



2013-14 MATCH NOTES

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#1 PENN STATE NITTANY LIONS (7-0, 1-0 B1G) / trend it at #PSUwrSCUFF

WT	NAME	EL	HT/HS	REC
125	#3 Nico Megaludis	Jr.	Murrysville, Pa./Franklin Regional	11-1
133	#18 Jimmy Gulibon	Fr.	Latrobe, Pa./Derry Area	4-6
OR	Jordan Conaway	So.	Abbottstown, Pa./New Oxford	9-2
	Nate Morgan	Jr.	McCook, Neb./McCook	12-4
141	#2 Zain Retherford	Fr.	Benton, Pa./Benton	12-0
149	Zack Beitz	Fr.	Mifflintown, Pa./Juniata	7-4
	Luke Frey	So.	Montoursville, Pa./Montoursville	0-1
	#7 Andrew Alton (doubtful)	Jr.	Mill Hall, Pa./Central Mountain	0-0
157	James Vollrath	Sr.	Richboro, Pa./Council Rock South	8-4
	#5 Dylan Alton (doubtful)	Jr.	Mill Hall, Pa./Central Mountain	0-0
165	#1 David Taylor	Sr.	St. Paris, Ohio/St. Paris Graham	12-0
UN/RS	Garret Hammond	Fr.	Chambersburg, Pa./Chambersburg	Red-shirting
174	#3 Matt Brown	Jr.	West Valley City, Utah/Cyprus	12-0
184	#1 Ed Ruth	Sr.	Harrisburg, Pa./Susquehanna Township	12-0
	Wes Phipps	Fr.	Grove City, Pa./Grove City	2-2
UN/RS	Matt McCutcheon	Fr.	Apollo, Pa./Kiski Area	Red-shirting
197	#3 Morgan McIntosh	So.	Santa Ana, Calif./Calvary Chapel	11-0
285	#12 Jimmy Lawson	Jr.	Tom's River, N.J./Manchester Township	10-1
	Jon Gingrich	Jr.	Wingate, Pa./Bald Eagle Area	13-1

Individual rankings are Intermat and team rankings are Intermat TPI as of 12/24
 These notes will go to print/web/release PRIOR to any rankings coming out on 12/31
 UN/RS -- Unattached wrestler/red-shirting



THIS WEEK

No. 1 Penn State (7-0, 1-0 B1G) will head to Chattanooga, Tenn., for New Year's Day once again, looking to win its fourth straight Southern Scuffle title. The two-day, team scored event, takes place on Jan. 1-2 and is hosted by UT-Chattanooga.

UP NEXT

Penn State returns to Rec Hall for the first time in nearly a month when it hosts Purdue on Sunday, Jan. 12, at 2 p.m.

ON THE AIR

TV - None
 Live Web Video - None via GoPSU/away event
 Radio - Full season live on WRSC (103.1 FM/1390 AM) State College; WBPZ 1230 AM Lock Haven; 1370 WWCB Corry; WLAK (103.5 FM) Huntingdon; WMRF (95.7 FM) Lewistown; WIEZ (670 AM) Lewistown. Also live at GoPSUsports.com as part of the All-Access package as are select home duals.

2013-14 SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER (TV in parenthesis)

Sat. 16 at Rider (Comcast Sports Network) W, 34-8
 Sun. 17 at #25 Lehigh (PLN) W, 22-12
Sun. 24 LOCK HAVEN W, 34-6

DECEMBER

Fri. 6 at Boston W, 34-6
Sun. 8 #23 PITTSBURGH (BTDN) W, 28-9
Sun. 15 #6 OHIO STATE* (BTN) W, 31-6
 Sat. 21 at #3 Iowa (BTN) W, 24-12

JANUARY

W-Th..1-2 Southern Scuffle, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Sun. 12 PURDUE* (GoPSU) 2 p.m.
 Fri. 17 at Indiana* (BTDN) 7 p.m.
Sun. 19 NORTHWESTERN* (BTDN) 2 p.m.
Fri. 24 ILLINOIS* (BTDN) 7 p.m.
 Fri. 31 at Michigan State* (BTDN) 7 p.m.

FEBRUARY

Sun. 2 at Michigan* (BTN) 3:30 p.m.
 Sun. 9 at Minnesota* (BTN) 2 p.m.
Sun. 16 OKLAHOMA STATE (TBA/GoPSU) 2 p.m.
Sun. 23 CLARION (BTDN) 2 p.m.

MARCH

S-Su. 8-9 Big Ten Championships
 Madison, Wis. (BTDN/BTN)
 Sat. 8 Session 1 -- Opening Round
 Session 2 -- Semifinals
 Sun. 9 Session 3 -- Consolation, 7th place bouts
 Session 4 -- Championship Finals, 3rd and 5th
 T-S 20-22 2013 NCAA Championships
 Oklahoma City, Okla. (ESPN Networks LIVE)
 Thur. 20 Session 1 -- 1st Round
 Thur. 20 Session 2 -- 2nd Round/Consolations
 Fri. 21 Session 3 -- Quarterfinals/Consolations
 Fri. 21 Session 4 -- Semifinals/All-America Round
 Sat. 22 Session 5 -- Medal Rounds
 Sat. 22 Session 6 -- Championship Finals

* Big Ten Dual (dual at Iowa is a non-conference dual)
 All Dates and Times Subject to Change
 Team rankings are Intermat TPI at time of dual
All Times EASTERN

TODAY'S ACTION

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.; December 26, 2013 -- The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestlers (7-0, 1-0 B1G), ranked No. 1 in the nation, will head to Chattanooga, Tenn., for the 2014 Southern Scuffle. Head coach Cael Sanderson's squad will be looking to win its fourth straight Scuffle title at the two day event. Action at UT-Chattanooga, Tenn., runs Jan. 1 through Jan. 2, 2014.

Penn State sports a balanced line-up featuring ten nationally ranked wrestlers, five of whom are sporting unblemished records. Senior Ed Ruth comes in ranked No. 1 at 184 having just earned Big Ten Wrestler of the Week honors. Ruth is 12-0 on the year and is currently riding an 80-match win streak dating back to his freshman year (his last loss was in the NCAA quarterfinals, an injury default, in March of 2011). Classmate David Taylor is ranked No. 1 at 165 and has won Big Ten Wrestler of the Week honors twice this year. Taylor is 12-0 as well on the year and just nine pins shy of tying Penn State's all-time pins record (he has 44, the record is 53).

True freshman Zain Retherford is ranked No. 2 at 141 and is 12-0 as well. Retherford earned Big Ten Wrestler of the Week honors in mid-December after downing two-time NCAA champ Logan Stieber of Ohio State. Junior Matt Brown is ranked No. 3 at 174. The 2013 NCAA finalist has a 12-0 record as well. Sophomore Morgan McIntosh is ranked No. 3 at 197 and sports an 11-0 mark. McIntosh's unblemished record gives Penn State five undefeated wrestlers with ten-plus wins. Junior Nico Megaludis is ranked No. 3 at 125 with an 11-1 record. The two-time NCAA finalist's lofty perch gives Penn State six wrestlers ranked among the top three at their weights.

Junior Jimmy Lawson is ranked No. 12 at 285 with a stellar 10-1 record. His lone loss came on a last-second reversal to No. 3 Bobby Telford of Iowa in Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Dec. 21. Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon is ranked No. 18 at 133 while sophomore Jordan Conaway is ranked by other ranking entities at that weight. Senior James Vollrath is ranked among the nation's best by some outlets at 157 with an 8-4 mark and red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz sports a 7-4 mark at 149, including key dual wins against Ohio State and Iowa.

As of press time (12/26/13), ranked brothers Andrew and Dylan Alton (149 and 157 respectively) were slated to compete in the Wilkes Open at Wilkes University on Dec. 28. The stats in these notes do not reflect their performances. Their participation in the Scuffle has yet to be decided (as of 12/26/13). The Altons are both returning from off-season shoulder surgeries and have yet to complete this year.

The Lions are coming off dominating 24-12 win at No. 3 Iowa on Saturday, Dec. 21. The win, Penn State's first in Iowa City since 2006, was highlighted by majors from Taylor, Ruth and McIntosh as Penn State won seven of ten bouts against the homestanding Hawkeyes. The win was a non-conference victory as the dual was set up by the two head coaches after the match-up was left off the Big Ten regular season slate.

The Southern Scuffle has quickly become one of the pre-eminent in-season, team scored tournaments in the nation. This year's event features, in addition to Penn State, programs such as Oklahoma State, Minnesota, Iowa State, Missouri, Oregon State, Pittsburgh and Cornell. Beginning at 9 a.m. on Jan. 1, Jeff Byers' full radio call is available via GoPSUsports.com's All-Access.

Penn State returns to action on Sunday, Jan. 12, 2014, when Purdue visits sold-out Rec Hall for a 2 p.m. dual meet. With the full season of Rec Hall duals sold out prior to the start of the campaign, a very limited number of standing room only tickets are available to a few of the remaining Rec Hall duals. People may purchase tickets by calling 1-800-NITTANY or by visiting the Penn State Athletics ticket office located in the BJC. Fans are encouraged to follow Penn State wrestling via twitter at www.twitter.com/pennstateWREST and on Penn State Wrestling's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/pennstatewrestling. The 2013-14 Penn State Wrestling season is presented by The Family Clothesline.

THE LAST TIME...

#1 PENN STATE AT SOUTHERN SCUFFLE Jan. 1-2, 2013 -- Chattanooga, Tenn. -- UT-Chattanooga

- 1: PENN STATE – 178.5
- 2: Oklahoma State – 158.0
- 3: Missouri – 147.5
- 4: Minnesota – 139.5

ATTENDANCE: 5,399

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team used a complete team effort to claim its third straight Southern Scuffle crown. Penn State ran away from second place Oklahoma State, posting 178.5 points to 158.0 for the Cowboys. The Nittany Lions used a dominating 5-1 performance in the semifinals to set up a 3-2 run in the finals, crowning three champions. In all, 11 of Penn State's 17 competing wrestlers placed at the event.

2013-14 INDIVIDUAL RECORDS (as of 12/23/13)

<i>Name, Wt.</i>	<i>Record</i>
Andrew Alton, 149	0-0
Dylan Alton, 157	0-0
Seth Beitz, 149/157	4-0
Zack Beitz, 141/149	7-4
Devon Bentley, 133/141	1-2
Matt Brown, 174	12-0
Andrew Church, 174/184	6-4
Jordan Conaway, 125/133	9-2
Dylan Dailey, 174/184	2-4
James English, 149	3-2
James Frascella, 174	3-4
Luke Frey, 149	0-1
Jon Gingrich, 285	13-1
Jimmy Gulibon, 133	4-6
Garett Hammond, 157/165	16-3
Cameron Kelly, 133	1-2
Cody Law, 157/165	0-0
Jimmy Lawson, 285	10-1
Caleb Livingston, 165/174	5-8
Rex Lutz, 165	6-2
Matt McCutcheon, 184/197	4-1
Morgan McIntosh, 197	11-0
Nico Megaludis, 125	11-1
Kyle Moran, 149	3-4
Nate Morgan, 133	12-4
Kade Moss, 141/149	4-3
Wes Phipps, 174/184	2-2
Zain Retherford, 141	12-0
Josh Rogers, 197	4-4
Nick Ruggear, 285	6-3
Ed Ruth, 184	12-0
P.J. Steinmetz, 197	0-0
Scott Syrek, 184/197	1-2
David Taylor, 165	12-0
James Vollrath, 157	8-4
Michael Waters, 133/141	9-5

This includes records w/unattached results listed in current mark

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HEAD COACH CAEL SANDERSON

Cael Sanderson is in his fifth season as head coach of the Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team. The veteran head coach now has three straight NCAA and three straight Big Ten titles in hand. He has been named Big Ten Coach of the Year three straight times and was named the 2013 National Coach of the Year after guiding Penn State to yet another NCAA title in Des Moines.

THE PENN STATE YEARS...

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.

In 2010-11, Sanderson guided the Nittany Lions to its first-ever Southern Scuffle Co-Championship and its first Virginia Duals Championship since 1991. 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.

In 2011-12, Sanderson led Penn State to a school record 7-1 Big Ten dual record and a share of the 2012 Big Ten dual meet championship. Sanderson then made it two in a row by leading Penn State to the 2012 Big Ten Championship at Purdue on March 3-4 and was named 2012 Big Ten Coach of the Year, earning the honor for the second straight season. Two weeks later, Sanderson led Penn State to a second straight NCAA crown, helping Penn State to become just the sixth team in NCAA history to win back-to-back titles.

Last year, Penn State went 13-1 overall in dual meets this year and won its third straight Southern Scuffle title in early January. The Nittany Lions followed that up with a third straight Big Ten Championship on March 9-10 at Illinois and a third straight NCAA National Title in Des Moines on March 21-23. He was named Big Ten Coach of the Year for the third straight season (sharing this year's honor as a co-CoTY) and 2013 National Coach of the Year (the second time he has earned that honor).

In this, his fifth season as Penn State's coach, Sanderson has led the Nittany Lions to three-straight conference titles, three straight national titles, collected 19 All-Americans, five national champions, three Gorriaran winners, one NCAA tourney OW and one Hodge Trophy winner. He and his coaching staff have a perfect 13-0 record in Big Ten championship finals. Coach Sanderson now sports a 107-19-2 dual meet mark in this, his seventh year as a head coach. He is 63-9-2 and in his fifth year at Penn State.

Sanderson's Career Coaching Record

Season	Record	%	B10 Dual	Conf.	NCAA	Qual.	AA	NC
2006-07	13-3-0	.813	---	1st	2nd	10	4	1
2007-08	16-4-0	.800	---	1st	5th	10	7	0
2008-09	15-3-0	.833	---	1st	3rd	10	4	1
2009-10	13-6-1	.675	5-3-0	5th	9th	6	3	0
2010-11	17-1-1	.921	6-1-1	1st	1st	8	5	1
2011-12	13-1-0	.929	7-1-0	1st	1st	9	6	3
2012-13	13-1-0	.929	7-1-0	1st	1st	10	5	2
2013-14	7-0-0	1.000	1-0-0	--	--	--	--	--
Career	107-19-2	.844	26-6-1	---	---	63	34	8

Italics are Cael's ISU years

NATIONAL RANKINGS

TEAM RANKINGS

INTERMAT TPI

(12/24/13)

- PENN STATE
- Minnesota
- Iowa
- Oklahoma State
- Oklahoma
- Edinboro
- Cornell
- Nebraska
- Northwestern
- Ohio State
- Illinois
- Iowa State
- Missouri
- Northern Iowa
- Maryland
- Michigan
- Virginia
- Pittsburgh
- Lehigh
- Boise State
- Oregon State
- Indiana
- Stanford
- Wisconsin
- Ohio
- Bloomersburg
- North Dakota State

USA TODAY

COACHES POLL

(12/17/13) (dual)

- PENN STATE
 - Minnesota
 - Iowa
 - Oklahoma
 - Oklahoma State
 - Cornell
 - Missouri
 - Nebraska
 - Ohio State
 - Northern Iowa
 - Illinois
 - Pittsburgh
 - Virginia
 - Virginia Tech
 - Edinboro
 - Northwestern
 - Iowa State
 - Stanford
 - Lehigh
 - Purdue
 - Bloomersburg
 - Wisconsin
 - Oregon State
 - Rider
- RV: Boise State, Kent State, Navy, Ohio.

INDIVIDUALS

INTERMAT

(12/24/13)

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| Nico Megaludis | 3rd/125 |
| Jimmy Gulibon | 18th/133 |
| Zain Retherford | 2nd/141 |
| Andrew Alton | 7th/149 |
| Dylan Alton | 5th/157 |
| David Taylor | 1st/165 |
| Matt Brown | 3rd/174 |
| Ed Ruth | 1st/184 |
| Morgan McIntosh | 3rd/197 |
| Jimmy Lawson | 12th/285 |

WIN MAGAZINE

(12/17/13)

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| Nico Megaludis | 3rd/125 |
| Jordan Conaway | 16th/133 |
| Zain Retherford | 4th/141 |
| Andrew Alton | 8th/149 |
| Dylan Alton | 6th/157 |
| David Taylor | 1st/165 |
| Matt Brown | 3rd/174 |
| Ed Ruth | 1st/184 |
| Morgan McIntosh | 7th/197 |
| Jimmy Lawson | 10th/285 |

AWN/TOM (12/24/13)

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vs. RANKED FOES

Check here throughout the season for Penn State's dual meet results against foes ranked in the Intermat Top 25 Team TPI.

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| 11/17 at #25 Lehigh | W, 22-12 |
| 12/8 vs. #23 Pittsburgh | W, 28-9 |
| 12/15 vs. #6 Ohio State | W, 31-6 |
| 12/21 at #3 Iowa | W, 24-12 |

LIONS WIN SEVEN OF TEN BOUTS IN 24-12 VICTORY AT IOWA

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team rolled into Carver-Hawkeye Arena on Dec. 21 and walked out of the venerable wrestling venue with a convincing 24-12 win in its pocket. Penn State won seven of ten bouts, including three majors, to notch the school's first victory in CHA since a 21-12 win on Feb. 3, 2006. The victory was head coach Cael Sanderson's first coaching win in CHA as well.

TAYLOR & McINTOSH WIN BIG, RUTH MAJORS LOFTHOUSE AND EARNS BIG WoW, AS LIONS DOWN HAWKEYES

Top-ranked seniors David Taylor and Ed Ruth, as well as No. 3 Morgan McIntosh, picked up impressive major decisions in Penn State's 24-12 win at Iowa on 12/21/13. Taylor rolled up five takedowns and 4:21 in riding time to take care of No. 4 Nick Moore 12-3 while Ruth collected an equal five takedowns to go along with 2:21 in riding time to beat No. 2 Ethan Lofthouse 12-4. Ruth was named Big Ten Wrestler of the Week (12/22) for his efforts as well. McIntosh was equally dominant, posting four takedowns on his way to a 16-4 major over Sam Brooks.

BROWN AND RETHERFORD TAKE DOWN TOP TEN FOES IN PENN STATE VICTORY AT IOWA

Junior All-American Matt Brown was untouchable in a 4-1 win over No. 6 Mike Evans at 174 in Penn State's 24-12 victory in Iowa City on 12/21/13. Brown used a first period takedown and dominating rides to roll to the 4-1 win with 1:40 in riding time. True freshman Zain Retherford posted a 4-2 win over Hawkeye junior Josh Dziewa, ranked No. 2 at 141. Retherford used a third period takedown and another stellar ride out to roll to victory. In addition, red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz picked up a key 6-1 win over Michael Kelly at 149 and Nico Megaludis downed Thomas Gilman 4-1 at 125.

REETHERFORD DOWNS 2X NCAA CHAMP AND #1 STIEBER; NAMED BIG TEN WRESTLER OF THE WEEK (12/17)

True freshman Zain Retherford sent Penn State's 14th-straight home sell out crowd through the Rec Hall roof on Sunday with a 4-2 sudden victory decision over No. 1 Logan Stieber of Ohio State. Trailing 2-1 after one period, Retherford, in his first year of collegiate wrestling, rode Stieber out for the entirety of the second period to build up a one-minute riding time edge. That riding time edge would send the match to extra time after a scoreless third period (tied 2-2). Retherford, at 18 years of age, then electrified the crowd with a quick shot in sudden victory and a short scramble to post the deciding takedown over Stieber, a two-time defending NCAA Champion (and undefeated heading into the dual). Retherford remains unbeaten on the year with an 11-0 mark as Penn State downed Ohio State 31-6 in front of nearly 6,400 fans. Retherford was named Big Ten Wrestler of the Week (12/17) for his efforts.

ZACK BEITZ DOWNS #19 PADDOCK IN WIN OVER OHIO STATE

Freshman Zack Beitz made a statement in his Big Ten dual meet debut on Sunday, 12/15, when he took down #19 Ian Paddock of Ohio State. Beitz notched the bout's only takedown on his way to a 5-3 decision, helping Penn State to a 31-6 win over the Buckeyes in front of a Rec Hall sell out.

MEGALUDIS, TAYLOR, BROWN, RUTH, LAWSON BONUS POINT MACHINES IN WIN OVER #6 OHIO STATE

Penn State's 31-6 win over #6 Ohio State on 12/15 in sold out Rec Hall was highlighted by five bonus point victories from a handful of veteran Nittany Lions. Nico Megaludis posted a 21-4 tech fall over #19 Nick Roberts, David Taylor notched a 20-5 tech fall over Joe Grandominico, Matt Brown majored Mark Martin 16-4, Ed Ruth posted a 14-3 major over #12 Kenny Courts and Jimmy Lawson notched a 15-4 major over Nick Tavanello. Senior James Vollrath picked up Penn State's eighth win.

PENN STATE/PITT DUAL IN BJC SELLS OUT IN ADVANCE; SETS NCAA AND PSU/BJC ATTENDANCE RECORDS

Penn State welcomed Intrastate rival Pittsburgh to the Bryce Jordan Center on Sunday, Dec. 8, 2013. Six days prior to that, on Dec. 2, the dual meet in the 15K-plus venue was sold out. At the end of the day on the 8th, Penn State claimed a 28-9 win over the Panthers and wrestling fans from all over the region could say they helped make history. The sold-out attendance figure of 15,996 set three records. First, it sets the new NCAA all-time record for dual meet attendance, out-doing the mark set by Iowa on Dec. 6, 2008, against Ohio State. It is an all-time best for a wrestling dual meet in Nittany Lion grappling history, besting the old mark of 11,245 set on Dec. 6, 1996, when Penn State hosted Iowa in the BJC (a 22-15 Iowa win early in the '96-97 season). It is also the largest ever crowd in the Bryce Jordan Center for a Penn State Athletics event. The old mark was 15,472, set on Feb. 1, 1997, when the Nittany Lion basketball team entertained Purdue. The sell-out is also the 13th straight home sell-out for Penn State, dating back to the 2011-12 season (with the prior 12 occurring in Rec Hall).

2013-14 BIG TEN STANDINGS

(by Big Ten win % -- 12/24/13)

Pl.	Team	Big Ten		Overall	
		W-L-T	PCT	W-L-T	PCT
1.	Wisconsin	2-0-0	1.000	8-3-0	.727
2.	PENN STATE	1-0-0	1.000	7-0-0	1.000
	Minnesota	1-0-0	1.000	4-0-0	1.000
	Nebraska	1-0-0	1.000	5-0-0	.000
5.	Indiana	0-0-0	.000	7-1-0	.875
	Iowa	0-0-0	.000	6-1-0	.857
	Michigan	0-0-0	.000	3-2-0	.600
8.	Illinois	0-1-0	.000	6-2-0	.750
	Michigan State	0-1-0	.000	5-4-0	.556
	Northwestern	0-1-0	.000	5-1-0	.833
	Ohio State	0-1-0	.000	5-1-0	.833
	Purdue	0-1-0	.000	3-1-0	.750

BIG TEN WRESTLERS OF THE WEEK

11/6	Taylor Walsh, Indiana
11/12	DAVID TAYLOR, PENN STATE
11/19	DAVID TAYLOR, PENN STATE
11/26	Tyler Graff, Wisconsin
12/3	Scott Schiller, Minnesota
12/10	Johnni Dijulius, Ohio State
12/17	ZAIN RETHERFORD, PENN STATE
12/24	ED RUTH, PENN STATE
12/31	TBA

HONORS WON

Matt Brown, 174
NWCA All-Star Classic Participant

Zain Retherford, 141
Big Ten Wrestler of the Week, 12/17

Ed Ruth, 184
Big Ten Wrestler of the Week, 12/24

David Taylor, 165
NWCA All-Star Classic Participant
Big Ten Wrestler of the Week, 11/13
Big Ten Wrestler of the Week, 11/20

MEGALUDIS DOWNS #9 ZANETTA OF PITTSBURGH

Two-time All-American Nico Megaludis, ranked No. 3 at 125, downed No. 9 Anthony Zanetta 4-1, including nearly 2:00 riding time. The win helped spark the Lions to a 28-9 win over the Panthers in front of a sold-out crowd in the Bryce Jordan Center on 12/8/13.

BROWN HANDLES #9 WILPS AS LIONS ROAR PAST PITT

All-American Matt Brown, ranked No. 3 at 174, took care of No. 9 Tyler Wilps of Pittsburgh 9-3 on 12/8/13. The victory was one of eight Penn State wins in a 28-9 dual meet win over the Panthers in front of a sold out Bryce Jordan Center crowd.

PHIPPS HAS MAJOR WEEKEND VS. BOSTON AND PITT

Red-shirt freshman Wes Phipps got the call at 184 for Penn State during a two-dual weekend on 12/6 and 12/8 and made the most of the opportunity. The Grove City native majored Boston's Aaron Conrad 9-1 in front of a sold out BU crowd in Boston for his first dual meet win as a Nittany Lion. Two days later, he thrilled an NCAA dual meet record crowd of nearly 16,000 with a 13-3 major over Pitt's Aaron Rothwell in the Bryce Jordan Center.

ZACK BEITZ PICKS UP FIRST DUAL WIN AS A LION

Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz withstood a raucous Boston University crowd on 12/6 to beat Terrier Nick Tourville 9-3, picking up his first dual meet win as a Nittany Lion. The victory helped spark Penn State to a 34-6 road dual win in Boston.

NITTANY LIONS & TERRIERS MAKE BU WRESTLING HISTORY

Penn State travelled to Boston University on 12/6 for a road dual with the Terriers and the two teams made BU Wrestling history. While Penn State won eight of ten bouts and rolled to the 34-6 victory, 1,664 fans packed BU's Case Hall, marking the first time in Boston's history that a wrestling dual was sold out and, of course, setting a new BU attendance record.

CONAWAY WINS OW AT THUNDER WOLVE, ONE OF 6 PSU CHAMPS, THEN TAKES THE MAT IN BJC THE NEXT DAY

Sophomore Jordan Conaway went 3-0 to roll to the 133-pound title at the Thunder Wolve Open outside Buffalo on Saturday evening, one of six Penn State champions at the event on Saturday, Dec. 7. Conaway returned to State College after midnight that evening and then prepped for Penn State's sold-out BJC dual against Pitt on Sunday, Dec. 8. The Lion gave up two third period takedowns to No. 17 Shelton Mack before dropping a close 5-2 decision to the Panther. Joining Conaway as champs at the Thunder Wolve were Nate Morgan (3-0 at 141), Seth Beitz (4-0 at 157), Rex Lutz (3-0 at 174 with another win over a non-collegiate), Josh Rogers (3-0 at 197) and Jon Gingrich (5-0 with four pins at 285).

LIONS DO WELL AT MAT-TOWN

Four members of the Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team competed unattached at the Mat-Town Open hosted by Lock Haven University. Senior All-American Ed Ruth, wrestling unattached as he continues a month-long suspension from team competition, blazed his way through the 184-pound weight class. He went 5-0 with two pins, a tech fall and two majors to remain unbeaten on the year. He posted a resounding 20-6 major over No. 19 Fred Garcia of Lock Haven in the finals. Ruth's matches do count towards his season and career totals. True freshman Matt McCutcheon saw his first collegiate level action at Mat-Town, rolling to a third place finish with his only loss being a close 2-1 tiebreaker decision to No. 19 Garcia of host Lock Haven. McCutcheon ended the day with a 4-1 mark and two majors. He downed Cornell's William George 5-3 (tb) for third place.

SELL-OUT CROWD IN REC HALL SEES NITTANY LIONS DOWN LOCK HAVEN 34-6

Three Penn State All-Americans notched falls or tech falls while three freshmen made Rec Hall debuts as the Nittany Lions downed Lock Haven 34-6 in front of 6,500 fans the 12th-straight sell out for the Lions in the venerable building. David Taylor got a pin, Nico Megaludis and Matt Brown posted tech falls and true freshman Zain Retherford downed Dan Neff at 141 in his Rec Hall debut. Red-shirt freshmen Zack Beitz and Wes Phipps debuted in Rec Hall with very close losses (8-7 and 3-1 respectively, with Phipps' loss to #19 Fred Garcia).

TAYLOR'S 100TH CAREER BONUS POINT VICTORY LEADS LOINS TO WIN AT #25 LEHIGH; NAMED B1G WoW

Senior David Taylor dominated Lehigh's Brian Brill to the tune of a 20-7 major, sparking Penn State to a 22-12 dual meet win at #25 Lehigh on 11/17. With the Lions wrestling without four ranked wrestlers, Taylor's bonus point win helped secure the victory for Penn State going away. The win was Taylor's 100th bonus point win. At the conclusion of that dual, Taylor had 100 bonus point wins in

2013-14 ATTENDANCE

11/24	LOCK HAVEN	6,498
12/8	PITTSBURGH (BJC)	*15,996
12/15	OHIO STATE	6,380
1/12	PURDUE	
1/19	NORTHWESTERN	
1/24	ILLINOIS	
2/16	OKLAHOMA STATE	
2/17	CLARION	
TOTAL		28,874
AVG.		9,625

* Broke NCAA Dual Meet Attendance and PSU/BJC Athletics Event records

2013-14 RIDGE RILEY AWARD WINNERS (home)

11/24	LOCK HAVEN	David Taylor, 195
12/8	PITTSBURGH (BJC)	David Taylor, 195
12/15	OHIO STATE	Zain Retherford, 141
1/12	PURDUE	
1/19	NORTHWESTERN	
1/24	ILLINOIS	
2/16	OKLAHOMA STATE	
2/17	CLARION	

2013-14 ERNIE LUCAS AWARD WINNERS (away)

11/16	RIDER	David Taylor, 195
11/17	LEHIGH	Morgan McIntosh, 197
12/6	BOSTON	Wes Phipps, 184
12/21	IOWA	Zack Beitz, 149
1/17	INDIANA	
1/31	MICHIGAN STATE	
2/2	MICHIGAN	
2/9	MINNESOTA	

#HASHTAG

Penn State fans can join up on the 'etherwebs' this year, using event specific hashtags on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram! Trending now!

General: #PSUwr

Event specific (I'll be using these leading up to and during all our events this year)!

#PSUwrSCUFF for Southern Scuffle
#PSUwrPUR for Purdue
#PSUwrIND for Indiana
#PSUwrNU for Northwestern
#PSUwrILL for Illinois
#PSUwrMSU for Michigan State
#PSUwrMICH for Michigan
#PSUwrMINN for Minnesota
#PSUwrOKST for Oklahoma State
#PSUwrCUP for Clarion
#PSUwrB1G for Big Ten's
#PSUwrNCAA for NCAA's

110 matches wrestled. Taylor was named Big Ten Wrestler of the Week for the second consecutive week for his efforts.

GINGRICH DOWNS #19 VOLLARO OF LEHIGH

Junior heavyweight Jon Gingrich capped off Penn State's 22-12 win at #25 Lehigh on 11/17 with a strong 5-2 win over #19 Doug Vollaro. Gingrich stepped in at 285 and helped put the finishing touches on a strong team showing as Penn State wrestled without four ranked wrestlers.

MEGALUDIS, RETHERFORD, TAYLOR LEAD PENN STATE TO WIN AT RIDER IN FRONT OF SELL OUT CROWD

Wrestling in front of packed Alumni Gymnasium at Rider University, the Penn State Nittany Lions rolled to a 34-8 win over the Broncs, who were ranked 25th in the Coaches Poll at the time (not the InterMat TPI). Junior All-American Nico Megaludis downed #17 Robert Deutsch 5-0 at 125, true freshman Zain Retherford made his Penn State dual meet debut with a 12-3 major over RU's Paulie Kirchner at 141 and senior All-American David Taylor pinned #13 Ramon Santiago at the 4:27 mark to highlight the lopsided Lion victory.

HAMMOND WINS TITLE AT ESU OPEN

Ten members of the Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team took part in the East Stroudsburg Open today, both attached and unattached. True freshman Garrett Hammond won the 165-pound title to lead Penn State's efforts. Hammond was a perfect 5-0 on the day, putting forth a dominant performance with five bonus point wins. Hammond had two majors, a tech fall and two pins on the day and improved his record to 16-3 as an unattached Nittany Lion. Junior heavyweight Nick Ruggear went 3-1 on the day plus grabbing a win over a non-collegiate grappler (which does not count in his results). Ruggear's performance included a pin and a major was good enough for third place at 285. Two Nittany Lion 141-pounders placed. Sophomore Michael Waters went 5-2 to place fourth at 141 while junior Nate Morgan went 6-2 to take seventh with two pins and a tech fall.

ALL REC HALL DUALS SOLD OUT; LESS THAN 50 SROs FOR FOUR DUALS REMAIN

With the entire dual meet season of Rec Hall action sold out prior to the start of the season, a limited number of Standing Room Only tickets were made available in October for fans to purchase. Three sets of those SROs quickly sold out (Oklahoma State, Ohio State and Illinois). Less than 50 SROs remain for Purdue, Northwestern and Clarion (the final home action for seniors David Taylor and Ed Ruth). Fans may purchase those tickets by calling 1-800-NITTANY.

LIONS CROWN SIX CHAMPS AT BINGHAMTON

Penn State wrestled well at the Binghamton Open on Sunday, Nov. 10. Six Nittany Lions won individual titles at the event with three other Penn Staters making the finals and dropping close decisions to ranked wrestlers. In addition, Penn State notched two third place finishes and a fourth place finish. True freshman Zain Retherford (141), senior David Taylor (165), junior Matt Brown (174), senior Ed Ruth (184), sophomore Morgan McIntosh (197) and junior Jimmy Lawson (285) all went 5-0 to win titles and ride into the first duals with a full head of steam. Junior Nico Megaludis (125), sophomore Jordan Conaway (133) and senior James Vollrath (157) all went 4-1 and lost heart-breakers in the finals. Junior Jon Gingrich (285) and true freshman Garrett Hammond (165) each went 7-1 to place third and red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (133) went 4-2 to place fourth.

TAYLOR BIG WRESTLER OF THE WEEK FOR 11/10/13

David Taylor has been named the Big Ten Wrestler of the Week for the week ending Nov. 10, 2013. The honor is the first for Penn State this year and the second of Taylor's career. Taylor, ranked No. 1 at 165 by InterMat, was simply unstoppable in his first action of the 2013-14 season. Coming off an impressive exhibition win in Washington, D.C., the prior weekend,

Taylor destroyed the field at the Binghamton Open on Sunday. The Lion 165-pounder went 5-0 with four pins, all in the first period. His only non-pin was an 18-2 technical fall in the semifinals. His four pins came at 1:13, 2:00, 2:41 and 1:51 in the championship bout.

TAYLOR AND BROWN AT THE NWCA ALL-STAR CLASSIC

Two members of the top-ranked Penn State wrestling team took part in the 2013 NWCA All-Star Classic in Fairfax, Va. Held in George Mason University's Patriot Center, All-Americans David Taylor and Matt Brown each competed at the exhibition event. Taylor rolled to an 13-2 major decision over No. 4 Michael Moreno of Iowa State while Brown, ranked No. 3 at 174, dropped a tough 4-3 decision to No. 1 Andrew Howe of Oklahoma on riding time.

CHURCH AND HAMMOND AT THE CLARION OPEN

Senior Andrew Church and true freshman Garrett Hammond each competed unattached at the Clarion Knight Point Open, the season's first open tournament, on Nov. 3. Church worked his way into the quarterfinals before dropping into the consolation bracket. The fifth-year senior ended a strong opening run with a 4-2 record. Hammond, seeing his first action at the collegiate level, dropped his first match and then reeled off four straight dominating wins in consolation action. Hammond posted an identical 4-2 record. His four wins included three pins and a technical fall. One of his pins was in just 0:42.

LIONS WITH TEN RANKED INDIVIDUALS BY INTERMAT

Ten members of the Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team are now ranked at their individual weights in the latest InterMat Rankings. Nico Megaludis is ranked No. 3 at 125, Jimmy Gulibon is No. 18 at 133, Zain Retherford is No. 2 at 141, Andrew Alton is No. 7 at 149, Dylan Alton is No. 5 at 157, David Taylor is No. 1 at 165, Matt Brown is No. 3 at 174, Ed Ruth is No. 1 at 184, Morgan McIntosh is No. 3 at 197 and Jimmy Lawson is No. 12 at 285.

MICHIGAN DUAL TIME CHANGED

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team has announced dual meet time changes due to national television broadcast requests. The Nittany Lions' match-up at Michigan will start at 3:30 p.m. instead of 2 p.m. on Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 2.

FANS ARE REMINDED ABOUT REC HALL'S NEW NO BAG POLICY

To enhance public safety and improve fan access, no bags are permitted inside Penn State sports venues during a game. A single one-gallon clear plastic bag (Ziploc or similar) is permitted for the things you have to have, like medicine, child care supplies, keys, phone, wallet, etc. Questions, call 1-800-NITTANY. Penn State Intercollegiate Athletics thanks you for your cooperation.

RECORDS WATCH - CAREER

MATCHES WRESTLED

1.	184	Josh Moore, '01-04
2.	168	Jim Martin, '86-89
	168	Kerry McCoy, '92-97
4.	162	Greg Elinsky, '83-87
5.	158	Doc Vecchio, '00-03
	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.	150	Frank Molinaro, '09-12
12.	149	Mark Becks, '00-03
	149	Eric Brugel, '82-84, 86
	149	John Hughes, '92, 94-96
15.	144	Andy Voit, '85, 87-89
16.	143	Dan Vallimont, '07-10
17.	142	John Hanrahan, '79-82
18.	140	Jeremy Hunter, '96-00
	140	Sanshiro Abe, '93-96
20.	139	Quentin Wright, '09-13
	139	Tim Flynn, '83, 85-87

VICTORIES

1.	155	Jim Martin, '86-89
2.	150	Kerry McCoy, '92-97
3.	146	Josh Moore, '01-04
4.	138	Greg Elinsky, '83-87
5.	125	Sanshiro Abe, '93-96
6.	123	Jeremy Hunter, '96-00
	123	Clint Musser, '94, 96-99
8.	121	Frank Molinaro, '09-12
	121	John Hughes, '92, 94-96
10.	116	Quentin Wright, '09-13
	116	Phil Davis, '05-08
12.	115	Ken Chertow, '85, 87-89
13.	114	Ed Ruth, 2011-Prsnt.
	114	Carl DeStefanis, '81-84
15.	112	David Taylor, 2011-Prsnt.
	112	Scott Moore, '00, '02-03
17.	110	Dan Mayo, '84, 86-88
18.	108	Pat Cummins, '01-04
	108	Dan Vallimont, '07-10
20.	107	Mark Becks, '00-03

FALLS

1.	53	Josh Moore, '01-04
2.	44	David Taylor, '11-Prsnt.
3.	38	Ed Ruth, '11-Prsnt.
	38	Quentin Wright, '09-13
5.	34	Scott Moore, '00, '02-03
	34	Kerry McCoy, '92-97
7.	32	Cameron Wade, 2009-12
	32	Josh Walker, '02-05
9.	31	Biff Walizer, '95-99
10.	30	Andrew Alton, '11-Prsnt.
	30	Phil Davis, '05-08
	30	Pat Cummins, '01-04
13.	29	Jeremy Hunter, '96-00
14.	28	Cary Kolat, '93-94
15.	26	Shawn Nelson, '90, 92-94
16.	25	John Lange, '94-98
17.	24	DeWitt Driscoll, '03-06
	24	Jerry White, '74-77
19.	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	Greg Haladay, '86-87, 89-90
	23	Jeff Prescott, '89-92

DUAL MEET VICTORIES

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	Frank Molinaro, '09-12
	55	Greg Elinsky, '83-87
9.	54	David Taylor, '11-Prsnt.
	54	Glenn Pritzlaff, '94, 96-99
11.	53	Clint Musser, '94, 96-99
12.	52	Troy Sunderland, '89, 91-93
13.	51	Jeff Prescott, '89-92
14.	50	Dave Hart, '89, 91-93
15.	49	Quentin Wright, '09-13
16.	48	Carl DeStefanis, '81-84
	48	Ken Chertow, '85, 87-89
	48	Bob Truby, '88-92
	48	Brad Pataky, 2006-11
20.	47	Cameron Wade, '09-12
	47	Dan Mayo, '84, 86-88
	47	Andy Voit, '85, 87-89
	47	Jake Strayer, '06-09
--	46	Ed Ruth, '11-Prsnt.

THE PENN STATE WRESTLING RADIO NETWORK

The Penn State Wrestling Radio Network continues to expand, offering an extensive reach across the state for live dual meet broadcasts and the weekly Penn State Wrestling Radio Show. In addition, continued live streaming as part of www.GoPSUsports.com's All-Access package gives Nittany Lion wrestling continued world-wide reach.

Headlining a seven-station network for live dual action, Forever Broadcasting's WRSC FM /AM will once again serve as the flagship destination for Penn State Wrestling, carrying the entire season live. WRSC 103.1 FM will carry nearly every match this year (with only four duals being carried by 1390 AM alone). The shift to FM for almost the entire season greatly increases Forever's reach for 2013-14. WRSC's flagship coverage is as follows:

Airing on both 103.1 FM and 1390 AM: Nov. 16 vs. Rider; Dec. 21 vs. Iowa; Jan. 1-2 at Scuffle (split coverage that alternates between stations); Jan. 17 vs. Indiana; Jan. 19 vs. Northwestern; Jan. 24 vs. Illinois; March 8-9 Big Ten Championship (split coverage between stations); March 20-22 NCAA Championship (split coverage between stations).

Airing on 103.1 FM only: Dec. 8 vs. Pitt; Dec. 15 vs. Ohio State; Jan. 12 vs. Purdue; Feb. 2 vs. Michigan; Feb. 9 vs. Minnesota; Feb. 16 vs. Oklahoma State.

Airing on 1390 AM only: Nov. 17 vs. Lehigh; Nov. 24 vs. Lock Haven; Dec. 6 vs. Boston; Jan. 31 vs. Michigan State.

Joining WRSC will a full season of coverage will be 1230 AM in Lock Haven, Pa., and new addition WWCB 1370 AM in Corry, Pa. Huntingdon and Lewistown will once again be served by WLAK 103.5 FM, WMRF 95.7 FM (Monday through Saturday action) and WIEZ 670 AM (which will carry the Sunday portion of the schedule).

Jeff Byers will once again call the action for Penn State and will be joined for many events throughout the year by former Nittany Lion wrestler Clay Steadman.

With seven stations delivering season live, 11 entities (nine radio and two cable television) will broadcast the Penn State Wrestling Radio Show, a weekly broadcast featuring a number of Nittany Lion faces, from head coach Cael Sanderson, members of the coaching staff to the athletes themselves.

The Pennsylvania Sports Network will once again serve as the host network the weekly show, which will air from 6-6:30 p.m. on Wednesday's, beginning on Nov. 13. Byers will host the show which will air on the following PSN affiliates:

3WZ	95.3 FM	State College/Bellefonte
WMRF	95.7 FM	Lewistown
WLAK	103.5 FM	Huntingdon
WIEZ	670 AM	Lewistown/Huntingdon
WLYC	104.1 FM	Williamsport
WLYC	1050 AM	Williamsport
WJSA	1600 AM	Jersey Shore
WCPA	900 AM	Clearfield/DuBois
WKGE	1400 AM	Johnstown
Comcast 4	Cable TV (audio)	State College
Comcast 4	Cable TV (audio)	Huntingdon
Comcast 4	Cable TV (audio)	Clearfield
Comcast 12	Cable TV (audio)	Lewistown/Reedsville

2013-14 PENN STATE WRESTLING ROSTER

NAME	Wt.	YR.-EL.	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL
Andrew Alton	149	So.-Jr.	Mill Hall, Pa./Central Mountain
Dylan Alton	157	So.-Jr.	Mill Hall, Pa./Central Mountain
Seth Beitz	149/157	Sr.-Jr.	Mifflintown, Pa./Juniata
Zack Beitz	141	So.-Fr.	Mifflintown, Pa./Juniata
Devon Bentley	133/141	Fr.-Fr.	Shippensburg, Pa./Trinity
Matt Brown	174	Sr.-Jr.	West Valley City, Utah/Cyprus
Jordan Conaway	125/133	Jr.-So.	Abbottstown, Pa./New Oxford
Dylan Dailey	174/184	Jr.-So.	Danville, Pa./Danville
James English	149	Gr.-Sr.	York, Pa./Central York
James Frascella	174	Jr.-So.	Carmel, Ind./Carmel
Luke Frey	149	Jr.-So.	Montoursville, Pa./Montoursville
Jon Gingrich	285	Sr.-Jr.	Wingate, Pa./Bald Eagle Area
Jimmy Gulibon	133	So.-Fr.	Latrobe, Pa./Derry Area
Garett Hammond	157/165	Fr.-Fr.	Chambersburg, Pa./Chambersburg
Cameron Kelly	133	Sr.-Jr.	Pittsford, N.Y./Pittsford
Cody Law	157/165	Fr.-Fr.	Windber, Pa./Forest Hills
Jimmy Lawson	285	Sr.-Jr.	Tom's River, N.J./Manchester Township
Caleb Livingston	165/174	So.-Fr.	Drexel Hill, Pa./Upper Darby
Rex Lutz	165	Jr.-So.	Easton, Pa./Pen Argyl
Matt McCutcheon	184/197	Fr.-Fr.	Apollo, Pa./Kiski Area
Morgan McIntosh	197	Jr.-So.	Santa Ana, Calif./Calvary Chapel
Nico Megaludis	125	Jr.-Jr.	Murrysville, Pa./Franklin Regional
Kyle Moran	149	Sr.-Jr.	Oxford, Pa./Oxford
Nate Morgan	133	Sr.-Jr.	McCook, Neb./McCook
Kade Moss	141/149	Fr.-Fr.	South Jordan, Utah/Bingham
Wes Phipps	174/184	So.-Fr.	Grove City, Pa./Grove City
Zain Retherford	141	Fr.-Fr.	Benton, Pa./Benton
Josh Rogers	197	Jr.-So.	Pottstown, Pa./St. Pius X
Nick Ruggear	285	Sr.-Jr.	Oxford, Pa./Oxford
Ed Ruth	184	Sr.-Sr.	Harrisburg, Pa./Susquehanna Township
P.J. Steinmetz	197	Fr.-Fr.	Holland, Pa./Council Rock South
Scott Syrek	184/197	Jr.-So.	Chester Springs, Pa./Owen J. Roberts
David Taylor	165	Gr.-Sr.	St. Paris, Ohio/St. Paris Graham
James Vollrath	157	Sr.-Sr.	Richboro, Pa./Council Rock South
Michael Waters	133/141	Jr.-So.	Advance, N.C./Davie

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: Nick Fanthorpe (Iowa State, '10)

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Adam Lynch (Penn State, '10)

MANAGERS: Wyleisha Branch, Claudia Bogdan, Rachel Sackett, Sarah Graber



Nico
MEGALUDIS
Jr./Jr. Eligible
Murrysville, Pa./Franklin Regional
2X All-American; 2X National
Finalist (2013, 2nd; 2012, 2nd)

JUNIOR • 125



Jordan
CONAWAY
Jr./So. Eligible
Abbottstown, Pa./New Oxford
NCAA Qualifier (2013)

SOPHOMORE • 125/133

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2011-12	28-8	11-3 (5-3)	17-5 (3-2/4-1)	3-1	3-0	7-0	46
2012-13	28-4	13-1 (7-1)	15-3 (3-1/4-1)	6-0	3-0	5-0	65
2013-14	11-1	7-0 (1-0)	4-1 (0-0/0-0)	1-0	3-0	4-0	28
Career	67-13	31-4 (13-4)	36-9 (6-3/8-2)	10-1	9-0	16-0	139

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2011-12							
2012-13	19-10	11-2 (6-2)	8-8 (2-2/3-2)	2-3	0-0	4-1	40
2013-14	9-2	2-1 (0-0)	7-1 (0-0/0-0)	1-0	0-0	2-0	7
Career	28-12	13-3 (6-2)	12-9 (2-2/3-2)	3-3	0-0	6-1	47

MEGALUDIS MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	125	WBF	Ibrahim Bunduka, George Mason (4:22)	Bing	1-0
11/10	125	W, 17-4	Kyle Brady, Sacred Heart (major)	Bing	2-0
11/10	125	W, 16-4	Josh Patrick, Rutgers (major)	Bing	3-0
11/10	125	W, 15-4	Sean McCabe, Rutgers (major)	Bing	4-0
11/10	125	L, 5-6	#3 Nashon Garrett, Cornell	Bing (2nd)	4-1
11/16	125	W, 5-0	#17 Robert Deutsch, Rider	dual	5-1
11/17	125	W, 19-4	Darian Cruz, Lehigh (TF; 6:48)	dual	6-1
11/24	125	W, 21-6	Ronnie Perry, Lock Haven (TF; 7:00)	dual	7-1
12/6	125	W, 15-3	Bubba McGinley, Boston (major)	dual	8-1
12/8	125	W, 4-1	#9 Anthony Zanetta, Pittsburgh	dual	9-1
12/15	125	W, 21-4	#19 Nick Roberts, Ohio State (TF; 6:54)	dual	10-1
12/21	125	W, 4-1	Thomas Gilman, Iowa	dual	11-1

NOTES:

Parents: Linda and Dan Megaludis -- Major: Business Administration
Ranked #3 by Intermat....went 4-1 at Binghamton Open on 11/10, with a pin and four majors, dropped close 6-5 dec. to #3 Nashon Garrett of Cornell in the finals...downed #17 Robert Deutsch of Rider 5-0 on 11/16...majored Boston's Bubba McGinley 15-3 on 12/6 then downed #9 Anthony Zanetta of Pittsburgh 4-1 in front of sold out BJC crowd on 12/8...teched #19 Nick Roberts of Ohio State 21-4 (6:54) on 12/15.

CONAWAY MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	133	W, 1-0	Logan David, Cornell	Bing	1-0
11/10	133	W, 7-2	Grim Gonzalez, Bucknell	Bing	2-0
11/10	133	W, 6-3	T.J. Fabian, Sacred Heart	Bing	3-0
11/10	133	W, 3-1 (sv)	#11 Jimmy Gulibon, Penn State	Bing	4-0
11/10	133	L, 1-3	#9 Mark Grey, Cornell	Bing	4-1
11/16	133	W, 12-4	Chuck Zeisloft, Rider (major)	dual	5-1
11/24	133	W, 10-5	Matt Bryer, Lock Haven	dual	6-1
12/7	133	WBF	Brett Himes, PSU-DuBois (4:29)	TWolve	7-1
12/7	133	W, 12-5	Jordan Rice, Buffalo	TWolve	8-1
12/7	133	W, 14-3	Eric Velez, Niagara	TWolve (1st)	9-1
12/8	133	L, 2-5	#17 Shelton Mack, Pittsburgh	dual	9-2

NOTES:

Parents: Jackie and David Conaway -- Major: Rehabilitation and Human Services

Ranked #16 by WIN Magazine...2013 NCAA Qualifier at 133...posted 4-1 mark at Binghamton Open on 11/10 to advance to finals, downing #11 Jimmy Gulibon in semifinals before dropping 3-1 dec. to #9 Mark Grey of Cornell in finals...went 3-0 with a pin to win the Thunder Wolve Open on 12/7, getting Outstanding Wrestler laures...dropped 5-2 dec. to #17 Shelton Mack the next day in BJC dual vs. Pitt.



Jimmy GULIBON

So./Fr. Eligible
Latrobe, Pa./Derry Area

FRESHMAN • 133



Zain RETFERFORD

Fr./Fr. Eligible
Benton, Pa./Benton

FRESHMAN • 141

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2012-13			Red-shirt season				
2013-14	4-6	0-4 (0-1)	4-2 (0-0/0-0)	1-2	2-0	1-0	0
Career	4-6	0-4 (0-1)	4-2 (0-0/0-0)	1-2	2-0	1-0	0

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2013-14	12-0	7-0 (1-0)	5-0 (0-0/0-0)	2-0	2-0	2-0	24
Career	12-0	7-0 (1-0)	5-0 (0-0/0-0)	2-0	2-0	2-0	24

GULIBON MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	133	W, 16-1	Nicholas Frank, Army (TF)	Bing	1-0
11/10	133	WBF	Jeff Orr, Harvard (2:01)	Bing	2-0
11/10	133	W, 15-0	Jalen Ramos, Rutgers (TF)	Bing	3-0
11/10	133	L, 1-3 (sv)	Jordan Conaway, Penn State	Bing	3-1
11/10	133	W, 13-0	Dane Harlowe, Boston (major)	Bing	4-1
11/10	133	LBF	#18 Geoff Alexander, Maryland (0:13)	Bing (4th)	4-2
11/17	133	L, 6-7	#6 Mason Beckman, Lehigh	dual	4-3
12/6	133	L, 0-1	Dane Harlowe, Boston	dual	4-4
12/15	133	L, 2-3	#6 Johnni DeJulius, Ohio State	dual	4-5
12/21	133	LBF	#3 Tony Ramos, Iowa (5:22)	dual	4-6

NOTES:

Parents: Kristen and James Gulibon -- Major: Division of Undergraduate Studies.

Ranked #18 by Intermat....went 4-2 to place fourth at Binghamton Open on 11/10, with a pin, two tech falls and a major....made Penn State dual meet debut at Lehigh on 11/17, dropping tight 7-6 decision to #6 Mason Beckman on riding time...lost 3-2 decision to #6 Johnni DeJulius of Ohio State on riding time on 12/15.

RETFERFORD MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	141	W, 10-0	Tyson Dippery, Rutgers (major)	Bing	1-0
11/10	141	WBF	Eli Bienstock, Cornell (5:54)	Bing	2-0
11/10	141	W, 6-3	Adam Krop, Princeton	Bing	3-0
11/10	141	W, 15-0	Casey Stasenko, Rutgers (TF)	Bing	4-0
11/10	141	WBF	Will Switzer, Lehigh (1:37)	Bing (1st)	5-0
11/16	141	W, 12-3	Paul Kirchner, Rider (major)	dual	6-0
11/17	141	W, 10-4	Laike Gardner, Lehigh	dual	7-0
11/24	141	W, 6-1	Dan Neff, Lock Haven	dual	8-0
12/6	141	W, 17-2	Peter Ishiguro, Boston (TF; 4:45)	dual	9-0
12/8	141	W, 3-2	Edgar Bright, Pitt	dual	10-0
12/15	141	W, 4-2 (sv)	#1 Logan Stieber, Ohio State	dual	11-0
12/21	141	W, 4-2	#9 Josh Dziewa, Iowa	dual	12-0

NOTES:

Parents: Sarah and Allen Retherford -- Major: Business Administration.
Ranked No. 2 by Intermat...first year of collegiate wrestling...rolled to the Binghamton Open title at 141 in his first collegiate tournament on 11/10, going 5-0 with two pins, a tech fall and a major....12-3 major over Paul Kirchner of Rider in Penn State dual meet debut on 11/16...made Rec Hall dual debut on 11/24 with strong 6-1 decision over Lock Haven's Dan Neff...thrilling 4-2 (SV) victory over #1 Logan Stieber of Ohio State on 12/15, sparking Penn State to 31-6 victory over Buckeyes in Rec Hall...he was named Big Ten Wrestler of the Week (12/17) for his efforts...4-2 win over #9 Josh Dziewa of Iowa in Lions' dual win in CHA on 12/21/13.



Zack BEITZ

So./Fr. Eligible
Mifflintown, Pa./Juniata

FRESHMAN • 141

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2012-13			Red-shirt season				
2013-14	7-4	3-2 (1-0)	4-2 (0-0/0-0)	1-0	1-0	0-1	9
Career	7-4	3-2 (1-0)	4-2 (0-0/0-0)	1-0	1-0	0-1	9



Andrew ALTON

Sr./Jr. Eligible
Mill Hall, Pa./Central Mountain
2X National Qualifier (2011, 2013)

JUNIOR • 149

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2010-11	30-10	14-5 (4-4)	16-5 (2-2/2-2)	18-0	1-0	4-0	74
2011-12			Red-shirt Season				
2012-13	27-6	7-2 (3-2)	20-4 (4-2/1-2)	12-2	2-0	6-0	26
2013-14	0-0	0-0 (0-0)	0-0 (0-0/0-0)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0
Career	57-16	21-7 (7-6)	36-9 (6-4/3-4)	30-2	3-0	10-0	100

BEITZ MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	141	WBF	Jayce Carr, Cleveland State (2:52)	Bing	1-0
11/10	141	W, 16-0	Colby Knight, Harvard (TF)	Bing	2-0
11/10	141	W, 10-4	Daniel Sanchez, Maryland	Bing	3-0
11/10	141	W, 3-1	Connor Lapresi, Bucknell	Bing	4-0
11/10	141	L, 3-5	Will Switzer, Lehigh	Bing	4-1
11/10	141	L, 2-10	Adam Krop, Princeton	Bing	4-2
11/17	149	L, 3-4	#19 Mitch Minotti, Lehigh	dual	4-3
11/24	149	L, 7-8	Mac Maldarelli, Lock Haven	dual	4-4
12/6	149	W, 9-3	Nick Tourville, Boston	dual	5-4
12/15	149	W, 5-3	#19 Ian Paddock, Ohio State	dual	6-4
12/21	149	W, 6-1	Michael Kelly, Iowa	dual	7-4

NOTES:

Parents: Donna and Rusty Beitz -- Major: Energy, Business and Finance.
Red-shirted in 2012-13....posted 4-2 mark with a pin and a tech fall at Binghamton Open on 11/10...made Penn State dual meet debut at Lehigh on 11/17, dropping tight 4-3 decision to #19 Mitch Minotti...made Rec Hall dual debut on 11/24, dropping tough 8-7 decision to Lock Haven senior Mac Maldarelli...picked up first career dual win for Penn State with 9-3 victory over Boston's Nick Tourville on 12/6 in Boston...picked up first Big Ten dual meet win by downing #19 Ian Paddock of Ohio State 5-3 on 12/15...third-period five-point move lead to 6-1 win over Iowa's Michael Kelly in PSU's dual win at Iowa on 12/21.


ALTON MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/16	---	---			

NOTES:

Parents: Neil and Donna Alton -- Major: Recreation, Park and Tourism Management

Ranked #7 by Intermat...slated for late-December return.



James
ENGLISH
Gr./Sr. Eligible
York, Pa./Central York

SENIOR • 149



Dylan
ALTON
Sr./Jr. Eligible
Mill Hall, Pa./Central Mountain
All-American (3rd in 2012)
2X NCAA Qualifier ('12, '13)

JUNIOR • 157

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2008-09		Injured - Did Not Wrestle					
2009-10	17-7	0-0 (0-0)	17-7 (0-0/0-0)	2-0	0-0	2-0	0
2010-11	13-4	3-1 (0-0)	10-3 (0-0/0-0)	2-0	0-0	1-0	9
2011-12		Injured -- Did Not Wrestle					
2012-13	14-4	3-2 (1-2)	11-2 (0-0/0-0)	1-0	0-0	2-0	10
2013-14	3-2	0-2 (0-0)	3-0 (0-0/0-0)	0-1	0-0	2-0	0
Career	47-17	6-5 (1-2)	41-12 (0-0/0-0)	5-1	0-0	7-0	19

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2010-11		Red-shirt season					
2011-12	30-6	12-2 (6-2)	18-4 (4-1/6-1)	2-1	0-0	10-0	39
2012-13	28-8	9-2 (4-1)	19-6 (3-3/3-2)	9-1	0-0	4-1	31
2013-14	0-0	0-0 (0-0)	0-0 (0-0/0-0)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0
Career	58-14	21-4 (10-3)	37-10 (7-4/9-3)	11-2	0-0	14-1	70

ENGLISH MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	149	W, 11-0	Matt Hamerstone, Bloomsburg (major)	Bing	1-0
11/10	149	W, 9-0	Kevin Moylan, Princeton (major)	Bing	2-0
11/10	149	W, 2-1	Bobby Diema, Cortland	Bing	3-0
11/16	149	L, 4-6 (sv)	Curt Delia, Rider	dual	3-1
12/8	149	LBF	Mike Racciato, Pitt (6:52)	dual	3-2

NOTES:


Parents: Angela and Jim English -- Major: 2013 Chemical Engineering Graduate; pursuing second degree in Energy, Business and Finance.
Received sixth year of eligibility from NCAA this past summer...went 3-0 at Binghamton Open on 11/10, including two majors.

ALTON MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/16	---	---			


NOTES:

Parents: Neil and Donna Alton -- Major: Recreation, Park and Tourism Management
Ranked #5 by Intermat...slated for a late-December return.



James VOLLRATH
Sr./Sr. Eligible
Richboro, Pa./
Council Rock South

SENIOR • 157



David TAYLOR
Gr./Sr. Eligible
St. Paris, Ohio/St. Paris Graham
3X All-American, 3X Finalist
(2013, 2nd at 165; 2012, 1st at 165; 2011, 2nd at 157)

SENIOR • 165

CAREER STATISTICS							
Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2009-10	Injured - Did Not Wrestle						
2010-11	26-8	3-1 (1-0)	23-7 (2-2/0-0)	2-0	0-0	7-2	13
2011-12	12-4	0-0 (0-0)	12-4 (0-0/0-0)	3-0	1-0	3-0	0
2012-13	23-5	3-0 (3-0)	20-5 (0-0/0-0)	3-1	1-0	4-0	9
2013-14	8-4	4-3 (1-0)	4-1 (0-0/0-0)	1-0	1-0	3-0	14
Career	69-21	10-4 (5-0)	59-17 (2-2/0-0)	9-1	3-0	19-2	36

CAREER STATISTICS							
Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2009-10	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	32-0	14-0 (8-0)	18-0 (4-0/5-0)	15-0	9-0	6-0	66
2012-13	30-2	14-0 (8-0)	16-2 (3-0/4-1)	14-0	10-0	5-0	70
2013-14	12-0	7-0 (1-0)	5-0 (0-0/0-0)	7-0	3-0	2-0	36
Career	112-3	54-0 (25-0)	58-3 (10-0/13-2)	44-1	37-0	24-0	265

VOLLRATH MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	157	W, 16-1	Brenan McAllister, Bucknell (TF)	Bing	1-0
11/10	157	W, 11-3	Leo Wortman, Stevens Tech (major)	Bing	2-0
11/10	157	WBF	Billy Randt, Lock Haven (2:36)	Bing	3-0
11/10	157	W, 6-2	Anthony Perrotti, Rutgers	Bing	4-0
11/10	157	L, 8-9	#14 Nestor Taffur, Boston	Bing (2nd)	4-1
11/16	157	W, 10-2	Wayne Stinson, Rider (major)	dual	5-1
11/17	157	L, 3-4	#10 Joey Napoli, Lehigh	dual	5-2
11/24	157	W, 12-4	Billy Randt, Lock Haven (major)	dual	6-2
12/6	157	L, 4-5	#13 Nestor Taffur, Boston	dual	6-3
12/8	157	W, 7-2	Cole Sheptock, Pitt	dual	7-3
12/15	157	W, 11-5	Randy Languis, Ohio State	dual	8-3
12/21	157	L, 4-10	#1 Derek St. John, Iowa	dual	8-4

NOTES:

Parents: Emilie & Bill Vollrath -- Major: Kinesiology

Ranked #15 by AWN...enters senior year with over 60 career wins....posted 4-1 mark at Binghamton Open on 11/10, reaching the finals before losing close 9-8 dec. to #14 Nestor Taffur of Boston in title bout...lost tough 4-3 dec. to #10 Joey Napoli of Lehigh on riding time on 11/17...dropped tough 5-4 decision to #13 Taffur of BU in dual at Boston on 12/6, rebounded with 7-2 win over Pitt's Cole Sheptock in front of sold out BJC crowd on 12/8...downed Ohio State's Randy Languis 11-5 in Penn State dual win on 12/15.

TAYLOR MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	165	WBF	Colin Navickas, Stevens Tech (1:13)	Bing	1-0
11/10	165	WBF	Vincent Grella, Binghamton (2:00)	Bing	2-0
11/10	165	WBF	Aaron McKinney, Lock Haven (2:41)	Bing	3-0
11/10	165	W, 18-2	Nick Visicaro, Rutgers (TF)	Bing	4-0
11/10	165	WBF	Craig Eifert, Cornell (1:51)	Bing (1st)	5-0
11/16	165	WBF	#13 Ramon Santiago, Rider (4:27)	dual	6-0
11/17	165	W, 20-7	Brian Brill, Lehigh (major)	dual	7-0
11/24	165	WBF	Jake Kemerer, Lock Haven (6:09)	dual	8-0
12/6	165	W, 21-5	Mitchell Wightman, Boston (TF; 6:57)	dual	9-0
12/8	165	WBF	Geno Morelli, Pitt (3:09)	dual	10-0
12/15	165	W, 20-5	Joe Grandominico, Ohio State (TF; 7:00)	dual	11-0
12/21	165	W, 12-3	#4 Nick Moore, Iowa (major)	dual	12-0

NOTES:

Kathy and Dave Taylor -- '13 Grad: RPTM/Business; Pursuing Masters' in Education Administration.

Ranked #1 by Intermat...majored #4 Michael Moreno of Iowa State 13-2 in NWCA All-Star Classic on 11/2 (exhibition)...blazed his way to the Binghamton Open title on 11/10 with four pins and a tech fall, all pins were first period pins, including in the finals...pinned #13 Ramon Santiago of Rider at the 4:27 mark on 11/16...20-7 major of Lehigh's Brian Brill on 11/17 was the 100th career bonus point win of Taylor's career...pinned Lock Haven's Jake Kemerer on 11/24 at the 6:09 mark in Rec Hall...pinned Pitt's Geno Morelli in front of sold out BJC crowd on 12/8...12-3 major over #4 Nick Moore in Penn State's 24-12 win at Iowa on 12/21.



**Matt
BROWN**
Sr./Jr. Eligible
West Valley, Utah/Cyprus
All-American
(2nd, 2013)

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**Ed
RUTH**
Sr./Sr. Eligible
Harrisburg, Pa./Susquehanna Twp.
3X All-American, 2X Champion
(2013, 1st at 184; 2012, 1st at
174; 2011, 3rd at 174)

SENIOR • 184

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2008-09			Red-shirt season				
2011-12	27-2	5-0 (2-0)	22-2 (0-0/0-0)	7-0	4-0	10-0	19
2012-13	29-5	11-3 (5-3)	19-2 (4-0/4-1)	8-1	2-0	7-0	49
2013-14	12-0	7-0 (1-0)	5-0 (0-0/0-0)	4-0	2-0	3-0	28
Career	68-7	23-3 (8-3)	46-4 (4-0/4-1)	19-1	8-0	20-0	96

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2009-10			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	31-0	11-0 (8-0)	20-0 (3-0/5-0)	10-0	7-0	9-0	54
2012-13	33-0	14-0 (8-0)	19-0 (3-0/5-0)	12-0	4-0	10-0	70
2013-14	12-0	2-0 (1-0)	10-0 (0-0/0-0)	3-0	5-0	4-0	8
Career	114-2	46-0 (25-0)	68-2 (9-0/16-1)	38-0	21-0	27-0	218

BROWN MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	174	WBF	Taylor Jackson, Rutgers (2:59)	Bing	1-0
11/10	174	WBF	Austin Wetterau, Bucknell (1:16)	Bing	2-0
11/10	174	W, 14-5	Brett Hamer, Princeton (major)	Bing	3-0
11/10	174	W, 13-3	Eric Morris, Harvard (major)	Bing	4-0
11/10	174	WBF	Owen Scott, Cornell (2:02)	Bing (1st)	5-0
11/16	174	WBF	Conor Brennan, Rider (1:14)	dual	6-0
11/17	174	W, 8-5	Elliott Riddick, Lehigh	dual	7-0
11/24	174	W, 18-3	Adam Mackie, Lock Haven (TF; 6:02)	dual	8-0
12/6	174	W, 22-7	Eric Des Lauriers, Boston (TF/NB; 6:03)	dual	9-0
12/8	174	W, 9-3	#9 Tyler Wilps, Pitt	dual	10-0
12/15	174	W, 16-4	Mark Martin, Ohio State (major)	dual	11-0
12/21	174	W, 4-1	#6 Mike Evans, Iowa	dual	12-0

NOTES:

Parents: Cindy Riley and Dave Brown -- Major: Crime, Law and Justice
Ranked #3 by Intermat...very close 4-3 loss to #1 Andrew Howe of Oklahoma in NWCA All-Star Classic on 11/2 (exhibition)...rolled to the Binghamton Open on 11/10 with three pins and a major, including first period pin in finals...opened dual season with quick pin (1:14) of Rider in dual on 11/16...four-point near fall (no back points) over Boston's Eric Des Lauriers on 12/6 then impressive 9-3 win over #9 Tyler Wilps of Pitt on 12/8 in the BJC...downed #6 Mike Evans 4-1 in PSU's 24-12 victory at Iowa on 12/21.

RUTH MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	184	W, 19-2	Tyler Greene, Bucknell (TF)	Bing	1-0
11/10	184	W, 16-1	Zach Diekel, Lehigh (TF)	Bing	2-0
11/10	184	W, 16-1	Nick Bellanza, Cortland (TF)	Bing	3-0
11/10	184	W, 20-3	James Frascella, Penn State (TF)	Bing	4-0
11/10	184	WBF	Gabe Dean, Cornell (1:24)	Bing (1st)	5-0
12/1	184	WBF	Dalton Shoop, Army (0:58)	Mat-Town	6-0
12/1	184	WBF	Mitchell Ball, Millersville (5:43)	Mat-Town	7-0
12/1	184	W, 18-3	Tyler Dibert, Clarion (TF; 7:00)	Mat-Town	8-0
12/1	184	W, 15-3	William George, Cornell (major)	Mat-Town	9-0
12/1	184	W, 20-6	#19 Fred Garcia, Lock Haven (major)	Mat-Town (1st)	10-0
12/15	184	W, 14-3	#12 Kenny Courts, Ohio State (major)	dual	11-0
12/21	184	W, 12-4	#2 Ethan Lofthouse, Iowa (major)	dual	12-0

NOTES:

Parents: Thanayi and Eddie Ruth -- Major: Communications
Ranked #1 by Intermat...dominated the field to win the 184-pound Binghamton Open crown on 11/10, using four tech falls to get to the finals and then notching a first period pin for the championship...went 5-0 unattached at Mat-Town with two pins, a tech and a major, claiming 184-pound title with 20-6 major over #19 Fred Garcia of Lock Haven...majored #12 Kenny Courts of Ohio State (with over 5:00 RT) in first dual of season on 12/15...dominated #2 Ethan Lofthouse for a 12-4 major in Penn State's 24-12 win at Iowa on 12/21, named Big Ten Wrestler of the Week (12/22) for his efforts.



Wes PHIPPS

So./Fr. Eligible
Grove City, Pa./Grove City

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Morgan McINTOSH

Jr./So. Eligible
Santa Ana, Calif./Calvary Chapel
National Qualifier (2012)

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CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2012-13			Red-shirt season				
2013-14	2-2	2-2 (0-1)	0-0 (0-0/0-0)	0	0	2	8
Career	2-2	2-2 (0-1)	0-0 (0-0/0-0)	0	0	2	8

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2011-12	18-10	8-2 (5-1)	10-8 (2-2/1-2)	3-0	0-1	3-0	25
2012-13			Red-shirt season				
2013-14	11-0	6-0 (0-0)	5-0 (0-0/0-0)	3-0	0-0	5-0	24
Career	29-10	14-2 (5-1)	15-8 (2-2/1-2)	6-0	0-1	8-0	49

McINTOSH MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/24	184	L, 1-3	#19 Fred Garcia, Lock Haven	dual	0-1
12/6	184	W, 9-1	Aaron Conrad, Boston (major)	dual	1-1
12/8	184	W, 13-3	Aaron Rothwell, Pittsburgh (major)	dual	2-1
12/15	197	L, 1-3	#5 Nick Heflin, Ohio State	dual	2-2

NOTES:

Parents: Sandy and Ed Phipps -- Major: Division of Undergraduate Studies. Recently returned from early season injury...made Penn State dual meet debut on 11/24 in sold out Rec Hall, dropping hard fought 3-1 decision to #19 Fred Garcia of Lock Haven...picked up first career dual win with 9-1 major over Boston's Aaron Conrad, then downed Pitt's Aaron Rothwell in front of sold out BJC crowd on 12/8, notching a 13-3 major...moved up to 197 and battled #5 Nick Heflin of Ohio State to a hard-fought 3-1 loss on 12/15 in Big Ten dual debut.

McINTOSH MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	197	WBF	Brandon Litten, Drexel (5:42)	Bing	1-0
11/10	197	WBF	Hayden Hrymack, Rutgers (1:30)	Bing	2-0
11/10	197	WBF	Matt Moore, Lock Haven (4:43)	Bing	3-0
11/10	197	W, 12-3	Abe Ayala, Princeton (major)	Bing	4-0
11/10	197	W, 13-3	#15 Jace Bennett, Cornell (major)	Bing (1st)	5-0
11/16	197	W, 8-2	Donald McNeil, Rider	dual	6-0
11/17	197	W, 10-2	John Bolich, Lehigh (major)	dual	7-0
11/24	197	W, 15-3	Phil Sprenkle, Lock Haven (major)	dual	8-0
12/6	197	W, forfeit	Forfeit, Boston	dual	9-0
12/8	197	W, 4-3 (tb)	Nick Bonaccorsi, Pitt	dual	10-0
12/21	197	W, 16-4	Sam Brooks, Iowa (major)	dual	11-0

NOTES:

Parents: Rebecca and Brooke McIntosh -- Major: Agriculture. Ranked #3 by Intermat...returned from red-shirt season in superb fashion, rolling to 5-0 mark at Binghamton Open to win title on 11/10, including three pins and two majors (majoring #15 Jace Bennett of Cornell 13-3 in finals)...returned to dual meet action after a red-shirt season with 8-2 win over Rider's Donald McNeil on 11/16...thrilling 4-3 (tb) win over Pitt's Nick Bonaccorsi in the BJC on 12/8...16-4 major over Iowa's Sam Brooks on 12/21 in Lions' 24-12 victory at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.



**Jimmy
LAWSON**
Sr./Jr. Eligible
Toms River, N.J./
Manchester Township
NCAA Qualifier (2013)

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**Jon
GINGRICH**
Sr./Jr. Eligible
Wingate, Pa./Bald Eagle Area

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CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2012-13	23-9	6-1 (2-0)	18-8 (2-3/1-2)	3-1	0-0	5-1	22
2013-14	10-1	5-1 (1-0)	5-0 (0-0/0-0)	0-0	1-0	3-0	18
Career	33-10	11-2 (3-0)	23-8 (2-3/1-2)	3-1	1-0	8-1	40

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2010-11							
			Red-shirt season				
2011-12	21-4	0-0 (0-0)	21-4 (0-0/0-0)	3-0	0-0	6-0	0
2012-13	14-6	4-3 (4-2)	10-3 (0-0/0-0)	0-1	0-0	2-0	12
2013-14	13-1	1-0 (0-0)	12-1 (0-0/0-0)	6-0	0-0	1-0	3
Career	48-11	5-3 (4-2)	43-8 (0-0/0-0)	9-1	0-0	9-0	15

LAWSON MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	285	W, 3-1	Jake Kettler, George Mason	Bing	1-0
11/10	285	W, 16-0	Ryan Kail, Maryland (TF)	Bing	2-0
11/10	285	W, 5-2	Riley Shaw, Cleveland State	Bing	3-0
11/10	285	W, 5-2	Tyler Deuel, Binghamton	Bing	4-0
11/10	285	W, 3-1	William Smith, Rutgers	Bing (1st)	5-0
11/16	285	W, 10-2	Greg Velasco, Rider (major)	dual	6-0
11/24	285	W, 14-4	Brad Emerick, Lock Haven (major)	dual	7-0
12/6	285	W, 10-3	Kevin Innis, Boston	dual	8-0
12/8	285	W, 3-1	P.J. Tasser, Pitt	dual	9-0
12/15	285	W, 15-4	Nick Tavanello, Ohio State	dual	10-0
12/21	285	L, 2-3	#3 Bobby Telford, Iowa	dual	10-1

NOTES:

Parents: Pam and James Lawson -- Major: Telecommunications

Ranked #12 by Intermat....perfect start to the season with a 5-0 mark at Binghamton Open on 11/10 to win 285-pound title...majored Lock Haven's Brad Emerick on Rec Hall on 11/24...outsanding weekend on 12/6 and 12/8, downing Boston's Kevin Innis 10-3 at BU and then defeating Pitt's P.J. Tasser 3-1 in the BJC...majored Ohio State's Nick Tavanello 15-4 on 12/15...nearly upset #3 Bobby Telford of Iowa on 12/21, losing 3-2 on last second reversal.

GINGRICH MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	285	WBF	Chuck Boddy, Bucknell (2:18)	Bing	1-0
11/10	285	L, 1-2	William Smith, Rutgers	Bing	1-1
11/10	285	W, 4-1	Jake Kettler, George Mason	Bing	2-1
11/10	285	W, 10-1	Daniel Hayden, Sacred Heart (major)	Bing	3-1
11/10	285	WBF	Brad Emerick, Lock Haven (1:24)	Bing	4-1
11/10	285	W, 8-1	Riley Shaw, Cleveland State	Bing	5-1
11/10	285	W, 4-3	Nick Ruggear, Penn State	Bing	6-1
11/10	285	W, 6-4	Tyler Deuel, Binghamton	Bing (3rd)	7-1
11/17	285	W, 5-2	#19 Doug Vollaro, Lehigh	dual	8-1
12/7	285	WBF	Mike Silvis, Buffalo (2:46)	TWolve	9-1
12/7	285	WBF	Alex Martin, Albany (0:58)	TWolve	10-1
12/7	285	WBF	Niall Loogen, UMass (1:01)	TWolve	11-1
12/7	285	W, 6-1	El Shadai Van Hoese, Niagara	TWolve	12-1
12/7	285	WBF	Jim Donner, Niagara (4:00)	TWolve (1st)	13-1

NOTES:

Parents: Barbara and Charles Gingrich -- Major: Landscape Contracting

Went 4-2 in Big Ten duals last year...posted 7-1 mark with two pins and a major to take third place at Binghamton Open on 11/10...downed #19 Doug Vollaro of Lehigh 5-2 on 11/17 in Penn State's 22-12 victory at LU...went 5-0 with four pins to claim Thunder Wolve Open title on 12/7.

#1 PENN STATE 34, RIDER 8

Saturday, Nov. 16, 2013 -- Lawrenceville, N.J.

125: #3 Nico Megaludis PSU dec. #17 Robert Deutsch RID, 5-0	3-0
133: Jordan Conaway PSU maj. dec. Chuck Zeisloft RID, 12-4	7-0
141: Zain Retherford PSU maj. dec. Paulie Kirchner RID, 12-3	11-0
149: James Delia RID dec. (sv) James English PSU, 6-4 (sv)	11-3
157: James Vollrath PSU maj. dec. Wayne Stinson RID, 10-2	15-3
165: #1 David Taylor PSU pinned #13 Ramon Santiago RID, WBF (4:27)	21-3
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU pinned Conor Brennan RID, WBF (1:14)	27-3
184: Clint Morrison RID tech fall James Frascella PSU, 17-2 (TF; 7:00)	27-8
197: #4 Morgan McIntosh PSU dec. Donald McNeil RID, 8-2	30-8
285: #11 Jimmy Lawson PSU maj. dec. Greg Velasco RID, 10-2	34-8
Attendance: 1,650 (SOLD OUT)	

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, ranked No. 1 nationally in InterMat's Tournament Power Index, opened up the 2013-14 dual meet season with a convincing 34-8 win over Rider in a Comcast Sports Network national telecast. Wrestled in front of a sold out crowd, head coach Cael Sanderson's squad won eight of ten bouts to roll to the victory.

Two-time All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 at 125, got Penn State off to a hot start, posting a strong 5-0 win over No. 17 Robert Deutsch in the dual's first bout. Sophomore national qualifier Jordan Conaway (Abbottstown, Pa.) then used four third period takedowns to roll to a 12-4 major over Rider's Chuck Zeisloft at 133, giving Penn State an early 7-0 lead.

True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.) made his Penn State dual meet debut in fine fashion, dominating Rider's Paulie Kirchner at 141. Retherford used two late third period takedowns to roll to a 12-3 major and up Penn State's lead to 11-0. Rider then got on the board when Bronc Curt Delia got a late takedown in extra time to post a 6-4 (sv) win over Nittany Lion James English (York, Pa.) at 149. Senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) got Penn State back in the win column with a strong 10-2 major over Rider's Wayne Stinson. Vollrath racked up 2:53 in riding time in the win, putting Penn State up 15-3 at intermission.

Three-time All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165 continued to add to his pin total, this time dominating No. 13 Ramon Santiago and getting a second period fall at the 4:27 mark. The pin was Taylor's fifth in six bouts this year and the 42nd of his career, putting him just 11 shy of tying the all-time Penn State career record of 53. Junior All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, followed Taylor's pin up with one of his own. Brown quickly turned Rider's Conor Brennan to his back for a first period pin at the 1:14 mark, putting the Nittany Lions up 27-3.

Rider cut into Penn State's lead as Clint Morrison posted a 16-2 technical fall over Lion sophomore James Frascella (Carmel, Ind.) at 184. But Penn State quickly answered. Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 4 at 197, returned to dual meet action after a red-shirt season and posted a convincing 8-2 win over Rider junior Donald McNeil. Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 11 at heavyweight, closed out the dual meet with a convincing 10-2 major over Rider's Greg Velasco. The win gave Penn State the 34-8 season opening win.

Penn State won the takedown battle 29-5 and amassed ten bonus points off two pins and four majors, winning eight of ten bouts.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Two-time NCAA finalist Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 nationally at 125, took on Rider's Robert Deutsch, ranked No. 17, in one of the dual's marquee match-ups. The duo battled through a scoreless start as the first two minutes passed without a completed shot. Megaludis tried to connect on a low single with :35 left but Deutsch was able to fight off the move and the bout was scoreless after one period. Megaludis chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. After letting Deutsch set the tempo early, Megaludis got in on a high single and turned it into a takedown and a 3-0 lead at the :30 mark of the second period. A short ride out allowed the Lion junior to carry a 3-0 lead into the final stanza. Deutsch chose down to start the third, but the Lion All-American was strong on top, maintaining control long enough to build up a minute-plus in riding time. Megaludis forced Deutsch into giving up a stall point and led 4-0 at the :45 mark. With the riding time point clinched, Megaludis finished off the ride and posted the strong 5-0 win.

133: Sophomore Jordan Conaway (Abbottstown, Pa.) took on Rider's Chuck Zeisloft at 133. Conaway a '13 National Qualifier, fought off an early Zeisloft shot to keep the bout scoreless halfway through the opening stanza. The Nittany Lion sophomore then began to set the tempo, forcing the Bronc wrestler to the outside circle. Conaway chose down after a scoreless first period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Conaway continued to be the aggressor with Zeisloft backing away throughout the second period. Conaway connected on a low single and worked his way to a takedown at the :20 mark and, after a ride out, led 3-0 after two periods. Zeisloft took down to start the third period and escaped to a 3-1 Conaway lead. Conaway's constant pressure led to a second takedown, this one at the 1:10 mark, giving the Lion a 5-2 lead after cutting the Bronc loose. Conaway tacked on a third takedown and cut and led 7-3 at the :40 mark. The Lion added two more takedowns, with the last coming at the :12 mark. The short ride out gave Conaway a 12-4 major with the 1:02 riding time point.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), sporting a 5-0 mark at 141, met Rider's Paul Kirchner. The Nittany Lion rookie picked up his first dual meet takedown as a Penn Stater at the 1:28 mark of the first period and then cut Kirchner loose to lead 2-1 early. The Lion freshman gained control of Kirchner's shoulders and worked his way around to a second takedown and a 4-1 lead with :45 on the clock. Retherford then rode Kirchner out to lead 4-1 with 1:04 in time after one period. Retherford chose down to start the second period and worked his way to an escape with 1:21 on the clock to lead 5-1. Retherford set the tempo consistently and his constant pressure led to a stall warning on Kirchner. Retherford then used a low single to force Kirchner down to the mat, adding another takedown to lead 7-1 after two periods. Kirchner chose down to start the third period and Retherford made him pay for the decision. The Nittany Lion rookie was dominating on top, not giving the Bronc any space and building up a 1:58 time edge before cutting him loose. He quickly tacked on two more takedowns in less than :20 and, with 2:32 in riding time, rolled to the 12-3 major.

149: Senior James English (York, Pa.) took on Rider's Curt Delia at 149. Delia came out fast, gaining control of English's ankle to notch Rider's first takedown. English quickly escaped to a 2-1 deficit and action resumed in the center circle. English used a low single to gain control of Delia's left leg and steadily worked his way to a takedown and a 3-2 lead at the :32 mark of the opening period. Delia escaped to tie the bout at the :10 mark. English chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 4-3 lead. The remainder of the second period was scoreless thanks to English fighting off a late Delia shot. Delia, trailing 4-3, chose down to start the third period and escaped to a 4-4 tie. With the bout deadlocked, the duo traded late shots with no one connecting and the bout went to sudden victory. Delia got in on a single and English countered, forcing a scramble that nearly ate up the extra time. But Delia's work paid off with a takedown and a 6-4 win for the Bronc, cutting Penn State's lead to

11-3. Junior Andrew Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 8, is still recovering from off-season surgery.

157: Senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) took to the mat against Bronc Wayne Stinson at 157. Vollrath wasted no time taking the lead, getting an early takedown to lead 2-1 after a Stinson escape. The Lion senior then fought off a solid Stinson shot and action returned to the center circle with the Nittany Lion still on top by one. Vollrath worked his way to a second takedown late to lead 4-1 after one period. Stinson chose down to start the second period and escaped to a 4-2 deficit, but Vollrath answered with another strong takedown and led 6-2 at the 1:10 mark. Vollrath put together a very strong ride and led 6-2 with 2:20 in riding time after a ride out. Vollrath chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 7-2 lead. A solid high single led to another takedown and a 9-2 lead with :40 on the clock. With the riding time point assured, Vollrath simply rode Stinson out and rolled to the 10-2 major decision, giving Penn State a 15-3 lead at halftime. Junior Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 6, is still recovering from off-season surgery.

165: No. 1 David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) met Riders' Ramon Santiago, ranked No. 13, in an anticipated match-up at 165. Taylor, a three-time All-American, got in on a shot off an early restart and steadily worked his way into a scramble. Taylor turned the scramble into a takedown and two back points for an early 4-0 lead. Taylor cut Santiago loose and quickly took the ranked Bronc down again, nearly pinning him in the process. But Santiago was able to roll through the move without giving up back points and the Lion senior led 6-1 with over 1:00 riding time after the opening period. Taylor chose top to start the second period and immediately began looking for the chance to turn Santiago. After a scramble out of bounds, Santiago asked for injury time. Taylor then cut Santiago loose after a reset and Taylor took the Bronc down quickly to lead 8-2 at the :53 mark. He cut Santiago loose and then quickly took him down a fifth time. This time the Lion senior turned the Bronc to his back to pick up the pin at the 4:27 mark. The fall was Taylor's fifth in six matches this year.

174: Junior All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, met Rider's Conor Brennan. The duo battled evenly through the first minute of the opening period and then Brown exploded on the Bronc, using high control to force Brennan to the mat and quickly planting his shoulders for the fall at the 1:14 mark. The pin, Penn State's second straight, put Penn State up 27-3.

184: Sophomore James Frascella (Carmel, Ind.) made his Penn State dual meet debut against Rider's Clint Morrison at 184. The duo battled evenly for the opening period with neither wrestler finding an opening to score. With the bout scoreless, Frascella chose down to start the second period and escaped to a 1-0 lead. But Morrison answered with the bout's first takedown, taking a 2-1 lead and then turning Frascella for three back points and a 5-1 lead. Morrison was strong on top, maintaining control for the rest of the period and tacking on another three point near fall to lead 8-1 after two. Morrison chose down to start the final stanza and escaped to a 9-1 lead with 1:25 in riding time. The Bronc tacked on another takedown to up his lead to 11-1. He then rolled Frascella over for three more back points and then added a final takedown to post the 17-2 tech fall at the 7:00 mark (with 2:35 in riding time). No. 1 Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) did wrestle in the match for violation of team rules.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 4 at 197, met Rider junior Donald McNeil. McIntosh, wrestling in his first Nittany Lion dual in over a year after last season's red-shirt, gained control of McNeil's ankle and pulled the Bronc back onto the mat for a takedown and a 2-0 lead at the 1:11 mark. McIntosh then dominated action from the top, controlling the Bronc for the final 1:12 to lead 2-0 after one. The Lion sophomore chose down to start the second period and quickly took McNeil down to lead 5-0 midway through the second period. McIntosh cut McNeil loose at the :45 mark and immediately got in on a single. McNeil was able to force a stalemate and the Lion sophomore led 5-0 with 2:03 in riding time heading into the final period. McNeil chose down to start the third period and McIntosh cut him loose, looking for bonus points. The Lion gained control of McNeil's left ankle but the Bronc was once again able to force a stalemate. McIntosh used a head outside single and picked up another late takedown to roll to the 8-2 win with 2:13 in time.

285: Penn State junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 11 at 285, battled Riders' Greg Velasco. Lawson wasted no time in taking the lead. The New Jersey native gained control of Velasco's shoulders and tripped him to the mat for an early takedown and a 2-0 lead. Lawson controlled the action from the top, looking for a chance to turn Velasco for back points. A strong ride led to over 2:00 in riding time as Lawson rode the Bronc out for a 2-0 lead with 2:47 in riding time after one period. Lawson chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. He then scrambled his way to a second takedown and a 5-0 lead late in the period and, with a short ride out, led 5-0 heading into the final period. Velasco chose down to start the final period but Lawson was too much for the Bronc. The Lion junior clinched the riding time point and then cut Velasco loose at the :50 mark. Lawson took Velasco down and cut him with :20 left, needing one more takedown for a major. A quick Lawson counter at the end of the bout, to go along with 4:16 riding time, gave Lawson the strong 10-2 major.

#1 PENN STATE 22, #25 LEHIGH 12 Sunday, Nov. 17, 2013 -- Bethlehem, Pa.

125: #3 Nico Megaludis PSU tech fall Darian Cruz LEH 19-4 (TF; 6:48)	5-0
133: #6 Mason Beckman LEH dec. #16 Jimmy Gulibon PSU, 7-6	5-3
141: Zain Retherford PSU dec. Laikie Gardner LEH, 10-4	8-3
149: #19 Mitch Minotti LEH dec. Zack Beitz PSU, 4-3	8-6
157: #10 Joey Napoli LEH dec. James Vollrath PSU, 4-3	8-9
165: #1 David Taylor PSU maj. dec. Brian Brill LEH, 20-7	12-9
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU dec. Elliott Riddick LEH, 8-5	15-9
184: Zach Diekel LEH dec. James Frascella PSU, 9-6	15-12
197: #4 Morgan McIntosh PSU maj. dec. John Bolich LEH, 10-2	19-12
285: Jon Gingrich PSU dec. #19 Doug Vollaro LEH, 5-2	22-12

Attendance: 4,773

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, ranked No. 1 nationally in InterMat's Tournament Power Index, continued its season opening dual weekend with another road victory, this time a thrilling 22-12 win at Lehigh. Wrestling without four ranked wrestlers, head coach Cael Sanderson's team won six bouts while senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) notched his 100th career bonus point win.

Junior All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 at 125, got Penn State off to a hot start, notching a dominating 19-4 technical fall over Lehigh's Darian Cruz at the 6:48 mark. Penn State freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 16 at 133, made his Penn State dual meet debut against No. 6 Mason Beckman of Lehigh and nearly knocked off the Hawk, dropping a 7-6 decision on riding time.

True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.) continued his hot start to the season, rolling to a 10-4 win over Lehigh's Laikie Gardner at 141 to put Penn State up 8-3. Another Lion freshman, Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) made his dual debut at 141, taking on No. 19 Mitch Minotti at 149. Like Gulibon, Beitz was strong as the third straight Nittany Lion freshman thrilled the Penn State faithful with a near upset, only to lose a close 4-3 decision. Lehigh's Joey Napoli, ranked No. 10 at 157, also needed riding time to hold off the efforts of Lion senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.). The bonus point gave Napoli a 4-3 win and put the Mountain Hawks up 9-8 at halftime.

Senior All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, then dominated Lehigh's Brian Brill, rolling to a 20-7 major with over 4:00 in riding time. The major was the 100th career bonus point win for Taylor. He is now 107-3 with 42 pins, 35 tech falls and 23 majors. Junior All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah) followed that up with an 8-5 win over LU's Elliott Riddick to put Penn State up 15-9. Lehigh picked up a hard-fought win at 184 when Zach Diekel posted a tough 9-6 win over Lion sophomore James Frascella (Carmel, Ind.).

Penn State iced the dual at 197 as sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 4, notched a 10-2 major over Lehigh's John Bolich. Junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) capped off the strong team win with a 5-2 upset of No. 19 Doug Vollaro at heavyweight. The win gave Penn State the 22-12 victory.

The Nittany Lions won the takedown battle 30-8. The Lions improve to 2-0 on the year while No. 25 Lehigh falls to 1-2. The win was Penn State's 25th straight non-conference dual meet victory.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Two-time NCAA finalist Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 at 125, met Lehigh freshman Darian Cruz. Megaludis quickly gained control of Cruz's shoulders and worked his way into a scoring chance. The Lion junior pulled Cruz onto the mat and notched a takedown off a 2-1 lead at the 1:37 mark. The Lion added a second takedown less than a minute later to up his lead to 4-1. Megaludis dominated the rest of the period from the top position, building up 1:12 in riding time. Leading 4-1 after one, Megaludis chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 5-1 lead. Megaludis used a swift low ankle pick to take a 7-2 lead with another takedown and release. A fourth takedown at the :55 mark gave Megaludis a 9-2 lead. He then turned Cruz for three back points and led 12-3 after a Cruz escape. The junior All-American added one final takedown to carry a 14-3 lead with 1:44 in time into the third period. Cruz chose neutral to start the third period but Megaludis continued to attack. Megaludis picked up a point on a second Cruz stall at the 1:05 mark. He then took Cruz down and cut him loose to lead 17-4, needing one more takedown for the tech fall. The Lion junior

133: No. 16 Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.) made his Penn State dual meet debut in a battle with Lehigh sophomore Mason Beckman at 133. Beckman was ranked No. 6 nationally heading into the bout. Beckman notched the first takedown early, gaining control of Gulibon for an early 2-0 lead. Gulibon could not break free of a strong Beckman ride until the Mountain Hawk had built up 1:25 in riding time. The escape at the 1:14 mark cut Beckman's lead to 2-1. The bout moved to the second period with Beckman holding a 2-1 lead. Gulibon chose down to start the second stanza and worked his way into a chance to notch a reversal at the 1:40 mark. The Lion freshman continued the scramble until Beckman was called for a first stall at the :29 mark. Gulibon quickly escaped after the reset to tie the bout at 2-2 but Beckman had 3:02 in riding time. Beckman, with a clinched riding time point, chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 3-2 lead. Gulibon continued to work the Mountain Hawk's shoulders to the ground, setting the pace and getting the takedown at the 1:13 mark to take a 4-3 lead. Needing another takedown, Gulibon cut Beckman loose to a 4-4 tie at the 1:00 mark. Gulibon forced a late scramble and Beckman was able to counter for a takedown at the :12 mark. Gulibon was not done, however, quickly reversing Beckman to tie the bout and turning him to his back for a chance at winning back points. But time expired before a two-count could take place and Beckman escaped with a tough 7-6 win on 2:47 riding time.

141: Nittany Lion true freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.) looked to stay hot in a match-up w Lehigh's Laikie Gardner at 141. Retherford exploded out of the gates with a strong high double, lifting Gardner off the mat for an early 2-1 lead. Retherford connected on a low double but Gardner was able to force a stalemate at the :50 mark. No one managed a takedown after that and Retherford held that lead after one period. The Lion freshman chose down to start the second period and steadily worked his way to an escaped and a 3-1 lead with 1:22 on the clock. Retherford shot low off a reset and turned it into a takedown and a 5-1 lead with 1:00 left in the middle stanza. Retherford broke Gardner down and put together a strong ride out to lead 5-1 with 1:05 in time after two. Gardner chose down to start the third period but could not break free of a strong Retherford ride until the Lion freshman cut him at the 1:22 mark. Retherford then tacked on two more quick takedowns to lead 9-4 with :46 left. With the riding time clinched, the Lion gained control of Gardner's right ankle but could not close out the major as Gardner fought the move off to kill the clock. Still, Retherford posted the very strong 10-4 win with 2:01 in time.

149: Nittany Lion red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) made his Penn State dual meet debut, moving up a weight to 149 to take on Lehigh's Mitch Minotti, who was ranked No. 19 nationally. Minotti shot early, forcing a scramble at the outset, but Beitz steadily countered the move, scrambling his way to his own takedown to lead 2-1 midway through the period. Beitz continued to pressure the Hawk grappler, forcing him to the outside circle. Minotti used a solid low single to force a late scramble, gaining control of Beitz and getting the takedown at the end of the period to lead 3-2 after one. Minotti chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 4-2 lead. The duo battled evenly for the bulk of the second period until Beitz pulled Minotti's head down and connected on a low single. But action was stopped for a potentially dangerous hold with Minotti still leading 4-2.

Beitz chose neutral to start the third period and quickly got in on a single leg. Minotti was able to counter and fight free to hold his two point lead with 1:30 on the clock. With constant pressure, Beitz forced the ranked Hawk grappler backwards until under 1:00 remained. Beitz forced Minotti into a stall warning with :30 left and a stall point at :05 but Minotti was able to escape with a 4-3 win.

157: Lion senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) took on No. 10 Joey Napoli of Lehigh at in a key battle at 157. The duo battled evenly for the first two minutes with offensive openings hard to find. Vollrath's shots were countered by Napoli's collar ties and the bout moved through three periods scoreless after a late flurry nearly led to takedowns for each wrestler. Tied 0-0, Napoli chose down to start the second period and quickly reversed Vollrath, but the Lion senior notched his own reversal. Napoli quickly escaped to a 3-2 lead and action resumed in the center circle with 1:20 on the clock. Vollrath drove through a low double and forced Napoli into an illegal hold, picking up a point before the stalemate. The stalemate came at :04. Vollrath chose down to start the third period. Napoli was strong on top, breaking Vollrath down at the 1:20 mark. The ranked Hawk built up a riding time edge and then fought off Vollrath's final effort to escape. The ride out gave Napoli 1:50 in riding time and posted the 4-3 win, giving Lehigh a 9-8 lead after five bouts.

165: Three-time All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, met Lehigh freshman Brian Brill. Taylor attacked quickly, gaining control of Brill's head and working around for a takedown and a 2-0 lead just :25 into the bout. Taylor cut Brill loose and then used a Hawk a 4-3 lead and low shot for another takedown and a 4-1 lead midway through the period. He then tilted Brill for three back points and a 7-1 lead. Brill worked his way to an escape, only to be quickly tripped down for another Taylor takedown and a 9-2 Lion lead. A Taylor ride out gave the Lion senior a 9-2 lead with 2:07 in time after one. Brill chose down to start the second and Taylor quickly broke him down, working for a tilt. Taylor cut Brill loose at the 1:00 mark, quickly took him down and led 11-3 with 3:15 in riding time midway through the period. Taylor continued to work to turn Brill but the Hawk was able to belly out for the period. Leading 11-3 with 4:00 riding time, Brill chose neutral to start the final period. Taylor notched four takedowns in the period with Brill trying desperately to wind down the clock. While Taylor posted the 20-7 major, Brill's efforts to keep it from a tech fall or pin kept the result to a major. The victory was the 100th bonus point win of Taylor's career. He is 107-3 with 46 pins, 35 tech falls and 23 majors.

174: All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, wrestled Lehigh freshman Elliott Riddick. Brown, like Taylor, was the aggressor from the start. Bulling through an early takedown, Brown led 2-1 out of the gates. The Lion junior continued to force Riddick backwards as the Hawk grappler worked the outside circle in hopes of staying away from Brown's offense. Riddick's first shot resulted in a takedown at the :30 mark, giving the Hawk a 3-2 lead with :32 left in the opening period. Brown quickly escaped and the bout moved to the second tied 3-3. Riddick chose down to start the second period and maintained control until the 1:12 mark. Riddick's escaped gave the lead. Brown then countered a Riddick shot for a takedown of his own to take a 5-5 lead after cutting Riddick loose at the :27 mark. Riddick got hit for a second stall, giving Brown a 6-5 lead after two periods. Brown chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 7-5 lead while maintaining 1:09 in riding time. Brown worked for a final takedown but Riddick was able to defend the shots and the Lion posted the 8-5 win with 1:07 in time.

184: At 184, sophomore James Frascella (Carmel, Ind.) met Lehigh's Zach Diekel. Frascella fought off two early Diekel shots, keeping the bout scoreless. He then worked how for his own shot, notching the takedown to grab a 2-0 lead at the :55 mark. Frascella then put together a strong ride, working Diekel to the mat for a ride out and a 2-0 lead after one period. Frascella chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Diekel got in on a single and worked Frascella to the mat for a takedown, cutting the Lion's lead to 4-2 after an escape. The duo rolled through a mad scramble at the end of the second period with neither wrestler managing to finish off things for a takedown and Frascella led 4-2 heading into the third. Diekel chose down to start the third and quickly escaped. He then took Frascella down at the 1:28 mark and the bout was tied 5-5 after a Frascella escape. Diekel rolled behind Frascella for another takedown and led 7-6 at the :45 mark. He added one more with :35 left and upped his lead to 9-6. Diekel then maintained control for the rest of the bout and escaped with a hard-fought 9-6 win, cutting Penn State's lead to 15-12. No. 1 Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) did wrestle in the match for violation of team rules.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 4 at 197, took on LU's John Bolich. McIntosh got in on a low single a minute in and steadily worked his way to a takedown and an early 2-0 lead. Bolich escaped at 1:20 and action resumed in the center of the mat. McIntosh quickly gained control of Bolich's right leg as the Hawk worked the outside circle. But McIntosh pulled Bolich in and notched the takedown to lead 4-1 at the :25 mark. McIntosh nearly completed a nearside cradle as the period ended but time expired. Trailing 4-1, Bolich chose down to start the second period. Bolich worked to an escape after a :30 ride but McIntosh continued to pressure the Mountain Hawk grappler. The Lion sophomore's pressure paid off at the :10 mark as another takedown gave him a 6-2 lead with 1:58 in time after two. McIntosh chose down to start the final period and quickly escaped to a 7-2 lead. Bolich got hit for a stall warning at the 1:05 mark and McIntosh notched another takedown with :33 left, taking a 9-2 lead and clinching the riding time point. He then ended the match on top, getting the major on riding time and clinching the dual meet with the 10-2 major.

285: With junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 11 at 285, held out of the bout (skin), junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) stepped up and met No. 19 Doug Vollaro. The duo battled evenly early, with neither man finding an opening during the first three minutes. Tied 0-0 after one, Gingrich chose down to start the second stanza. He quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead and action resumed in the middle of the mat with each big man working to find an opening to score. But offense was again hard to come by and Gingrich led by one after two periods. Vollaro chose down to start the final period and quickly escaped to a 1-1 tie. Gingrich used a strong high double to bull through the bout's first takedown, taking a 3-1 lead with :55 left in the match. Vollaro escaped to a 3-2 Gingrich lead with :40 on the clock but Gingrich continued to shoot, nearly connecting on a low single. The Lion junior then fought off a late Vollaro shot, countered it and took the Hawk down again for a superb 5-2 win, giving Penn State the 22-12

#1 PENN STATE 34, LOCK HAVEN 6

Sunday, Nov. 24, 2013 -- University Park Pa.

125: #3 Nico Megaludis PSU tech fall Ronnie Perry LHU, 21-6 (TF; 7:00)	5-0
133: Jordan Conway PSU dec. Matt Bryer LHU, 10-5	8-0
141: #12 Zain Retherford PSU dec. Dan Neff PSU, 6-1	11-0
149: Mac Maldarelli LHU dec. Zack Beitz PSU, 8-7	11-3
157: James Vollrath PSU maj. dec. Billy Randt LHU, 12-4	15-3
165: #1 David Taylor PSU pinned Jake Kemerer LHU, WBF (6:09)	21-3
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU tech fall Adam Mackie LHU, 18-3 (TF; 6:02)	26-3
184: #19 Fred Garcia LHU dec. Wes Phipps PSU, 3-1	26-6
197: #4 Morgan McIntosh PSU maj. dec. Phil Sprenkle LHU, 15-3	30-6
285: #10 Jimmy Lawson PSU maj. dec. Brad Emerick LHU, 14-4	34-6
Attendance: 6,498	

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, ranked No. 1 nationally in InterMat's Tournament Power Index, opened up the home portion of its 2013-14 schedule with a dominating 34-6 win over visiting Lock Haven. A sell-out crowd of 6,498 packed Rec Hall for the event, the 12th straight home sellout for Penn State dating back to the 2011-12 season.

All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 at 125, opened the dual up with a dominating 21-6 technical fall over Lock Haven's Ronnie Perry. Sophomore Jordan Conway (Abbottstown, Pa.) followed that up with a strong 10-5 win over LHU sophomore Matt Bryer, giving Penn State an 8-0 lead heading into one of the dual's marquee match-ups at 141.

Nittany Lion true freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 12 at 141, remained undefeated on the year with a strong 6-1 win over Lock Haven's Dan Neff. The Bald Eagles got on the scoreboard at 149 when senior Mac Maldarelli fought off a late burst from Penn State freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) to escape with an 8-7 decision. Penn State senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) closed out the dual's opening half with a 12-4 major over Lock Haven's Billy Randt. The win put Penn State up 15-3 heading into intermission.

All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, thrilled the sold out Rec Hall crowd by pinning Haven senior Jake Kemerer at the 6:09 mark to put Penn State up 21-3. The fall was the sixth for Taylor this season and the Lion is undefeated at 8-0. It is also the 43rd of his career, second all-time at Penn State and just 10 shy of the all-time Lion record of 53. All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, dominated Lock Haven's Adam Mackie, picking up an 18-3 technical fall at the 6:02 mark, putting Penn State up 26-3.

Nittany Lion red-shirt freshman Wes Phipps (Grove City, Pa.) made his Penn State dual meet debut against 19th-ranked Fred Garcia of Lock Haven and gave the ranked junior all he could handle before dropping a tough 3-1 decision at 184. Penn State got back on the winning track at 197 when No. 4 Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.) roared to a 15-3 major over Lock Haven's Phil Sprenkle. Nittany Lion junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 10 at 285, closed out the 34-6 victory with an impressive 14-4 major over Lock Haven's Brad Emerick.

The Nittany Lions won the takedown battle with a lopsided 40-4 margin. Penn State's eight wins brought in ten bonus points off a pin (Taylor), two tech falls (Megaludis and Brown) and three majors (Vollrath, McIntosh and Lawson). Nittany Lions Conway and Retherford picked up decisions. The sell-out is the 12th straight for Penn State in Rec Hall, dating back to the 2011-12 season.

BOU-T-BY-BOU-T:

125: Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 nationally at 125, took on Lock Haven's Ronald Perry. Megaludis got in on an early single and notched the bout's first takedown at the 2:10 mark, taking a 2-1 lead after a quick Perry escape. The Lion junior connected on a high single shortly afterwards and led 4-2 at the 1:10 mark. Megaludis added a third takedown and then put together a strong ride and led 6-2 after one. Perry chose down to start the second and quickly escaped, but Megaludis tacked on a quick takedown and cut to lead 8-4 at the 1:40 mark. He added a fifth takedown and led 10-4 with :30 in the period before action moved out of bounds and forced a reset. Megaludis turned Perry for three back points before the period ended and led 13-4 after two. He chose down to start the third, escaped and took Perry down again to lead 16-5 with 1:20 left. Two more takedowns and the Lion closed out the technical fall with a ride out. 2:36 in riding time gave Megaludis the 21-6 tech fall at the 7:00 mark.

133: Sophomore Jordan Conway (Abbottstown, Pa.) took to the mat for Penn State at 133 to take on Lock Haven's Matt Bryer. Bryer notched the first takedown for an early 2-1 lead a minute into the bout. Conway answered, going chest to chest with Bryer and forcing the Bald Eagle to the mat for a 3-2 lead of his own. Conway then rode Bryer out to lead by one after a period. He chose down to start the second stanza and deftly worked his left arm around to gain control of Bryer, getting the reversal and leading 5-2 at the 1:30 mark. Bryer escaped with 1:10 left to cut Conway's lead to two. Trailing 5-3, Bryer chose down to start the third period and escaped to a 5-4 Conway lead. Conway had 1:40 in riding time in hand as well. The Lion sophomore tacked on another takedown with 1:20 on the clock, upping his lead to 7-4. Conway added on another takedown and a riding time point and rode away with the strong 10-5 win.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 12 nationally by InterMat at 141, battled Lock Haven's Dan Neff, ranked by a number of other entities, in one of the dual's most anticipated match-ups. The duo of ranked grapplers battled evenly for the first period, with offense being hard to come by over the opening three minutes. Tied 0-0 after one, Retherford chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. He then gained control of Neff's left leg, working for the opening takedown at the 1:40 mark to take a 3-0 lead. The Lion true freshman then broke Neff down, putting together a strong ride en route to building up over 1:00 in riding time. A 1:36 ride out gave the Lion freshman a 3-0 lead after two periods. Neff chose neutral to start the third period but Retherford was too strong, using a low single to work to a takedown and a 5-0 lead with 1:00 left to wrestle. With the riding time point clinched, Retherford worked for a turning combination. Neff escaped as the bout ended but 2:45 in time gave Retherford the 6-1 victory, putting Penn State up 11-0.

149: Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) to the mat for Penn State to face Lock Haven senior Mac Maldarelli at 149. Maldarelli got in on an early shot, gaining control of Beitz left ankle. The Lion fought the move off for a minute but the Haven senior got the call for an early 2-0 lead. Beitz wasted little time countering however, easily notching a reversal to tie the bout at 2-2 with 1:20 on the clock. Maldarelli escaped to a 3-2 lead and action resumed in the center circle with 1:10 left in the opening period. Beitz gained control of Maldarelli and nearly got a takedown as the period wound down, but the Haven senior countered for a takedown of his own as the period ended and Beitz trailed 5-2 after the first period. Beitz chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 5-3 deficit. Beitz used a swift low single for his first takedown and trailed 6-5 after a quick Maldarelli escape with a minute on the clock. Beitz almost finished of a low ankle pick as the period ended but the LHU grappler was able to kill the clock to hold the one point lead after two. Maldarelli chose down to start the final stanza and worked his way to an escaped and a 7-5 lead. Beitz once again got in on a low shot and scrambled his way to a

tying takedown with 1:00 left to wrestle. With the score tied 7-7, Maldarelli escaped with :32 left to take a one point lead. Beitz nearly scored on a low single but Maldarelli escaped out of bounds, forcing a reset with :10 left. The Haven grappler was able to hold off final shots to post the 8-7 win.

157: Nittany Lion senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) faced off against Lock Haven senior Billy Randt at 157. Vollrath wasted no time gaining control of Randt, using a high single to take a 2-0 lead just over a minute into the bout. Randt escaped only to get lifted off the mat by the Lion senior for a second takedown with :40 on the clock. Vollrath dominated action from the top position and, with the ride out, led 4-1 with 1:15 in riding time after the opening period. Randt escaped after taking down to start the third, but Vollrath quickly took the Bald Eagle down for a 6-3 lead with 1:00 left in the middle period. Leading 6-3, Vollrath chose down to start the third and quickly escaped to a 7-3 lead. He then used a fast low shot for another takedown and an 8-3 lead with 1:35 on the clock. Vollrath cut Randt loose with 1:07 left and began working for another takedown. After fighting off a solid Randt shot, Vollrath reset with :30 on the clock and drove through a high double with :10 left. A short ride-out gave Vollrath, with 2:05 in time, the 12-4 major, putting Penn State up 15-3 at the break.

165: Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, faced off against Lock Haven senior Jake Kemerer. Taylor wasted no time gaining control of Kemerer's right ankle, tripping the Haven senior to the mat for a takedown and an early 2-1 lead. He added a second quick takedown shortly afterwards and put together a strong ride. Taylor was a vise on top, controlling Kemerer for a minute-plus before cutting him loose at the 1:30 mark. He took Kemerer down less than :05 after that, then cut Kemerer loose to a 6-3 lead at the :40 mark. Taylor tacked on a fourth takedown with :10 left in the period and led 8-3 with 1:57 in time after the opening three minutes. Kemerer chose neutral to start the second period and scrambled his way to a near takedown. But Taylor countered the move for two points of his own and led 10-3 at the 1:30 mark. The Lion senior turned Kemerer for three back points and a 13-3 lead with 1:00 left to wrestle, then reset again. The Lion All-American nearly pinned Kemerer, turning him to his back for a near fall as time expired, getting three back points in the process. Taylor led 16-3 after two with a clinched riding time point and chose top to start the final period. He steadily gained control of Kemerer's working his back to the mat for a fall at the 6:09 mark. The pin was the sixth in eight bouts for Taylor and the 43rd of his career. He is now just 10 pins shy of tying the all-time Penn State record.

174: Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, met Bald Eagle Adam Mackie. Brown quickly took Mackie down for a 2-0 lead less than :20 into the bout. Mackie worked to an escape and a 2-1 Brown lead midway through the period. Brown scrambled to a second takedown and a 4-2 lead after cutting Mackie loose at the 1:30 mark and action resumed at the center circle. Brown caught Mackie's chest and put him to the mat for another takedown and two near fall points to lead 8-2. The Lion All-American added another takedown and led 10-3 with almost 2:00 riding time after the opening period. Brown chose down to start the second period, quickly escaped and then took Mackie down to lead 13-3 with 1:10 to wrestle in the middle stanza. Brown continued to work strong on top, battling for another turning combination but action was halted with a potentially dangerous call. After a Brown ride out, Mackie chose down to start the third period and was quickly turned for three back points by Brown. Brown reset, then picked up a point on a second Mackie stall to lead 17-3 with 1:10 left. A third stall call gave Brown the 18-3 technical fall at the 6:02 mark, putting Penn State up 26-3.

184: Red-shirt freshman Wes Phipps (Grove City, Pa.) made his Penn State dual meet debut at 184 for Penn State to take on No. 19 Fred Garcia of Lock Haven. Garcia gained control of Phipps' leg early for a takedown and a 2-1 lead under a minute into the bout. Phipps then battled the ranked Bald Eagle evenly for the next minute-plus, fighting off a Garcia shot before blood time was called at the 1:11 mark. Phipps worked in on a high single with :20 on the clock but Garcia fought the move off to hold onto his one point lead after the opening period. Phipps chose down to start the second period but Garcia was able to control the action from the top position. Phipps continued to battle for an escape but the ranked Bald Eagle was able to ride the Lion freshman for the full period. Leading 2-1 with 2:06 in time, Garcia chose down to start the final period. This time it was Phipps who controlled the action up top, working off the riding time edge before cutting Garcia loose to a 3-1 Haven lead with :40 on the clock. Phipps but countered with a late shot but Garcia was able to work the outside circle and kill the clock for the hard-fought 3-1 win.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 4 at 197, took on Bald Eagle Phil Sprenkle. The due battled through an even two minutes with each grappler looking for an opening to score. As the opening three minutes wound down, McIntosh used a quick single to gain control of Sprenkle, finishing off the takedown for a 2-0 lead as the period ended. McIntosh took down to start the second period, quickly escaped and then bulled through a second takedown to lead 5-0 just :30 into the middle stanza. Sprenkle escaped to a 5-1 McIntosh lead with :24 left and action resumed with a reset. McIntosh continued to close out the period strong, notching another takedown to lead 7-1 with 1:19 in time after two periods. Sprenkle chose down to start the third period and McIntosh cut him loose to a 7-2 score. McIntosh shot low with 1:20 and steadily worked his way to a 9-2 lead with a fourth takedown. With a riding time point in hand, McIntosh cut Sprenkle lose then deftly iced the major with a takedown at the :45 mark. With bonus points at hand, McIntosh turned Sprenkle to his back, working the Bald Eagle over for a near pin as the bout ended. Three back points and the riding time point gave McIntosh the 15-3 major and put Penn State up 30-6.

285: Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 10 at 285, battled LHU freshman Brad Emerick. Lawson quickly took Emerick down, cutting the Eagle loose to lead 2-1 less than :30 into the bout. Leading by one, the 10th-ranked Lion worked the middle of the mat, then worked his way into control of Emerick's chest, taking him down for a 4-1 lead with :45 left to wrestle. Lawson went to work on top and rode Emerick out to lead 4-1 with 1:02 in time after the first period. He chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 5-1 lead. Lawson used his quickness to sidestep an Emerick shot, slipping behind the Eagle for another takedown and a 7-1 lead. He then turned Emerick to his back for two near fall points and a 9-1 lead. After a quick reset, Emerick escaped and action resumed in the middle of the mat with the Lion up 9-2 with :30 left in the second period. Trailing 9-2, Emerick chose down to start the third but Lawson made the Eagle pay for the decision with a strong ride. With the riding time point clinched, Lawson cut Emerick loose at the 1:00 mark and led 9-3. Seeking bonus points, Lawson countered an Emerick shot and worked his way around for another takedown and an 11-4 lead after cutting him loose with just :10 left. He then roared through for a final takedown and a 14-4 major with 3:06 in riding time.

#2 PENN STATE 34, BOSTON 6 Friday, Dec. 6, 2013 -- Boston, Mass.

125: #3 Nico Megaludis PSU maj. dec. Bubba McGinley BU, 15-3	4-0
133: Dane Harlowe BU dec. #11 Jimmy Gulibon PSU, 1-0	4-3
141: #11 Zain Retherford PSU tech fall Peter Ishiguro BU, 17-2 (TF; 4:45)	9-3
149: Zack Beitz PSU dec. Nick Tourville BU, 9-3	12-3
157: #13 Nestor Taffur BU dec. James Vollrath PSU, 5-4	12-6
165: #1 David Taylor PSU tech fall Mitchell Wightman BU, 21-5 (TF; 6:57)	17-6
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU tech fall Eric Des Lauriers BU, 22-7 (TF/NB; 6:03)	21-6
184: Wes Phipps PSU maj. dec. Aaron Conrad BU, 9-1	25-6
197: #4 Morgan McIntosh PSU win by forfeit	31-6
285: #10 Jimmy Lawson PSU dec. Kevin Innis BU, 10-3	34-6

Attendance: 1,664 (sell-out, first ever in BU wrestling history)

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, three-time defending NCAA champions, made its first ever trip to Boston University on Friday and came away with a 34-6 over the home-standing Terriers. A sold-out Case Center crowd, the first-ever in BU wrestling history, watched the event.

All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 at 125, got Penn State off to a good start with a solid 15-3 major over Boston's Bubba McGinley. Boston responded when Dane Harlowe upset freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 11 at 133, 1-0, using two ride-outs to build up 4:00 riding time for the win.

True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 11 at 141, stayed undefeated at 141 with a dominating 17-2 technical fall over Boston's Peter Ishiguro at the 4:45 mark. Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflinburg, Pa.) picked up his first dual meet win as a Nittany Lion with a 9-3 decision over BU senior Dane Harlowe. Senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) took on No. 13 Nestor Taffur at 157 in one of the dual's most anticipated matchups and nearly pulled off the upset. Taffur was able to notch a takedown with just :14 left and, after a late Vollrath escape, fight off the Lion's final effort and escaped with a 5-4 win. Penn State led 12-6 at intermission.

All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, dominated Boston's Mitchell Wightman, posting a 21-5 tech fall at the 6:57 mark. All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, followed that up with a 22-7 tech fall of his own, this one over Terrier Eric Des Lauriers. Red-shirt freshman Wes Phipps (Grove City, Pa.) picked up his first dual meet win as a Nittany Lion at 184, majoring Terrier Aaron Conrad 9-1. Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 4 at 197, picked up a forfeit at 197 and junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 10 at 285, closed out the dual with a strong 10-3 win over Terrier senior Kevin Innis. The string of second half wins allowed Penn State to roll to the 34-6 victory.

Penn State was without the services of junior Andrew Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 9 at 149 and junior All-American Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 5 at 157, who are expected back mid-December following off-season surgery; and senior All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 1 at 184, who is serving a one-month suspension for violation of team rules and policies.

Penn State won the takedown battle 30-3 and rolled to a 10-0 bonus point advantage. The sell-out crowd of 1,664 was the first ever sell-out in Boston University wrestling history.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Two-time All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 nationally at 125, battled Boston senior Bubba McGinley in the dual's opening salvo. Megaludis fought off an early McGinley shot as the Terrier gained control of the Lions' left leg, forcing him into defense. Megaludis was able to force a stalemate after over a minute. The shot energized Megaludis as he began to force the tempo, picking up his first takedown to lead 2-0 at the 1:00 mark. Megaludis maintained control for the rest of the period, fighting off a quick reversal attempt by McGinley. Leading 2-0 after one, Megaludis chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. He quickly added a second takedown, cut McGinley loose and added a third to lead 7-2 at the :45 mark. Megaludis added one more takedown and led 9-2 with 1:17 in time after two. McGinley chose down to start the third and Megaludis quickly caught the Terrier, turning him to his back for three near fall points and a 12-2 lead with a clinched riding time point. McGinley escaped only to be taken down again by Megaludis and, with the ride-out, the Lion posted the 15-3 major to put Penn State up 4-0.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 11 at 133, faced off against BU sophomore Dane Harlowe. The duo battled evenly through the first minute-plus when Gulibon shot after a reset, gaining control of Harlowe's legs. Harlowe fought off the move for over a minute as Gulibon nearly turned him to his back but the stalemate was called and action resumed 0-0 at the :30 mark. Tied 0-0 after one, Gulibon chose down to start the second period but could not break free of Harlowe's ride. The Terrier dominated the action from the top, riding Gulibon out to keep the score tied with 2:00 riding time in his favor. Harlowe chose top to start the third period, looking to clinch the riding time point and keep Gulibon down. Gulibon once again could not break free of Harlowe's ride and lost the match 1-0 on Harlowe chose top to start the third period, looking to clinch the riding time point and keep Gulibon down. Gulibon once again could not break free of Harlowe's ride and lost the match 1-0 on 4:00 riding time.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 11 at 141, took on Terrier Peter Ishiguro. Retherford wasted no time in gaining control of the match with a quick takedown to lead 2-0 out of the blocks. He then turned Ishiguro for three back points, nearly pinning him but not getting the call. Up 4-0 after a reset with 1:24, Retherford cut Ishiguro loose and began looking for more. Retherford quickly took Ishiguro down twice to lead 9-2 at the :20 mark. He added three back points and led 12-2 after one. Retherford chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 13-2 lead. He added a quick takedown to up his lead to 15-2 and began looking for a chance to turn the Terrier. He picked up two near fall points and got the 17-2 technical fall at the 4:45 mark, putting Penn State up 9-3.

149: Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) took to the mat at 149 for Penn State to face BU senior Nick Tourville. Beitz countered an early Tourville shot, gained control of the Terrier and used his legs to put him to his back for three near fall points and a 5-1 lead after Tourville escaped. Beitz continued his pressure, working for a shot of his own and countering Tourville's offense. Leading 5-1, Beitz chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 7-1 lead, getting an extra point on a Tourville locked hands violation. Tourville shot low on Beitz' left ankle, but Beitz was able to force a stalemate and action resumed in the center circle at the 1:10 mark. Beitz used a quick low single and upped his lead to 9-1 with a takedown. Tourville escaped at the :30 mark to cut the lead to 9-2. Trailing 9-2, Tourville chose down to start the third and quickly escaped to a 9-3 Beitz lead. Beitz continued to pressure the Terrier, forcing him back towards the outer circle. Beitz would walk away with a strong 9-3 win, his first dual win as a Nittany Lion.

157: Penn State senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) faced off against BU senior Nestor Taffur, who entered the bout ranked No. 13 nationally at 157. The duo battled evenly for two minutes before Vollrath scored on a low single, taking a 2-0 lead at the 1:02 mark and then gaining control of the ranked Terrier with a strong ride. Taffur

worked for an escape as the period ended, but Vollrath was able to keep control for the final seconds and led 2-0 with 1:03 riding time after one. Vollrath chose down to start the second period and escaped to a 3-0 lead. Taffur cut the lead to 3-2 with a strong takedown and then rode Vollrath out for the final seconds of the period. Trailing 3-2, Taffur chose down to start the final period and quickly escaped to a 3-3 tie. Vollrath gained control of Taffur's left leg on a high single and was working his way to a takedown when a stalemate was called at the :50 mark. Tied 3-3, Taffur gained control of Vollrath with :14 and notched a go-ahead takedown to lead 5-3. Vollrath quickly escaped but it was not enough and Taffur escaped with a 5-4 win, cutting Penn State's lead to 12-6 at the break.

165: Three-time NCAA finalist David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, met Boston's Mitchell Wightman. Taylor fell behind early when Wightman took the Lion down at the 2:24 mark. He quickly escaped to a 2-1 deficit, took him down within seconds and cut him loose to a 3-3 tie at the 1:27 mark. Taylor forced Whiteman into a stall warning, then quickly took the Terrier down for a 5-3 lead with 1:00 to wrestle. He turned Whiteman for three near fall points as the period ended and led 8-3 after one. Wightman chose down to start the second period but Taylor was controlling on top. Taylor picked up a stall point and then turned Wightman for three more back points and lead 12-3 at the :25 mark. Wightman escaped as the period ended and Taylor led 12-4 after two. Taylor chose down to start the third and quickly reversed Wightman to up his lead to 14-4, then picked another point on another stall to lead 15-4. Taylor let Wightman up, took him down to lead 17-5 and began working for a turning combination. Taylor turned Wightman twice for two-counts and rolled to the 21-5 technical fall at the 6:57 mark.

174: Junior All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, battled Eric Des Lauriers. Brown got off to a quick start with a takedown and a 2-0 lead at the 2:28 mark. He worked to build up over 1:00 in riding time then cut Des Lauriers loose. Brown began to put together a string of takedowns, building up a 6-3 lead with two more scores. He tacked on two more takedowns as the period wound down and led 10-4 after the opening three minutes. Des Lauriers chose top to start the second period and Brown quickly reversed the Terrier. He added a takedown and picked up a stall point to lead 15-5. Another takedown gave Brown a 17-6 lead after two periods. Brown took down to start the third period and quickly escaped. He picked up a stall point and then closed out the tech fall with another takedown, getting the 22-7 tech fall, a four pointer with no back points, at the 6:03 mark.

184: Red-shirt freshman Wes Phipps (Grove City, Pa.) made his Penn State road dual debut in Boston against Terrier Aaron Conrad at 184. The duo battled evenly for the opening minutes but Phipps was able to notch a takedown with :30 left and then rode Conrad out to lead 2-0 after the opening period. Phipps chose down to start the second period and quickly reversed Conrad for a 4-0 lead. He then dominated the action for the rest of the period and carried that lead, with 1:48 in riding time, into the third. Conrad chose neutral to start the third period but Phipps quickly took him down to up his lead to 6-0 and clinch the riding time point. He then cut Conrad loose and began looking for bonus points. Phipps upped his lead to 8-1 with another late takedown and then rode Conrad out for the 9-1 win with the 3:06 riding time point. The victory put Penn State up 25-6.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 4 at 197, received a forfeit at 197 and the Nittany Lions led 31-6.

285: Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 10 at 285, battled Terrier senior Kevin Innis in the dual's final bout. The duo battled evenly for the bulk of the opening period but Lawson got on the scoreboard late with a swift counter takedown. A short ride-out gave the Nittany Lion junior a 2-0 lead after the opening period. Innis chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped, but Lawson was relentless on offense, chasing the Terrier senior towards the outside circle and getting a takedown for a 4-1 lead. Innis worked to an escape and action resumed in the center circle. Neither man scored over the rest of the period. Lawson carried a 4-2 lead into the third period, chose down and escaped to a 5-2 lead. He then quickly added another takedown and led 7-2 with 1:30 left to wrestle. Lawson cut Innis loose and began looking for more takedowns and potential bonus points. But Innis was able to defend Lawson's

#2 PENN STATE 28, #23 PITTSBURGH 9 Sunday, Dec. 8, 2013 -- Bryce Jordan Center -- University Park, Pa.

125: #3 Nico Megaludis PSU dec. #9 Anthony Zanetta PITT, 4-1	3-0
133: #17 Shelton Mack PITT dec. Jordan Conaway PSU, 5-2	3-3
141: #11 Zain Retherford PSU dec. Edgar Bright PITT, 3-2	6-3
149: Mike Racciatto PITT pinned James English PSU, WBF (6:52)	6-9
157: James Vollrath PSU dec. Cole Sheptock PITT, 7-2	9-9
165: #1 David Taylor PSU pinned Geno Morelli PITT, WBF (3:09)	15-9
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU dec. #9 Tyler Wilps PITT, 9-3	18-9
184: Wes Phipps PSU maj. dec. Aaron Rothwell PITT, 13-3	22-9
197: #4 Morgan McIntosh PSU dec. Nick Bonaccorsi PITT, 4-3 (tb)	25-9
285: #10 Jimmy Lawson PSU dec. P.J. Tasser PITT, 3-1	28-9

Attendance: 15,996

(13th straight home sell-out; new NCAA dual meet record and new PSU/BJC Athletics record)

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, three-time defending NCAA champions, welcomed intrastate rival Pittsburgh to a sold-out Bryce Jordan Center on Sunday and came away with a rousing 28-9 victory. Despite a developing snow storm, the dual meet was wrestled in front of 15,996 fans, setting a new NCAA all-time dual meet record and a new record for a Penn State Athletics event in the BJC.

Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 nationally at 125, opened up the dual meet with an outstanding 4-1 win over No. 9 Anthony Zanetta of Pittsburgh in the dual's first bout. Pitt tied the dual meet at 133 when No. 17 Shelton Mack notched two late takedowns to beat Penn State's Jordan Conaway (Abbotstown, Pa.) 5-2.

True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 11 at 141, put Penn State back on top with a hard-fought 3-2 win over Pitt's Edgar Bright. Panther Mike Racciatto put the Panthers on top with a late pin (6:52) of Lion senior James English (York, Pa.) at 149 but James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) got Penn State back to even with a strong 7-2 win over Panther Cole Sheptock at 157.

Senior All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, put Penn State up for good however, decking Pitt's Geno Morelli just nine seconds into the second period. The fall at the 3:09 mark put Penn State up 15-9 and was the 44th of Taylor's career. He is now just nine shy of the all-time Penn State record of 53. Taylor is 10-0 on the year with seven pins, two tech falls and one major.

All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, kept Penn State rolling after intermission with a dominating 9-3 win over No. 9 Tyler Wilps. Brown forced Wilps into three stall warnings in the bout. Red-shirt Wes Phipps (Grove City, Pa.) clinched the dual meet for the Nittany Lions, dominating Panther Aaron Rothwell on his way to a 13-3 major with 4:29 in riding time.

Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 4 at 197, then posted a hard-fought and thrilling win over Panther Nick Bonaccorsi. With the bout tied 3-3 after regulation and a first sudden victory period, McIntosh rode Bonaccorsi out during the first tie-breaker then escaped quickly in his period to post the 4-3 (tb) decision. Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 10 at 285, closed out the dual meet with hard fought 3-1 win over Pitt's P.J. Tasser. A late takedown gave the Lion the decision and put Penn State on top 28-9 for the final score.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 at 125, took on No. 9 Anthony Zanetta of Pittsburgh in one of the dual meet's marquee battles. The nationally ranked duo battled evenly throughout the opening period with neither man finding an opening to score through the first two-plus minutes. With neither man breaking through after the opening stanza, the bout moved to the second scoreless. Megaludis chose down to start the second period and steadily worked his way to an escape and a 1-0 lead. Megaludis connected on a high single, turning it into a takedown and a 3-0 lead with 1:10 on the clock. Megaludis maintained control for the rest of the period and carried that lead into the third. Zanetta chose down to start the third period and Megaludis maintained control long enough to push his riding time over 1:00. Still in control, Megaludis held Zanetta down long enough to clinch the riding time point before the Panther escaped to a 3-1 score. Megaludis fought off two late Zanetta shots and posted the 4-1 win, putting Penn State up 3-0 early.

133: Sophomore Jordan Conaway (Abbotstown, Pa.) took to the mat at 133 and faced off against No. 19 Shelton Mack of Pittsburgh in another bout between ranked opponents. Conaway fresh off winning the Thunder Wolf Open title and Outstanding Wrestler Award the night before in Upstate New York, battled Mack evenly for the full opening period, with neither man mounting an offensive charge in 3:00. Tied 0-0, Mack chose down to start the second stanza and escaped to a 1-0 lead 0:11 in. Conaway nearly connected on a low single at the 1:00 mark, but Mack fought the move off to hold his 1-0 lead. Conaway forced another scramble late but each man was able to defend the other's threat and Mack led 1-0 after two. Conaway chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 1-1 tie. Conaway shot at Mack's left leg and the Panther fought off the move, countered and took Conaway down for a 3-1 lead with :25 left. Conaway escaped with :15 on the clock and spent. Mack countered a late Conaway shot and got a final takedown to get the 5-2 win and tie the dual at 3-3.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 11 at 141, faced off against Pitt's Edgar Bright. Bright scored first, using a quick single leg to take Retherford down and open up a 2-1 lead midway through the period. Retherford spent the rest of the period looking for an opening but Bright was able to play defense and carry the 2-1 lead into the second stanza. Retherford chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 2-2 tie. The Lion rookie set the tempo for the period, taking numerous shots and forcing Bright to the outside circle throughout the middle 2:00. Retherford nearly scored at the buzzer with a low single. But time ran out and the bout moved to the third period tied 2-2. Bright chose down to start the third period but Retherford was strong on top, maintaining control long enough to build up a 1:00-plus riding time edge. After a reset at the :59 mark, Retherford broke Bright down again, keeping his top position and control. With the time point clinched, Retherford needed only a ride out to win the bout. The Lion freshman did just that and with 1:49 in riding time, posted the 3-2 win.

149: Senior James English (York, Pa.) took on Panther freshman Mike Racciatto at 149. The duo battled evenly throughout the opening period with neither man finding an opening to score. Racciatto forced a scramble at the :40 mark but English was able to fight off the move and force a stalemate with :11 on the clock. Racciatto chose down to start the second period but English was able to maintain control of his top position. English nearly turned Racciatto for back points but the Panther shifted action out of bounds and a reset was called with 1:10 on the clock. English then maintained control for the rest of the period and action moved to the third tied 0-0 with English having 2:00 in riding time. English chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead with 1:53 in time to his advantage. Racciatto countered an English shot and the bout was tied 2-2 after a quick English

escape. English still had riding time as well with :45 on the clock. English notched a late takedown, Racciatto reversed him with just :10 left and then turned him to his back for a quick pin at the 6:52 mark. The fall put the Panthers up 9-6.

157: Nittany Lion senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) took to the mat at 157 to meet Pitt's Cole Sheptock. The duo battled evenly for nearly two minutes before Vollrath locked in on a single leg. The Lion senior finished off the move and led 2-1 with :50 left after a quick Sheptock escape. Vollrath added a second takedown as the period ended and led 4-1 heading into the second period. Vollrath chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 5-1 lead. The duo battled evenly for the rest of the period, allowing Vollrath to head into the third stanza with a 5-1 lead. Sheptock chose down to start the third period and steadily worked his way to an escape and a 5-2 deficit. Vollrath was relentless on offense and connected on another solid shot. The late takedown allowed the Nittany Lion senior to roll to a 7-2 victory and tie the dual meet at 9-9 heading into halftime.

165: Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, faced off with Pittsburgh's Geno Morelli. Taylor wasted no time taking a lead, gaining control of Morelli and taking a 2-0 lead at the 2:23 mark. Taylor then maintained control of Morelli, building up a solid riding time edge before Morelli escaped to a 2-1 score. Taylor quickly stepped behind the Panther and upped his lead to 4-1 with 1:00 left on the clock. Taylor forced Morelli into a first stall warning and then rode the Panther out to lead 4-1 after one. Morelli chose down to start the second period and Taylor cut him loose. The three-time All-American then sent the NCAA dual meet record crowd to its feet, catching the Panther and putting him to his back for a pin in under ten seconds. The fall, at the 3:09 mark, put Penn State up 15-9 and was the 44th of Taylor's career (nine shy of Penn State's all-time record of 53).

174: Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, took on No. 9 Tyler Wilps in another highly anticipated top-ten battle. Brown set the early tempo, forcing Wilps to the edge of the mat for over a minute while looking to connect on a low single. Brown's steady offense forced Wilps into defense and a first stall warning as the period ended. Tied 0-0, Brown chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Continuing to work through the Panther's defense, Brown gained control of Wilps' left ankle and notched the bout's first takedown to lead 3-1 after a quick Wilps escape at the :57 mark. Brown nearly notched another takedown but Wilps was able to work his way out of bounds again. Brown led 3-1 after two periods. Wilps chose down to start the third period and escaped to a 3-2 deficit. But Brown's relentless offense forced the ranked Panther into another stall, giving the Lion another point. Brown picked up another takedown, a stall point and a final takedown to roll to the 9-3 win and put Penn State up 18-9.

184: Red-shirt freshman Wes Phipps (Grove City, Pa.) took to the big stage against Pitt's Aaron Rothwell. Phipps exploded out of the gates, blowing through a high double, lifting Rothwell off the mat and taking him down for a quick 2-0 lead. The Grove City native was dominant on top, putting together a strong ride while he build up well over 1:00 before cutting Rothwell loose to a 2-1 score. Phipps shot again, working for control with 1:10 on the clock before Rothwell forced a stalemate. Phipps forced Rothwell into a stall warning and then used a strong high single to take a 4-1 lead with another takedown. Phipps rode Rothwell out and led 4-1 with 1:55 in time after the opening period. Phipps chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 5-1 lead. He then used a high single again, lifted Rothwell off the mat, and took a 7-1 lead with another takedown. Phipps picked up another point on Rothwell's second stall then cut him loose with :25 on the clock. Wasting no time, Phipps picked up a takedown with just :05 left and led 10-2 with 3:12 in time after two. Rothwell chose down to start the final period, Phipps worked for a bit on top and then cut the Panther loose with :55 on the clock. With the clinched riding time point in hand, Phipps used a low ankle pick and a final burst to finish on top with a final takedown. The Lion's 13-3 major with 4:29 in riding time clinched the dual meet, putting Penn State up 22-9.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 4 at 197, met Panther sophomore Nick Bonaccorsi. Bonaccorsi scored first, taking McIntosh down and edging out to a 2-1 lead with 1:30 on the clock. The duo battled evenly for the period's final minute-plus and McIntosh trailed by one, 2-1, after one. McIntosh chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped. Bonaccorsi locked his hands in the process, giving the Lion sophomore a 3-2 lead. McIntosh grabbed the Panther's left ankle and worked to pull him onto the mat. Bonaccorsi worked hard to get out of bounds and eventually was able to force a reset with :04 left on the clock. Trailing by one, Bonaccorsi chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 3-3 tie. The duo fought each other evenly for the next minute-plus, with neither wrestler able to break through on offense. McIntosh continued to pressure the Panther and nearly scored as the period ended, but time ran out and the bout moved into sudden victory. McIntosh shot three times out of the blocks in extra time but Bonaccorsi was able to fight off each move send the bout into overtime. Bonaccorsi chose down to start the first tie-breaker but was not able to work free of McIntosh's strong ride. The Lion sophomore then chose down and quickly escaped to a 4-3 lead. The final point was the difference and McIntosh notched the 4-3 (tb) win.

285: Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 10 at 285, met Pitt's P.J. Tasser in the dual's final bout. The tandem fought through an even two minutes-plus with defense being the theme of the bout. Each man opened up a bit as the first period but no one scored and the bout moved to the second period tied 0-0. Tasser chose down to start the second stanza and escaped to a 1-0 lead quickly. Action resumed in the center circle with each wrestler working for a chance to get the bout's first takedown. Trailing by one, Lawson chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 1-1 tie. Lawson stepped back from a quick Tasser shot and maintained the tie and then the duo battled evenly until under the :30 mark. Tasser shot on Lawson and the Lion junior countered for a clinching takedown as the bout ended, picking up the tough 3-1 win.

#2 PENN STATE 31, #6 OHIO STATE 6 Sunday, Dec. 15, 2013 -- Rec Hall -- University Park, Pa.

125: #3 Nico Megaludis PSU tech fall #19 Nick Roberts OSU, 21-4 (TF; 6:54)	5-0
133: #6 Johnny DeJulius OSU dec. #15 Jimmy Gulibon PSU, 3-2	5-3
141: #8 Zain Retherford PSU dec. (sv) #1 Logan Stieber OSU, 4-2 (sv)	8-3
149: Zack Beitz PSU dec. #19 Ian Paddock OSU, 5-3	11-3
157: James Vollrath PSU dec. Randy Languis OSU, 11-5	14-3
165: #1 David Taylor PSU tech fall Joe Grandominico OSU, 20-5 (TF; 7:00)	19-3
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU maj. dec. Mark Martin OSU, 16-4	23-3
184: #1 Ed Ruth PSU maj. dec. #12 Kenny Courts OSU, 14-3	27-3
197: #5 Nick Heffin OSU dec. Wes Phipps PSU, 3-1	27-6
285: #12 Jimmy Lawson PSU maj. dec. Nick Tavanello OSU, 15-4	31-6

Attendance: 6,380 (14th-straight home sell-out for Penn State)

True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.) sparked Penn State with an upset victory over No.1 Logan Stieber at 141 to lead the Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team to a 31-6 win over No. 6 Ohio State in Rec Hall on Sunday. An SRO sell-out crowd of over 6,300 watched as head coach Cael Sanderson's team dominated the Buckeyes on the Big Ten Network.

Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 at 125, got Penn State off to a hot start, dominating No. 19 Nick Roberts to the tune of a 21-4 technical fall at the 6:54 mark. Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 133, nearly pulled off the upset at 133 but dropped a 3-2 decision to No. 6 Johnny DeJulius on 1:19 in riding time. That's when true freshman Retherford, who was ranked No. 8 at 141, down previously unbeaten and top-ranked Stieber in sudden victory. Retherford used a second period ride out to build up a riding time edge that sent the bout into extra time and a takedown in the sudden victory period to send the Rec Hall faithful through the roof and put Penn State up 8-3. Retherford's win keeps the young Lion unbeaten on the year with a perfect 11-0 mark.

At 149, red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) posted the most impressive win of his young Lion career, downing No. 19 Ian Paddock 5-3 to put the Lions up 11-3. Senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) closed out the first half with an 11-5 decision over Buckeye Randy Languis to send Penn State into the halftime break with a 14-3 lead. Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, got Penn State started after the halftime break by dominating 20-5 technical fall at the 7:00 mark over Ohio State's Joe Grandominico. Taylor rolled up 5:37 in riding time in the victory. Taylor remained unbeaten on the year, moving to 11-0. Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, majored Mark Martin 16-4 with 3:39 in time to put the Lions up 23-3. Brown stayed undefeated with the win, moving to 11-0.

Senior Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 1 at 184, returned to action for Penn State with a resounding 14-3 major over No. 12 Kenny Courts of Ohio State. Ruth built up 5:09 in riding time, marking the second Lion (joining Taylor) to amass over 5:00 in time. At 197, Lion sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 3 nationally, was held out as a precaution and red-shirt freshman Wes Phipps (Grove City, Pa.) moved up from 184 to take on No. 5 Nick Heffin. Phipps nearly pulled off the upset but the ranked Buckeye countered a Phipps shot late in the final period for a 3-1 win. Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at 285, closed out the dual a dominating 15-4 major of his own, with over 3:00 in riding time as well.

Sanderson's Lions dominated the dual from start to finish, posting a 34-3 margin in takedowns and tallying up two tech falls and three majors.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Two-time All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 at 125, took on Ohio State freshman Nick Roberts, who entered the dual ranked No. 19 with an 18-4 record. Megaludis shot low at the 1:47 mark and took a quick 2-1 lead just over a minute in. The dual then reset in the center circle and Megaludis continued to force Roberts to the edge of the mat. Megaludis forced Roberts into a stall warning and then used a low single to up his lead to 4-1 at the :35 mark. The Lion junior then controlled the action from the top for the remainder of the period and led 4-1 with :50 in time after one. Megaludis chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 5-1 lead. He then controlled Roberts' shoulders, forced his head to the mat and took him down again for a 7-1 lead with 1:15 on the clock. He then picked up a stall point and turned Roberts for three back points to lead 11-1 with 1:56 in time heading into the third. Roberts chose down to start the third and Megaludis allowed the Buckeye to escape to an 11-2 score. Looking for bonus points, Megaludis quickly used a low single for another takedown and led 13-3 with 1:12 left. Megaludis added another takedown and picked up one more stall point before a final takedown and three more back points for a resounding 21-4 tech fall at the 6:54 mark, putting Penn State up 5-0 early.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 133, took on No. 6 Johnny DeJulius in a key match-up in the lighter weights. The nationally ranked duo battled evenly for nearly two minutes, with Gulibon working the shoulders and DeJulius taking shots low on Gulibon's legs. Gulibon shot low at the :50 mark, snagged DeJulius' ankle, and notched the first takedown to lead 2-1 at the :30 mark. The Lion freshman fought off a DeJulius throw attempt late and led 2-1 after one. Gulibon chose down to start the second period and nearly worked his way to a reversal. But DeJulius was able to maintain control and a reset was called with 1:22 on the clock. DeJulius was able to continue to control the action for the rest of the period and with the ride out still trailed by one, but had 1:46 in time to his side. DeJulius chose down to start the final period and escaped to a 2-2 tie with 1:19 in time to his advantage. The duo battled evenly for over a minute and the clock worked its way to :40 left. Gulibon was not able to break through DeJulius' defense as the Buckeye backed off the mat for the final seconds and escaped with a 3-2 win on 1:19 riding time.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 8 at 141, met defending NCAA Champion 133-pound champion and top-ranked Logan Stieber in one of the dual's most anticipated match-ups. Stieber scored early, using a high single to work his way to a takedown and a 2-1 lead :40 into the bout. The defending NCAA champion then controlled the action from the top, building up :53 in time before Retherford escaped to a 2-1 score. Retherford then got in on Stieber's left ankle, working for a takedown on the edge of the mat. But Stieber was able to work his way out of bounds and held the one point lead. Retherford got called for stalling with :40 on the clock and action returned to the center circle. He fought off a late Stieber shot and trailed by one after one period. Stieber chose down to start the second period and Retherford was able to break the Buckeye down in the middle of the mat. Retherford maintained control of Stieber long enough to kill any riding time edge first, and then forced Stieber into a stall warning. Retherford maintained control of the Buckeye until a reset was called with :19 on the clock. He then continued his ride out after the reset and trailed by one with 1:07 in time to his edge after two. Retherford chose neutral to start the third period and quickly got in on Stieber's left ankle. The Buckeye countered forced a scramble on the edge of the mat. A stalemate was called with :57 left and action resumed in the center circle. Stieber shot low, but Retherford fought off the shot and with :30 left the Lion still trailed by one. Retherford's riding time sent the bout to sudden victory. Retherford shot quickly and gained control of Stieber's ankle again. With just under :30 left, Retherford sealed the deal with the taking, stunning the top-ranked Stieber 4-2 in sudden victory.

149: Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) took on Ohio State's Ian Paddock, who was ranked No. 19 at 149. The duo battled evenly for over two minutes with Beitz forcing the issue early but Paddock's defense maintaining a 0-0 tie. Beitz gained control of Paddock's leg with :28 on the clock but the Buckeye was able to slip out of bounds and keep the bout scoreless after one period. Paddock chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Beitz drew first blood, countering a Paddock shot for a takedown and a 2-1 lead. But the ranked Buckeye was able to reverse the Lion freshman and retook the lead, 3-2. With just :20 left, Beitz countered with his own reversal and rode Paddock out to lead 4-3 after two. Beitz chose down to start the final period and quickly escaped to a 5-3 lead. With riding time not a factor, Beitz continued to pressure the Buckeye, forcing him back on his heels while looking for a chance to add to his lead. With :30 left, Paddock opened up offensively but Beitz was able to keep the Buckeye at arms' length and walked away with a 5-3 win.

157: Senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) battled Buckeye Randy Languis at 157. Vollrath wasted no time opening up a lead, taking Languis down quickly to open up an early 2-1 edge. The Lion senior then took Languis down again to lead 4-2 midway through the period. After forcing the Buckeye into a stall warning, Vollrath blew through a high double, forcing a scramble in the middle of the mat. But this time, Languis was able to force a stalemate and action resumed with :50 left. Leading by two, Vollrath chose down to start the second period. The Lion senior escaped to a 5-2 lead and began pressuring Languis with 1:00 on the clock. Neither man broke through over the final minute and Vollrath led 5-2 heading into the third. Languis chose down to start the final period and quickly escaped to a 5-3 score, but Vollrath's constant pressure led to another takedown and a 7-3 lead for the Nittany Lion. Vollrath cut Languis loose and began working for another takedown. Languis was able to keep Vollrath from scoring again until the :28 mark when the Lion used a solid high double to notch another takedown. He cut Languis loose, looking for another takedown and picked one up to post the 11-5 win. The decision gave Penn State a 14-3 lead at intermission.

165: Three-time All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, met Ohio State's Joe Grandominico. Taylor scored just seconds out of the gates, gaining control of Grandominico's ankle and opening up the quick lead. Ruth worked for a turning combination but eventually cut the Buckeye loose to a 2-1 score. Another swift ankle pick led to another takedown and a 4-1 lead with 1:30 on the clock. Taylor's pressure on top finally led to a cradle and two near fall points. Leading 6-1 with :30, Taylor added another three point turn to lead 9-1 after the opening period. Grandominico chose down to start the second period and was cut loose by Taylor after :30. Leading 9-2 with over 3:00 in riding time, Taylor countered a Grandominico shot for an 11-2 lead and, with the ride-out, led 11-2 with over 4:00 in time after two. With the riding time point clinched, Taylor chose neutral and quickly took the Buckeye down again, upping his edge to 13-2. Taylor cut Grandominico loose and took him down once more to lead 15-4 after another cut. Taylor added one more takedown to lead 17-5 lead after another cut and with :12 left, iced the technical fall with another takedown. With 5:37 in riding time, Taylor posted the 20-5 TF at the 7:00 mark and put Penn State up 19-3.

174: All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, took on Ohio State's Mark Martin. Brown came out of the gates hot, taking a quick shot and scrambling to a 2-0 lead with a takedown. Brown then put together a strong ride, maintaining control of Martin until an escaped at the :50 mark. Leading 2-1, Brown chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 3-1 lead. The Lion junior then reset himself, moved forward on offense and continued to set the temp. Brown shot low with :55 on the clock and notched his second takedown to lead 5-2 after cutting Martin loose. Looking for another takedown in the period, Brown worked his way behind the Buckeye and upped his lead to 7-2 with :20 left. Brown picked up another point on a Martin stall and led 8-2 with 2:00 in time after two. Martin chose down to start the third period and Brown forced him into another stall to lead 9-2. With the riding time point clinched, Brown cut the Buckeye loose and quickly took him down again to lead 11-3 with 1:00 left to wrestle. The Lion then turned the Buckeye for two back points, cut him loose and began working for more points. Brown would add one more takedown and, with 3:39 of time, post the 16-4 major.

184: Three-time All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 1 at 184, returned to action for Penn State against fellow Harrisburg native Kenny Courts, who was ranked No. 12. Courts came out quickly, taking Ruth down for an early 2-0 lead. But the Lion junior worked himself to a reversal and tied the bout at 2-2 with 2:20 on the clock. Ruth spent the next minute looking to turn Courts but the Buckeye was able to keep the Lion from turning him. Ruth forced Courts into a stall warning and then picked up two back points to lead 4-2 with :20 on the clock. A short ride out later and Ruth led 4-2 with 2:01 in riding time after one period. Ruth chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 5-2 lead. He then scrambled his way to another takedown and led 7-2 with 1:31 on the clock. Ruth maintained control of Courts well over a minute into the period and built up over 3:00 in riding time with another ride-out. Courts was hit with stalling between periods to put Ruth up 8-2 and the Lion quickly took Courts down for a 10-3 lead after cutting him loose. Ruth's pressure led to another takedown. Courts got hit for another stall because of untied shoes and Ruth's lead ballooned to 13-3 with :50 left on the clock. Ruth continued to control the action, keeping Courts down for the rest of the period on his way to a 14-3 major with 5:09 in riding time.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 3 at 197, was held out as a precaution. With that, red-shirt freshman Wes Phipps (Grove City, Pa.) moved up from 184 and met Ohio State's Nick Heffin, ranked No. 5. Phipps, giving up over 10 pounds, was the aggressor early. The Lion freshman shot continuously early on, forcing the ranked Buckeye back towards the edge of the mat for over two minutes. The Lion battled Heffin to a scoreless 0-0 tie after one period. Heffin chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. The duo battled evenly for the period with Phipps once again the aggressor. Trailing by one, Phipps chose down to start the third stanza and quickly escaped to a 1-1 tie. Phipps continued to shoot, forcing Heffin back on his heels. The Buckeye countered a Phipps shot with :30 left and took a 3-1 lead. Phipps scrambled for a reversal late, but the Buckeye was able to maintain control and kill the clock, escaping with a hard fought 3-1 decision over the Lion freshman.

285: Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at 285, battled Buckeye Nick Tavanello in the dual's final bout. Lawson countered an early Tavanello shot, worked his way around for a takedown and nearly got an early pin. The Buckeye was able to fight off his back but the quick five point move gave Lawson a 5-0 lead with 1:50 on the clock. The Lion junior then put together a strong ride, working Tavanello for nearly two minutes with the ride out. Lawson chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped. He then rolled through another takedown to ups his margin to 8-0 with over 3:00 in time. Tavanello escaped to an 8-1 Lawson lead with :50 left on the clock. Trailing 8-1, Tavanello chose down to start the third period and Lawson cut him loose immediately. Lawson answered with a nifty trip-to-takedown to lead 10-3 after another cut and, with the riding time point clinched, the junior began working for bonus points. The aggressor throughout, Lawson notched a nice takedown on the edge of the mat and added another late takedown to post the 15-4 major with 3:31 in riding time.

#1 PENN STATE 24, #3 IOWA 12

Saturday, Dec. 21, 2013 -- Iowa City, Iowa

125: #3 Nico Megaludis PSU dec. Thomas Gilman IOWA, 4-1	3-0
133: #3 Tony Ramos IOWA pinned #15 Jimmy Gulibon PSU, WBF (5:22)	3-6
141: #8 Zain Retherford PSU dec. #9 Josh Dziewa IOWA, 4-2	6-6
149: Zack Beitz PSU dec. Michael Kelly IOWA, 6-1	9-6
157: #1 Derek St. John IOWA dec. James Vollrath PSU, 10-4	9-9
165: #1 David Taylor PSU maj. dec. #4 Nick Moore, 12-3	13-9
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU dec. #6 Mike Evans IOWA, 4-1	16-9
184: #1 Ed Ruth PSU maj. dec. #2 Ethan Lofthouse IOWA, 12-4	20-9
197: #3 Morgan McIntosh PSU maj. dec. Sam Brooks IOWA, 16-4	24-9
285: #3 Bobby Telford IOWA dec. #12 Jimmy Lawson PSU, 3-2	24-12

Attendance: 13,747

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, under the direction of head coach Cael Sanderson, trekked to Iowa City, Iowa, for a non-conference dual meet with Big Ten rival Iowa. Penn State won the dual, wrestled in front of almost 14,000 fans in Iowa's Carver-Hawkeye Arena while a snow storm rolled into Iowa City, 24-12, winning seven of ten bouts.

The dual meet began at 125, where Nittany Lion junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3, got Penn State off to a hot start with a sound 4-1 win over Iowa's Thomas Gilman at 125. Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 133, batted No. 3 Tony Ramos into the third period before Ramos got the fall at the 5:22 mark. True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), now ranked No. 2 at 141, used a third period takedown and a long ride out to post a strong 4-2 win over No. 9 Josh Dziewa to tie the bout at 6-6.

At 149, red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) silenced the Carver-Hawkeye crowd with a swift five-point throw as his bout ended, breaking a 1-1 tie as he went on to down Iowa's Michael Kelly 6-1, putting Penn State up 9-6. Senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) battled top-ranked and defending national champion Derek St. John tough at 157 before dropping a 10-4 decision, sending the dual into halftime tied 9-9.

Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, gave Penn State a 13-9 lead after intermission with a dominating 12-3 major over No. 4 Nick Moore. Taylor rolled up 4:13 in riding time to post the win. Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, then controlled No. 6 Mike Evans with a third period ride out. That, combined with a first period takedown gave the Lion All-American an impressive 4-1 win, putting Penn State up 16-9.

Senior Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 1 at 184, then took care of No. 2 Ethan Lofthouse, rolling to a 12-4 major with 2:21 in riding time. Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 3 at 197, then clinched the dual meet win with a dominating 16-4 major over Hawkeye Sam Brooks, putting Penn State up 20-9. Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at 285, nearly pulled off the upset of the night with a third period reversal of No. 3 Bobby Telford. But the Hawkeye was able to reverse Lawson as the final seconds wound down and escaped with a 3-2 win, dealing Lawson his first loss of the season, making the dual final at 24-12 Penn State.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 3 at 125, took on Thomas Gilman at 125. The duo battled evenly for more than half of the opening stanza. Megaludis patiently worked for an opening to score, but Gilman was able to hold off the Lion's early offensive efforts and the match moved to the second period tied 0-0. Megaludis chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. He then turned into Gilman and began working in on his attack. Gilman got in on a single leg, forcing Megaludis to duck under and grab the Hawkeye's ankle, causing a stalemate at the 1:00 mark. Megaludis then got in on a single right off the reset and steadily worked his way to a takedown and a 3-0 lead with :40 on the clock. The two-time All-American then put together a strong ride, forcing Gilman to the mat and maintaining control for the remainder of the period. The short ride out gave the Lion a 3-0 lead after two. Gilman chose down to start the third period and Megaludis kept control long enough to work his riding time over 1:00. Megaludis maintained control until Gilman escaped at the 1:02 mark. With a riding time point almost assured, Megaludis fought off a Gilman shot, then began working for another takedown. Gilman shot low and Megaludis forced a scramble that killed the clock. The Lion got the riding time point and grabbed the 4-1 win.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15 nationally, faced off against No. 3 Tony Ramos at 133. The Lion freshman battled the fifth-year season evenly until Ramos got a takedown midway through the first period to take a 2-1 lead. Gulibon escaped quickly, cutting the lead to 2-1 and action resumed in the middle of the mat. Gulibon got called for stalling and then the Hawkeye quickly notched two more takedowns to lead 6-2 with :25 on the clock. A short ride out gave Ramos a 6-2 lead with nearly 1:00 in time after one. Gulibon chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 6-3 deficit. Ramos picked up another takedown at the :45 mark, got another point on a stall and then led 8-4 after Gulibon escaped. Ramos chose neutral to start the third period, picked up another point on a stall and then caught Gulibon's shoulders. The Hawkeye got the fall at the 5:22 mark and put Iowa up 6-3.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, met Iowa junior Josh Dziewa, ranked No. 9. Dziewa came out hot, got behind Retherford and took an early 2-0 lead with a takedown. The Lion freshman steadily worked his way to an escaped and 2-1 deficit at the 1:33 mark, with Dziewa having :43 in riding time. Retherford worked in on a single leg but Dziewa was able to fight off the move with :20 left and carry the 2-1 lead into the second period. Retherford chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 2-2 tie with Retherford having :50 in time. After a stalemate at the 1:31 mark, the Lion true freshman continued to shoot at Dziewa's left leg, forcing the Hawkeye into defense for the next minute. Retherford could not break through Dziewa's defense and the bout moved to the third period tied 2-2. Dziewa chose neutral to start the third period, avoiding Retherford's ride. Retherford got in on Dziewa's right leg off the whistle and steadily worked his way to a takedown and a 4-2 lead with 1:30 on the clock. The Lion freshman then began working strong in the top position. The Lion forced Dziewa to his stomach and continued to dominate the action on top. With less than :30 left on the clock, Retherford worked himself into a position to maintain control for the rest of the bout and walked away with a 4-2 win.

149: Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) took on Hawkeye junior Michael Kelly at 149. Beitz quickly got in on Kelly's right ankle but the Hawkeye was able to force a stalemate and action resumed in the center circle with 2:25 on the clock. The duo then battled evenly, with each wrestler taking quick shots. Neither man could finish off a move, however and the clock wound down below :30. Kelly stepped away from one final Beitz shot and the bout moved to the second tied 0-0. Kelly chose down to start the second period and steadily worked his way to an escaped and a 1-0 lead. Beitz fought off a solid high shot by Kelly as the Hawkeye looked to control his shoulders. Action moved out of bounds and reset was called at the :58 mark. Beitz continued to shoot low on Kelly, nearly catching his left ankle twice. But Kelly was able to fight off the moves and Beitz trailed 1-0 after two. Beitz chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped. He then gained control of Kelly's left ankle

but Kelly was able to force the action out of bounds and the bout resumed in the center circle tied 1-1 at the 1:13 mark. Beitz continued to shoot and Kelly continued to counter as the clock hit :30. Beitz then hit Kelly with a five point throw, forcing Kelly to the mat, getting the takedown and three near fall points as the bout ended. The swift and stunning move gave the Lion freshman a 6-1 win and put Penn State up 9-6.

157: Nittany Lion senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) took on top-ranked Derek St. John at 157. Vollrath and the returning national champion battled evenly for more than half the opening period with neither wrestler finding an opening to score. Vollrath gained control of St. John's left thigh at the 1:00 mark but St. John countered, forcing a stalemate with :47 on the clock and the bout still tied 0-0. The bout moved into the second period scoreless and St. John chose down to start the middle stanza. He quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead and then worked a quick shot into the bout's first takedown to lead 3-0 with just over 1:00 on the clock. Vollrath escaped to a 3-1 deficit and action resumed in the center circle. With :20 on the clock, St. John worked his way behind Vollrath and after a short scramble, got another takedown to lead 5-1 after two periods. Vollrath chose down to start the final period but could not break free of St. John's ride until the Hawkeye had over 1:00 in riding time. Trailing 5-2, Vollrath got hit for stalling at the :45 mark then got taken down quickly to trail 7-3 at the :30 mark. St. John added one more takedown and, with 1:24 in riding time, posted the 10-4 win after a late Vollrath escape. The decision sent the bout into intermission tied 9-9.

165: Lion senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, faced off with No. 4 Nick Moore. Taylor came out of the gates hot, quickly catching Moore's right ankle and notching a takedown less than :20 into the bout. Moore escaped, only to get taken down just seconds later, giving Taylor a 4-1 lead at the 2:15 mark. Taylor began working Moore for a chance to turn him, but the Hawkeye was able to keep from being turned and a stalemate was called with 1:21 on the clock with Taylor still in control. Taylor cut Moore loose off the reset and then bullied through a Moore shot, countering for his own takedown and a 6-2 lead with :50 left in the opening period. Taylor rode Moore out and entered the third period with a 6-2 lead and 2:34 in time. Moore chose down to start the second period and escaped to a 6-3 Taylor lead. After a minute in the middle of the mat, Taylor worked Moore to the side, stepped behind him and added another takedown to lead 8-3 after a ride out. With the riding time secured and up 8-3, Taylor chose down to start the third period. A quick escape gave the Lion an 9-3 lead. A quick takedown gave the Lion senior an 11-3 lead at the 1:15 mark. Taylor forced Moore into a stall warning at the :55 mark as he began working for a turning combination. Moore was able to stay parallel and keep from being turned. Taylor's dominating 12-3 major with 4:21 in time put Penn State up 13-9.

174: Penn State junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3, met No. 6 Mike Evans in a key battle at 174. Brown wasted no time taking control of the bout, blowing through a high double to take an early 2-1 lead with 2:31 on the clock. The duo then battled evenly after the early flourish, with the score holding steady at 2-1 as the clock worked itself to under a minute. Brown continued to try and set up his offense while Evans was able to defend the Lion's shots. Brown nearly added a second takedown but Evans was able to fight it off and Brown led 2-1 after one period. Brown chose down to start the second period and steadily worked his way to a 3-1 lead with 1:22 on the clock. Brown shot off a reset and Evans was able to block off the effort. The Hawkeye then shot with Brown fighting off the move and the score remained 3-1 in Brown's favor with :45 left in the second. Brown forced Evans into a first stall warning and kept up the pressure for the rest of the period. Trailing 3-1, Evans took down to start the third. Brown made him pay for the decision, putting together a very strong ride as he maintained control for well over a minute and built up a minute-plus in riding time. With :30 on the clock, Brown continued to hold the Hawkeye down. Brown was able to hang on to Evans as the clock hit zeroes and post the 4-1 win with 1:40 in riding time. The victory put Penn State up 16-9.

184: Senior Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 1 at 184, met No. 2 Ethan Lofthouse in a highly anticipated match-up. Ruth came out quickly, shooting in and gaining control of Lofthouse's leg. But the Hawkeye was able to counter, nearly turning the Lion to his back in a mad scramble in the middle of the mat. Ruth worked his way out of trouble and a stalemate was called with 1:48 on the clock. Penn State head coach Cael Sanderson then called for a review of an early Ruth takedown and won the appeal. The call gave Ruth a 2-1 lead and the bout was reset at the 2:45 mark. After Lofthouse escaped, Ruth quickly picked up a second takedown and led 4-2 with 1:36 left in a long opening period. Lofthouse fought off another quick Ruth shot but the Lion was relentless, using another high single to take a 6-3 lead with :40 on the clock. Ruth chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 7-3 lead. Ruth forced Lofthouse into a stall warning and then blew through a quick high double to take a 9-3 lead. Ruth then rode Lofthouse out to lead 9-3 after two with over 1:00 in time. Lofthouse chose down to start the third period and worked his way to an escape and a 9-4 lead. Lofthouse shot low but Ruth countered and worked his way out of trouble with 1:15 on the clock. The Lion All-American then used a solid low double to take an 11-4 lead with :50 left to wrestle, clinching the riding time point in the process. Ruth then broke Lofthouse down after a reset and then rode the Hawkeye out to secure the major decision with 2:21 in riding time. The 12-4 major put Penn State up 20-9.

197: Nittany Lion sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 3 at 197, met Iowa's Sam Brooks. McIntosh exploded off the whistle, gaining control of Brooks' arm, rolling him over his shoulder and nearly picking up the early pin. Brooks was able to fight off the pin but the five point move gave McIntosh the early 5-1 lead after Brooks escaped. McIntosh worked his way in on a nice low single, getting the takedown to lead 7-1 at the :50 mark. McIntosh picked up three more near fall points after locking up a cradle late in the period and led 10-1 after one. Brooks chose down to start the third period and escaped to a 10-2 score. McIntosh was relentless, however, blowing through a double leg to lead 12-3 after cutting Brooks loose. The Lion sophomore added one more takedown to lead 14-4 after two periods. McIntosh chose down to start the third period and steadily worked his way to an escaped and a 15-4 lead. McIntosh worked his way into control of Brooks' right leg but the Hawkeye was able to counter the shot and force a stalemate at the :20 mark.

285: Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at heavyweight, met Hawkeye Bobby Telford, who was ranked No. 3. The duo battled evenly for the entire first period, with neither man finding an opening as offense was hard to come by in the early going. Telford chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Like the first period, neither wrestler could find any offense and the bout moved to the third period with Lawson down by one. Lawson chose down to start the third period and, after a bit of work, moved behind Telford for a reversal and a 2-1 lead with :40 left. Lawson worked to keep control of the Telford but the Hawkeye was able to return the favor, working his way to a reversal of his own. Lawson worked the final seconds for a tying escape but Telford was able to keep control long enough the buzzer to sound, allowing the third-ranked Hawkeye to escape with a hard fought 3-2 win.