals of the 2011 Nittany Lion Open on 12/4, losing 12-9 to #20 Christian Boley of Maryland in the finals... went 3-3 with two pins to take sixth at Southern Scuffle, losing to #1 Cam Simaz of Cornell and close 4-3 dec. to #4 Matt Powless (on last second officials overule)...picked up first Big Ten dual win with 7-5 dec. over Michigan State's John McDiarmid on 1/8...6-4 win over fifth-year senior John Schoen of Northwestern on 1/13...5-3 sudden victory win over Iowa All-American Grant Gambrall at 197 clinched Lions' 22-12 victory over Hawkeyes on 1/22...5-4 win without giving up takedown over #20 Andrew Campolattano on 1/29.



#### **CAREER STATISTICS**

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Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	Μ	PTS
2007-08			Red-shirt season				
2008-09	15-14	7-9 (2-3)	8-5 (2-3/0-0)	5-1	0-0	0-0	27
2009-10	22-11	13-6 (6-2)	9-5 (2-2/2-2)	7-0	3-0	1-0	56
2010-11	30-8	15-4 (7-1)	15-4 (2-2/2-2)	9-0	3-0	3-0	64
2011-12	18-4	8-2 (5-1)	10-2 (0-0/0-0)	7-0	3-0	3-0	30
Career	85-37	43-21 (20-7)	42-16 (6-7/4-4)	28-1	9-0	7-0	177

# WADE MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/13	285	W, 8-0	Zach Walsh, Bloomsburg (major)	dual	1-0
11/20	285	L, 0-5	#3 Tony Nelson, Minnesota	dual	1-1
12/4	285	W, 17-1	Austin Schaler, UA-Army (TF; 7:00)	NLO	2-1
12/4	285	WBF	Brandon Clark, Kutztown (2:50)	NLO	3-1
12/4	285	WBF	Cody Mason, Lock Haven (2:36)	NLO	4-1
12/4	285	WBF	Jack Delia, UA-Lehigh (2:03)	NLO	5-1
12/4	285	W, 9-2	Nick Ruggear, UA-Penn State	NLO	6-1
12/4	285	WBF	Quintas McCorkle, Clarion (1:26)	VLO (1st)	7-1
12/9	285	L, 2-3	#3 Zach Rey, Lehigh	dual	7-2
12/11	285	W, 11-0	Brandon Williamson, West Virginia (majo	r) dual	8-2
12/18	285	WBF	Harry Turner, Lock Haven (3:53)	dual	9-2
1/1	285	W, 17-2	Brock Durfee, Appalachian St. (TF; 5:20)	Scuffle	10-2
1/1	285	W, 15-0	Bobby Lavelle, Virginia Tech (TF; 3:36)	Scuffle	11-2
1/1	285	WBF	Andy Hartshorn, Ohio (2:13)	Scuffle	12-2
1/2	285	L, 3-4	#4 Clayton Jack, Oregon State	Scuffle	12-3
1/2	285	WBF	#5 Jeremy Johnson, Ohio (1:34)	Scuffle	13-3
1/2	285	L, 3-7	Chad Hanke, Oregon State Sc	uffle (4th)	13-4
1/8	285	W, 8-3	Steve Andrus, Michigan State	dual	14-4
1/13	285	W, 6-3	#19 Mike McMullan, Northwestern	dual	15-4
1/15	285	W, 6-4	Cole Tobin, Wisconsin	dual	16-4
1/22	285	W, 4-0	Blake Raising, Iowa	dual	17-4
1/29	285	W, 9-0	#16 Peter Capone, Ohio State (major)	dual	18-4

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Ranked No. 6 by Intermat...did not compete in the Intrasquad on 11/3... majored Bloomsburg's Zach Walsh 8-0 in season opener on 11/13...went 6-0 with four pins to win the 2011 Nittany Lion Open on 12/4...dropped tough 3-2 decision to #3 Zach Rey of Lehigh on 12/9, countered with 11-0 major over WVU senior Brandon Williamson on 12/11...went 4-2 at Southern Scuffle to place fourth, had two pins and one tech fall, including a first period pin over #5 Jeremy Johnson of Ohio...solid 6-3 win over #19 Mike McMullan of Northwestern on 1/13...majored #16 Peter Capone of Ohio State on 1/29, 9-0.

#### **#1 PENN STATE HOSTS INTRASQUAD DUAL**

Thursday, Nov. 3, 2011 -- University Park, Pa. -- Rec Hall

125: #19 Nico Megaludis PSUW dec. Jordan Conaway PSUB, 5-1
133: Derek Reber PSUB dec. Cameron Kelly PSUW, 4-0
141: Sam Sherlock PSUW dec. Bryan Pearsall PSUB, 11-5
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSUW dec. Seth Beitz PSUB, 8-1
157: #13 Dylan Alton PSUB dec. Dirk Cowburn PSUW, 5-3
165: #1 David Taylor PSUW tech fall Nick Fischer PSUB, 21-6 (TF; 6:38)
174: #2 Ed Ruth PSUW dec. Matt Brown PSUB, 7-4
184: #1 Quentin Wright PSUB pinned David Crowell PSUW (4:47)
197: #9 Morgan McIntosh PSUB maj. dec. Justin Ortega PSUW, 13-5
285: Nick Ruggear PSUW dec. Jon Gingrich PSUB, 5-3
Attendance: 3,000 Appx.

An energized crowd of over 3,000 fans filled Rec Hall for a simple exhibition as the No. 1 Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team entertained the Penn State wrestling nation with its 2011 Intrasquad dual exhibition. A number of freshmen, both true and red-shirt, had fine performances in the exhibition.

True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.) got the first win of the evening with a 5-1 win over fellow true freshman Jordan Conaway at 125. Megaludis is ranked No. 19 nationally. Junior transfer Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) followed that up with a 4-0 win over Cameron Kelly (Pittsford, N.Y.) at 133. Red-shirt freshman Sam Sherlock (West Mifflin, Pa.) posted an impressive 11-5 win over junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) at 141 before three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, posted an 8-1 win with 4:03 in riding time over freshman Seth Beitz (Juniata, Pa.).

At 157, red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 13 nationally, battled talented classmate Dirk Cowburn (Coudersport, Pa.) to a 5-3 decision. Top-ranked All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) then posted a convincing 21-6 technical fall over junior Nick Fischer (Unionville, Pa.) at 165. All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 174, posted a hard-fought 7-4 win over red-shirt freshman Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah).

No. 1 Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), last year's national champion at 184, pinned senior David Crowell (Easton, Pa.) at the 4:47 mark for the evening's first pin. The two-time All-American countered a Crowell shot in the second to work his way to the pin. True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 9 at 197, thrilled the crowd with a convincing 13-5 major over veteran junior Justin Ortega (Oxford, Pa.). With No. 5 Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio) set to wrestle against Bloomsburg in the season opener, sophomore Nick Ruggear (Oxford, Pa.) mored up a weight to take on red-shirt freshman Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) at 285 and came away with a 5-3 win.

#### BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: The night began the fans' first chance to see true freshmen Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.) and Jordan Conaway (Abbottstown, Pa.) as the talented duo met at 125. Megaludis enters the season ranked No. 19 nationally. Megaludis got in on a single leg at the 1:20 mark and steadily worked his into a scoring position, getting the takedown and a 2-0 lead at the :35 mark. Megaludis rode Conaway out to lead 2-0 after one. The Murrysville native chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Megaludis then took Conaway down with :55 left in the middle stanza to up his lead to 5-0. Another ride out allowed the 19th-ranked Megaludis to carry a 5-0 lead into the third period. Conaway chose down to start the third and quickly escaped to a 5-1 deficit. Megaludis to post a 5-1 win.

133: Junior transfer Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.), a national qualifier as a freshman at Bucknell, met red-shirt freshman Cameron Kelly (Pittsford, N.Y.) at 133. Kelly had the first real scoring chance of the period, getting in on a high double at the midway point of the opening period, but Reber was able to gain control of Kelly's legs and worked his way around for a takedown and a 2-0 lead. Reber then rode Kelly out to carry that lead into the second. Reber chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Kelly got in on a single late in the period but Reber was able to keep the red-shirt freshman from scoring and kill the clock. Trailing 3-0, Kelly chose down to start the third period. Reber began working to turn Kelly for back points and while not turning him, he clinched the riding time point. Reber maintained solid control for the entire period and ended the match with 2:49 in riding time to post a 4-0 win.

141: Junior Brian Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) took on red-shirt freshman Sam Sherlock (West Mifflin, Pa.) in a battle at 141. Sherlock scored quickly, taking Pearsall down for an early 2-1 lead after a quick Pearsall escape. Sherlock added a second takedown at the 1:10 mark to up his lead to 4-1. Pearsall escaped to a 4-2 deficit but Sherlock led 4-2 with just under 2:00 RT after one period. Pearsall chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 4-3 deficit. Neither man managed a takedown for the rest of the middle stanza and Sherlock maintained a one point lead heading to the final stanza. Sherlock chose down to start the hird period and quickly reversed Pearsall for a 6-4 lead. Pearsall escaped but Sherlock took him down twice more to post an impressive 11-5 win with riding time.

149: Three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1, met red-shirt freshman Seth Beitz (Juniata, Pa.) at 149. Molinaro scored first with a quick takedown. The three-time All-American controlled the action from the top and turned Beitz for a three-point near fall to lead 5-0 after one period. Molinaro chose down to start the second and quickly reversed Beitz to up his lead to 7-1 after a Beitz escape. The duo bartled evenly for the rest of the period and Molinaro led 7-1 after two periods. Beitz chose down to start the third stanza but could not break free of a strong Molinaro ride as the Lion senior built up over 3:00 in riding time. Molinaro rode Beitz out to post a convincing 8-1 win with 4:03 in riding time.

157: Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked no. 13 at 157, took on talented classmate Dirk Cowburn (Coudersport, Pa.) at 157. Alton quickly scored, throwing Cowburn down near the edge of the mat for an early 2-1 lead after a quick Dirk escape. Alton used a low single to notch another takedown and lead 4-2 at the :30 mark. Trailing 4-2, Cowburn chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 4-3 deficit. The duo battled evenly for bulk of the period with neither wrestler managing a real scoring threat. Alton chose down to start the third period and steadily escaped to a 5-3 lead. Alton countered a Cowburn shot at the :35 mark and tried to turn it into a takedown, but Cowburn was able to work his way out of bounds and keep the score close. Alton would then hold on for the hard-fough 5-3 win.

165: Top-ranked All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) met junior Nick Fischer (Unionville, Pa.) at 165. Taylor took Fischer down quickly to lead 2-1 after a Fischer escape and then began working his way for another takedown. Fischer forced a stalemate, only to be taken down at the 1:38 mark to trail the All-American 4-1. Fischer escaped, but Taylor took the Lion junior down once again to up his lead to 6-2. Fischer chose down to start the second period, escaped and was quickly taken down by Taylor once again. Taylor then began looking to turn the Lion and picked up the two-point near fall at the 1:20 mark to up his lead to 10-3. Another Fischer escape ld to another quick Taylor takedown and the Lion sophomore was up 12-4 with :30 left in the period. Taylor used a low ankle pick to take Fischer down and turn him to his back for three back points and a 17-5 lead after two periods. Taylor chose down to start the second period and steadily worked his way to a reversal and a 19-5 lead. Fischer escaped to a 19-6 deficit. Taylor countered a low Fischer shot and countered for a takedown and a 21-6 technical fall at the 6:38 mark.

174: All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2, met talented red-shirt freshman Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah) in a match-up at 174. Ruth scored quickly with a takedown at the 2:42 mark. Brown escaped but Ruth used a low single to pull the red-shirt freshman onto the mat for another takedown and a 4-2 lead after another Brown escape. Ruth used a low ankle pick to gain control of Brown and notch a third takedown to lead 6-2 with :50 left. Brown escaped before the opening period ended to trail 6-3 after three minutes. He then chose down to start the second and escaped to a 6-4 deficit with 1:38 left in the middle stanza. Brown used a slick move on the edge of the mat to nearly tie the bout up at the :10 mark, but Ruth was able to shift the action out of bounds and keep his 6-4 lead heading into the third. Ruth chose down to start the third and Brown was able to work off the riding time edge. Ruth got hit with a stall warning at the :30 mark as Brown controlled the action from the top. The Lion All-American was not able to break free of Brown's strong ride until the :08 mark and posted a hard-fought 7-4 win.

184: Defending National Champion Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 1 nationally, took on senior David Crowell (Easton, Pa.) at 184. Wright norched the first takedown of the bout early and led 2-1 after a Crowell escape. The duo battled evenly for the rest of the opening period and Wright carried the one point lead into the second period. Wright chose down to start the middle stanza and quickly escaped to a 3-1 lead. He then gained control of Crowell's legs and tried to work his way to another takedown but Crowell adeptly forced a stalemate to keep the bout close. But Wright was able to counter a Crowell shoulders down with his right leg.

197: True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 9 in the country, met veteran junior Justin Ortega (Oxford, Pa.) at 197. The duo battled evenly for the first three minutes with McIntosh working out of the way of a late Ortega shot to keep the bout scoreless after one. Ortega chose down to start the second, escaped and was quickly taken down and cut loose by McIntosh. McIntosh notched a second takedown and cut and led 4-3 with 1:20 on the clock. Ortega countered a McIntosh shot, nearly scored, only to be countered by McIntosh who worked his way to a 6-3 lead as the second period ended. McIntosh chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 7-3 lead. McIntosh used a low single to score again, leading 9-4 after cutting Ortega loose with 1:10 left on the clock. A strong high double with :40 on the clock and another cut gave the true freshman an 11-5 lead. Needing one more takedown for a major, McIntosh scrambled to a final takedown with :02 left to post the 13-5 major.

285: With No. 5 Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio) on track to open the season against Bloomsburg, sophomore Nick Ruggear (Oxford, Pa.) moved up a weight to take on red-shirt freshman Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) in the heavyweight exhibition. The duo battled evenly for the first period with neither man mounting a scoring threat until Ruggear used a solid double leg to trip Gingrich to the mat at the :31 mark to lead 2-0. Gingrich escaped as the period wound down and cut Ruggear's lead to 2-1. Gingrich chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 2-2 tie. Gingrich nearly scored with a high double leg with :45 left, but Ruggear was able to fight off the effort and keep the bout tied. Deadlocked at 2-2, Ruggear chose down to start the third. A quick escape gave the sophomore a 3-2 lead and action resumed in the center circle. Ruggear scored on a low shot with 1:13 on the clock to up his lead to 5-3 after a quick Gingrich escape. That escape was the final point and Ruggear notched the 5-3 win.

## #1 PENN STATE 39, BLOOMSBURG 3

Sunday, Nov. 13, 2011 -- University Park, Pa. -- Rec Hall

125: #18 Nico Megaludis PSU pinned Sean Boylan BU, WBF (2:15)	6-0
133: Nick Wilcox BU dec. Derek Reber PSU, 2-0	6-3
141: Sam Sherlock PSU dec. Matt Rappo BU, 10-5	9-3
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSU tech fall Bryce Busler BU, 16-0 (TF; 5:05)	14-3
157: #12 Dylan Alton PSU dec. #14 Frank Hickman BU, 10-8	17-3
165: #1 David Taylor PSU pinned Kevin Hartnett BU, WBF (2:21)	23-3
174: #2 Ed Ruth PSU dec. #20 Mike Dessino BU, 10-4	26-3
184: #1 Quentin Wright PSU pinned Mike Mirra BU, WBF (2:55)	32-3
197: #10 Morgan McIntosh PSU dec. Richard Perry, 6-0	35-3
285: #5 Cameron Wade PSU maj. dec. Zac Walsh BU, 8-0	39-3
Attendance: 6,059	

The top-ranked Penn State wrestling team opened up the 2011-12 season with a 39-3 win over visiting Bloomsburg in a nearly sold-out Rec Hall today. After the championship banners for last year's Big Ten and NCAA titles were raised prior to the dual, over 6,000 fans roared as Penn State used three first period pins to roll to victory.

True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 18 at 125, made a stellar Penn State debut, pinning Bloomsburg's Sean Boylan at the 2:15 mark to give the Lions a lead they would never relinquish. Bloomsburg got its only win of the bout when Nick Wilcox downed Lion junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) 2-0. Red-shirt freshman Sam Sherlock (West Mifflin, Pa.) made successful Penn State debut by downing talented Huskie Matt Rappo 10-5 at 141.

Three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, hammered Bloomsburg's Bryce Busler, turning the Huskie three-times in the second period alone on his way to a 16-0 technical fall at the 5:05 mark. Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 12 at 157, took care of No. 14 Frank Hickman 10-8 in a bout of ranked foes. The win gave Penn State a 17-3 lead at the intermission.

All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, thrilled the crowd after intermission with a pin over Bloomsburg's Kevin Hartnett at the 2:21 mark. Taylor's win was followed up by All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), who downed No. 20 Mike Dessino 10-4 at 174. Ruth is ranked No. 2 nationally. Two-time All-American and defending national champion Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 1 at 184, notched Penn State's third first period pin, decking Huskie Mike Mirra at the 1:55 mark.

True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 10 heading into his collegiate debut at 197, posted a convincing 6-0 with nearly 4:00 riding time over BU's Richard Perry. Nittany Lion senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 5 at heavyweight, closed out the dual with a resounding 8-0 major over Bloomsburg's Zach Walsh. Penn State gave up only two takedowns in the dual and rolled up a 24-2 edge. Penn State won the bonus point battle 12-0 as well. The win moved Penn State to 1-0 on the year while Bloomsburg falls to 2-3.

#### BOUT-BY-BOUT:

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125: Freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.) made his collegiate debut against Bloomsburg's Sean Boylan. Megaludis entered the bout ranked No. 18 at 125. Megaludis quickly got in on a single leg and took Boylan down at the 2:35 mark. The true freshman then cut Boylan loose and quickly took the Huskie sophomore down again for a 4-1 lead. Boylan got hit with a stall in the process. Megaludis then turned Boylan for a pin in his Penn State debut at the 2:15 mark to put Penn State up 6-0.

133: Junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) made his Nittany Lion debut at 133 against Bloomsburg's Nick Wilcox. The duo battled through a feisty but scoreless first period. Reber chose down to start the second and fought off a strong turning attempt by Wilcox for the first part of the period. The Lion junior nearly reversed Wilcox but could not finish off the move and Wilcox rode the Lion for the full two minutes. Wilcox how to start the thrid period and Reber began controlling the Huskie, looking to turn him and working off the riding time edge. Reber maintained control for over a minute but Wilcox reversed Reber with :20 to post a 2-0 win and cut Penn Starte's lead to 6-3.

141: Red-shirt freshman Sam Sherlock (West Mifflin, Pa.) made his Penn State debut at 141 against Bloomsburg's Matt Rappo. Sherlock forced the bout's first scramble, nearly taking Rappo down. But Rappo countered the move and rolled around the Lion freshman for a takedown and a 2-0 lead. Sherlock escaped to a 2-1 deficit but Rappo had a 1:15 riding time edge. Rappo, leading 2-1, took down to start the second period. The Huskie escaped to a 3-1 lead with 1:35 left in the period but Sherlock used a fast low double to tie the bout up at 3-3 with :55 on the clock. Rappo quickly escaped to a 4-3 lead. Sherlock shot high, forced a scramble on the edge of the mat and turned it into a takedown with :23 left to take a 5-4 lead. Sherlock then managed a short ride to carry that lead into the final period. Sherlock chose down to start the final period and scramble to a quick escape and a 6-4 lead. Sherlock lock powered through a high double to up his lead to 8-4 with another takedown at the 1:00 mark. Rappo escaped with :40 left, cutting the Sherlock lead to 8-5, and Sherlock would scramble for a late takedown and a 10-5 win.

149: Three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, battled Huskie Bryce Busler. Molinaro spent the first half of the opening period looking for an opening and fending off a few head slaps from Busler. The Lion senior then used a swift high single for a takedown and a 2-0 lead. Molinaro then used the final minute to dominate Busler from the top position, working up 1:12 in riding time heading into the second period. Molinaro chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Another high duck-under single by Molinaro led to another takedown and a 5-0 lead. Molinaro then turned the Huskie to his back for three near fall points, reset himself after getting the points and turned him again for three more. Leading 11-0, Molinaro reset, turned Busler to the mat once again and added a third three-point turn to lead 14-0 after two. Busler chose neutral but Molinaro wasted no time in ending the bour, using a fast high double off the whistle for a final takedown and a 16-0 technical fall at the 5:05 mark.

157: Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 12 at 157, made his Penn State debut against No. 14 Frank Hickman of Bloomsburg in one of the dual's two bouts pitting ranked graphers against each other. Alton scored quickly, taking Hickman down for a 2-1 lead after a Huskie escape. Alton gained control of Hickman's right ankle and forced a scramble on the edge of the mat midway through the opening period. But Hickman was able to force a stalemate and keep the match close. Alton was relentless, however, working a high single into a second takedown and a 4-2 lead after another Hickman escape. Trailing 4-2, Hickman chose down to start the second and quickly escaped. But Alton scored another swift takedown and led 6-4 after Hickman escaped at the 1:20 mark. The Lion freshman continued his takedown clinic, turning a high shot into a low single and an 8-5 lead as Hickman control 4 to for a minute and a half, but Alton notched a reversal and led 10-6 after the BU escape. Hickman countered an Alton shot with :10 left to notch a takedown but Alton walked away with the 10-8 win, giving Penn Stare a 17-3 lead at the break.

165: All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, faced off against Bloomsburg's Kevin Hartnett. Hartnett had the first scoring chance of the bout, working in on a high single but Taylor forced a stalemate and kept the bout scoreless early on. Taylor countered a Hartnett scramble and worked his way to a takedown and a 2-0 lead. Taylor cut Hartnett loose and then used a low ankle pick for another takedown and a 4-1 lead. Taylor then turned Hartnett quickly, worked his shoulders to the mat and got Penn State's second fall of the bout at the 2:21 mark.

174: All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 174, met No. 20 Mike Dessino in a battle of ranked opponents at 174. Ruth scored quickly off the opening whistle, using a high double to take a 2-1 lead early. Ruth then added a second takedown and two back points to lead 6-2 after a Dessino escape. Dessino chose down to start the second period and Ruth nearly turned him again. Dessino finally escaped at the 1:10 mark, but Ruth notched another takedown to up his lead to 8-3. Dessino escaped before the period ended to cut Ruth's lead to 8-4. Ruth chose down to start the third period but Dessino maintained control for the period's first minute. Ruth escaped with :40 left to take a 9-4 lead and, with the riding time point, posted a 10-4 win.

184: Two-time All-American Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 1 at 184, took on Huskie freshman Mike Mirra. Wright used a sliding double leg to trip Mirra to the mat for an early 2-0 lead. Mirra escaped, Wright quickly took him down and Mirra escaped again to give Wright a 4-2 lead at the 1:25 mark of the first period. Wright not not Mirra down again and this time turned the Huskie to his back for Penn State's third pin at the 1:55 mark, giving the Lions a 32-3 lead.

197: True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.) made his collegiate debut at 197 against Bloomsburg's Richard Perry. McIntosh entered the dual ranked No. 10. Perry was the aggressor early on, trying to set the tempo and taking numerous shots early. The Huskie sophomore worked in on McIntosh's left leg, forcing a scramble at the 1:15 mark, but the Lion forced a stalemate and action resumed in the center circle. Perry gained control of McIntosh's left leg again and nearly scored as the bout ended, but the Lion true freshman was able to work his way out of bounds to send the match to the second period in a scoreless tie. Perry chose down to start the second period and McIntosh used the opportunity to punish the Huskie from the top position. McIntosh spent over a minute trying to turn Perry to his back. He got a one count at the :40 mark and then finished the til at sthe period ended, getting the three point turn to lead 3-0 after two periods. McIntosh chose down to start the third and quickly reversed the Huskie for a 5-0 lead. McIntosh steadily gained control of Perry's arms, working his way into another turning opportunity. While Perry was able to fight the move off, McIntosh's strong ride out gave the Lion rookie a 6-0 win with 3:52 riding time.

285: Senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 5 at heavyweight, met Bloomsburg's Zac Walsh in the dual's final bout. The duo battled evenly for nearly two minutes, but Wade used a high double to take a 2-0 lead. Wade then began looking for a chance to tilt Walsh but the Huskie forced a stalemate with 31 left in the opening period. Wade nearly turned Walsh but could not finish the move as the period ended and led 2-0 with 1:18 in riding time heading into the second. Walsh chose neutral to start the second stara. Wade used a fast single to up his lead to 4-0 at the :40 mark and then rode the Huskie out to carry that lead into the final period. Wade chose down to start the third period and steadily worked his way to an escape and a 5-0 lead. The Lion senior used a low trip and single leg for another takedown and a 7-0 lead with :45 left. He clinched the riding time point and then continued to work for a tilting opportunity. Wade maintained control for the rest of the period and posted an 8-0 major.

## #2 PENN STATE 14, #4 MINNESOTA 23

Sunday, Nov. 20, 2011 -- University Park, Pa. -- Rec Hall

125: #2 Zach Sanders MINN dec. #18 Nico Megaludis PSU, 6-2	0-3
133: #7 David Thorn MINN maj. dec. Derek Reber PSU, 14-5	0-7
141: #10 Nick Dardanes MINN maj. dec. Sam Sherlock PSU, 19-6	0-11
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSU dec. #5 Dylan Ness MINN, 16-10	3-11
157: #9 Jake Deitchler MINN dec. #11 Dylan Alton PSU, 9-4	3-14
165: #1 David Taylor PSU tech. fall #8 Cody Yohn MINN, 16-1 (TF;	4:29) 8-14
174: #2 Ed Ruth PSU pinned Eric Ortiz MINN, WBF (2:28)	14-14
184: #6 Kevin Steinhaus MINN dec. #1 Quentin Wright PSU, 6-1	14-17
197: #2 Sonny Yohn MINN dec. #10 Morgan McIntosh PSU, 4-3	14-20
285: #3 Tony Nelson MINN dec. #4 Cameron Wade PSU, 5-0	14-23
Attendance: 6,277	

In an early season Big Ten match-up between two of the nation's top teams, the Penn State Nittany Lion wrestlers dropped a 23-14 dual meet to visiting Minnesota in a packed Rec Hall. Penn State, ranked No. 2 nationally, lost seven of ten bouts to No. 4 Minnesota in front of over 6,200 fans.

Minnesota got off to a fast start in the dual, which began at 125. Fifth-year senior Zach Sanders, ranked No. 2 nationally, held off talented Penn State true freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 18, for a 6-2 win. No. 7 David Thorn then majored Lion junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) 14-5 to give the Gophers an early 7-0 lead. No. 10 Nick Dardanes of Minnesota then notched an impressive 19-6 major over Penn State's Sam Sherlock (West Mifflin, Pa.) at 141 to give the Gophers an 11-0 lead.

Three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, posted a resounding 16-10 win over No. 5 Dylan Ness of Minnesota to give Penn State its first win of the dual. Minnesota got a key win at 157, however, when No. 9 Jake Deitchler downed No. 11 Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) 8-4 in a hotly contested bout. The decision gave Minnesota a 14-3 lead heading into the break.

Penn State came out of the locker room on fire thanks to two sophomore All-Americans. Sophomore David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, crushed No. 8 Cody Yohn, posting a furious 16-1 technical fall at the 4:29 mark. Classmate Ed Ruth, ranked No. 2 at 174, followed that up with a quick pin of Minnesota's Eric Ortiz, getting the fall at the 2:28 mark to tie the dual at 14-14. But Minnesota got a key upset at 184 to silence the Lion crowd as No. 6 Kevin Steinhaus downed No. 1 Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.) 6-1 to give Minnesota a 17-14 lead.

Lion true freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.) nearly pulled off the upset of the day, taking No. 2 Cody Yohn down with under :20 left to take a 3-1 lead at 197. But Yohn, ranked No. 2 nationally, escaped notched a takedown as the bout ended to steal a thrilling 4-3 win and put Minnesota up 20-14. In the final match-up, No. 3 Tony Nelson of Minnesota downed Penn State's Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 4, 5-0 at heavyweight. The final decision gave the Gophers a 23-14 win.

#### BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 18 nationally, took on Gopher senior Zach Sanders, who was ranked No. 2 at 125. The do traded early shots with Sanders trying to work a shoulder throw. Megaludis fought off the fifth-year senior's early attempts until Sanders scored the first takedown on a solid low single at the 1:42 mark. Megaludis quickly escaped and action resumed in the center circle with the second-ranked Gopher up 2-1. Megaludis trailed 2-1 after one period and chose down to start the second period but could not break free of a strong Sanders ride. Megaludis continued to battle, looking for a chance to escape and tie the but up, but Sanders was able to ride the Lion out. Leading 2-1 with 2:19 in riding time, Sanders chose down to start the third period and Megaludis cut him loose to a 3-1 deficit. Megaludis worked for his shots, shooting low. But Sanders fought off numerous Megaludis shots until countering one and taking a 5-1 lead with a takedown at the 1:00 mark. Megaludis escaped to a 5-2 deficit. Megaludis continued shooting, but Sanders fought off every attempt to hold on for a 6-2 win.

133: Penn State junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) took to the mat against No. 7 David Thorn at 133. Thorn took a quick 2-0 lead with a high shot at the 2/45 mark. Reber worked his way to an escape to cut the lead to 2-1 and action resumed in the center circle. Thorn notched a second takedown to up his lead to 4-1 with 1:32 on the clock. Reber fought off an early turn attempt and then fought his way to an escaped and a 4-2 deficit. Thorn added a third takedown at the :31 mark but Reber escaped with :10 left to trail 6-3 heading into the second period. Thorn chose down to start the second period and escaped to a 7-3 lead. The ranked Gopher added a takedown and cut to lead 9-4 with 1:10 on the clock and then immediately got in on a high single, finishing it off for a takedown and an 11-4 lead. Thorn rode Reber out to lead 11-4 with 2:39 in time after two. Reber chose down to start the third and was cut loose to an 11-5 deficit. Reber scrambled for a shot and Thorn countered, forcing Reber down for a takedown as the Lion called for an injury timeout with 1:03. Thorn chose down after the injury time by Reber but Reber was able to maintain control for the rest of the period. Thorn got the riding time point and posted the 14-5 major.

141: Lion red-shirt freshman Sam Sherlock (West Mifflin, Pa.) got a stern early season test at 141 against Minnesota's Nick Dardanes, who entered the bout ranked No. 10. The duo bartled evenly for the first minute until Sherlock nearly connected on a high single. Dardanes was able to fight off the shot and keep the bout scoreless. Sherlock was hit with a stall warning at the 1:30 mark. Sherlock shot again and this time Dardanes countered, moved around the Lion and got the first takedown at the 1:08 mark. Sherlock scaped to a 2-1 deficit with :40 left and action resumed in the center circle. Dardanes drove through a low double and took a 4-1 lead with :06 on the clock, a lead he took into the second period. Sherlock chose down to start the second period and escaped to a 4-2 deficit with 1:10 on the clock. Dardanes continued to find success with low doubles, getting a third takedown right after Sherlock escaped and, after curting Sherlock loose, led 6-3 with 1:15 on the clock. Another Sherlock shore hor a 12-4 lead. Sherlock looked a dourth takedown, a stall point and a ride out to lead 10-3 with 1:53 in riding time after two periods. Dardanes chose neutral two start the third period, took Sherlock down and cut him loose to a 12-4 lead. Sherlock looked to connect on a single but Dardanes countered for another takedown to lead 14-4 with :36 and a clinched riding time point. Sherlock was cut loose to a 14-5 deficit but was taken down and cut loose twice more; giving Dardanes the 19-6 major.

149: In a bout featuring literally ten marquee match-ups, Nittany Lion senior Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.) met Minnesota's Dylan Ness in a key battle at 149. Molinaro was ranked No. 1 while Ness carried a No. 5 ranking. Ness had an early chance to score, but Molinaro quickly skipped out of trouble and remained scoreless :30 into an up tempo bout. Molinaro used a high double to take a 2-0 lead and broke the Gopher down. Molinaro began looking for a chance to turn the fifth-ranked Gopher. Ness was able to fight off three different Molinaro turns and keep the bout close. After a reset with :26 left, Molinaro fought to ride Ness out and led 2-0 with 2:01 in riding time after one. The three time All-American chose down to start the second, quickly escaped and then bulled through a high double for another takedown and a 5-0 lead. Molinaro's strong ride forced Ness into a stall warning while the Lion continued to try and turn him. A full ride out gave Molinaro a 5-0 lead with 3:44 in riding time after two, clinching the extra point. Ness chose down to start the third and was cut loose. Molinaro quickly scaped and then the start point. took the Gopher down to up his lead to 7-2 after another cut. Ness got his first takedown with 1:28 on the clock, cutting the lead to 8-4 after a Molinaro escape. Molinaro notched another takedown to up his lead to 10-4 with 1:00 but Ness reversed the Lion to cut the lead to 10-6. After a reset with :28 left, Molinaro escape to an 11-6 lead and but was taken down twice in the final :30. The Lion All-American finished on top, however, with a final takedown to win 16-10 with 4:01 in riding time.

157: Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 11 at 157, took on No. 9 Jake Deitchler of Minnesota in a hotly contested battle at 157. Deitchler and Alton fought off each other's shots until the 2:05 mark when Alton used a low duck-under to finish off a single leg and lead 2-0. Deitchler quickly escaped and action resumed in the center circle. Alton nearly notched another takedown but Deitchler managed to fight off the move and keep the score at 2-1 with 1:00 left. Alton nearly thrilled the crowd with a quick throw for back points, but Deitchler rolled through the effort and Alton led 2-1 after the opening period. Alton chose down to start the middle stanza and quickly escaped to a 3-1 lead. He then got in on a single leg and forced a scramble that Deitchler turned into a takedown and a 3-3 tie with 1:15 on the clock. Alton worked for an escape as the period ended, but Deitchler was able to ride him out. Tied 3-3, Deitchler, who had 1:20 in riding time, chose down to start the third. He Gopher escaped to a 4-3 lead with 1:40 left and a 1:04 time edge. Alton looked to score on a high single, but Deitchler countered and used a low double to take a 6-3 lead with 1:18 left in the bout. Alton escaped to a 6-4 deficit and immediately got in on a low single. But Deitchler forced a scramble that ended in a stalemate with 34 on the clock. Alton scrambled for a late takedown, but Deitchler scramble this arended in a stalemate with 34 on the clock. Alton scrambled for a bree the Gopher a 9-4 win and Minnesota a 14-3 lead at the break.

165: No. 1 David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) faced off against No. 8 Cody Yohn of Minnesota in a key bout at 165. Yohn got in on a single leg, but Taylor quickly countered, turned it into a cradle and had the Gopher seemingly pinned. But the Lion did not get the call, getting only two near fall points instead, and led 4-0 early. Yohn escaped to a 4-1 deficit, shot again, and once again Taylor scrambled around the Gopher for another takedown and a 6-1 lead at the 1:18 mark. Taylor began working to turn the Gopher junior, getting two more near fall points to lead 8-1 with :40 left. A three-point turn gave Taylor an 11-1 lead, another two-point turn a 13-1 lead, and a ride out gave the Lion a 13-1 lead with 2:20 in riding time after one period. Taylor chose down to start the second period. The Lion All-American escaped to a 14-1 lead and then quickly took the eighth-ranked Gopher down for the 16-1 technical fall at the 4:29 mark.

174: Sophomore Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 174, met Minnesota's Alec Ortiz. Ruth wasted no time in taking Ortiz down, scoring off the opening whistle to lead 2-0 just :06 into the bout. The Lion All-American then began looking for a chance to turn Ortiz by finishing off a cradle. Ortiz got hit with a stall warning at the 1:31 mark. Ruth cut Ortiz loose at the 1:06 mark and then tripped the Gopher to the mat for another takedown and a 4-1 lead. The second-ranked Lion then quickly finished off a cradle, getting the pin at the 2:28 mark, sending over 6,200 Rec Hall fans to their feet and tying the dual at 14-14.

184: Junior Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 1 at 184, met Gopher rival Kevin Steinhaus, who entered the bour ranked No. 6. Wright came out looking for an early throw, but Steinhaus fought off the first few attempts, keeping the bout scoreless at the midway point of the opening period. The duo continued to battle evenly, with Steinhaus fighting off another Ruth shot at the :40 mark. Ted 0-0, Wright chose down to start the second stanza. The Lion quickly escaped but a scramble allowed Steinhaus to work his way to a takedown and a 2-1 lead. Wright worked for an escape, but Steinhaus continued a strong ride, building up a minute-plus in riding time in the process. Steinhaus maintained control of the Lion All-American for the rest of the period and led 2-1 with 1:50 in riding time after two periods. Steinhaus chose down to start the final period and escaped to a 3-1 lead. Wright shot low, Steinhaus forced a scramble and the duo battled in the center circle with the Gopher coming out on top for a takedown and a 5-1 lead with :38 left in the bout. Steinhaus rode Wright out for the 6-1 win, giving Minnesota a 17-14 lead.

197: Lion true freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 10 nationally at 197, faced off against No. 2 Sonny Yohn. The young Lion battled the second-ranked Gopher evenly, taking low shots and setting the tempo early. The top-ten duo traded high shots in the middle of the mat with neither man finding an opening to score until McIntosh nearly finished a takedown at the buzzer. But Yohn fought off the move and the bout headed to the second period tied 0-0. McIntosh chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. McIntosh continued to pressure the second-ranked Gopher, forcing Yohn into defense for the rest of the period. Trailing 1-0, the Gopher chose down to start the final stanza and escaped to a 1-1 tie. McIntosh shot low, Yohn countered and the Lion freshman countered himself, forcing a scramble with :50 left. Each man had a chance to notch the takedown with McIntosh working his way around for a takedown as the bout ended. The mad scramble do a nescape and quickly go in on a shot that ended with a takedown as the bout ended. The mad scramble gave the second-ranked Gopher 4-3 win and put Minnesota up 20-14.

285: In perhaps the dual's most anticipated bout, Lion senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 4 at heavyweight, met No. 3 Tony Nelson of Minnesota. The evenly matched duo worked their way through the first half of the opening period with neither wrestler securing an opening to score. After a scoreless first period, Nelson chose down to start the second stanza and Wade went to work looking for a chance to turn the Gopher. But Nelson countered Wade's effort and reversed the Lion senior for a 2-0 lead at the 1:20 mark. Nelson then put together a strong ride and killed the clock. Wade, trailing 2-0, chose neutral to start the final period. Wade worked for an opening to score but could not break through Nelson's defense. The Lion shot low, looking to score, but Nelson countered and got a late takedown to, with the RT point, post a 5-0 win.

# #5 PENN STATE AT THE 2011 NITTANY LION OPEN

Sunday, Dec. 4, 2011 -- University Park, Pa. -- Rec Hall

#### FINALS RECAP:

125: #17 Nico Megaludis PSU maj. dec. Coltin Fought NC State, 11-1
133: #7 Devin Carter VATECH maj. dec. Nick Arujua UANR, 17-7
141: Zach Neibert VATECH dec. #19 Kevin Smith BUF, 7-3
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSU pinned #9 Donnie Vinson BING, WBF (1:23)
157: #8 James Flemming CLAR pinned #11 Dylan Alton PSU, WBF (1:58)
165: #1 David Taylor PSU maj. dec. Steve Fittery UANR, 14-6
174: #2 Ed Ruth PSU dec. #17 Jimmy Sheptock MD, 7-4
184: #6 Quentin Wright PSU tech fall Cole Baxter UA-KSU, 17-0 (TF; 6:43)
197: #20 Christian Boley MD dec. #11 Morgan McIntosh PSU, 12-9
285: #5 Cameron Wade PSU pinned Quintas McCorkle CLAR, WBF (1:26)

The fifth-ranked Penn State wrestling team blazed its way through the 2011 Nittany Lion Open, crowning six champions and collecting 18 place winners at the event. Penn State sent 29 wrestlers into action at the all-day event, which featured 475 grapplers from around the country.

Freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 17, went 5-0 on the day including an 11-1 major over North Carolina State's Coltin Fought in the finals at 125. No. 1 Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.) was a perfect 6-0 at 149, pinning No. 9 Donnie Vinson of Binghamton in the finals. No. 1 David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) was 4-0 on the day plus a win over former American All-American Steve Fittery in the finals at 165. Taylor majored Fittery 14-6 but the result does not count in Taylor's win/loss record.

No. 2 Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) went 6-0 at 174, downing No. 17 Jimmy Sheptock of Maryland 7-4 in the finals. No. 6 Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.) went 6-0 at 184, gerting a 17-0 tech fall over Kent State's Cole Baxter in the finals at 184. Senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 5 at heavyweight, blazed his way to a 6-0 mark to win the title, gerting a pin at the 1:26 mark over Clarion's Quintas McCorkle in the finals. Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 11 at 157, was pinned by No. 8 James Fleming of Clarion in the finals and placed second with a 4-1 record. True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 10 at 197, was upset by No. 20 Christian Boley of Maryland in the finals, 12-9, and took second as well. No. 7 Devin Carter of Virginia Tech won the crown with a 17-7 major over Nick Arujua at 133 while Zach Neibert of Virginia Tech upset No. 19 Kevin Smith of Buffalo in the finals at 141, gerting a 7-3 win.

Jordan Conaway (Abbottstown, Pa.) went 3-2 and placed fourth at 125 while sophomore Frank Martellotti (Pittsburgh, Pa.) went 3-1 and took eighth at 133. Seth Beitz (Juniata, Pa.) was 7-1 on the day and placed fifth at 149 while red-shirt freshman Andrew Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) was 5-1 to take third at that weight. James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) downed reammate Nick Fischer (Unionville, Pa.) in the third place bout at 157, getting an 11-2 major to take third while Fischer finished fourth.

Red-shirt freshman Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah) went 5-1 at 174 to take fifth place and junior Justin Ortega (Oxford, Pa.) went 4-2 at 197 to take eighth. Red-shirt freshman Nick Ruggear (Oxford, Pa.) went 3-2 at heavyweight, advancing to the semifinals before losing to teammate Wade as well as No. 10 Spencer Myers in the third place bout. Ruggear took fourth. Red-shirt freshman Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) went 5-1 at heavyweight and place fifth.

Penn State got fine performances from a number of Lions who did not place as well. At 133, Nittany Lion junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) went 2-0 on the day and then took a cautionary medical forfeit, ending his tournament before the quarterfinals began in order to further rest an injury. At 141, Lion freshman Sam Sherlock (West Mifflin, Pa.) went 2-2, injury defaulting out in his second loss of the day. Freshman Luke Frey (Montoursville, Pa.) won his first match but an illness forced him to cut his day short, going 1-1. Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.), Kyle Moran (Oxford, Pa.), David Owens (Derry, N.H.) and Mike Waters (Advance, N.C.) each went 0-1 on the day. Rex Lutz (Easton, Pa.) went 0-1 at 165. At 174, sophomore Andrew Church (Erie, Pa.) had a nice run, going 4-2. Teammate James Frascella (Carmel, Ind.) went 1-2 and Brandon Phillips (Timonium, Md.) wen 0-1.

Penn State was solid through the early going of the tournament, with 16 of Penn State's 29 wrestlers advancing to the quarterfinals. In the quarters, Penn State went 13-2 with one wrestler taking a medical forfeit which does not count as a loss. In the semifinals, Penn State went 8-5 with two of the losses coming in bouts that pitted Lion against Lion. Penn State went 6-2 in the finals, crowning its six champions to go along with two runners-up. Penn State went 95-29 overall on the day.

#### Penn State's 125 agate:

#18 Nico Megaludis Rd. 1: W, 2-1 dec. Caleb Richardson, UANR Rd. 2: W, 17-3 maj. dec. Ryan Dowd, Boston Rd. 3: W, 10-1 maj. dec. Conor Youtsey, UA-Army Qtrs: W, 12-3 maj. dec. Max Soria, Buffalo Semis: W, 3-2 dec. Erik Spjut, Virginia Tech Finals: W, 1-1 maj. dec. Coltin Fought, NC State 1st place; 5-0 overall

#### \*Jordan Conaway

Rd. 1: Bye Rd. 2: W, 12-6 dec. Derrick Nelson, UA Pittsburgh Rd. 3: W, 9-2 dec. Desmond Moore, Kutztown Qtrs: W, 5-2 dec. Austin Miller, Bucknell Semis: I, 5-10 dec. Colton Fought, NC State 3rd: I, 0-4 dec. Erik Spjut, Virginia Tech 4th place; 3-2 overall

#### Penn State's 133 agate:

Derek Reber

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Rd. 1: W, 13-0 maj. dec. Mike Savastone, UANR Rd. 2: W, 4-1 dec. Taylor Golba, Buffalo Rd. 3: W, 3-2 dec. Joseph Gosinski, Hofstra Qtrs: Medical Forfeit (precautionary) DNP; 2-0 overall

\*Frank Martellotti Rd. 1: bye Rd. 2: W, 8-7 dec. Justis Flamio, UANR Rd. 3: L, 0-3 dec. Geoffrey Alexander, Navy Cn. 2: W, 12-0 maj. dec. Taylor Golba, Buffalo Cn. 3: W, 6-0 dec. Joe Waltko, Clarion Cn. 4: W, 6-0 dec. Erik Galloway, UA-Pitt Cn. Semis: Med. Forfeit 8th place, 3-1 overall

Penn State's 141 agate:

Sam Sherlock

Rd. 1: WBF over Alex Scheinert, UANR Rd. 2: L, 3-10 dec. Elijah Sullivan, Columbia Cn. 1: W, 8-5 dec. Tanner Hough, UA-Duke Cn. 2: W, 6-2 dec. Louis Mascola, Maryland Cn. 4: L, inj. def. vs. Anthony Perrotti, Rutgers DNP: 2-2 overall

Bryan Pearsall Rd. 1: L, 0-2 dec. Derek Heyman, UA-Binghamton DNP: 0-1 overall

Kyle Moran Rd. 1: L, 2-4 dec. Michael Depalma, UA-Edinboro DNP; 0-1 overall

\*Luke Frey Rd. 1: bye Rd. 2: W, 11-0 maj. dec. Alex Johnson, Navy Rd. 3: L, forf. Chris Conti, Buffalo (illness) Cn. 2: L, med. forfeit DNP; 1-1 overall \*David Owens Rd. 1: L, 2-12 maj. dec. Jordan Dix, The Citadel DNP; 0-1 overall

\*Mike Waters Rd. 1: L, 2-5 dec. Casey Smith, Army DNP; 0-1 overall

#### Penn State's 149 agate:

#1 Frank Molinaro Rd. 1: W, 16-0 TF over Jake Kazimir, Columbia Rd. 2: W, 11-0 maj. dec. Peyton Walsh, Navy Rd. 3: W, 17-0 TF over Leonard Drummond, Kutztown (4:08) Qtrs: WBF over Cameron Moran, Clarion Semis: W. 8-0 mai, dec. #20 Steve Santos. Columbia

Semis: W, 8-0 maj. dec. #20 Steve Santos, Columbia Finals: WBF #9 Donnie Vinson, Binghamton (1:23) 1st place; 6-0 overall

Seth Beitz

Rd. 1: W, 8-1 dec. Derek Leiby, Penn College Rd. 2: W, inj. def. Gregory Flournoy, George Mason Rd. 3: L, 2-6 dec. Steve Santos, Columbia Cn. 2: W, 9-7 dec. Peter Ferrara, UA-Virginia Cn. 3: W, 9-7 dec. Eric Filipowicz, Navy Cn. 4: W. 2-1 dec. John Bellanger, Army Cn. Semis: W, 11-3 maj, dec. Matthew Nereim, North Carolina State 5th: W, 7-6 dec. Malcolm Martin, Central Michigan 5th place; 7-1 overall

#### \*Andrew Alton

Rd. 1: WBF over Josh Micek, Buffalo (0:55) Rd. 2: W, 11-6 dec. Eric Filipowicz, Navy Rd. 3: W, 12-3 maj. dec. Malcolm Martin, Central Michigan Qtrs: W, 9-4 dec. Owen Wilkinson, Lock Haven Semis: L, 6-8 dec. #8 Donnie Vinson, Binghamton 3rd: W, 9-5 dec. #20 Steve Santos, Columbia

3rd place; 5-1 overall Penn State's 157 agate:

#### #11 Dylan Alton

Rd. 1: WBF over Hector Santana, UANR (0:35) Rd. 2: W, 16-5 maj. dec. Aaron Fry. Lock Haven Rd. 3: W, 12-3 maj. dec. Jake O'Hara, Columbia Qtrs: W, 13-4 maj. dec. Eric Hess, UA-Lehigh Semis: W, 9-1 maj. dec. Nick Fischer, Penn State Finals: LBF vs. #8 James Fleming, Clarion (1:58) 2nd place; 4-1 overall

#### Nick Fischer

Rd. 1: W, 16-0 TF over Nick Terdick, UA-Hofstra Rd. 2: W, 5-2 dec. Jaaziah Bethea, George Mason Rd. 3: W, 6-2 dec. Jacob Salazar, UA-Michigan Qtrs: W, 4-2 dec. #16 Kyle John Maryland Semis: L, 1-9 maj. dec. #11 Dylan Alton, Penn State 3rd : L, 2-11 maj. dec. James Vollrath, UA-Penn State 4th place; 4-2 overall

#### James Vollrath

Rd. 1: WBF over James Shields, Millersville (1:39) Rd. 2: W, 13-4 maj. dec. Owen Scott, UANR Rd. 3: WBF over Matt Spataro, Hofstra (1:08) Qtrs: W, 3-2 dec. Joey Napoli, Lehigh Semis: L, 0-1 dec. #8 James Fleming, Clarion 3rd: W, 11-2 maj. dec. Nick Fischer, Penn State 3rd place; 4-1 overall

Penn State's 165 agate:

#### #1 David Taylor

Rd. 1: Bye Rd. 2: WBF Ross Renzi, UA-West Virginia (3:12) Rd. 3: WBF over Kyle Czarnecki, Boston (2:33) Qtrs: WBF over Joseph Favia, Stevens Tech (1:48) Semis: WBF #14 Peter Yates, Virginia Tech (4:40) Finals: W, 14-6 maj. dec. Steve Fittery UANR 1st place; 4-0 overall (the Fittery result does NOT count in his record)

\*Rex Lutz Rd. 1: L, 0-4 dec. Adam Fondale, Columbia DNP; 0-1 overall

#### Penn State's 174 agate:

#2 Ed Ruth Rd. 1: W, 17-0 TF over Collin Zeerip, UA-Michigan Rd. 2: WBF over Stephen West, Columbia (2:49) Rd. 3: W, 24-9 TF over Stephen Doty, Virginia (7:00) Qtrs: WBF over James Mannier, Navy (1:38) Semis: W, 11-3 maj. dec. John Martin Cannon, UA-Buffalo Finals: W, 7-4 dec. #17 Jimmy Sheptock, Maryland 1st place; 6-0 overall

#### Matt Brown Rd. 1: bve

Rd. 2: W, 14-4 maj. dec. Chris Moon, Virginia Tech Rd. 3: W, 19-5 maj. dec. Stephen McPeek, Bucknell Qtrs: L, 5-8 dec. #17 Jimmy Sheptock, Maryland Cn. 4: W, 15-6 maj. dec. Vinny Waldhauser, Virginia Cn. Semis: W, 3-2 dec. Quinton Godley, NC State 5th: W, def. Stephen West, Columbia 5th place, 5-1 overall

#### Andrew Church

Rd. 1: W, 11-6 dec. Julio Arredondo, Kutztown Rd. 2: W, 5-4 dec. Aaron McKinney, Lock Haven Rd. 3: L, 5-10 dec. #12 Tortogtokh Luvsandorj, The Citadel Cn. 2: W, 3-1 dec. James Frascella, UA-Penn State Cn. 3: W, 5-2 dec. Owen Smith, Maryland Cn. 4: L, 6-12 dec. James Mannier, Navy DNP; 4-2 overall

#### Brandon Phillips

Rd. 1: L, 3-11 maj. dec. Quinton Godley, NC State DNP; 0-1 overall

#### \*James Frascella

Rd. 1: Bye Rd. 2: L, 3-9 dec. John-Martin Cannon, Buffalo Cn. 1: WBF over Zach Marlatt, Kutztown (2:29) Cn. 2: L, 1-3 dec. Andrew Church, Penn State DNP; 1-2 overall

#### Penn State's 184 agate:

#### #6 Quentin Wright

Rd. 1: Bye Rd. 2: WBF over Giovanni Ortiz, Kutztown (4:58) Rd. 3: W, 25-10 TF Luke Johnson, The Citadel (7:00) Qtrs: W, 15-0 TF over Alex Najjar, Boston (6:01) Semis: W, 15-1 maj. dec. John Dickson, Va. Tech Finals: W, 17-0 TF (6:23) Cole Baxter, Kent State 1st place; 5-0 overall

Penn State's 197 agate:

#### #10 Morgan McIntosh

Rd. 1: Bye Rd. 2: W, 14-4 maj. dec. Kelby Smith, The Citadel Rd. 3: WBF over Austin Akins, Columbia (4:40) Qtrs: W, 15-1 maj. dec. Tim Murphy, UA-Hofstra Semis: W, 8-1 dec. Kadeem Samuels, Lehigh Finals: L, 9-12 dec. #20 Christian Boley, Maryland 2nd place; 4-1 overall

#### Justin Ortega

Rd. 1: Bye Rd. 2: L, 3-5 dec. #20 Christian Boley, Maryland Cn. 1: W, 12-0 maj. dec. Mike McKeever, Bucknell Cn. 2: W, 8-2 dec. Zack Nye, Virginia Cn. 3: W, 9-3 dec. Bryce Barnes, UA-Army Cn. 4: W, 6-3 dec. Ryan Malo, Virginia Cn. Semis: LBF vs. Alex Thomas, Clarion (3:27) 7th: took med forfeit, does not count as loss 8th place; 4-2 overall

#### Penn State's 285 agate:

#5 Cameron Wade Rd. 1: W, 17-1 TF Austin Schaler, UA Army Rd. 2: WBF over Brandon Clark, Kutztown (2:50) Rd. 3: WBF over Cody Mason, Lock Haven (2:36) Qtrs: WBF over Jack Delia, UA-Lehigh (2:03) Semis: W 9-2 dec Nick Rurgerar IUA-Penn State

#### Qtrs: WBF over Jack Delia, UA-Lehigh (2:03) Semis: W, 9-2 dec. Nick Ruggear, UA-Penn State Finals: WBF over Quintas McCorkle, Clarion (1:26) 1st place; 6-0 overall

#### Jon Gingrich

Rd. 1: Bye Rd. 2: W, 4-0 dec. Michael Horton, UA-Edinboro Rd. 3: W, 11-2 maj. dec. Bobby LaVelle, Va. Tech Qtrs: L, 3-5 dec. #10 Spencer Myers, Maryland Cn. 4: W, 3-1 dec. William Smith, UA-Rutgers Cn. Semis: W, 8-4 dec. Henry Turner, Lock Haven 5th: W, 2-0 dec. Kevin Lester, Columbia 5th place; 5-1 overall

#### \*Nick Ruggear

Rd. 1: Bye Rd. 2: W, 5-1, Daniel Ortiz, Thaddeus Stevens Rd. 3: W, 17-2 TF over Stephen Snyder, Army (6:03) Qtrs: W, 7-4 dec. Chris Penny, Virginia Tech Semis: L, 2-9 dec. #10 Spencer Myers, Maryland 4th place; 3-2 overall

#### #5 PENN STATE 24, #10 LEHIGH 12

Friday, Dec. 9, 2011 -- Bethlehem, Pa.

125: #15 Nico Megaludis PSU dec. Mason Beckman LU, 4-0	3-0
133: Chris Dinnien LU dec. Derek Reber PSU, 10-7	3-3
141: Bryan Pearsall PSU maj. dec. Jimmy Carucci LU, 12-2	7-3
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSU maj. dec. Anthony Salupo LU, 14-3	11-3
157: #10 Dylan Alton PSU maj. dec. Sean Bilodeau LU, 10-1	15-3
165: #1 David Taylor PSU dec. #9 Brandon Hatchett LHU, 8-5	18-3
174: #2 Ed Ruth PSU inj. def. Nathaniel Brown LU, (5:00, Ruth up 12-1)	24-3
184: #1 Robert Hamlin LU dec. #5 Quentin Wright PSU, 8-3	24-6
197: #7 Joe Kennedy LU dec. Justin Ortega PSU, 2-0	24-9
285: #3 Zach Rey LU dec. #8 Cameron Wade PSU, 3-2	24-12
Attendance: 5,584	

The fifth-ranked Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team dominated No. 10 Lehigh in the 100th dual meet between the two venerable eastern powers and rolled to a 24-12 win in LU's Stabler Arena. The Nittany Lions won six of ten bouts, bolted out to a big early lead and coasted to the victory to take a 63-34-3 lead in the all-time series.

True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.) ranked No. 15 nationally at 125, put Penn State up 3-0 early with a resounding 4-0 win (with 2:44 in riding time) over Lehigh's Mason Beckman. Lehigh countered with a 10-7 win for Chris Dinnien over Lion junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) at 133. Junior Bryan Pearsall (Litiz, Pa.) made his season dual debut in fine fashion with a dominating 12-2 major over LU's Jimmy Carucci (with over 4:00 in riding time) at 133. Three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, then dominated Lehigh's Anthony Salupo to the tune of a 14-3 major with 3:53 in riding time. Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 10 at 157, majored Sean Bilodeau 10-1 to give Penn State a 15-3 lead at the break.

In marquee match-up at 165, Penn State All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1, downed No. 9 Brandon Hatchett 8-5 with 1:09 in riding time. All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 174, then built up a 12-1 lead over LU's Nathaniel Brown after two periods before Brown injury defaulted, giving Ruth the six team points and clinching the dual meet victory for Penn State (24-3). In a rematch of last year's national championship bout at 184, Nittany Lion Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), the defending national champion, dropped a tough 8-3 decision to top-ranked Robert Hamlin, whom he defeated in the finals last year. At 197, 10th-ranked Lion freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif) was held out of action after being a bit banged up from the Nittany Lion Open last Sunday. Junior Justin Ortega (Oxford, Pa.) stepped in and nearly upset No. 7 Joe Kennedy of Lehigh before dropping a hard-fought 2-0 decision. Nittany Lion senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 8 at heavyweight, then lost a hard-fought 3-2 decision to defending national champion Zach Rey.

Penn State dominated the dual statistically as well, winning the takedown battle 15-9 and picking up riding time points in six matches (while Ruth had over 3:00 in his injury default win). Penn State picked up six bonus points to none for LU as well.

#### BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 15 nationally, met Lehigh's Mason Beckman at 125. Megaludis set the tempo early, forcing Beckman back towards the edge of the mat. Beckman continued to play defense for the first half of the period while Megaludis continued to force the LU grappler off the mat. Beckman finally got hit with a first stall warning at the ;30 mark and Megaludis continued to pressure the Mountain Hawk. The first period ended in a 0-0 tie and Megaludis chose down to start the second. He quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead and then proceeded to force Beckman off the mat over again. Beckman got in deep on Megaludis' right leg with his first shot at the 1:20 mark but Megaludis was able to force a stalemate with 1:08 left in the period. Megaludis to nowe out to a 3-0 lead. The Nittany Lion rookie then rode Beckman out to lead 3-0 with :44 in riding time. Beckman took a second long time out to have some blood cleaned off his nose and chose down to start the third period. Megaludis controlled Beckman for the entire period, keeping Beckman down while the Hawk crawled out of bounds repeatedly. The ride out gave Megaludis a 4-0 win with 2:44 in RT.

133: Junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) took on LU's Chris Dinnien at 133. Dinnien caught Reber on the edge of the mat, nearly pinning him but getting the quick takedown. Reber, however, defty reversed the Hawk wrestler for a 2-2 tie at the 1:20 mark. Reber then put together a strong ride, building up over a minute in time. But Dinnien reversed Reber and then turned him to his back for three near fall points to lead 7-2 after one period. Reber chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 7-3 defcit. Reber got in on a low single and forced a scramble, but Dinnien countered the move for his own takedown to up his lead to 9-3 with :20 left. Reber escaped before the period ended and nearly scored at the end of the period, but time ran out and the Lion trailed 9-4. Dinnien chose down to start the final period and escaped to a 10-4 lead. Reber then got his first takedown and then began trying to turn the Hawk, trailing 10-6. Dinnien was able to keep from giving up the near fall and, though Reber got the riding time point, won 10-7.

141: Junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) took to the mat for Penn State at 141 to take on Lehigh's Jimmy Carucci. Pearsall, making his season dual debut, turned a low single into a takedown on the edge of the mat to lead 2-0 at the 2:18 mark. Once in control on top, Pearsall began looking for an opportunity to turn Carucci for back points. Pearsall stayed in control and got a two point near fall with :30 on the clock to lead 4-0. The Lion junior then tagged on two more back points as the period ended to lead 6-0. Carucci chose neutral to start the second period but Pearsall quickly got in on a single, forced a scramble that lasted nearly :30, and finished off the takedown to lead 8-0 with 1:15 on the clock. Pearsall spent the rest of the period looking for a turn and kept control for a ride out and an 8-0 lead with 3:36 in RT. Pearsall chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 9-0 lead. But Carucci got his first takedown to cut the lead to 9-2 with 1:25 on the clock. Pearsall with a clinched riding time point, reversed Carucci to lead 11-2 with 1:00 left in the match. Pearsall forced Carucci into a stall warning with :17 on the clock and then rode the Hawk out for a 12-2 major with 4:17 in RT.

149: Three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, met Lehigh's Anthony Salupo. Molinaro got his first takedown by using a high single and lift to put Salupo to the mat with 1:48 on the clock. Molinaro then put together a strong ride, keeping Salupo on the mat for the rest of the period to lead 2-0 with 1:48 in riding time after one. Molinaro chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Molinaro then used a high double to take Salupo down once more for a 5-0 lead with 1:00 on the clock. Molinaro cut Salupo to the test of the period to leade. Molinaro cut Salupo loose with :45 on the clock to begin looking for another takedown. But Salupo turned in quickly and took the Lion senior down to cut the lead to 6-3 after a quick Molinaro escaped. An energized Molinaro notched another takedown with :10 on the clock and led 8-3 with 2:20 in RT after two. Salupo chose neutral to start the third period but Molinaro quickly scored again, lifting the Hawk off the mat and taking a 10-3 lead with 1:20 on the clock and a clinched riding time point. Molinaro then turned Salupo for three near fall points and a 13-3 lead. Salupo could not break free and Molinaro's ride out gave him the 14-3 major with 3:53 in riding time.

157: Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 10 at 157, met Lehigh's Sean Bilodeau. Alton scored first, getting an early takedown to lead 2-1 after a Bilodeau escape. The duo battled evenly after that with Bilodeau fighting off numerous Alton shots to keep the bout close. But Alton's pressure paid off as the Lion freshman got a late takedown, sending Bilodeau to his back for three near fall points and a 7-1 lead after one period. Bilodeau chose down to start the second staraz but Alton was dominant in control, keeping Bilodeau down and building up a 2:37 riding time advantage with a ride out. Leading 7-1, Alton chose neutral to start the third. Alton quickly gained control of Bilodeau's right ankle, forcing a tic-up on the edge of the mat. But a stalemate sent action back to the center circle with 1:08 on the elock with Alton still up 7-1. Alton forced Bilodeau's head to the mat, circled around the LU grappler and upped his lead to 9-1 with another takedown. An Alton ride out and a bonus point gave the Lion a 10-1 major and put Penn State up 15-3 at the intermission.

165: Sophomore All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, battled Lehigh senior Brandon Hatchett, who was ranked No. 9. Taylor fought off an early Hatchert shot but was then taken down to trail 2-0 at the 2:08 mark. Taylor defty scrambled his way to a reversal and a 2-2 tie with 1:20 on the clock. Hatchett escaped to a 3-2 lead with :40 on the clock and carried that lead into the second period. Taylor chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 3-3 tie. He never lost contact w/ Hatchett, forced a scramble and got his first takedown at the 1:40 mark to lead 5-3. Hatchett escaped to a 5-4 deficit at the 1:10 mark. Taylor used a quick low double off a reset w/ :10 left to take Hatchet down again and lead 7-4 after two. Hatchett chose down to start the final period but could not break free of Taylor's control as the Lion sophomore built up a 1:09 time edge before Hatchett escaped to a 7-5 deficit. Taylor fought off a late Hatchett shot and with the bonus point, posted an 8-5 win.

174: Sophomore All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 174, met Lehigh freshman Nathaniel Brown. Ruth scored first, getting a quick takedown to lead 2-0 at the 2:43 mark. He quickly tried to lock up a cradle and end the bout, but Brown was able to roll through to stay in the match. Ruth finished off a nearside cradle for three near fall points and a 5-0 lead midway through the period. Ruth maintained control of Brown for the rest of the period and led 5-0 with 2:42 in riding time heading to the second. Ruth chose down and steadily worked his way to a reversal and a 7-0 lead. Ruth then cut Brown loose at the :30 mark and added another takedown at the :18 mark. He locked up a cradle and nearly pinned Brown at the buzzet, picking up three near fall points to lead 12-1 with a clinched riding time point (3:34) heading into the third. Brown could not continue after being injured as the period ended and Ruth got six team points for the injury default (he was leading 12-1 at the time).

184: In a rematch of last year's national championship bout at 184, junior Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 5 as the defending national champion, took on No. 1 Robert Hamlin of Lehigh, last year's runner-up. Hamlin drew first blood with a strong takedown to lead 2-1 after a quick Wright sceape. Wright nearly picked up a takedown, forcing a solid scramble on the edge of the mat, but Hamlin was able to work his way into position to notch his second takedown and lead 4-1 after one period. Wright chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 4-2 deficit. Wright worked for a takedown but Hamlin was able to hold his 4-2 lead heading into the third. Hamlin chose down to start the period, quickly reversed Wright and led 6-3 after a quick Lion escape. Wright attacked Hamlin, appearing to take him down at the :40 mark, but Wright did not get the call and trailed by three still. Hamlin countered a slight Wright shot, added another takedown and posted a strong 8-3 win over Wright

197: Junior Justin Ortega (Oxford, Pa.) filled in for No. 10 Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.) at 197 to take on No. 7 Joe Kennedy of Lehigh. Ortega appeared to have a takedown, locking up a cradle on the edge of the mat. But like Wright before him, he did not get the call and the bout moved on at a scoreless tie. The Lion junior battled the fifth-year LU senior evenly for the entire period and went to the second period tied 0-0. Kennedy chose down to start the second stanza and worked his way to an escape and a 1-0 lead. The duo traded shots for the bulk of the period with neither wrestler finding a solid opening to score until Ortega nearly finished off a high single as the period ended. But the buzzer sounded and action moved to the final period with Ortega down 1-0. Ortega chose down to start the third period but could not break free of a strong Kennedy ride as the seventh-ranked senior built up more than a minute in riding time first and then rode Ortega out for a hard-fought 2-0 win.

285: Nittany Lion senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 8 at heavyweight, took on defending national champion Zach Rey of Lchigh, who was ranked No. 3. The duo battled evenly for the first period, with neither man finding a real solid opening to score as action remained in the center circle. The bout went to the second period in a scoreless tie and Rey chose down to start the second. A quick escape gave the third-ranked Rey a 1-0 lead and the duo continued action in the center circle. Rey got the bour's first takedown at the :58 mark, using a high single to take a 3-1 lead after Wade escaped. Trailing 3-1 after two periods, Wade chose down to start the final period and quickly escaped to a 3-2 deficit. Wade worked for an opening to take the lead, but Rey's defense was solid and the Mountain Hawk All-American was able to hold on to his lead and escape with a tough 3-2 win.

#### #5 PENN STATE 34, WEST VIRGINIA 6

Sunday, Dec. 11, 2011 -- University Park, Pa. -- Rec Hall

125: #15 Nico Megaludis PSU dec. Shane Young WVU, 8-2	3-0
133: Derek Reber PSU maj. dec. Jesse Schiffbauer WVU, 12-4	7-0
141: #19 Nathan Pennesi WVU dec. Bryan Pearsall PSU, 5-4	7-3
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSU maj. dec. George Scheffel WVU, 10-1	11-3
157: #10 Dylan Alton PSU maj. dec. Dominic Prezzia WVU, 16-4	15-3
165: #1 David Taylor PSU tech fall Kyle Eason WVU, 22-7 (TF; 4:17)	20-3
174: #2 Ed Ruth PSU maj. dec. Lance Bryson WVU, 18-6	24-3
184: #5 Quentin Wright PSU pinned #17 Matt Ryan WVU, WBF (1:57)	30-3
197: Mac Mancuso WVU dec. Justin Ortega PSU, 3-2	30-6
285: #8 Cameron Wade PSU maj. dec. Brandon Williamson WVU, 11-0	34-6
Attendance: 6,078	

The fifth-ranked Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team dominated visiting West Virginia in a non-conference wrestling dual. The Nittany Lions posted a resounding 34-6 win in front of over 6,000 fans in another packed Rec Hall.

Nittany Lion freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 125, put Penn State up 3-0 early with an 8-2 win over WVU junior Shane Young. Junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) then majored Jesse Schiffbauer for his first Penn State dual win, getting the 12-4 win to put the Nittany Lions up 7-0. Junior Bryan Pearsall (Litiz, Pa.) nearly pulled off a major upset at 141, dropping a hard fought 5-4 decision to No. 19 Nathan Pennesi of West Virginia. The win cut Penn State's lead to 7-3 before three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, majored George Scheffel 10-1 (with 4:25 in riding time) to put Penn State back up 11-3. Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 10 at 157, dominated West Virginia's Dominic Prezzia to the tune of a 16-4 major (with 4:09 RT) to give Penn State a 15-3 lead at the halftime break.

Top-ranked All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) hammered WVU senior Kyle Eason at 165, picking up a 22-7 technical fall at the 4:17 mark before second-ranked All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) majored Lance Bryson 18-6. Leading 24-3, defending national champion Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa), ranked No. 5 at 184, thrilled over 6,000 Rec Hall faithful by pinning No. 17 Matt Ryan at the 1:57 mark, using a swift throw to counter a Ryan move and get the pin. West Virginia's Mac Mancuso picked up a 3-2 win over Lion junior Justin Ortega (Oxford, Pa.), who was filling in for No. 10 Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.) at 197. Nittany Lion senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 8 at heavyweight, dominated WVU senior Brandon Williamson, posting an 11-0 major with nearly 3:00 riding time to give the Lions the 34-6 final.

The Nittany Lions won the takedown battle by a gaudy 35-2 margin. Penn State picked up 10 bonus points to none for the Mountaineers.

#### BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Nittany Lion true freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 125, met West Virginia junior Shane Young. Megaludis wasted no time getting in on a single leg, finishing off the takedown and leading 2-1 after a Young escape. Megaludis fought off a shot by Young, gained control of his shoulders and forced a reset in the middle of the mat. Young began playing defense, backing away constantly from Megaludis and working time off the clock in an effort to keep the bout close. Megaludis fought off a late Young shot and went to the second leading by one. The Lion freshman chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-1 lead. His pressure forced Young into a first stall warning as well. Megaludis countered a slight Young shot, worked his way behind the Mountaineer junior for another takedown and a 5-1 lead. A ride out allowed the Lion to lead 5-1 with 1:15 in riding time heading into the third period. Young chose down to start the final period but could not break free of a strong Megaludis ride until the Lion let him up at the 1:32 mark to a 5-2 deficit. Megaludis continued to pressure the WVU junior, getting a stall point for a 6-2 lead at the 1:04 mark. Megaludis got another point with a third stall to lead 7-2 and, with the bonus point got the 8-2 win.

133: Junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) took on WVU's Jesse Schiffbauer at 133. Reber got the first takedown at the 2:08 mark, taking an early lead and then putting together a strong ride to build up a solid riding time edge. Reber maintained control of Schiffbauer for the entire period, taking a 2-0 lead with 2:08 in time into the second period. Reber chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. He then used a swift low double to tak on another takedown, to lead 5-0. Schiffbauer reversed Reber and then gave up a penalty point on an illegal hold before Reber escaped to a 7-2 lead. Reber almost added a third takedown at the end of the period but the WVU grappler fought it off. Schiffbauer chose down to start the third, Reber let him up and then quickly took him down for two more points and a 9-3 lead. After a WVU escape, Reber gained control of Schiffbauer again and took him down for an 11-4 lead with a clinched riding time point. Reber rode Schiffbauer out, picked up the riding time point, and walked away with a strong 12-4 major decision.

141: Penn State junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) got the nod at 141 and took on No. 19 Nathan Pennesi. The duo battled evenly for the first half of the opening period until Pearsall got in on a low single and forced a scramble on the Nittany Lion logo. Pennesi got the takedown at the :47 mark but Pearsall quickly escaped to a 2-1 deficit. Leading 2-1, Pennesi chose down to start the second stanza. Pearsall guined control of the Mountaineer and began working for a chance to turn the Mountaineer for back points. Pearsall maintained control for the entire period, then finished off a cradle near the end of the period and picked up three late back points to lead 4-2 heading into the third. The Nittany Lion chose down to start the third but spent the first minute fighting off a Pennesi turn attempt. Pennesi picked up three back points to lead 5-4 before a reset stopped action at the :11 mark. With just over :10 to escape and force a tie, the Nittany Lion junior could not quite scramble out of Pennesi's grasp and dropped a hard-fought 5-4 decision.

149: Top-ranked Nittany Lion senior Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, Pa.) met WVU freshman George Scheffel at 149. Molinaro got the bout's first takedown at the 2:15 mark and then put together a dominating ride, building up a large riding time edge while trying to turn the Mountaineer freshman for back points. Molinaro tode Scheffel out for the entire period and took the 2-0 lead into the second. Molinaro chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. He then tacked on a second takedown, cut Scheffel loose and began working for more points with a 5-1 lead. Scheffel fought off two high singles but Molinaro connected on the next one to lead 7-1 at the :30 mark. Another ride out allowed the Lion senior to lead 7-1 with 2:52 RT after two periods. Scheffel chose neutral to start the final period and Molinaro essentially clinched the riding time point. He then quickly took the WVU freshman down, upped his lead to 9-1 and maintained control for the remainder of the match. With 4:25 in riding time, Molinaro posted the 10-1 major and put the Lions up 11-3.

157: Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 10 nationally, took on Mountaineer Dominic Prezzia at 157. Alton came out the aggressor, looking for points early with multiple shots. Gaining control of Prezzia's shoulders, the Lion freshman worked his way around for a takedown and a 2-0 lead at the 2:12 mark. Alton forced Prezzia into a first stall warning and then proceeded to control him for the remainder of the period. But Alton gave up a point with an illegal hold and led 2-1 with 2:12 in RT after one. Prezzia chose neutral to start the second period but found himself fighting off a flurry of Alton shots. The Nittany Lion freshman finished his

second one off and led 4-1 :30 into the middle stanza. Alton got called for a stall warning and then he allowed Prezzia up at the reset. He quickly took the Mountaineer down to lead 6-2 with :54 on the clock. He picked up a point on another Prezzia stall and, with the ride out, led 7-2 with a clinched riding time point (3:35) after two periods. Alton chose down to start the third, quickly escaped to an 8-2 lead and then took Prezzia down again for a 10-2 lead. Alton cut him losse and began working for another takedown. Alton picked up another stall point, then added another takedown at the :50 mark to lead 13-4 after another cut. The Lion freshman looked to finish on top with a late takedown and picked a final one up at the :08 mark to post the 16-4 win (with 4:09 in RT).

165: Top-ranked Lion sophomore David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) battled WVU senior Kyle Eason at 165. Taylor notched the first takedown early, getting two points and cutting Eason loose quickly. Eason got in on a high single, but Taylor countered the move and worked his way around for another takedown and a 4-1 lead at the 1:40 mark. He quickly added two back points before cutting Eason loose and leading 6-2. The Lion All-American added a third takedown at the :35 mark and turned Eason for two more back points to lead 10-3 after cutting him loose. Taylor added a fourth as the period ended and led 12-4. The Lion continued to dominate the action, picking up three quick takedowns in the first :30 to lead 18-6 after cutting Eason loose. Two more takedowns set up a chance for a second period tech fall. Leading 20-7, Taylor got the tech fall at the 4:17 mark with a final takedown, getting the 22-7 win and putting Penn State up 20-3.

174: Second-ranked Nittany Lion sophomore Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) faced off against Lance Bryson at 174. Ruth wasted little time in building up a 2-1 lead, taking Bryson down and cutting him loose in the first :30. The Lion All-American was relentless, grabbing a second takedown and cut to lead 4-2 just over a minute into the bout. A third Ruth takedown gave the Lion a 6-2 lead and this time Ruth worked from the top position to build up a bit of a riding time edge midway through the first. A Ruth ride-out gave the Lion a 6-2 lead with 2:02 RT after one. Ruth chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 7-2 lead. Ruth took Bryson down midway through the period to lead 9-2. Bryson escaped with :12 left in the period and Ruth picked up a last second takedown to lead 11-2 after two. Bryson chose down to start the third period and Ruth worked to finish off a cradle. Bryson was called for a first stall warning while Ruth set the tone from the top. Bryson escaped a low single trip for a takedown with :24 left, cut Bryson loose, and added a final takedown and with 4:02 riding time, notched the 18-6 major.

184: Defending national champion Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 5 at 184, met No. 17 Matt Ryan of West Virginia. The duo battled evenly for the first half of the period with Ryan setting an early aggressive tone. Wright fought off two Ryan shots and then countered a third, gained control of the senior's shoulders, and tossed him to the mat. Just 20 later, Wright picked up the fall at the 1:57 mark, giving Penn State a 30-3 lead and thrilling over 6,000 Rec Hall faithful.

197: True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 10 at 197, was held out once again as a precaution, and junior Justin Ortega (Oxford, Pa.) faced off against WVU's Mac Mancuso at 197. The duo traded shots early in the first period with neither man finding an opening. Tied 0-0 after the first three minutes, Ortega chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Mancuso scrambled his way to the bour's initial takedown, working his way into control of Ortega for a 2-1 lead at the 1:10 mark. Ortega quickly escaped to ite the bout at 2-2 and action resumed in the center circle. Ortega fought off a late shot attempt and the bour moved to the final period tied 2-2. Mancuso chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 3-2 lead. Ortega mounted a late charge, trying to get a late takedown, but Mancuso fought off each attempt and escaped with a 3-2 win.

285: Penn State senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 8 at 285, met WVU's Brandon Williamson. The two veteran big men battled each other through an even first period, with each man taking shots the other was able to step away from. After a scoreless first period, Wade chose down to start the second and quickly worked his way into a reversal and a 2-0 lead at the 1:39 mark. Wade then put together a strong ride, gaining control of Williamson's legs and looking for a chance to turn the WVU big man. Williamson got hit with a first stall warning at the :32 mark. Wade then turned the Mountaineer for three late back points to lead 5-0 after two periods. Williamson chose neutral to start the third, shot low, and was quickly countered by Wade for another PSU takedown to give the Lion a 7-0 lead with a solid riding time edge. Another stall on Williamson put Wade up by eight. Williamson called for an injury timeout with :09 left in the match and Wade then turned him for two more back points and posted the 11-0 major with 2:54 riding time.

#### #5 PENN STATE 50, LOCK HAVEN 0

Sunday, Dec. 18, 2011 -- Lock Haven, Pa.

125: #15 Nico Megaludis PSU pinned Bobby Rehm LHU, WBF (4:02)	6-0
133: Derek Reber PSU dec. John Trumbetti LHU, 6-3	9-0
141: Bryan Pearsall PSU pinned #14 Matt Bonson LHU, WBF (4:22)	15-0
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSU pinned Owen Wilkinson LHU, WBF (2:30)	21-0
157: #10 Dylan Alton PSU maj. dec. Aaron Fry LHU, 19-8	25-0
165: #1 David Taylor PSU tech fall Seth Creasy LHU, 21-5 (TF; 3:21)	30-0
174: Matt Brown PSU tech fall Aaron McKinney LHU, 19-4 (TF; 3:47)	35-0
184: #5 Quentin Wright PSU tech fall Zach Heffner LHU, 17-2 (TF; 7:00)	40-0
197: #10 Morgan McIntosh PSU maj. dec. Matt Parlier LHU, 13-4	44-0
285: #8 Cameron Wade PSU pinned Harry Turner LHU, WBF (3:53)	50-0
Attendance: 1,094	

The fifth-ranked Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team put forth a dominating effort at Lock Haven on Sunday, shutting out the Bald Eagles 50-0 in non-conference wrestling action. Penn State won all ten bouts, including a thrilling pin by junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) at 141, as Penn state rolled to victory.

True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 125, opened up the bout by pinning LHU's Bobby Rehm at the 4:02 mark. Junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) followed that up with a 6-3 win over LHU's John Trumbetti at 133. Junior Pearsall then notched the dual's hallmark win by pinning No. 14 Matt Bonson at the 4:22 mark at 141. All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, then pinned Owen Wilkinson at the 2:30 mark. Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 10 at 157, posted a 19-8 major over the Haven's Aaron Fry to give Penn State a 25-0 lead at the midway point.

All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, notched a furious 21-5 technical fall of Seth Creasy in just 3:21. With second-ranked Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) getting the night off, talented red-shirt freshman Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah) stepped in and the Nittany Lions did not skip a beat. Brown posted a 19-4 technical fall over Lock Haven's Aaron McKinney in just 3:47. All-American Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 5 at 184, posted a 17-2 technical fall at the 7:00 mark over Zach Heffner before true freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 10 at 197, majored LHU junior Matt Parlier 13-4. Senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 8 at heavyweight, capped off the shut-out by pinning Harry Turner at the 3:53 mark to give Penn State the 50-0 win.

The Nittany Lions move to 4-1 while Lock Haven shifts to 3-3. Penn State was simply dominant in the dual, posting a gaudy 41-0 edge in takedowns and collecting 20 bonus points off four pins, three tech falls and two majors. The shut out is Penn State's first since a 48-0 shutout of Lock Haven last December in Rec Hall.

#### BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Penn State's Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 15 nationally at 125, met Lock Haven's Bobby Rehm. Megaludis countered an early Rehm shot, gained control of his shoulders and turned a low ankle pick into a takedown and a 2-0 lead. Rehm escaped quickly only to get taken down again by the Lion freshman. Another Rehm escape cut Megaludis' lead to 4-2 with 1:08 on the clock, but Megaludis began adding takedowns at a quick rate. By the end of the period, Megaludis and immediately taken down again. This time, Megaludis and immediately taken down be then. Megaludis cook him down again. This time, Megaludis worked the Bald Eagle to his back and got the pin at the 4:02 mark.

133: Junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) took on Bald Eagle senior John Trumbetti at 133. Reber and Trumbetti battled evenly for the first half of the opening period, wrestling to a series of stalemates as each man looked for an opening to score. Reber got in on a low single with :30 left in the opening period and forced a scramble as the period wound down. Trumbetti was able to fight the move off to keep things scoreless through three minutes. Reber chose down to start the second period and worked to escape. But Trumbetti was able to maintain control although he picked up a stall warning at the :55 mark. Reber finally reversed the Bald Eagle with :10 left to take a 2-0 lead after two periods, but Trumbetti had 1:46 in riding time. Trumbetti chose down to start the final stanza and worked his way into a chance to reverse Reber himself. He finished off the reversal with 1:25 and tied the bout. Trumbetti was called for an illegal hold, Reber then escaped to take a 4-2 lead. Reber added a final takedown and won 6-3 with Trumbetti getting the riding time point.

141: Junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) took to the mat at 141 for Penn State against Lock Haven's Matt Bonson, who entered the bout 12-1 and ranked No. 14 nationally. Bonson gained control of Pearsall's legs early but Pearsall was able force a scramble and a stalemate to keep the bout scoreless early. Pearsall then scramble data around behind Bonson after a short scramble to take an early 2-0 lead. He then turned the ranked Bale Eagle for two back points and a 4-0 lead with :55 on the clock. Pearsall then rode Bonson out for a 4-0 lead with 1:11 RT after one period. Bonson chose down to start the second and Pearsall was hit with a quick stall warning just :08 into the period. Pearsall was able to break Bonson down and began looking for a chance to turn the ranked Eagle for more back points. After a reset, Pearsall gained control of Bonson's shoulders and turned him to his back with a solid headlock. A brief twenty second's worth of work led to a Pearsall pin of the ranked Bonson at the 4:22 mark, giving Penn State a 15-0 lead.

149: Three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, met LHU senior Owen Wilkenson. Molinaro got the bout's first takedown at the 1:55 mark and began looking for a chance to turn the Bald Eagle for back points. The Lion senior got two near fall points, reset and began working for another turn. Molinaro gained control of the Bald Eagle, turned him to his back and got the fall at the 2:30 mark to remain undefeated on the year.

157: Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 10 at 157, met LHU's Aaron Fry. Alton wasted no time in taking a 2-0 lead with a takedown less than ten seconds into the bout. Alton added a second takedown after a Fry escape to lead 4-1 midway through the period. Fry worked his way for a reversal at the :46 mark to cut he lead to 5-3 after an Alton escape. Trailing 5-3, Fry chose down to start the second period and was cut loose by Alton at the 1:20 mark. Alton never lost contact and quickly slid behind the Bald Eagle to lead 7-5 after another Fry escape. Alton picked up a stall point and then took Fry down for a 10-5 lead with :35 on the clock. He then rode Fry out to lead 10-5 with 3:11 in riding time after two. Alton chose down to start the third, quickly escaped, and then added another takedown to lead 13-5 with 1:29 on the clock. The Lion freshman dominated the remaind der of the rest of the period and rolled to a 19-8 major with 4:14 in riding time.

165: All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 nationally at 165, faced off against Bald Eagle senior Seth Creasy. The sophomore Lion dominated the opening period, rolling up takedowns and adding a three-point near fall to lead 11-4 after less than 2:00 of time. Taylor's fifth takedown allowed the Nittany Lion to lead 13-5 and his sixth on a quick low ankle pick gave Taylor a 15-5 lead with :20 on the clock. Taylor addet three late back points to lead 18-5 after one period. Creasy chose top to start the second stanza and Taylor quickly escaped for a 19-5 lead. He then ended the match with a takedown to get the 21-5 technical fall at the 3:21 mark.

174: All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 174, stepped aside for a dual to give talented redshirt freshman Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah) a chance to wrestle in front of a dual meet crowd. Brown made his Penn State dual debut against LHU's Aaron McKinney. Brown took an early 2-0 lead with a solid takedown and then put together a nice ride, breaking McKinney down and looking for a chance to turn the Bald Eagle. Brown notched a second takedown and turned McKinney for three back points, nearly picking up the fall. The move gave the Lion freshman a 7-2 lead with :50 on the clock after cutting McKinney loose. Brown took McKinney down again at the :30 mark. A Brown ride out gave the Lion a 9-2 lead heading to the second. Brown chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 10-2 lead. Another takedown and three more back points put Brown up 15-2 with 1:20 on the clock. Brown cut the Bald Eagle loose at the :35 mark and picked up another takedown with :20 left, cut the Bald Eagle loose and then ended the bout with a final takedown at the :12 mark. The 19-4 technical fall came at the 3:47 mark.

184: All-American and defending national champion Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 5 at 184, took on Lock Haven's Zach Heffner. Wright nearly ended the match in seconds, throwing Heffner to his back for a quick takedown and near fall. While Heffner was able to keep from getting pinned, the move gave Wright a 5-1 lead after cutting Heffner lose less than :20 into the bout. Wright set the tone on offense, looking for a chance at another shoulder throw or turning those shots into low singles. Heffner was able to fight off numerous Wright shots but the Lion All-American got his second takedown with :15 left and led 7-1 after one. Heffner chose down to start the second period and escaped :45 into the period. But Wright was relentless, tacking on another takedown to lead 9-2 with 1:00 on the clock. Wright then turned Heffner for back points at the end of the period to lead 12-2 after two periods. Wright quickly escaped and took Heffner down to lead 15-2. He picked up a stall point and, after a ride out, the bonus point for a 17-2 technical fall at the 7:00 mark.

197: Nittany Lion Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 10 at 197, med Bald Eagle junior Matt Parlier. McIntosh got the first takedown at the 2:05 mark and led 2-1 after cutting Parlier loose. The Lion freshman added a second takedown and cut, then a third one with 1:00 left to lead 6-3. McIntosh then forced a scramble and picked up a fourth takedown with :40 on the clock. He then rode Parlier out to carry an 8-3 lead into the second period. McIntosh then forced na :30 m. He then controlled the action from the top, looking for a chance to turn the Bald Eagle for back points. While not picking up any back points, the ride out gave the Nittany Lion a 10-3 lead with 3:00 RT after two periods. Parlier chose down to start the third period and escaped to a 10-4 deficit, but McIntosh continued his offensive pressure, using a low ankle pick to up his lead to 12-4 with another takedown. McIntosh spent the rest of the bout in control and walked away with a convincing 13-4 major (with 4:31 riding time).

285: Senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 8 at heavyweight, met LHU's Harry Turner. Wade got the bout's first takedown and was looking for back points when Turner was able to reverse him at the 1:30 mark. A quick Wade escape gave the Lion a 3-2 lead. Wade continued to set the tempo, looking for chances to score high and shift to low singles. Turner was able to step back from numerous Wade shots and the Nittany Lion led 3-2 after one period. Turner chose down to start the second stanza but Wade was able to gain control of Turner and turn him to his back. Wade turned a three point near fall into a fall at the 3:53 mark, giving Penn State the 50-0 win.

### **#5 PENN STATE WINS SOUTHERN SCUFFLE TITLE**

Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 1-2, 2012 -- Chattanooga, Tenn.

#### FINALS AGATE:

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125:	#1 Zach Sanders MINN dec. #3 Alan Waters MIZ, 1-0
133:	Chris Dardanes MINN dec. Nick Soto CHATT, 7-2
141:	#5 Michael Mangrum ORE ST dec. Darius Little NCST, 4-1
149:	#1 Frank Molinaro PSU maj. dec. #11 Dylan Ness MINN, 9-1
157:	#1 Kyle Dake COR dec. #10 Dylan Alton PSU, 0-3
165:	#1 David Taylor PSU pinned #10 Cody Yohn MINN, WBF (2:34)
174:	#2 Ed Ruth PSU dec. Matt Brown PSU, 6-3
184:	#5 Quentin Wright PSU dec. #4 Steve Bosak COR, 10-3
197:	#19 Brent Haynes MIZ inj. def. #1 Cam Simaz COR
285:	#7 Tony Nelson MINN dec. #4 Clayton Jack ORE ST, 2-0
TOP FIVE TE	AM STANDINGS:
1:	PENN STATE – 191.5
2:	Minnesota – 177.5
3:	Missouri – 136.0

Missouri - 136.0 Cornell - 130.0 Oregon State - 103.0

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, ranked No. 5 nationally, stormed through the finals of the 2012 Southern Scuffle, crowning four champions and winning the team title over No. 3 Minnesota by 14 points. Penn State won the title with 191.5 points while Minnesota was second with 177.5. The Nittany Lions entered day two with a slim 7.5 point lead over the gophers and used a superb 6-3 run in the semifinals and a 4-2 showing in the finals to claim the crown. The morning's semifinal fireworks led way to Penn State crowning four individual champions and getting the tournament's Outstanding Wrestler Award, given to All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) for his 165-pound title. Joining Taylor as titlists were All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.) at 149, All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) at 174 and All-American Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.) at 184.

In the morning's semifinals, Penn State sent nine grapplers into action at seven weights and came away with six finalists in five weights. Three-time All-American Molinaro, ranked No. 1 at 149, downed No. 20 Scott Sakaguchi of Oregon State 4-0; No. 10 Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) beat Corey Mock of North Carolina 4-1 at 157; teammate James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) dropped a tough 6-0 decision to No. 1 Kyle Dake of Cornell at 157; Taylor, ranked No. 1 at 165, downed No. 20 Kyle Blevins to the tune of a 12-3 major; Ruth, ranked No. 2 at 174, majored Patrick Wright of Illinois 10-1; teammate Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah) downed No. 11 Logan Storley in the other semifinal at 174, 7-5, to set up a meeting with teammate Ruth in the finals; Wright, ranked No. 5 at 184, beat No. 15 Luke Rebertus of Navy 7-3; true freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 11 at 197, lost 12-5 to No. 1 Cam Simaz of Cornell; and senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 8 at 258, lost a close 4-3 decision to No. 4 Clayton Jack of Oregon State.

The blistering run through the semifinals set up five championship finals matches featuring six Nittany Lions. For Penn State the championship finals began at 149 where No. 1 Molinaro met No. 11 Dylan Ness of Minnesota. Molinaro scored big for Penn State with a dominating 9-1 major over Ness. Molinaro won his first Scuffle title with a 5-0 mark with two techs and a major. Red-shirt freshman Alton, ranked No. 10, met No. 1 Kyle Dake of Cornell in the finals at 157. Alton battled the two-time NCAA champ tough before dropping a 3-0 decision to take second place in his first Scuffle. Alton went 4-1 with two pins and a major. Top-ranked Taylor took on No. 10 Cody Yohn of Minnesota in the finals at 165. Already owning a tech fall over the 10th-ranked Gopher, Taylor did it one better this time with a team-title clinching pin in the first period (2:36). Taylor, who claimed his second Scuffle crown, went 5-0 with three pins, a tech and a major. At 174, the all-Penn State final pitted No. 2 Ruth against teammate Brown. In a spirited battle, Ruth downed his talented teammate, posting a 6-3 decision. Ruth's win gave him his second straight Scuffle title and he went 6-0 with three pins, a tech and a major. Brown ended an outstanding tournament with a 4-1 mark, including wins over the No. 7 and No. 11-ranked wrestlers. No. 5 Wright met No. 4 Steve Bosak of Cornell in the title bout at 184 and put the exclamation point on the team title by dominating the fourth-ranked Bosak to the tune of a 10-3 win. Wright claimed his first Scuffle title with the victory as he went 5-0 with three pins.

Penn State had 11-place winners at the event. True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.) opened up the day in consolation action at 125 and rolled three straight wins to advance to the third place bout at 125. Megaludis downed No. 7 Matt Snyder of Virginia in the conso semis to advance to the bronze medal bout. In the third place bout, the Lion freshman lost another close decision to No. 7 Perrelli of Cornell, this one by a 6-4 score. He ended the tournament with a 5-2 record for fourth place. Vollrath dropped a tough 3-2 (ot) decision to Chattanooga's Daniel Waddell in the conso semis before moving to the fifth place bout. Vollrath ended the tournament with a tough 4-1 loss to Mock of UNC and placed sixth with a 3-3 mark. McIntosh had a 5-4 win taken from him when a last second reversal was waved off when clock operator was asked by the official and overruled the officials call, a has account received was ware of which evolves of Indiana. He then lost in the fifth place bout and ended the day sending him to a 4-3 loss to No. 4 Matt Powless of Indiana. He then lost in the fifth place bout and ended the day with a 3-3 mark and with a sixth place finish. Wade rebounded from his close loss to Jack by picking up a key pin at the 1:34 mark over No. 5 Jeremy Johnson of Ohio in the conso semis. He finished the day an upset loss in the third place match and went 4-2 to take fourth place. Red-shirt freshman Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) was in the heavyweight consolation bracket for Penn State and won his first match, clinching a place. Gingrich ended the day with two losses in consolations but still took eighth place with a 4-3 record.

Junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) was in action in consolations at 141 and dropped his first match of the day to No. 15 Michael Nevinger of Cornell. The loss eliminated Pearsall with a 3-2 mark. On day one, Penn State had three wrestlers eliminated but still picked up important wins from them. Red-shirt freshman Seth Beitz (Juniata, Pa.) had a solid showing at 141, going 3-2 before being eliminated. Junior Nick Fischer (Unionville, Pa.) posted a 2-2 mark at 165 before being eliminated. At 133, Nittany Lion junior Derek Reber (Lewisburg, Pa.) went 0-2 one day one. Penn State posted a superb 56-23 overall mark among its 15 wrestlers, collecting 18 pins, nine tech falls and 11 majors along the way. 38 of Penn State's 56 wins were of the bonus point variety.

Penn State's 125 agate: Finn Jones FL2 Jagatt. #13 Nico Megaludis: 1st Round: W, 18-3 TF Richard Alarcon, The Citadel (4:58) 2nd Round: W, 19-7 maj. dec. David White, Army Qtrs: L, 3-9 dec. #7 Frank Perrelli, Cornell Cn. 4: W, 18-2 TF Pat Rollins, Oregon State (TF; 6:17) Cn Qtrs: W, 5-2 dec. Bricker Dixon, Cornell Cn. Semis: W, 4-1 dec. #9 Matt Snyder, Virginia 3rd Place: L, 4-6 dec. #7 Frank Perrelli, Cornell Went 5-2, fourth place

Penn State's 133 agate Derek Rebe 1st Round: L, 3-4 dec. Jordan O'Donnell, Virginia Tech Cn. 1: bye Cn. 2: L, 3-5 dec. Nikkolas Pena, Cornell Went 0-2, did not place

#### Penn State's 141 agate Bryan Pearsall:

1st Round: WBF Jimmy Nehls, UA-Virginia (1:06) 2nd Round: L, 4-6 (sv) dec. Darius Little, North Carolina State Cn. 2: W, 3-1 dec. Undrakhb Khishigayam, UA-The Citadel Cn. 3: W, 17-1 TF Chris Mullin, Duke (6:37) Cn. 4: L, 0-17 TF #15 Michael Nevinger, Cornell (6:36) Went 3-2, did not place

#### Seth Beitz:

Pigtail: W, 12-3 maj. dec. Jordan Tolbert, Campbell 1st Round: L, 1-6 dec. Casey Smith, Army Cn. 1: bye Cn. 2: W, 5-4 dec. Jordan Dix, The Citadel Cn. 3: W, 10-8 (sv) Raymond Borja, Navy Cn. 4: L, 1-2 dec. Matt Ortega, Indiana Went 3-2, did not place

#### Penn State's 149 agate

#1 Frank Molinard 1st Round: W. 16-0 TF Samuel McCauley, UA-The Citadel (3:28) (Career Win 100) 2nd Round: W, 9-3 dec. Chris Villalonga, Cornell Qtrs: W, 16-0 TF Dean Pavlou, Chattanooga (3:25) Semis: W, 4-0 dec. #20 Scott Sakaguchi, Oregon State Finals: W, 9-1 maj. dec. #11 Dylan Ness, Minnesota Went 5-0, 1st place

#### Penn State's 157 agate: #10 Dylan Alton

1st Round: WBF Tanner Hirstine, Virginia (3:51) 2nd Round: WBF Harrison Hightower, Ohio (0:47) 2nd Round, w Britanson Inginover, Onto (0.47) Qtrs: W, 13-2 maj, dec. Mart Stephens, Virginia Tech Semis: W, 4-1 dec. Corey Mock, North Carolina Finals: L, 0-3 dec. #1 Kyle Dake, Cornell Went 4-1, 2nd place

#### James Vollrath

1st Round: W, 10-5 dec. William Powell, Appalachian State 2nd Round: W. 11-3 mai, dec, Chad Strube, Virginia Tech Otrs: W. 5-4 dec. #20 Drake Houdashelt, Missouri Qtrs: w, 5-4 dec. #20 Drake Houdasheit, Missouri Semis: L, 0-6 dec. #1 Kyle Dake, Cornell Cn. Semis: L, 2-3 (ot) dec. Daniel Waddell, Chattanooga 5th Place: L, 1-4 dec. Corey Mock, North Carolina Went 3-3, 6th place

#### Penn State's 165 agate:

#1 David Taylor \*\* David Taylor 1st Round: WBF Justin Guthrie, UA-Gardner Webb (1:54) 2nd Round: W, 21-6 TF Tristan Warner, Old Dominion (7:00) Qtrs: WBF John Staudenmayer, UA-North Carolina (2:13) Semis: W, 12-3 maj. dec. #20 Kyle Blevins, Appalachian State Finals: WBF dec. #11 Cody Yohn, Minnesota (2:34) Went 5-0, 1st place

#### Nick Fischer

Pigtail: W, 11-2 maj. dec. Nijel Jones, N.C. State 1st Round: L, 4-8 dec. Jordan Gagliano, Missouri Cn. 1: Bye Cn. 2 W, 5-2 dec. Kenneth Radford, UA-The Citadel Cn. 3: L, 5-11 dec. Ryan Krecker, Campbell Went 2-2, did not place

Penn State's 174 agate: #2 Ed Ruth Pigtail: W, 16-1 TF William Coggins, Virginia (3:33) 1st Round: WBF Cody Walters, UA-Ohio (1:22) 2nd Round: WBF Levi Clemmons, Chattanooga (3:11) Qtrs: WFF William George, Cornell (1:05) Semis: W, 10-1 maj. dec. Patrick Wright, Missouri Finals: W, 6-3 dec. Matt Brown, Penn State Went 6-0, 1st place

#### Matt Brown

1st Round: WBF Aric Thurn, Cleveland State (4:56) 2nd Round: WBF Michael Alexander, Cornell (3:20) Otrs: W. 6-3 dec. #7 Dorian Henderson, Missouri Semis: W, 7-5 dec. #7 Eonari Tenderson, Missour Finals: L, 3-6 dec. #2 Ed Ruth, Penn State Went 4-1, 2nd place

#### Penn State's 184 agate

#5 Quentin Wright 1st Round: WBF Jesse Johnson, Appalachian State (5:13) and Round: WBF Angelo Malvestuto, Virginia Totate (715) 2nd Round: WBF Angelo Malvestuto, Virginia Totate (715) Qtrs: WBF #17 Mike Larson, Missouri (1:12) Semis: W. 7-3 dec. #15 Luke Rebertus, Navy Finals: W, 10-3 dec. #4 Steve Bosak, Cornell Went 5-0, 1st place

#### Penn State's 197 agate

#11 Morgan McIntosh 1st Round: WBF Paul Weiss, Appalachian State (4:03) 2nd Round: WBF Zach Bennett, North Carolina (6:39) Qtrs: W, 13-8 dec. Paul Rands, Navy Semis: I 5-12 dec #1 Cam Simaz Cornell Cn. Semis: L, 3-4 dec. #4 Matt Powless, Indiana 5th Place: L, 6-11 dec. Scott Schiller, Minnesota Went 3-3, 6th place

#### Penn State's 285 agate:

#8 Cameron Wade #8 Cameron Wade 1st Round: W, 17-2 TF Brock Durfee, Appalachian State (5:20) 2nd Round: W, 15-0 TF Bobby Lavelle, UA-Virginia Tech (3:36) Qtrs: WBF Andy Hartsborn, Ohio (2:13) Semis: L. 3-4 dec. #4 Clayton Jack, Oregon State Cn. Semis: WBF #5 Jeremy Johnson, Ohio (1:34) 3rd Place: L, 3-7 dec. Chad Hanke, UA-Oregon State Went 4-2, fourth place

#### Jon Gingrich

1st Round: W, 9-1 maj. dec. Bradley Rogers, Chattanooga Far Round, W. 2-1 maj, ee: Dradey Rogers, Characteroga 2nd Round, L. 3-5 dec. Paul Snyder, Hofstra Cn. 2: W, 15-1 maj, dec. Brock Durfee, Appalachian State Cn. 3: W, 10-2 maj, dec. Devon Mellon, Missouri Cn. 4: W, 40 dec. Maciej Jochym, Cornell Cn. 4: W, 40 dec. Maciej Jochym, Cornell Cn. Qtrs: L, 2-5 dec. Andy Hartshorn, Ohio 7th Place: L, 4-8 dec. Adam Chalfant, UA-Indiana Went 4-3, eighth place

## #4 PENN STATE 36, MICHIGAN STATE 6

Sunday, Jan. 8, 2012 -- Kellog Arena -- Battle Creek, Mich.

285: #6 Cameron Wade PSU dec. Steve Andrus, 8-3	3-0
125: Eric Olanowski MSU DQ over #10 Nico Megaludis PSU	
(Illegal Throw, Megaludis up 8-3 early in second period, 3:45)	3-6
133: Frank Martellotti PSU dec. Brandon Fifield MSU, 7-5	6-6
141: Bryan Pearsall PSU pinned Brian Gibbs MSU, WBF (4:21)	12-6
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSU dec. #18 Dan Osterman MSU, 9-3	15-6
157: #9 Dylan Alton PSU dec. #14 Anthony Jones MSU, 1-0	18-6
165: #1 David Taylor PSU maj. dec. David Cheza MSU, 13-5	22-6
174: #2 Ed Ruth PSU tech fall Curran Jacobs MSU, 17-2 (TF; 6:33)	27-6
184: #3 Quentin Wright PSU pinned John Rizqallah MSU, WBF (5:52)	33-6
197: #13 Morgan McIntosh PSU dec. Nick McDiarmid MSU, 7-5	36-6
Attendance: 3,000	

The fourth-ranked Penn State wrestling team dominated host Michigan State to pick up a 36-6 Big Ten road win. The dual, wrestled in front of a packed house at Kellog Arena in Battle Creek, Mich., saw Penn State win nine of ten bouts, losing only once on an illegal throw disqualification.

The dual began at heavyweight, where Nittany Lion senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 6 nationally, gave Penn State a 3-0 lead with an 8-3 decision over Steve Andrus. Nittany Lion freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 10 at 125, was crushing Spartan senior Eric Olanowski 8-3 early in the second period before being called for an illegal hold and, when Olanowski could not continue, lost the match on a disqualification, giving MSU a 6-3 lead. Lion sophomore Frank Martellotti (Pittsburgh, Pa.) made his 133-pound dual debut with a 7-5 win over Brandon Frifeld to tie the dual and then Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) put Penn State on top for good by pinning Brian Gibbs at the 4:21 mark.

No. 1 Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.) handled No. 18 Dan Osterman 9-3 at 149 to put Penn State up 15-6. With the win, Molinaro moved into 18th place on Penn State's all-time victories list (105) and into 17th on Penn State's all-time dual meet victory list (47). Freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 9 at 157, then downed No. 14 Anthony Jones 1-0 to put the Nitrany Lions up 18-6. Top-ranked David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) then majored David Cheza 13-5 at 165.

Second-ranked Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) dominated Michigan State's Curran Jacobs, posting a second period technical fall at the 6:33 mark, getting the 17-2 win. Third-ranked Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.) then fought off an early struggle to pin Michigan State's John Rizqallah at the 5:52 mark to put Penn State up 33-6. True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 13 at 197, closed out the dominating performance with a 7-5 win to give Penn State the 36-6 victory.

#### BOUT-BY-BOUT:

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285: Senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 6 at heavyweight, battled Spartan Steve Andrus. Wade set the tempo early, taking a couple shots out of the gate, looking to take control early. Wade got in on a low single at the 1:46 mark and taking a 2-0 lead at the 1:29 mark. The Lion senior then began working for a chance to turn Andrus for back points. Wade finished off the tilt for three near fall points at the 1:15 mark and led 5-0 at the end of the first period. Wade chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 6-0 lead. The duo then battled evenly for the rest of the period, allowing Wade to hold that lead heading into the third period. Andrus chose neutral to start the second period and Andrus countered for a quick takedown to cut the lead to 7-2 after a Wade escape. Wade got called for a stall warning at the :35 mark and then another at the :12 mark, giving Andrus a third point. Wade got the riding time point at the match's end and claimed a hard-fought 8-3 win.

125: True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 10 nationally at 125, took on Michigan State senior Eric Olanowski. The Lion freshman took the senior down at the 2:02 mark with a low single for an early 2-1 lead. Megaludis notched his second takedown at the 1:10 mark, cut the Spartan loose and led 4-2 at the 1:10 mark. The Nittany Lion freshman countered an Olanowski shot at the :25 mark, worked his way around him for a third takedown and then rode him out to lead 6-2 after one period. Megaludis chose neutral to start the second stanza, shot low off the whistle and quickly added another takedown and cut to lead 8-3 at the 1:40 mark. But Megaludis way quickly called or an illegal throw, Olanowski did not continue to wrestle and Megaludis lost via a disqualification.

133: Sophomore Frank Martellotti (Pittsburgh, Pa.) made his season dual meet debut against the Spartans and took on Brandon Fifeld. Fifeld got an early takedown and rode the Lion sophomore for over a minute before the Nittany Lion escaped to a 2-1 deficit. Fifeld immediately got in on another single, but this time Martellotti scrambled behind the Spartan for a takedown and led 3-2. With a one point lead after one, Martellotti chose down to start the second period, quickly scrambled into a position to reverse Fifeld but could not get the call before a stalemate call at the i30 mark. On the reset, Martellotti did reverse Fifeld to lead 5-3 after a Fifeld escape. Martellotti held that lead after two periods and Fifeld chose down to start the third period. The Nitrany Lion sophomore was strong on top to start the third, working off a minute's time before Fifeld reversed him to tie the bout at 5-5. Martellotti escaped and then fought off a late Spartan shot and, with 1:10 riding time, posted a 7-5 win.

141: Junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) took to the mat at 141 for Penn State and met MSU freshman Brian Gibbs. Pearsall got on the board at the 1:39 mark, countering a Gibbs shot for a takedown and a 2-0 lead. The Nittany Lion junior then put together a strong ride, controlling Gibbs and turning him for three near fall points at the buzzer to lead 5-0 after one. Gibbs chose neutral to start the second stanza but Pearsall quickly took the Spartan down, turned him for two back points and led 9-0 at the 1:22 mark. Pearsall locked up a far side cradle and worked his way into a chance for a fall, getting the pin at the 4:21 mark.

149: Top-ranked Nittany Lion Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.) faced off against Michigan State's Dan Osterman, who was ranked No. 18, at 149. Osterman energized the packed Spartan crowd with an early takedown to lead 2-0 out of the gate. Molinaro quickly escaped, only to see Osterman pressure the Lion senior into another near takedown. Molinaro was able to fight off that move and then, on a reset, used a fierce double leg to take Osterman down and lead 3-2 at the 1:30 mark. The three-time All-American then controlled the action from top, building up over 1:00 in riding time on his way to a ride out. Leading 3-2 with 1:31 in riding time, Molinaro chose down and quickly escaped to a 4-2 lead. Molinaro turned a head outside single into another takedown and a 6-2 lead at the :38 mark. Osterman chose neutral to start the third period. With the riding time point clinched, Molinaro needed just one more takedown to secure a major and picked it up at the :45 mark to lead 8-3 after a takedown and a cut. But it was Osterman who nearly scored at the buzzer with Molinaro holding off the effort and posting the 9-3 win.

157: Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 9 at 157, met Michigan State senior Anthony Jones, ranked No. 14, in one of the dual's most anticipated bouts. The ranked duo battled through the first half of the opening period evenly. Jones tried to score off a throw at the 1:20 mark but Alton was able to roll out of trouble and force a reset with the bout still scoreless. After a scoreless first period, Jones chose neutral to start the

second stanza. As in the first period, neither man could find a chance to work their offense in the second period and the bout went to the third scoreless. Alton took down to start the third and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Alton pressured the senior Jones for the entire third period with Jones backing away and playing the edge of the mat. Alton fought off one Jones shot at the :17 mark and then escaped with a 1-0 win.

165: Top-ranked Lion sophomore David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) face off against MSU senior David Cheza at 165. Taylor took a 2-0 lead with a quick takedown but was reversed by Cheza at the 1:50 mark for a 2-2 tie. Taylor quickly escaped, got in on a single leg and pulled Cheza back onto the mat and got the takedown to lead 5-2 at the :49 mark. The Lion sophomore then rode Cheza out to lead 5-2 after one period. Taylor took down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 6-2 lead. Another low single for Taylor gave the Nittany Lion an 8-2 lead at the 1:10 mark. He then turned Cheza for two back points and led 10-2 at the :45 mark but Cheza notched his second reversal to cur Taylor's lead to 10-4 at the :08 mark. Cheza took neutral to start the third period only to be quickly taken down by Taylor, giving the Lion a 12-4 lead with well over 1:00 in riding time. After clinching the riding time point, Taylor posted the 13-5 major decision.

174: Second-ranked Penn State sophomore Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) med MSU senior Curran Jacobs at 174. Ruth was relendess from the start, forcing Jacobs into a stall warning less than a minute into the bout. He then took Jacobs down at the 2:09 mark to open up an early lead. He then spent the next minute-plus looking to turn Jacobs for back points. He picked up two near fall points and the :25 mark and led 4-0 with 2:09 in riding time after one. Ruth took down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 5-0 lead. The Lion All-American then turned a head lock into a pinning opportunity, getting the takedown and three back points to lead 10-0 at the 1:06 mark. Another dominating ride by Ruth led to a stall point for the Nittany Lion and an 11-0 lead after two periods. Jacobs took neutral to start the third period, but Ruth quickly gained control of the action, working his way around the Spartan for another takedown and a 13-1 lead after a quick Jacobs escape. Another Ruth takedown and cut at the :45 mark and gue Ruth a chance for a technical fall. The Lion added the last takedown to post the 17-2 tech fall at the 6:33 mark.

184: Third-ranked junior Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.) took to the mat against Spartan John Rizqallah at 184. Wright dominated the action from the start, picking up a quick takedown and then turning Rizqallah for three near fall points to lead 5-0. Rizqallah secsaped and countered Wright's next shot for his own takedown, curting the lead to 5-3 at the :55 mark. He then nearly ended the bout with a pin of Wright, turning the Nittany Lion All-American for three back points to lead 6-5. Wright escaped at the :14 mark to te the score at 6-6 after the opening period. Wright chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 7-6 lead. He added to his lead with a nice double leg on the edge of the mat to lead 9-6 with :32 left in the middle stanza. Trailing 9-6, Rizqallah chose top to start the third period. Wright quickly reversed Rizqallah, turned him to his back for two near fall points and reset himself with a 13-6 lead. The defending national champion then turned Rizqalla to his back and, after a brief struggle, pinned the Spartan at the 5:52 mark.

197: True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 13 at 197, met MSU's Nick McDiarmid. The Nitrany Lion freshman picked up the bour's first takedown at the 1;49 mark, moving out to a 2-0 lead with 1:43 on the clock. McDiarmid escaped after a brief McIntosh ride and action resumed in the center circle with the Nitrany Lion up by one. McDiarmid countered a McIntosh shot to lead 3-2 as the period wound down and rode McIntosh out to lead 3-2 after one period. McIntosh hose down to start the second stanza and, after a brief McDiarmid icde, reversed the Spartan to retake the lead, 4-3. McIntosh was called for locked hands while riding McDiarmid out and the match went to the third tied 4-4. McDiarmid chose down to start the final period and quickly escaped to a 5-4 lead. McIntosh turned a swift low single into a takedown in front of the MSU bench to take a 6-5 lead at the :45 mark. McIntosh maintained control long enough to build up over a minute's riding time. He then rode McDiarmid out and, with the riding time point, posted the 7-5 win.

#### #3 PENN STATE 38, #17 NORTHWESTERN 3

Friday, Jan. 13, 2012 -- Evanston, III.

125: #10 Nico Megaludis PSU dec. #7 Levin Mele NU, 7-3	3-0
133: Frank Martellotti PSU dec. Jameson Oster NU, 10-4	6-0
141: Bryan Pearsall PSU inj. def. Colin Shober NU (Inj. Def.; 3:18)	12-0
Pearsall leading 4-2 at the time of injury default	
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSU maj. dec. Kaleb Friedley NU, 10-0	16-0
157: #3 Jason Welch NU dec. #9 Dylan Alton PSU, 2-1	16-3
165: #1 David Taylor PSU tech fall Pierce Harger NU, 20-5 (TF; 7:00)	21-3
174: #2 Ed Ruth PSU tech fall #9 Lee Munster NU, 18-3 (TF; 5:37)	26-3
184: #2 Quentin Wright PSU pinned Marcus Shrewsbury NU (WBF; 2:41)	32-3
197: #12 Morgan McIntosh PSU dec. John Schoen NU, 6-4	35-3
285: #6 Cameron Wade PSU dec. #19 Mike McMullan NU, 6-3	38-3
Attendance: 719	

No. 3 Penn State continued a lengthy January road trip with a 38-3 win at No. 17 Northwestern on Friday night. The Nittany Lions got a key win out of the gates from true freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.) at 125 and rolled to nine wins in ten bouts.

Megaludis, ranked No. 10 at 125, got Penn State off to a fast start, posting a convincing 7-3 win over No. 7 Levi Mele in the dual's opening bout. Sophomore Frank Martellotti (Pittsburgh, Pa.) followed that up with a sound 10-4 win over Jameson Oster at 133 and the Nittany Lions quickly bolted out to a 6-0 lead. Junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) was leading Colin Shober 4-2 at 141 in the second period when Shober was forced to take an injury default, giving Pearsall the win at the 3:18 mark and putting the Lions up 12-0. No. 1 Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.) then posted a dominating 10-0 major decision over Kaleb Friedley at 149. The All-American's major put Penn State up 16-0. In one of the dual's marquee match-ups, Nittany Lion freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) faced off against No. 3 Jason Welch of Northwestern at 157. Alton gave the undefeated Wildcat all he could handle before dropping a 2-1 decision on riding time. Penn State led 16-3 at intermission.

Top-ranked David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) continued Penn State's roll with a 20-5 technical fall over Pierce Harger at 165. The All-American got the tech at the 7:00 mark with 4:45 in riding time. Second-ranked Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) then posted perhaps the night's most dominating win, posting an 18-3 technical fall over No. 9 Lee Munster at 174. The All-American got the tech at the 5:37 mark. All-American Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), also ranked No. 2, pinned NU's Marcus Shrewsbury at the 2:41 mark in the first period before Nittany Lion true freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 12 at 197, downed Wildcat senior John Schoen 6-4. Senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 6 at heavyweight, closed out the 38-3 win with a sound 6-3 victory over No. 19 Mike McMullan.

Penn State improves to 6-1 overall, 2-1 in the Big Ten with the win. Northwestern falls to 5-2, 1-2 in the conference. The Nittany Lions owned the takedown battle as well, posting a 22-4 advantage. Penn State notched 11 bonus points off an injury default, a pin, two tech falls and a major.

#### BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 10 at 125, met No. 7 Levi Mele in one of the dual's most anticipated match-ups. Mele gained control of Megaludis' head early but the Lion freshman worked out of trouble and shot low for a quick takedown attempt of his own. But Mele scrambled out of trouble twice and forced a stalemate at the 1:55 mark, still scoreless. Another low single by Megaludis off the reset gave the Lion a 2-1 lead at the 1:41 mark after a quick Mele escape. Megaludis got in on another low single with a quick shot off the reset, forcing a scramble in the center circle. But Mele once again forced a stalemate with Megaludis up 2-1 at the :32 mark. Megaludis for ced Mele into a stall warning and then notched a takedown at the buzzer to lead 4-1 after one. Mele chose down to start the second stanza and escaped to a 4-2 deficit at the 1:36 mark. Nico used another low ankle pick for his third takedown off a reset and led 6-2 at the midway point of the second stanza. A Mele escape at the :52 mark cut into that lead, but Megaludis continued to connect on low singles. Mele forced a stalemate on a potentially dangerous hold and action resumed with Megaludis up 6-3 at the :27 mark. Megaludis chose down to start the third period and steadily worked his way to an escape and a 7-3 lead at the 1:38 mark. Mele got in on his first real scoring attempt off a reset at the 1:10 mark, but Megaludis was able to force a scramble that worked the clock down to the :30 mark before the reset. The Lion freshman then used a low double to force Mele into defense for the rest of the bour and the Lion posted the 7-3 win.

133: Sophomore Frank Martellotti (Pittsburgh, Pa.) faced off against Wildcat Jameson Oster at 133. Martellotti notched the first takedown by using a single leg to pull Oster onto the mat, finishing off the move at the 2:19 mark. The Lion sophomore then put together a strong ride, maintaining control of Oster for over a minute while forcing the Wildcat into a first stall warning. Martellotti tried to turn Oster for back points, got caught and reversed as time wound down, then immediately reversed the Wildcat for his own two points and then nearly pinned him at the buzzer. The five point flurry gave him a 7-2 lead after one period. Martellotti chose down to start the second stanza but could not break free of a solid Oster ride. Oster worked off Martellotti's riding time advantage first and then finished off the ride out. Trailing 7-2, Oster chose down to start the third period and escaped to a 7-3 deficit at the 1:18 mark. The duo battled evenly until Martellotti gained control of Oster's body and tossed him to the mat for another takedown and, with the riding time point, notch a 10-4 win (Oster's capel late).

141: Junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) went to battle at 141 against NU' Colin Shober. Shober had the first scoring chance of the bout but Pearsall was able to fight off the move and force a stalemate at the 1:59 mark. The tandem battled through the next minute-plus looking for an opening to score with each man's defense equal to the task. But Shober broke into the scoring column, rolling Pearsall to the mar for a takedown at the :23 mark to lead 2-0. Pearsall spun out of Shober's control at the buzzer and was awarded an escape to trail by one after the opening stanza. Pearsall chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 2-2 tie. He then got in on a single leg, took Shober down and the Wildcat was unable to continue due to an injury. The injury default win for Pearsall came at the 3:18 mark.

149: No. 1 Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.) put his undefeated record on the line against Northwestern's Kaleb Friedley at 149. Molinaro gained control of the match quickly with an early takedown, tacking on a solid ride to build up over 2:00 riding time while looking for a chance to turn the Wildcat to his back. Friedley was able to hold off on giving up any back points, but the ride out gave Molinaro a 2-0 lead with 2:15 in riding time after one. Molinaro chose down to start the second period and Friedley worked off a minute's worth of time before Molinaro rolled through Friedley's control for a reversal and a 4-0 lead at the :58 mark. The Nittany Lion All-American maintained control of the Wildcat for the rest of the period to lead 4-0 with 2:17 in riding time after one third period. Friedley to sea down to start the third period but this time Molinaro was able to turn the Wildcat to his back for two near fall points and a 6-0 lead with 1:28 left to wrestle. The Lion senior then rest himself, turned Friedley to his back for three more back points and moved out to a 9-0 lead. Molinaro continued to dominate Friedley, riding the Wildcat to post the 10-0 major with 4:17 in riding time. With the win, Molinaro moved to No. 17 on Penn State's all-time wins list (106) and 13th on its all-time dual meet victories list (48).

157: Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 9 at 157, met No. 3 Jason Welch, who carried a 13-0 mark into the bout, in another key bout. Alton quickly got in on a single leg and forced Welch into a scramble that ended with a stalemate at the 2:10 mark. Alton countered a Welch shot with 1:38 left, forcing a stalemate with the score still 0-0. The duo continued to scramble, trading quick shots for the next minute, with each man holding firm defensively. Scoreless after one period, Welch chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Welch looked to get in on a single leg at the :50 mark, but Alton was able to push the move aside, although he picked up a first stall warning in the process. Down 1-0, Alton chose down to start the third period. Welch was able to control Alton long enough to build up a minute's worth of riding time. Alton then scrambled for a reversal but the Wildcat junior was able to maintain control of the Lion freshman until Alton escaped with just a second left. The brief 1-1 tie was short-lived as Welch had 1:55 in riding time and got the hard fought 2-1 win.

165: No. 1 David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) looked to continue his unbeaten start to the season against Northwestern's Pierce Harger at 165. Harger notched the first takedown of the bout, taking a 2-0 lead at the 2:22 mark with a solid high double. Taylor quickly escaped and then used his low ankle pick to take a 3-2 lead at the 1:51 mark. The Lion All-American then controlled Harger for over a minute, looking to turn him to his back for near fall points. The Lion rode Harger out to lead 3-2 with 1:37 riding time after one period. Harger chose neutral to start the second period and Taylor quickly upped his lead to 7-3 with two takedowns (curting Harger once in the process). Taylor cut Harger loose at the :54 mark, countered a Harger shot and took him down once more to lead 9-4 with :44 left. Another Taylor cut led to a late Taylor takedown with :06 left, giving the Lion sophomore an 11-5 lead after two periods. Taylor chose down to start the middle stanza and quickly reversed Harger to lead 13-5. He added three near fall points to up his lead to 16-5 with 1:18 left. A near cradle led to three more back points and a 19-5 lead with :47 on the clock. With the riding time point clinched, Taylor rode Harger out and got the 20-5 technical fall at the 7:00 mark with 4:45 in riding time.

174: No. 2 Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) also looked to remain unbeaten at 174 in a marquee match-up against No. 9 Lee Munster. Ruth took a quick 2-1 lead with a single leg to takedown and then nearly scored on another quick shot. Munster fought off Ruth's effort but the Lion All-American quickly took him down again at the 2:00 mark to lead 4-1. He then locked in on a cradle and picked up three near fall points to lead 7-1 with 1:30 on the clock. Two more back points gave Ruth a 9-1 lead before Munster escaped with :55 on the clock. Ruth tacked on yet another takedown with :20 left in the opening period and, with the ride out, led 11-2 after one period. Munster close down to start the second stanza, but Ruth maintained control of the Wildcat freshman. Ruth cut Munster loose with :38 on the clock and quickly gained control of the Wildcat for another takedown in front of the Penn State bench. Ruth added two near fall points in the final seconds and carried a 15-3 lead with 3:17 riding time (clinching the point) after two. Ruth chose down to start the third period and fought off a quick Munster turn effort before scaping to a 16-3 lead. A final Ruth takedown gave the Lion a convincing 18-3 tech fall over the ninh-ranked Wildcat at the 5:37 mark.

184: No. 2 Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.) met Marcus Shrewsbury at 184. The defending National Champion quickly took control of the bout with two early takedowns to lead 4-1 at the midway point of the opening period. Wright then turned Shrewsbury to his back for three near fall points and a 7-1 lead with :40 left in the first period. The All-American then turned Shrewsbury to his back, adjusted, and picked up the pin at the 2:41 mark.

197: True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 12 at 197, met Wildcat senior John Schoen. The duo bartled evenly for the first half of the opening period, with neither man finding an opening to score early. McIntosh countered a Schoen shot, moved behind the Wildcat and got the bout's first takedown at the 37 mark. A quick Schoen escaped halved the lead and action resumed in the center circle. Trailing by one, Schoen chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 2-2 tie. Schoen broke the tie open with a takedown at the :40 mark, taking the 4-2 lead. McIntosh quickly escaped to a 4-4 tie. The duo continued to battle for position for the bulk of the third period. Schoen tried to score on a high double but the Lion true freshman was able to back out of trouble, keeping the bout tied 4-4 at the :22 mark. McIntosh scrambled off a Schoen shot, powered the NU senior to the mat and got the winning takedown at the :02 mark, posting the 6-4 win.

285: Senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 6 at heavyweight, took on No. 19 Mike McMullan. McMullan shot first, forcing Wade to counter and get a reset out of bounds. The duo then battled for position in the center circle. Wade shot low on McMullan but slipped to the mat, allowing the Wildcat to work around the Nittany Lion for a takedown and a 2-1 lead after a quick Wade escape. Wade chose top to start the second stanza, Wade turned him for two back points and McMullan escaped to a 3-3 tie, all before :20 had elapsed in the period. Wade turned a low single into a scramble and a takedown with :48 on the clock to take a 5-3 lead. The Lion senior then rode McMullan out to lead 5-3 after two periods. McMullan chose top to start the third period, looking for a chance to turn Wade. Wade got called for a stall warning at the :54 mark then escaped to a 6-3 lead with :30 left in the bout. A late scramble led to no scoring and Wade posted the 6-3 win.

### #3 PENN STATE 43, WISCONSIN 0

Sunday, Jan. 15, 2012 -- Madison, Wis.

125: #10 Nico Megaludis PSU pinned Austin Hietpas UW, WBF (6:05)	6-0
133: Frank Martellotti PSU maj. dec. Shane McQuade UW, 14-6	10-0
141: Bryan Pearsall PSU dec. Thomas Glenn UW, 4-2	13-0
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSU maj. dec. #9 Cole Schmitt UW, 12-0	17-0
157: #9 Dylan Alton PSU dec. Shawn Perry UW, 11-4	20-0
165: #1 David Taylor PSU pinned Alex Yde UW, WBF (2:28)	26-0
174: #2 Ed Ruth PSU tech fall Scott Liegel UW, 17-2 (TF; 5:37)	31-0
184: #2 Quentin Wright PSU pinned Timmy McCall UW, WBF (6:05)	37-0
197: #12 Morgan McIntosh PSU dec. Jackson Hein UW, 7-3	40-0
285: #6 Cameron Wade PSU dec. Cole Tobin UW, 6-4	43-0
Attendance: 719	

The third-ranked Penn State Nittany Lions put on a clinic against Wisconsin on Sunday in Madison, hammering the home-standing Badgers to the tune of a 43-0 shutout. The shut out marked the first time Wisconsin had been shut out in over half a century and was the first shutout for Penn State in a Big Ten dual meet.

Coming off a 38-3 dismantling of Northwestern in Evanston two days ago, Penn State continued its dominating road wrestling. True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrsyville, Pa.), ranked No. 10 a 125, once again gave Penn State a bolt of energy out of the gates, pinning Wisconsin's Austin Hietpas at the 6:05 mark. Sophomore Frank Martellotti (Pittsburgh, Pa.) followed that up with a 14-6 major decision over Shane McQuade at 133 and junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) downed UW's Thomas Glenn 4-2 at 141, giving Penn State an early 13-0 lead. All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, had no trouble with No. 9 Cole Schmitt of Wisconsin, posting a 12-0 major decision. The shutout was Molinaro's second of the weekend and his tenth of the year. Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 9 at 157, closed out the first half with a solid 11-4 win over Shawn Perry, giving Penn State a 20-0 lead at intermission.

All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, opened up the second half with a quick pin of Wisconsin's Alex Yde. Taylor got the fall at the 2:28 mark in the first period. Fellow All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 174, followed that pin up with a 17-2 technical fall over Scott Liegel, getting the TF at 5:37. Defending National Champion Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, then pinned UW's Timmy McCall, getting the fall at the 6:05 mark. True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 1 at 197, was then dominant in a 7-3 decision over UW's Jackson Hein. Senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 6 at heavyweight, closed out the dual and secured the shut out with a 6-4 win over Cole Tobin, giving the Nittary Lions the 43-0 victory.

The Nittany Lions move to 7-1 on the year, 3-1 in the Big Ten. Wisconsin is now 5-5, 0-3 in the league. Penn State dominated the dual from start to finish, amassing a 31-2 takedown advantage and picking up 13 bonus points off three pins, one technical fall and two majors. The shut out of Wisconsin was the first for the Badgers since Iowa turned the trick 30-0 in 1958. It was Penn State's second shutout of the year and marks the first time Penn State notched a shutout in a Big Ten dual.

#### BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Nittany Lion freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 10 at 125, faced off against Wisconsin's Austin Hierpas. Megaludis set the tempo of the bout from the start, forcing Hierpas into defense for the bulk of the opening period. The Nittany Lion freshman took a 2-1 lead with a takedown at the 1:40 mark and then used another quick low single to a scramble and takedown to lead 4-2 with :45 on the clock. Megaludis added two more takedowns before a rideout allowed him to lead 8-3 after one period. Megaludis chose neutral to start the second period and quickly took Hietpas down. Megaludis would pile on the takedowns and lead 19-7 with nearly 2:00 riding time after two. Hietpas chose down to start the third and Megaludis worked his way to a pin at the 6:05 mark.

133: Sophomore Frank Martellotti (Pittsburgh, Pa.) met Badger junior Shane McQuade at 133. Martellotti got the bout's first takedown with a strong body lock for a 2-0 lead just :16 into action. The Lion sophomore then put together a strong ride before cutting the Badger junior loose at the 1:45 mark. McQuade caught Martellotti with a takedown and two near fall points, almost pinning the Lion sophomore. But Martellotti clied through, quickly reversed him and then tacked on two near fall points of his own to lead 6-5 after one period. Martellotti cloes down to start the second period and quickly worked his way into a position to notch a reversal. After a brief scramble, Martellotti got the two points and lead 8-5. Martellotti then maintained control of McQuade for the rest of the period, picking up a stall point during a ride out. McQuade chose neutral to start the third period turning a swift single into a takedown to notch a major. Martellotti stared McQuade's foot on the edge of the mat, pulled him back into the circle and got the takedown at the :20 mark to take a 13-6 lead with a clinched riding time point. Needing a ride out without stalling to get the major, Martellotti was strong over the final :20 and posted the 14-6 major.

141: Penn State junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) battled UW's Tommy Glenn at 141. Pearsall took a quick 2-0 lead with a takedown at the 2:43 mark. He then put together a dominating ride, building up a minute-plus in riding time while looking for a chance to turn Glenn. Pearsall got called for locked hands and led 2-1 at the 1:30 mark. He turned Glenn quickly at the reset but the Badger was able to roll through and stave off any back points. Pearsall led 2-1 after one period but had two cautions and a stall warning, while totaling 2:46 in riding time. Glenn chose neutral to start the second stanza and the duo battled evenly through the period with neither man scoring. Pearsall chose down to start the third and escaped to a 3-1 lead. With the riding time point clinched, Pearsall fought off a brief Glenn flurry and walked away with a 4-2 win.

149: In a marquee match-up at 149, top-ranked All-American Lion Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.) met No. 9 Cole Schmitt of Wisconsin. Molinaro notched the first takedown at the 1:48 mark, taking Schmitt down in front of the Penn State bench. The Lion senior then built up a solid riding time edge with a ride out and led 2-0 after one. Molinaro chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Molinaro turned a single leg into a scoring opportunity at the edge of the mat but Schmitt was able to move the action out of bounds and the Lion led 3-0 after two periods with 1:45 riding time. Schmitt chose down to start the third and Molinaro quickly turned the Badger to his back for two near fall points and a 5-0 lead. Another three point near fall and the Lion was quickly up 8-0 with :45 on the clock. Molinaro added another three point near fall and, with the riding time point, posted the convincing 12-0 major.

157: Nittany Lion Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 9 at 157, faced off against Shawn Perry. Alton wasted no time taking Perry down and led 2-1 at the 2:44 mark. The Lion freshman continued to set the pace, taking low singles and forcing Perry back on his heels. Alton's offensive pressure led to a second takedown at the 1:32 mark. Alton caught Perry on a reset, nearly pinning the Badger before he could roll out of trouble. Perry escaped at the :55 mark and Alton led 7-2. Leading by five, Alton chose down to start the second period and escaped to an 8-2 lead in seconds. The Lion freshman carried that six point led into the third period where Perry chose down to begin the final stanza. Perry escaped to an 8-3 deficit and action resumed in the center circle with 1:45 on the

clock. Alton dove through a low double for another takedown to lead 10-4 after cutting Perry loose at the :20 mark. Needing one more takedown, Alton scrambled for the final score but the clock ran out, giving the Nittany Lion an 11-4 decision.

165: All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, met Wisconsin's Alex Yde. Yde was making his Wisconsin dual meet debut and Taylor quickly scored on a series of takedowns and cuts, taking an early 6-3 lead a minute into the bout. Taylor added a fourth takedown and turned Yde to his back for three back points and an 11-4 lead. One more takedown later and Taylor was able to plant Yde to his back for a quick first period pin at the 2:28 mark.

174: All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 174, battled Badger Scott Liegel. Ruth started with a similar flurry, taking Liegel down twice in thirty seconds to lead 4-2 early on. Liegel was able to hold off Ruth for a bit, but the Lion added a third takedown with 1:27 on the clock to lead 6-2. Ruth continued to control Liegel for the rest of the period and led 6-2 with 1:40 in riding time after the opening period. Ruth chose down and quickly escaped to a 7-2 lead. Ruth then picked up a stall point and added another takedown to lead 10-2 at the 1:25 mark. Ruth turned Liegel to his back for two near fall points to up the margin to 12-2. Another two point turn gave Ruth a 14-2 lead heading into the third period. Liegel chose down to start the third period and Ruth first clinched the riding time point and then turned McCall to his back for three near fall points and the technical fall. The 17-2 TF came at the 5:37 mark.

184: All-American Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, met UW's Timmy McCall. Wright quickly threw McCall to his back, getting a fast takedown and nearly pinning him out of the gates. But McCall was able to roll out of trouble without giving up any back points and the Lion led 2-0. Wright put together a strong ride, looking for a chance to turn the Badger to his back. McCall was able to hold off Wright's efforts but the Nittany Lion's ride out gave him a 2-0 lead with 2:30 in riding time after one period. Wright chose down to start the second stanza and quickly rolled his way to a reversal and a 4-0 lead. He then maintained control of McCall for the remainder of the period and led 4-0 with 4:02 in riding time after two periods. McCall chose neutral to start the final period and Wright may for the decision, catching him in a headlock and turning him to his back for a pin at the 6:05 mark.

197: Penn State's Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 12 at 197, took on Jackson Hein of Wisconsin. McIntosh got in on an early low single, turring it into a scramble that led to a takedown and a 3-1 lead as McIntosh picked up a penalty point for a locked hands call on Hein before the Badger escaped. McIntosh looked to score more in the first period but Hein was able to keep the bout close, 3-1, after one. The Lion freshman chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 4-1 lead. McIntosh forced Hein into a stall warning and then used a low single to finish off a takedown to lead 6-2 after a Hein escape with just :15 left. McIntosh led 6-2 after two periods, Hein chose down to start the third and quickly escaped and the Lion led 6-3. McIntosh looked not resure Hein back, forcing the Badger towards the outside circle continuously. McIntosh used another single leg to nearly take Hein down again but did pick up a point off another Hein technical violation. The Lion freshman rolled to a 7-3 decision.

285: Veteran heavyweight Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 6, met UW sophomore Cole Tobin. Wade's set the tempo early, controlling the action high while looking for an opening to score with a single leg. Wade's pressure paid off as the Lion senior gained control of Tobin's leg, slid down for a low double for the takedown and a 2-0 lead at the :40 mark. A short rideout gave the Lion a 2-0 lead heading into the second period. Tobin chose neutral to start the second stanza and tied the bout with a takedown :30 into the middle period. Wade worked his way to an escaped and a 3-2 lead at the :25 mark. He then chose down to start the third period and quickly reversed the Badger for a 5-2 lead with 1:32 on the clock. Wade then maintained control until the :20 mark when Tobin reversed him to cut the lead to 6-4 after a Wade escape. Wade fought off a late Tobin shot and escaped with a 6-4 win.

#### #3 PENN STATE 22, #2 IOWA 12 Sunday, Jan. 22, 2012 -- Rec Hall -- University Park, Pa.

125: #2 Matt McDonough IOWA dec. #8 Nico Megaludis PSU, 3-1 (sv)	0-3
133: #3 Tony Ramos IOWA pinned Frank Martellotti PSU, WBF (4:20)	0-9
141: #3 Montell Marion IOWA dec. Bryan Pearsall PSU, 7-3	0-12
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSU dec. Mike Kelly IOWA, 11-5	3-12
157: #8 Dylan Alton PSU dec. Nick Moore IOWA, 5-3	6-12
165: #1 David Taylor PSU dec. #6 Mike Evans IOWA, 9-4	9-12
174: #2 Ed Ruth PSU maj. dec. #9 Ethan Lofthouse IOWA, 10-1	13-12
184: #2 Quentin Wright PSU dec. Vinnie Wagner IOWA, 8-2	16-12
197: #12 Morgan McIntosh PSU dec. Grant Gambrall IOWA, 5-3 (sv)	19-12
285: #6 Cameron Wade PSU dec. Blake Raising IOWA, 4-0	22-12
Attendance: 6,796	

The third-ranked Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team reeled off seven straight wins to run away from No. 2 Iowa in a marquee Big Ten dual today in sold out Rec Hall. Nearly 7,000 fans came to their feet as true freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.) clinched the dual with a win over Iowa All-American Grant Gambrall at 197.

The bout began with a thriller at 125, where No. 2 Matt McDonough of Iowa was taken to sudden victory by talented Penn State freshman Nico Megaludis, ranked No. 8. The true freshman dropped a 3-1 (sv) decision. Iowa followed that up with a pin at 133, where No. 2 Tony Ramos pinned Lion sophomore Frank Martellotti (Pittsburgh, Pa.). The Hawkeyes made it three straight out of the gates when No. 3 Montell Marion posted a hard-fought 7-3 decision over Penn State junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) at 141.

Penn State got on the scoreboard at 149 when Nittany Lion senior Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1, dominated Iowa's Mike Kelly to the tune of an 11-5 decision. The three-time All-American had over 3:00 in riding time. Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 8 at 157, followed that up with a sound 5-3 win over Iowa's Ničk Moore and Penn State trailed 12-6 at the break. Nittany Lion All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, dominated No. 6 Mike Evans of Iowa to the tune of a 9-4 decision with over 3:00 in riding time. Fellow All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 174, then hammered No. 9 Ethan Lofthouse, posting a dominating 10-1 major decision with 2:45 in riding time as well. Defending mational champion Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, posted a solid 8-2 win over Iowa's Vinnie Wagner, setting up the heroics at 197.

McIntosh, ranked No. 12 at 197, took returning Hawkeye All-American Grant Gambrall to sudden victory tied a 3-3 and then sent a packed Rec Hall into hysterics with a takedown and a 5-3 (sv) win. The win clinched the dual and then Nittany Lion senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 6 at heavyweight, closed it out with a superb 4-0 win over Iowa's Blake Raising. While Penn State only managed one bonus point (on Ruth's major), Penn State dominated the dual by winning seven of the ten bouts and posting an 18-10 takedown advantage.

#### BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Penn State true freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 8 at 125, took on two time All-American and former national champion Matt McDonough, who entered the bout ranked No. 2. The duo battled evenly for the first minute-plus with neither man getting in on a shot to score. Megaludis countered an early McDonough headlock attempt, got in on a single leg and worked to finalize his own takedown as the period wound down. While neither man scored, the flurry allowed the match to move to the second tied 0-0. McDonough chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Megaludis took a high single shot but McDonough was able to counter and pressure the Lion, looking for his first takedown. Megaludis shot again as the period wound down and McDonough countered to kill the clock. Megaludis chose down to start the second period and escaped to a 1-1 tie with :55 on the clock. With McDonough shot and sent the match moved into the final seconds tied 1-1. Megaludis fought off a late McDonough shot and sent the match to overtime. McDonough notched a takedown with just :02 left on the clock to give the second-ranked grappler a 3-1 SV win and put Iowa up 3-0 early.

133: Sophomore Frank Martellotti (Pittsburgh, Pa.) took to the mat at 133 to battle No. 3 Tony Ramos of Iowa. Ramos notched the first takedown early and led 2-1 after a quick Martellotti escape. The third-ranked Ramos added a second takedown at the :20 mark and the ride out gave the Hawkeye a 4-1 lead after one period. Ramos chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 5-1 lead. Ramos then took Martellotti down again and finished off a cradle for a pin at the 4:20 mark.

141: Junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) faced off against Iowa senior Montell Marion, who was ranked No. 3 at 141. Pearsall and Marion battled evenly for the first minute plus, with neither man finding an opening to score. Marion got in on a single leg at the 1:20 mark, Pearsall countered by gaining control of Marion's left leg and a stalemate was called at the 1:00 mark. Marion gained control of Pearsall's shoulder and moved behind him for a takedown and a 2-0 lead with :17 on the clock. A short ride out and Marion led by two after one. Marion chose down to start the second stanza and escaped at the 1:30 mark. Marion then countered a Pearsall shot and notched another takedown for a 5-0 lead with 1:20 left in the middle period. Pearsall escaped to a 5-1 deficit and action resumed with :50 on the clock. Marion got in on a single leg with :10 left but Pearsall was able to kill the clock and trailed 5-1 after two. Pearsall chose down to start the final period and escaped to a 5-2 deficit. Pearsall shot, was countered by Marion, but fought off the move to stay close with 1:10 left. Marion finished off a takedown with :50 left and led 7-3 after a Pearsall escape. Pearsall tried to score late but Marion was able to hold off the effort and earned a hard-fought 7-3 decision.

149: Three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, met Iowa's Mike Kelly. Molinaro set the tempo early, looking for an opening to score. A high single turned into a lift and takedown with 2:17 on the clock and Molinaro led 2-0. Molinaro then put together a strong ride, building up over a minute's riding time. Kelly escaped at the :58 mark but Molinaro quickly took the Hawkeye down to lead 4-1 with :20 on the clock. A short ride-out later and the Lion led 4-1 with 1:45 riding time after one. Kelly chose down to start the second staraz but Molinaro duickly escaped. Leading 4-2, Molinaro chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 5-2 lead. Molinaro added a quick takedown to lead 7-3 with 1:09 on the clock. Kelly gained control of Molinaro's ankle, looking for his own takedown and got it with :35 on the clock to lead 8-5 after Molinaro escaped. With the riding time point clinched, Molinaro With :15 left, Molinaro closed out the win with another takedown and posted the 11-5 decision.

157: Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 8 at 157, faced off against Iowa's Nick Moore. Alton wasted no time taking the lead, getting in on a takedown to move out to a 2-0 advantage early. Moore escaped after :29, but Alton continued to pressure the Hawkeye, looking for an opening to add to his lead. Alton continued to shoot and Moore was forced into defense for the rest of the period, allowing Alton to lead 2-1 after one. Moore chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 2-2 tie. Alton shot low after the Moore escape, gained control of his waist and led 4-2 with 1:15 left in the period. Moore escaped quickly and cut Alton's lead to one. Leading 4-3, Alton chose down to start the third and quickly escaped to a 5-3 lead. The Lion freshman used a swift low single to force a scramble in the middle of the mat. Moore was able to fight off the move and Alton continued to lead by two. Neither man would score down the stretch and Alton sent the Lions into the locker-room on a high with the 5-3 decision.

165: All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, faced off against Iowa's Mike Evans, who entered the bout ranked No. 6. Taylor quickly gained control of the Hawkeye, using a low single to double for a 2-0 lead. The sophomore then maintained control of the Hawkeye for over a minute until he cut him loose. Taylor quickly took Evans down again and cut him quickly to a 4-2 lead. Taylor continued to shoot Evans back on his heels, but the Hawkeye stepped back for the rest of the period and trailed Taylor 4-2 after one. Taylor controlled the action from the top, spending the next minute-plus looking for a chance to turn the Hawkeye for back points. Evans managed to not give up near fall points and Taylor led 6-2 with nearly 3:00 riding time after two. Evans chose down to start the third and Taylor immediately cut him loose. Taylor took Evans down, forced a first stall warning and then cut him loose to an 8-4 le3ad with 1:00 left. Looking for a major, Taylor continued to pressure Evans off the mat. Evans defense allowed the Hawkeye to escape without giving up bonus points as Taylor posted the 9-4 win with over 2:00 riding time.

174: All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 174, met Hawkeye Ethan Lofthouse, who was ranked No. 9. Ruth quickly took Lofthouse down for an early 2-0 lead, cut the ninth-ranked wrestler loose and then immediately began looking for a second takedown. With the Hawkeye wrestler back on his heels, Ruth continued to pressure Lofthouse for the next two minutes. Ruth's pressure paid off as the Lion notched an second takedown with :20 on the clock and, after a short ride out, led 4-1 with :40 in riding time after the opening period. Ruth chose down to start the second stanza and steadily worked his way to an escape and a 5-1 lead. Ruth notched another takedown with :45 on the clock, upping his lead to 7-1. The sophomore then spent the rest of the period forcing Lofthouse into a stall warning with a ride out. Lofthouse to his back but did not get the back point call. He did pick up another point on stalling and, with nearly 3:00 in riding time, walked away with a resounding 10-1 major decision.

184: Two-time All-American Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, met Hawkeye Vinnie Wagner. Wright, like the Lions before him, set the tempo early, looking for a chance to take an early lead. Wagner got in on a single leg, but Wright was able to counter the move and nearly threw Wagner to his back for a pin. Wagner worked our of trouble and the bout resumed tied 0-0 with 1:15 left in the first period. Wright countered a Wagner shot with 1:5 left and took the Hawkeye down to lead 2-0 after one. Wright chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Wagner got in on a high single leg and Wright once again forced a stalemate with 1:10 on the clock. Trailing 3-0, Wagner chose down to start the third period. A quick escape cut into Wright's lead but the Lion then drove through a double leg for another takedown and a 5-1 lead for the Lion junior. Wright cut Wagner at the :52 mark and then countered a Wagner shot off the reset. Wright added one more takedown and, with the riding time point, posted the 8-2 win.

197: True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 12 at 197, met talented Hawkeye junior Grant Gambrall. McIntosh and Gambrall battled evenly for the opening minute, with McIntosh taking shors that Gambrall was able to step away from. Gambrall took a high single that led to a stalemate at the 1:15 mark and the bout moved on scoreless. McIntosh shot at the :42 mark, but Gambrall was able to counter and got a go-ahead takedown late in the period. McIntosh steadily worked his way to a reversal with :11 left to tie the bout up at 2-2 heading into the second period. McIntosh chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-2 lead. McIntosh gained control of Gambrall's left leg, worked his way into a scoring chance but a dangerous hold call stopped the action at the :55 mark. McIntosh nearly scored at the end of the second, but time ran out. Trailing by one, Gambrall chose down to start the final period and escaped to a 3-3 tie with 1:34 on the clock. The duo battled werenly down the stretch until McIntosh got in on a low single with :35 on the clock. McIntosh countered the move, forcing a stalemate with :35 on the clock. McIntosh countered another Gambrall shot and this time, the Lion true freshman sent nearly 7,000 into hysterics with a dual clinching takedown. The 5-3 win with just :17 left in sudden victory put Penn State up 19-12 with just one bout remaining.

285: Senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 6 at 285, took to the mat against Iowa senior Blake Raising. Wade got the bour's first takedown at the 1:20 mark, using a swift low double to take Raising to the mat and open up an early 2-0 lead. Wade spent the remainder of the period turning Raising to take Raising to the mat and open tup to his back for any near fall points. Leading by two, Wade chose down to start the second starza and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Neither man scored for the remainder of the second period and Wade led by three with 1:16 in riding time heading into the final period. Raising chose neutral to start the hird period. The veteran duo batted evenly for much of the period with Raising getting in deep on two low doubles that Wade was able to counter and end with stalemates. Wade held on for the 3-0 win and the Lions walked away with a 22-12 win.

#### #2 PENN STATE 34, #5 OHIO STATE 9

Sunday, Jan. 29, 2012 -- Rec Hall -- University Park, Pa.

125: #8 Nico Megaludis PSU dec. #15 Johnni Dejulius OSU, 6-2	3-0
133: #3 Logan Stieber OSU pinned Frank Martellotti PSU, WBF (1:38)	3-6
141: #6 Hunter Stieber OSU dec. Bryan Pearsall PSU, 9-5	3-9
149: #1 Frank Molinaro PSU maj. dec. Alex Gordon, 12-0 (5:20 RT)	7-9
157: #7 Dylan Alton PSU dec. #20 Josh Demas OSU, 4-0	10-9
165: #1 David Taylor PSU tech fall Derek Garcia OSU, 18-3 (6:20)	15-9
174: #2 Ed Ruth PSU pinned #8 Nick Heflin OSU, WBF (2:05)	21-9
184: #2 Quentin Wright PSU pinned Craig Thomas OSU, WBF (3:18)	27-9
197: #12 Morgan McIntosh PSU dec. #20 Andrew Campolattano OSU, 5-4	30-9
285: #6 Cameron Wade PSU maj. dec. #16 Peter Capone, 9-0	34-9
Attendance: 6,728	

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team followed up a win over Iowa with yet another statement victory by hammering visiting Ohio State 34-9 in a key Big Ten dual. Penn State won eight of ten bouts in front of yet another sold out Rec Hall crowd of nearly 7,000 fans, not giving up a single takedown in its eight victories over the fifth-ranked Buckeyes.

True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 8 at 125, opened up the dual with a dominating 6-2 win over No. 15 Johnni Dejulius with 2:41 in riding time. Buckeye Logan Stieber, ranked No. 3 at 133, then pinned Nittany Lion sophomore Frank Martellotti (Pittsburgh, Pa.) at the 1:38 mark. At 141, Lion junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) battled No. 6 Hurter Stieber tough before dropping a 9-5 decision, giving the Buckeyes a 9-3 lead. Three-time All-American Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.), ranked No. 1 at 149, began a Penn State onslaught with a thorough dismantling of Ohio State's Alex Gordon. Molinaro posted a 12-0 major with an impressive 5:20 in riding time. Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) then hammered No. 20 John Demas, shutting out the ranked Buckeye 4-0 with 1:28 in riding time to give Penn State a 10-9 lead heading into the halftime break.

Coming out of the locker room, All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, posted a devastating 18-3 tech fall over Ohio State's Derek Garcia (6:20). Keeping the Lion train rolling, All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) ranked No. 2 at 174, pinned No. 8 Nick Heflin in the first period, getting the fall at the 2:05 mark. Defending national champion Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, then pinned Buckeye Craig Thomas at the 3:18 mark for Penn State's third straight bonus point win. In a much-anticipated bout at 197, Lion true freshman Morgan McIntosh, ranked No. 12 at 197, took care of No. 20 Andrew Campolattano with a 5-4 win. Senior heavyweight Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 6 at heavyweight, then took care of No. 16 Peter Capone, posting a 9-0 major with 3:00 in riding time to cap off the 34-9 win.

The Nittany Lions dominated the match from start to finish, winning eight of ten bouts, notching 10 bonus points off two pins, a tech fall and two majors, and winning the takedown war by a gaudy 16-4 margin. Penn State did not give up a single takedown in its eight victories and had five wrestlers get riding time points.

#### BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: True freshman Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.) met fellow true freshman Johnni Dejulius in a battle of ranked 125-pounders. Megaludis entered the bout ranked No. 8 while Dejulius was ranked No. 15. Megaludis gained control of Dejulius 'ight leg with a high single and steadily worked his way into a scoring position, getting the takedown for a 2-0 lead at the 1:20 mark. The true freshman then maintained control for :51 before the Buck-eye escaped to a 2-1 Lion lead. Dejulius chose down to start the second period and Megaludis gained control of the Buckeyes arm, working to turn the Buckeye over for back points with an arm bar. A dangerous hold call stopped action with Megaludis till in control with over 2:00 riding time. Dejulius escaped to a 2-2 tie, but Megaludis continued to pressure the Buckeye, forcing him into defense for the rest of the period. Tied 2-2 but with 2:11 in time to his advantage, Megaludis chose down to start the tird and quickly escaped to 3-2 lead. A quick low single led to another Megaludis then maintained control for the remainder of the match and rolled to a 6-2 win with 2:41 in riding time.

133: Nittany Lion sophomore Frank Martellotti (Pittsburgh, Pa.) took on Ohio State's Logan Stieber, who was ranked No. 3 at 133. Stieber got in on a quickly single leg and drove through for an early takedown and a 2-0 lead. He then worked his way into a pin, getting the fall over Martellotti at the 1:38 mark.

141: Penn State junior Bryan Pearsall (Lititz, Pa.) battled Buckeye Hunter Stieber, who was ranked No. 6 at 141. Stieber scored first, using a high single to take Pearsall down for an early 2-0 lead. Stieber put together a strong ride, trying to turn Pearsall for back points before cutting him loose at the 1:38 mark with 1:04 in riding time. Another quick high single led to a second Stieber takedown and a 4-1 lead for the sixth-ranked Buckeye. Stieber then rode Pearsall out and led 4-1 with 2:11 in riding time after one period. Stieber chose down to start the second period but could not break free of a strong Pearsall ride as the Lion junior maintained control for over a minute. But the sixth-ranked sophomore worked his way into a reversal at the :50 mark to take a 6-1 lead. But Pearsall answered the reversal to cut the lead to 6-3 as the period ended. The Lion junior took down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 6-4 deficit, but Stieber had 1:59 in riding time. Stieber took a low single and worked his way into a takedown and an 8-4 lead with a clinched riding time point at the :45 mark. Pearsall escaped to an 8-5 deficit and continued to pressure the Buckeye, looking for his takedown. Stieber held off a late Pearsall shot and posted the 9-5 decision.

149: Top-ranked Nittany Lion Frank Molinaro (Barnegat, N.J.) faced off against Alex Gordon at 149. The Lion senior pressured Gordon from the offset, forcing the Buckeye back on his heels. Molinaro connected on a head inside single to take a 2-0 lead with 1:558 left. He then turned Gordon to his back for three near fall points and a 5-0 lead. Molinaro reset himself after action moved out of bounds and maintained control of the Buckeye for the rest of the period to lead 5-0 with 2:03 in time after one. Molinaro chose down to start the second stara and quickly escaped to a 6-0 lead. Another takedown with 1:20 left gave the Lion an 8-0 lead and another turn for two near fall points put him up 10-0. Down by ten, Gordon chose down to start the third period (Molinaro had a riding time point clinched). Molinaro posted a 12-0 win with 5:20 in riding time.

157: Red-shirt freshman Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 7 at 157, met Ohio State's Josh Demas, who was ranked No. 20. Alton dove through a high double at the 1:37 mark to take a 2-0 lead, getting the takedown in front of the Buckeye bench. He then maintained control of Demas for over a minute, looking for a chance to turn his foe and forcing him into a first stall warning with :25 on the clock. Alton rode Demas out to lead by two with 1:41 in riding time after one period. Alton chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. The Lion continued to pressure Demas, forcing the Buckeye backwards for the rest of the period. Demas, down 3-0 and giving up 1:38 in time, chose neutral to start and Alton quickly got in on a single. Demas once again worked his way towards the outside circle and forced a reset with 1:30 on the clock. Demas took a shot at the 1:00 mark of the third period but Alton nearly turned it into a throw. With the riding time point clinched, Alton rolled on to a 4-0 win to give Penn State a 10-9 lead at the break. 165: Top-ranked Penn Stater David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) met OSU freshman Derek Garcia at 165. Taylor used a blazing fast low single to norch the first takedown at the 2:00 mark. Garcia got hit with a first stall warning quickly as the Buckeyes continued to belly out underneath. Taylor cut Garcia loose at the 1:30 mark and then worked his way for a second takedown even as Garcia worked to move out of bounds. Up 4-1 with 1:18 left, Taylor maintained control of the Buckeye for the ride out. Garcia chose down to start the second period and Taylor cut him loose. Garcia got in on a high single, but Taylor easily countered for his own takedown and a 6-2 lead with 1:25 on the clock. Taylor picked up a stall point before turning Garcia to his back. But the Buckeye was able to roll out of trouble without any near falls. Taylor cut Garcia loose, took him down against with :30 on the clock. A third stall gave Taylor a 10-3 lead and two near fall points put him up 12-3 after two periods. Taylor chose down to start the down for a 15-3 lead, and then turned him for three near fall points and the 18-3 technical fall at the 6:20 mark.

174: Second-ranked Nittany Lion Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) took on Ohio State's Nick Heflin, who was ranked No. 8 at 174. Ruth shot quick out of the gates, turning a high double into a scramble on the edge of the mat. But Heflin was able to keep from giving up the takedown and the match remained scoreless. Ruth countered a Heflin shot and then nearly completed a cradle on the takedown. Heflin fought to his belly and the Lion led 2-0. Ruth reset himself, worked his way into a position for a cradle and locked it up. The Lion All-American finished off the eighth-ranked Buckeye at the 2:05 mark with the pin.

184: Second-ranked Quentin Wright (Wingate, Pa.) battled Buckeye Craig Thomas at 184. Wright quickly took the Buckeye down, taking a 2-0 lead just :30 into the bout. The All-American then began working for a chance to turn Thomas, steadily breaking the Buckeye down while building up a solid riding time edge. Wright got two near fall points before Thomas rolled over and out of trouble, giving the Nittany Lion a 4-1 lead at the 1:10 mark. Another high Wright double leg led to a 6-1 lead less than :20 after that and the Nittany Lion once again set to breaking Thomas down. He picked up a riding tim point and then added on two more near fall points to lead 9-1 with :11 on the clock. Wright chose down to start the second, quickly escaped and then caught Thomas in a shoulder throw, tossing the Buckeye to the mat and getting the pin at the 3:18 mat, just :18 into the second period.

197: True freshman Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 12 at 197, met Ohio State's Andrew Campolattano, who was ranked No. 20. McIntosh gained control of Campolattano's left ankle and steadily worked his way to a 2-0 lead with a takedown at the 1:47 mark. The Buckeye quickly escaped and action moved to the center circle with McIntosh up by a point. Another low ankle pick by McIntosh led to a second takedown and a 4-2 lead after a quick Campolattano escaped. Campolattano chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 4-3 McIntosh lead. McIntosh continued to shoot low, working for a takedown, but an injury forced McIntosh to call for time out, allowing the Buckeye to choose down and escape to a 4-4 tie. With the score deadlocked heading into the third, McIntosh chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 5-4 lead. The ranked duo battled evenly for the bulk of the period, with the Nittany Lion freshman fighting off a late shot to hold on for a thrilling 5-4 win.

285: Nittany Lion senior Cameron Wade (Twinsburg, Ohio), ranked No. 6 at heavyweight, met Buckeye Peter Capone, who was ranked No. 16. Each wrestler took an early shot, with neither man breaking through to score early. The ranked duo battled through an even first period and action moved to the second scoreless. Capone chose down to start the second period and Wade quickly gained control of the Buckeye, working for back points. The Lion senior dominated action from the top, controlling Capone for the full two minutes. Tied 0-0 but with 2:00 riding time to his favor, Wade chose down to start the final period. Wade deftly reversed the 16th-ranked Buckeye for a 2-0 lead and then he once again went to work, turning the Buckeye for three near fall points and a 5-0 lead. After a reset, Wade picked up three more back points and posted a dominating 9-0 major with 3:00 in riding time.