



2013-14 MATCH NOTES

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#1 PENN STATE NITTANY LIONS 15-1, 7-1 B1G CHAMPIONS, B1G dual champions (co-)

WT	NAME	EL	HT/HS	REC
125	#3 Nico Megaludis <i>Final RPI: #2</i>	Jr.	Murrysville, Pa./Franklin Regional <i>Final Coaches Poll Individual Rank: #2</i>	26-3
133	Jimmy Gulibon <i>Final RPI: #12</i>	Fr.	Latrobe, Pa./Derry Area <i>Final Coaches Poll Individual Rank: #15</i>	17-13
141	#3 Zain Retherford <i>Final RPI: #1</i>	Fr.	Benton, Pa./Benton <i>Final Coaches Poll Individual Rank: #2</i>	29-1
149	James English <i>Final RPI: NR</i>	Sr.	York, Pa./Central York <i>Final Coaches Poll Individual Rank: #26</i>	11-5
157	#13 Dylan Alton <i>Final RPI: #6</i>	Jr.	Mill Hall, Pa./Central Mountain <i>Final Coaches Poll Individual Rank: #11</i>	18-5
165	#1 David Taylor <i>Final RPI: #1</i>	Sr.	St. Paris, Ohio/St. Paris Graham <i>Final Coaches Poll Individual Rank: #1</i>	29-0
174	#5 Matt Brown <i>Final RPI: #5</i>	Jr.	West Valley City, Utah/Cyprus <i>Final Coaches Poll Individual Rank: #5</i>	28-4
184	#2 Ed Ruth <i>Final RPI: #3</i>	Sr.	Harrisburg, Pa./Susquehanna Township <i>Final Coaches Poll Individual Rank: #2</i>	29-1
197	#3 Morgan McIntosh <i>Final RPI: #2</i>	So.	Santa Ana, Calif./Calvary Chapel <i>Final Coaches Poll Individual Rank: #3</i>	27-3
285	#14 Jon Gingrich <i>Final RPI: #12</i>	Jr.	Wingate, Pa./Bald Eagle Area <i>Final Coaches Poll Individual Rank: #14</i>	22-8

*Individual Rankings are Official NCAA Tournament Seed
Team Ranking is Interim TPI as of 3/10/14
Coaches Ranking and RPI are final/official as of 2/25*

THIS WEEK

No. 1 Penn State (15-1, 7-1 B1G Champions, dual co-champs) heads to Oklahoma City for the 2014 NCAA Wrestling Championships on March 20-22, 2014. The Nittany Lions will take a full compliment of 10 NCAA qualifiers to the three-day event, looking for their fourth straight NCAA National Championship. The schedule is as follows (including ESPN's full event television coverage):

Thur. 20	Session 1 -- 1st Round (ESPNU)	12 p.m.
Thur. 20	Session 2 -- 2nd Round/Cons (ESPNU)	7 p.m.
Fri. 21	Session 3 -- Quarters/Cons (ESPNU)	11 a.m.
Fri. 21	Session 4 -- Semis/All-Am (ESPN/ESPNU)	8 p.m.
Sat. 22	Session 5 -- Medal Rounds (ESPNU)	11 a.m.
Sat. 22	Session 6 -- Championship Finals (ESPN)	8 p.m.

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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 1st (189.0 pts)
(Retherford 1st/141; Taylor 1st/165; Megaludis 2nd/125; Gulibon 2nd/133; Brown 2nd/174; Ruth 2nd/184; Lawson 3rd/285; McIntosh 4th/197; Conaway 6th/133; Gingrich 6th/285; Frey 8th/149)

Sun. 12	PURDUE* (GoPSU)	W, 34-3
Fri. 17	at #19 Indiana* (BTDN)	W, 36-6
Sun. 19	#14 NORTHWESTERN* (BTDN)	W, 39-8
Fri. 24	#11 ILLINOIS* (BTDN)	W, 31-3
Fri. 31	at Michigan State* (BTDN)	W, 42-3

FEBRUARY

Sun. 2	at #11 Michigan* (BTN)	W, 32-9
Sun. 9	at #3 Minnesota* (BTN)	L, 17-18
Sun. 16	#5 OKLAHOMA STATE (GoPSU)W,	23-12
Sun. 23	CLARION (BTDN)	W, 43-3

MARCH

S-Su. 8-9 Big Ten Championships 1st -- 140.5
Madison, Wis. (BTDN/BTN)

Taylor 1st at 165; Ruth 1st at 184; Megaludis 2nd at 125; Retherford 2nd at 141; McIntosh 2nd at 197; Brown 3rd at 174; English 5th at 149; Gingrich 6th at 285; Gulibon 7th at 133; D. Alton 8th at 157

T-S 20-22	2013 NCAA Championships Oklahoma City, Okla. (ESPN Networks LIVE)
Thur. 20	Session 1 -- 1st Round (ESPNU) 12 p.m.
Thur. 20	Session 2 -- 2nd Round/Cons (ESPNU) 7 p.m.
Fri. 21	Session 3 -- Quarters/Cons (ESPNU) 11 a.m.
Fri. 21	Session 4 -- Semis/All-Am (ESPN/ESPNU) 8 p.m.
Sat. 22	Session 5 -- Medal Rounds (ESPNU) 11 a.m.
Sat. 22	Session 6 -- Championship Finals (ESPN) 8 p.m.

* Big Ten Dual (dual at Iowa was a non-conference dual)

All Dates and Times Subject to Change

Team rankings are Interim TPI at time of dual

All Times EASTERN

TODAY'S ACTION

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.; March 13, 2014 -- Fresh off its fourth straight Big Ten Championship, the top-ranked Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team will head to Oklahoma City, Okla., for the 2014 NCAA Wrestling Championships. Head coach Cael Sanderson and his staff will take the full compliment of 10 NCAA qualifiers to the three-day event in search of the team's fourth straight NCAA Championship. The event runs Thursday through Saturday, March 20-22, at Chesapeake Energy Arena in Oklahoma City.

The NCAA released the full brackets and seeds for the event on Wednesday night and eight Nittany Lions are seeded (six in the top five). The Nittany Lions are coming off their fourth straight Big Ten Championship on March 8-9 in Madison, Wis. Led by seniors David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) and Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), who became Penn State's first ever four-time Big Ten Champions, the Nittany Lions out-distanced second place Iowa in a tight team race. All ten Penn Staters placed among the top eight at their weights and punched automatic tickets to nationals.

Taylor will be the No. 1 seed at 165. The three-time NCAA finalist will be look to become a two time NCAA Champion and Penn State's first-ever four-time finalist. Taylor carries a 29-0 record into NCAAs and will face Joseph Brewster of South Dakota State in the opening round. The winner of the Taylor/Brewster match will take on the winner of No. 16 Jim Wilson of Stanford and Columbia's Josh Houldsworth. Ruth will be the No. 2 seed at 184. The two-time NCAA Champion will be looking to become Penn State's first-ever three-time champion. Ruth is 29-1 overall and will take on Wisconsin's Jackson Hein in the opening round. The winner of the Ruth/Hein bout faces the winner of No. 15 Ryan Loder (Northern Iowa) and Nikko Reyes (Illinois).

Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.) is the No. 3 seed at 125. Already a two-time NCAA finalists and All-American, Megaludis is 26-3 overall and will take on Lehigh's Darian Cruz in the first round. The winner of the Megaludis/Cruz bout gets the winner of the No. 14 Eddie Klimara (Oklahoma State)/Dominic Parisi (Appalachian State) bout. True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.) is the No. 3 seed at 141. Retherford, who is 29-1 overall, is making his first trip to the NCAA Championships and will take on Undrakhbayar Khishignyam of The Citadel in his initial NCAA Championship bout. The winner of that match-up takes on the winner of the battle between No. 14 Edgar Bright of Pittsburgh and Tyler Scotton of Boston.

Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.) will be the No. 3 seed at 197. McIntosh will be looking for his first NCAA crown in his second trip to nationals and is 27-3 overall. He will battle Lehigh's John Bolich in the first round with the winner of that bout meeting the winner of No. 14 Chris Penny (Virginia Tech) and Nick Bonaccorsi (Pittsburgh). Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah) is the No. 5 seed at 174. Brown, a national finalist and All-American last season, will be seeking his first NCAA title as well. He faces Stanford's Kyle Meyer in the opening round. The winner of the Brown/Meyer bout takes on the winner of the No. 12 Tanner Weatherman (Iowa State)/Levin Clemons (Chattanooga) match-up.

Junior Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) is the No. 13 at 157. Alton will be looking for his second All-America honor after taking third in 2012. He carries an 18-5 overall record into this year's tournament and meets the pigtail winner of Michigan's Brian Murphy and Oklahoma's Justin DeAngelis. The winner of Alton's first round match-up then takes on the winner of No. 4 Ian Miller (Kent State) and Johnny Greisheimer (Edinboro). Junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) is the No. 14 seed at 285. Gingrich is 22-8 overall and is making his first ever appearance at nationals. Gingrich will meet David Devine of SIU-Edwardsville in round one with the winner of that bout facing off with either No. 3 Adam Chalfant (Indiana) or Justin Grant (Bloomsburg).

True-freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.) is unseeded at 133. Gulibon is 17-13 overall and is making his first-ever trip to the NCAA Championship and faces off against No. 4 Jon Morrison of Oklahoma State in the first round. The winner of the Gulibon/Morrison match-up takes on the winner of No. 13 Cody Brewer (Oklahoma) and Vincent Pizzuto (Eastern Michigan). Senior James English (York, Pa.) is unseeded at 149. English is making his first ever trip to the NCAA Championships and is 11-5 overall. He will meet No. 12 Dyllan Cottrell of Appalachian State in the opening round with the winner then facing the winner of the No. 5 Jason Tsirtsis (Northwestern)/Bryce Busler (Bloomsburg) match-up.

Penn State is sending two NCAA Champions (Ruth and Taylor with combined three titles); five All-Americans (Alton, Brown, Megaludis, Ruth and Taylor with a combined ten All-America honors and eight appearances in the national finals) and four wrestlers making their first-ever appearances (English, Gingrich, Gulibon and Retherford) to the NCAA Championships. The NCAA also announced that the order of Saturday evening's Championship Finals will not be determined until after Friday night's semifinals conclude. Penn State's journey to its fourth-straight National Championship will take place on March 20-22 in Oklahoma City's Chesapeake Energy Arena. The tournament begins on Thursday morning at 12 p.m. Eastern (11 a.m. Central). All six sessions will air live on ESPN and/or ESPN, with ESPN3 offering full tournament multi-mat coverage online. Penn State 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 2013 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Thur.-Sat., March 21-23, 2013

Des Moines, Iowa - Wells Fargo Arena.

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS (top five)

- 1: PENN STATE - 123.5
- 2: Oklahoma State - 119.5
- 3: Minnesota - 103.0
- 4: Iowa - 73.0
- 5: Cornell - 65.0

2013 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS AGATE

(# listed here is SEED)

- 174: #1 Chris Perry, Oklahoma State - 2-1 (TB) dec.
#2 MATT BROWN, Penn State
 184: #1 ED RUTH, Penn State - 12-4 maj. dec.
 #3 Robert Hamlin, Lehigh

- 197: **#2 QUENTIN WRIGHT, PENN STATE - 8-6 dec.**
 #1 Dustin Kilgore, Kent State
 285: #2 Tony Nelson, Minnesota - 5-2 dec.
 #4 Mike McMullan, Northwestern
 125: #2 Tony Delgado, Illinois - 7-4 dec.
#4 NICO MEGALUDIS, Penn State
 133: #1 Logan Stieber, Ohio State - 7-4 dec.
 #2 Tony Ramos, Iowa
 141: #2 Kendric Maple, Oklahoma - 4-3 dec.
 #4 Mitchell Port, Edinboro
 149: #1 Jordan Oliver, Oklahoma State - 3-2 dec.
 #2 Jason Chamberlain, Boise State
 157: #2 Derek St. John, Iowa - 3-2 dec.
 #1 Jason Welch, Northwestern
 165: #1 Kyle Dake, Cornell - 5-4 dec.
#2 DAVID TAYLOR, PENN STATE

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2013-14 INDIVIDUAL RECORDS (as of 3/10/14)

<i>Name, Wt.</i>	<i>Record</i>
Andrew Alton, 149	8-1
Dylan Alton, 157	18-5
Seth Beitz, 149/157	4-0
Zack Beitz, 141/149	11-9
Devon Bentley, 133/141	2-6
Matt Brown, 174	28-4
Andrew Church, 174/184	6-4
Jordan Conaway, 125/133	15-5
Dylan Dailey, 174/184	2-8
James English, 149	11-5
James Frascella, 174	5-6
Luke Frey, 149	5-4
Jon Gingrich, 285	22-8
Jimmy Gulibon, 133	17-13
Garett Hammond, 157/165	29-7
Cameron Kelly, 133	1-2
Cody Law, 157/165	14-4
Jimmy Lawson, 285	16-5
Caleb Livingston, 165/174	7-11
Rex Lutz, 165	14-5
Matt McCutcheon, 184/197	14-5
Morgan McIntosh, 197	27-3
Nico Megaludis, 125	26-3
Kyle Moran, 149	3-4
Nate Morgan, 133	13-6
Kade Moss, 141/149	4-3
Wes Phipps, 174/184	5-4
Zain Retherford, 141	29-1
Josh Rogers, 197	7-10
Nick Ruggear, 285	6-4
Ed Ruth, 184	29-1
Scott Syrek, 184/197	1-2
David Taylor, 165	29-0
James Vollrath, 157	11-7
Waters, 133/141	10-7

This includes records w/unattached results listed in current mark

#1 PENN STATE AT 2014 BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sat.-Sun., March 8-9, 2014 -- Madison, Wis.

2014 Big Ten Wrestling Championships – FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

- 1: PENN STATE, 140.5
- 2: Iowa, 135.0
- 3: Minnesota, 118.5
- 4: Ohio State, 86.5
- 5: Nebraska, 79.0
- 6: Illinois, 78.5
- 7: Wisconsin, 73.0
- 8: Michigan, 71.5
- 9: Northwestern, 58.0
- 10: Indiana, 37.0
- 11: Purdue, 34.5
- 12: Michigan State, 21.5

2014 Big Ten Wrestling Championships – Championship Finals

- 125: Jesse Delgado ILL dec. Nico Megaludis PSU, 3-2 (TB2; 0:15 RT)
133: Tony Ramos IOWA dec. Tyler Graff WIS, 2-1
141: Logan Stieber OSU dec. Zain Retherford PSU, 7-3
149: Jason Tsirtsis NU dec. Jake Suefloh NEB, 6-2
157: James Green NEB dec. Derek St. John IOWA, 7-4
165: David Taylor PSU maj. dec. Nick Moore IOWA, 14-5
174: Robert Kokesh NEB dec. Mike Evans IOWA, 6-4
184: Ed Ruth PSU maj. dec. Ethan Lofthouse IOWA, 10-2
197: Nick Hefflin OSU dec. Morgan McIntosh PSU, 5-3 (SV2)
285: Tony Nelson MINN dec. Adam Chalfant IND, 2-1 (TB)

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team rode a strong and balanced performance to its fourth-straight Big Ten Championship this weekend, sparked by two historic individual champions. Penn State out-distanced second place Iowa by 5.5 points. Head Coach Cael Sanderson's squad took the title with 140.5 points while the Hawkeyes were close behind at 135.0.

In addition to its fourth straight team trophy, Penn State will return home with its first ever four-time individual champions as seniors David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) and Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) made school and conference history with final, historic, title runs. All 10 Nittany Lion wrestlers are headed to the NCAA Championships in Oklahoma City as Penn State now sets its sights on a fourth straight NCAA crown.

Taylor was named the 2014 Big Ten Wrestler of the Year, the third time he has won the honor. The Lion senior also pulled in his first Big Ten Championship Outstanding Wrestler honor as well. Sanderson won his fourth-straight Big Ten Coach of the Year award.

An epically tight team race heading into the Big Ten finals, Penn State led Iowa by just one half point (128.5 to 128.0) and each team had five finalists. While both squads picked up key points in the placing bouts, Penn State would use those consolation points and the title turns by Taylor and Ruth to roll to victory.

Taylor, the No. 1 seed at 165, took on second-seed Nick Moore of Iowa in the finals. With Penn State trailing Iowa at the time of the bout by 3.5 points, Taylor went to work. The duo traded early shots with Taylor breaking through at the 1:45 mark for an early 2-0 lead. The Lion senior then turned Moore for three back points to open up a 5-0 lead with :45 left on the clock. Taylor then rode Moore out to lead 5-0 with 1:44 in riding time after one period. Taylor took down to start the second stanza and escaped to a 6-0 lead. He added another quick takedown, cut Moore loose and then countered a Moore shot to notch a takedown of his own for a 10-1 lead. The Iowa bench challenged the call, contending that Moore and a takedown earlier in the scramble, but the Taylor points stood. Taylor then cut Moore loose and picked up another takedown. Moore countered for his own score but Taylor carried a hefty 13-5 lead with nearly 2:00 in riding time into the third period. The third stanza was all Taylor on top, clinching the riding time point and riding Moore out. The 14-5 major decision, with 3:29 in riding time, made Taylor the 12th four-time Big Ten Champion in conference history (and Penn State's first-ever). Taylor will head to the NCAA Championship with a 29-0 record on the year after his 3-0 Big Ten title run that included a pin, a tech fall and a major.

Ruth, the No. 1 seed at 184, took on Iowa's Ethan Lofthouse, the No. 2 seed, in the finals at 184. With a chance to clinch Penn State's fourth-straight team 10-2 title and become the school's second four-time Big Ten champ, the Lion senior was unstoppable. Ruth notched two first period takedowns to open up an early 4-1 lead. Taking down to start the second, Ruth quickly escaped and then turned in to the Hawkeye quickly, taking Lofthouse down again to open up a 7-1 lead. He cut Lofthouse loose and quickly took him down again to lead 9-2 with well over 1:00 in riding time after two. Lofthouse took down to start the third period but Ruth would not relent. The Lion senior simply rode the Hawkeye out for the full period and, with 3:35 in riding time, rolled to the 10-2 major. The win made Ruth the 13th four-time Big Ten Champion in conference history and, following teammate David Taylor by mere minutes, the second in Penn State history. Ruth will head to the NCAA Championship with 29-1 record thanks to his 4-0 conference title run (which included three majors).

Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), the No. 1 at 125, took on Illinois' Jesse Delgado in the title bout at 125, a rematch of last year's NCAA Championship match. Neither man could break through for any takedowns during regulation, trading escapes (Megaludis in the second and Delgado in the third). The duo then wrestled evenly for a first sudden victory period, a first tie breaker and a second sudden victory period with neither wrestler escaping. In the second tie breaker, Delgado was down first and escaped in ten seconds. Megaludis escaped but :25 seconds into his second tie breaker period, giving Delgado a 3-2 (TB2) decision on a :15 riding time edge. Megaludis posted a 3-1 record to finish as Big Ten runner-up, including a first round pin. Megaludis heads to Oklahoma City with a 26-3 record.

True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), the No. 1 seed at 141, met second seed Logan Stieber of Ohio State in a rematch of classic in Rec Hall from earlier this year. Stieber scored early, taking Retherford down at the 2:26 mark to open up a 2-0 lead early on. Retherford escaped to a 2-1 score but Stieber had a 1:07 riding time edge. Leading by one after one, Stieber chose neutral to start the second period. Stieber connected on a low single at the

:45 mark and turned it into a takedown and a 4-1 lead. The Buckeye then rode Retherford out to carry that lead into the third. Retherford chose down to start the third and was turned for two near fall points. He managed a reversal to cut the lead to 6-3 but it was not enough as Stieber, with 1:41 in riding time, posted the 7-3 win. The loss was the first for Retherford, who heads to the NCAA Championships as the Big Ten Runner-Up with a 29-1 record. Retherford went 3-1 with a major in his first Big Ten Championship run.

Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), the No. 1 seed at 197, took on second-seeded Nick Hefflin of Ohio State in the finals. After a scoreless first period, McIntosh chose down to start the second stanza and worked his way to a reversal and a 2-0 lead. The Lion was able to control Hefflin for a bit, but the Buckeye escaped before the period ended and McIntosh led 2-1 after two periods. Hefflin chose down to start the third period and worked his way to a reversal and a 2-2 tie. The remainder of the final stanza had McIntosh pressuring Hefflin and the Buckeye playing defense, stepping back and working the clock down to zeroes. The duo worked through a scoreless first sudden victory period and then each wrestler escaped in their first tie breaker, sending the bout to a second sudden victory tied 3-3. In the second sudden victory period, Hefflin countered a McIntosh shot with just :01 on the clock for the winning takedown, posting the thrilling 5-3 (sv2) win. McIntosh ended the tournament as the Big Ten runner-up with a 2-1 mark. He heads to Oklahoma City with a 27-3 record.

Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), the No. 2 seed at 174, dominated Illinois' Tony Dallago in his consolation semifinal bout, putting on a takedown clinic on his way to a 16-5 major decision (with 3:05 in riding time). Brown then took on No. 4 Logan Storley of Minnesota in the third place match. The bout was a tight one but Brown used a strong second period ride to build up 1:11 in riding time, which would be the difference in a 2-1 victory. Brown's third place run came off a 4-1 mark with two majors and an injury default. He heads to NCAAs with a 28-4 record.

Senior James English (York, Pa.), the No. 7 seed at 149, took on Michigan's Eric Grajales in the consolation semifinals and dropped a tough 12-2 bout. The loss sent the Lion senior to the fifth place bout where he used a second period reversal and a riding time point to down Wisconsin's Ryan Lubeck, 3-2. English finished fifth in his first Big Ten tournament as the seventh-seed, posting a 3-2 record. English will roll on to his first NCAA Championships with an 11-5 record.

Junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.), the No. 8 seed at 285, was pinned by sixth-seed Mike McClure of Michigan State in his consolation semifinal match. The eighth-seeded Lion then took on Northwestern's Mike McMullan in the fifth place bout and dropped a tough 8-2 decision. Gingrich placed sixth at his first Big Ten Championship as the eighth-seed, going 2-3 with a win over the top-seed. He will head to Oklahoma City with a 22-8 record.

Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), the No. 7 seed at 133, picked up critical bonus points in his seventh-place bout against Northwestern's Dominick Malone. Gulibon used a last second takedown and ride out to post a 9-1 major and placed seventh in his first Big Ten Championship. Gulibon went 3-2 with a tech fall and a major and heads to his first NCAA Championship with a 17-13 record.

Junior Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), the No. 5 seed at 157, suffered a tough 13-4 loss to Illinois' Zac Brunson in the seventh place bout and took eighth. Alton went 2-3 at the tournament with a major and heads to Oklahoma City with an 18-5 mark.

Penn State went 29-14 overall, collecting two pins, two tech falls, ten majors and an injury default for 21 bonus points. Penn State becomes the fifth team in conference history to win four straight team titles, the first since Iowa from 1995-1998. Sanderson's squad will send 10 automatic qualifiers to the NCAA Championships two weeks from now in Oklahoma City. This marks the second straight year that Penn State has sent its full line-up to nationals. It is also the fifth time that Sanderson has qualified all 10 of his wrestlers as a head coach. The NCAA announces the full and final NCAA brackets and seeds on Wednesday night.

Taylor and Ruth became Penn State's first four-time Big Ten Champions are 12th and 13th four-time champions in Big Ten history. The senior tandem is now owners of eight individual and four Big Ten team titles. They head to Oklahoma City still unbeaten against any Big Ten opponent during their careers. They are a combined 112-0 against conference foes (56-0 each). Taylor is now 29-0 on the year with 13 pins, eight tech falls and seven majors. He is 129-3 all-time with 50 pins, 42 techs and 29 majors and is 56-0 all-time against Big Ten competition. His 50 pins is three shy of Penn State's all-time record of 53. Ruth is now 29-1 on the year with ten pins, eight tech falls and nine majors. He will head to Oklahoma City with a 131-3 record, including 45 pins, 24 techs and 32 majors. He is 56-0 all-time against Big Ten competition as well.

With Taylor's honors and Sanderson award, Penn State has collected quite a bit of conference hardware during its current run. The Lions have had the last four Big Ten Wrestlers of the Year (Taylor three times, Ruth once), Sanderson has won four straight Coach of the Year honors, Penn State has claimed four tournament OWs as well (Taylor, Ruth, Quentin Wright and Frank Molinaro) and one Freshman of the Year (Taylor).

The following is a weight-by-weight breakdown/agate of Penn State's tournament to date (rankings listed are Final NCAA Coaches Rankings):

125: #2 Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), Jr. -- #1 seed -- 26-3 overall NCAA QUALIFIER -- 2nd Place

- 1st Rd: Garrison White, Northwestern -- WBF (3:19)
Qtrs: #20 Nick Roberts, Ohio State (8th-seed) -- W, 12-5 dec.
Semis: #9 Ryan Taylor, Wisconsin (4th-seed) -- W, 4-3 dec.
Finals: #3 Jesse Delgado, Illinois (2nd-seed) -- L, 2-3 (TB2; 0:15 RT)

Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), the No. 1 at 125, got Penn State off to a fast start by pinning Northwestern's Garrison White at the 3:19 mark in his first match, Penn State's first of the tournament. He then posted a strong 12-5 decision over Ohio State's Nick Roberts to move into the semifinals and secure a trip to Oklahoma City for the NCAA Championships. The two-time national finalist then withstood a strong effort from fourth-seeded Ryan Taylor of Wisconsin. Megaludis battled his way to a 4-3 win on 1:45 in riding time to advance to tomorrow's Big Ten title bout against Illinois' Jesse Delgado. In the title bout, Megaludis and Delgado traded escapes all the way through a second tie breaker with the Illini getting the 3-2 (TB2) decision on :15 of riding time in the second tie-breaker.

133: #15 Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), Fr. -- #7 seed -- 17-13 overall NCAA QUALIFIER -- 7th Place

- 1st Rd: Dominic Malone, Northwestern (10th-seed) -- W, 15-0 (TF; 5:47)
Qtrs: #5 Tyler Graff, Wisconsin (2nd-seed) -- L, 1-8 dec.
Consos: Shawn Nagel, Nebraska -- W, 9-4
Conso Qtr: #8 Johnni Dijulius, Ohio State -- L, 1-6 dec.
7th Place: Dominic Malone, Northwestern (10th-seed) -- W, 9-1 major dec.

Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), the No. 7 seed at 133, dominated Northwestern's Dominick Malone in his Big Ten Championship debut, rolling to a 15-0 technical fall at the 5:47 mark. Gulibon took on second seed and fifth-ranked Tyler Graff of Wisconsin in the quarterfinals and dropped an 8-1 decision. The loss moves him into the consolation bracket tonight. Gulibon punched his ticket to the NCAA Championships with a solid 9-4 win over Nebraska's Shawn Nagel in his first consolation bout. He then dropped a tough 6-1 decision

to Ohio State's Johnni DiJulius in the consolation quarters to fall to the seventh place bout. The Lion freshman picked up critical bonus points in his seventh-place bout against Northwestern's Dominick Malone. Gulibon used a last second takedown and ride out to post a 9-1 major and placed seventh in his first Big Ten Championship. Gulibon went 3-2 with a tech fall and a major.

**141: #2 Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), Fr. -- #1 seed – 29-1 overall
NCAA QUALIFIER – 2nd Place**

1st Rd: Colton McCrystal, Nebraska -- W, 8-0 major dec.
Qtrs: Jesse Thielke (8th-seed), Wisconsin -- W, 7-2 dec.
Semis: #11 Stephen Dutton, Michigan (4th-seed) -- W, 4-0 dec.
Finals: #3 Logan Stieber, Ohio State (2nd-seed) -- L, 3-7 dec.

True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), the No. 1 seed at 141, made his Big Ten Championship debut with a dominating 8-0 major over Nebraska's Colton McCrystal, including 2:52 in riding time. He then took out 8th-seed Jesse Thielke of Ohio State 7-2 to move into the semifinals and punch his ticket to the NCAA Championships. In the semifinals, Retherford dominated Michigan's Stephen Dutton, rolling to a 4-0 win with 1:15 riding time to advance to the finals, where he met Ohio State's Logan Stieber. Stieber notched two takedowns and a near fall as Retherford dropped his first match of the season, 7-3. Retherford went 3-1 in his first Big Ten Championship, finishing as runner-up and heading to the NCAA Championship with a 29-1 record.

**149: #26 James English (York, Pa.), Sr. -- #7 seed – 11-5 overall
NCAA QUALIFIER – 5th Place**

1st Rd: Bye
Qtrs: #2 Nick Dardanes, Minnesota (2nd-seed) -- L, 2-3 dec.
Consos: Brandon Nelsen, Purdue -- W, 3-2 dec.
Conso Qtrs: #18 Ian Paddock, Ohio State (6th-seed) -- W, 5-2 dec.
Conso Semis: #8 Eric Grajales, Michigan (5th-seed) -- L, 2-12 major dec.
5th Place: Ryan Lubeck, Wisconsin -- W, 3-2 dec.

Senior James English (York, Pa.), the No. 7 seed at 149, had a first round bye, one of three for Penn State. In the quarterfinals, he nearly pulled off an early upset, taking No. 2 Nick Sardines of Minnesota to the wire before dropping a close 3-2 decision. The loss moved him into consolation action. In the evening session, English picked up his first career win at the Big Ten Championships in the first round of consolation action, riding Purdue's Brandon Nelsen for the entire third period to post a 3-2 decision thanks to 1:23 in riding time. Needing one more win to move on to NCAAs, used a second period near fall and ride-out to post a 5-2 win over sixth-seed Ian Paddock of Ohio State, earning his first trip to the NCAA Championships, Penn State's 10th qualifier. English took on Michigan's Eric Grajales in the consolation semifinals and dropped a tough 12-2 bout. The loss sent the Lion senior to the fifth place bout where he used a second period reversal and a riding time point to down Wisconsin's Ryan Lubeck, 3-2. English finished fifth in his first Big Ten tournament as the seventh-seed, posting a 3-2 record.

**157: #11 Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), Jr. -- #5 seed – 18-5 overall
NCAA QUALIFIER – 8th Place**

1st Rd: Roger Wildmo, Michigan State (12th-seed) -- W, 12-3 major dec.
Qtrs: #4 Derek St. John, Iowa (4th-seed) -- L, 1-4 dec.
Consos: Randall Languis, Ohio State -- W, 2-1 dec.
Conso Qtrs: #13 Brian Murphy, Michigan (8th-seed) -- L, 1-3 dec.
7th Place: Zac Brunson, Illinois (7th-seed) -- L, 4-13 major dec.

Junior Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), the No. 5 seed at 157, took out Michigan State's Roger Wildmo to the tune of a 12-3 major decision in his first round match-up, setting up a quarterfinal bout against defending NCAA Champion Derek St. John of Iowa. Alton led into the third before St. John rallied for a hard-fought 4-1 decision, sending Alton into the consolation bracket. In the evening session, Alton posted a hard-fought 2-1 win over Ohio State's Randy Languis in his first consolation bout, using a quick third period escape to secure 1:00 in riding time to post the critical point. The win moves Alton on to the NCAA Championships as well. In the consolation quarters, Michigan's Brian Murphy notched a late takedown to post a 3-1 win over Alton, sending Alton to the seventh place bout. The Lion junior then suffered a tough 13-4 loss to Illinois' Zac Brunson in the seventh place bout and took eighth. Alton went 2-3 at the tournament with a major.

**165: #1 David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), Sr. -- #1 seed – 29-0 overall
NCAA QUALIFIER – BIG TEN CHAMPION**

1st Rd: Bye
Qtrs: #20 Austin Wilson, Nebraska (8th-seed) -- W, 22-4 tech fall (TF; 7:00)
Semis: #13 Jackson Morse, Illinois (5th-seed) -- WBF (0:40)
Finals: #4 Nick Moore, Iowa (2nd-seed) -- W, 14-5 maj. dec.

Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), the No. 1 seed at 165, had a first round bye and then hammered eighth seed Austin Wilson of Nebraska, rolling to a 22-4 technical fall at the 7:00 mark. Taylor's win moved him into the semifinals and secured his trip to the NCAA Championships later this month. Taylor then made short work of fifth-seed Jackson Morse of Illinois in the semifinals, gaining control of the Illini's shoulders, stepping over his chest and turning his shoulders flat to the mat for a pin in just 0:40. The pin was Taylor's 13th of the year and the 50th of his career, leaving him three shy of the Penn State record of 53. In the finals, Taylor dominated Iowa's Nick Moore, turning a five point first period lead into a 14-5 major decision, picking up key team bonus points and becoming Penn State's first-ever four-time Big Ten Champion (and the 12th in Big Ten history). Taylor went 3-0 in his final Big Ten Championship with a pin, a tech fall and a major.

**174: #5 Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), Jr. -- #2 seed – 28-4 overall
NCAA QUALIFIER – 3rd Place**

1st Rd: Kevin Bialka, Northwestern -- W, inj. def. (0:02)
Qtrs: Scott Liegel, Wisconsin (7th-seed) -- W, 12-3 major dec.
Semis: #6 Mike Evans, Iowa (3rd-seed) -- L, 2-3 dec.
Conso Semis: Tony Dallago, Illinois (5th-seed) -- W, 16-5 major dec.
3rd Place: #4 Logan Storley, Minnesota (4th-seed) -- W, 2-1 dec.

Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), the No. 2 seed at 174, took on Northwestern's Kevin Bialka in the first round and received an injury default at the 0:02 mark, pushing Brown into the quarterfinals and keeping Bialka alive in consolation action. He then majored Wisconsin's Scott Liegel 12-3 in the quarterfinals to advance to the semifinals as well as NCAAs. In his semifinal match, Brown suffered a 3-2 upset at the hands of Iowa's Mike Evans, giving up a first period takedown that would prove to be the difference. The loss moved him into the consolation semifinals. Brown dominated Illinois' Tony Dallago in his consolation semifinal bout, putting on a takedown clinic on his way to a 16-5 major decision (with 3:05 in riding time). Brown then took on No. 4 Logan Storley of Minnesota in the third place match. The bout was a tight one but Brown used a strong second period ride to build up 1:11 in riding time, which would be the difference in a 2-1 victory. Brown's third place run came off a 4-1 mark with two majors and an injury default. He heads to NCAAs with a 28-4 record.

**184: #2 Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), Sr. -- #1 seed – 29-1 overall
NCAA QUALIFIER – BIG TEN CHAMPION**

1st Rd: Tanner Lynde, Purdue -- W, 9-1 major dec.
Qtrs: Nikko Reyes, Illinois -- W, 4-1 dec.
Semis: Dom Abounader, Michigan (5th-seed) W, 9-1 maj. dec.
Finals: #4 Ethan Lofthouse, Iowa (3rd-seed) W, 10-2 maj. dec.

Senior Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), the No. 1 seed at 184, put up almost six minutes of riding time (5:55 to be exact) in a 9-1 major over Purdue's Tanner Lynde in the opening round. He followed that up with a 4-1 win over Illinois' Nikko Reyes, moving into the semifinals and earning a trip to nationals as well. In the semifinals, Ruth took care of Michigan's Dom Abounader in the semifinals, rolling to a 9-1 major decision with over 3:00 in riding time (3:05). In the finals, Ruth dominated Iowa's Ethan Lofthouse, rolling up 3:35 in riding time on his way to a 10-2 major decision, clinching the team title for the Nittany Lions. He became the second four-time Big Ten champion in Penn State history (along with teammate Taylor) with a 4-0 run (including three majors) and heads to nationals 29-1 overall.

**197: #3 Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), So. -- #1 seed – 27-3 overall
NCAA QUALIFIER – 2nd Place**

1st Rd: Bye
Qtrs: Timmy McCall, Wisconsin (8th-seed) -- W, 7-4 dec.
Semis: #13 Nathan Burak, Iowa (5th-seed) -- W, 3-2 (tb) dec.
Finals: #5 Nick Hefflin, Ohio State (2nd-seed) -- L, 3-5 (SV2)

Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), the No. 1 seed at 197, received Penn State's third first round bye at 197 and then posted a workmanlike 7-4 win over Wisconsin's Timmy McCall in the quarterfinals. The win moved McIntosh into the semifinals and earned him a trip to his second NCAA Championship. In the semifinals, McIntosh used a late reversal in the tie breaker period to grab a 3-2 (tb) win over Iowa's Nathan Burak, the fifth-seed. Each wrestler had an escape in regulation and wrestled a minute of scoreless action in the sudden victory period. McIntosh rode Burak for all but a second of the opening tie-breaker stanza but the Hawkeye's late escape gave him a 2-1 lead. McIntosh was steady on bottom, however, deftly working his way into control of Burak with :07 left for a reversal. A short ride out gave the Lion sophomore the 3-2 (tb) win and moved him into the finals to face Ohio State's Nick Hefflin. In the finals, McIntosh battled the Buckeye through regulation, sudden victory and a tie-breaker before giving up a last second takedown in the second sudden victory period, dropping the heart-breaking 5-3 (sv) decision. McIntosh's second-place run came off a 2-1 performance and sends him to NCAAs with a 27-3 overall record.

**285: #14 Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.), Jr. -- #8 seed – 22-8 overall
NCAA QUALIFIER – 6th place.**

1st Rd: Collin Jensen, Nebraska (9th-seed) -- W, 12-3 major dec.
Qtrs: #1 Adam Coon, Michigan (1st-seed) -- W, 3-1 (sv)
Semis: #6 Tony Nelson, Minnesota (5th-seed) -- LBF (1:58)
Conso Semis: #7 Mike McClure, Michigan State (6th-seed) -- LBF (4:58)
5th Place: #2 Mike McMullan, Northwestern (3rd-seed) -- L, 2-8

Junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.), the No. 8 seed at 285, wrapped up a perfect first round for Penn State with a 12-3 major over ninth-seed Collin Jensen of Nebraska. Gingrich's major gave Penn seven first round wins, all for bonus points. In the quarters, Gingrich notched the upset of the early session, using a textbook low single early in sudden victory to take out No. 1 Adam Coon of Michigan, 3-1 (sv). The win moved the Lion junior into the semifinals and earned him his first trip to the NCAA Championships. Gingrich could not follow up his upset of the tournament's top seed by defeating the defending NCAA Champion. Tony Nelson of Minnesota was able to pin Gingrich at the 1:58 mark and send the Lion junior into the consolation semifinals. Gingrich was pinned by sixth-seed Mike McClure of Michigan State in his consolation semifinal match. The eighth-seeded Lion then took on Northwestern's Mike McMullan in the fifth place bout and dropped a tough 8-2 decision. Gingrich placed sixth at his first Big Ten Championship as the eighth-seed, going 2-3 with a win over the top-seed. He will

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 four straight Southern Scuffle titles (including this year's), two BIG dual meet co-titles (including this year's), four straight Big Ten Championship titles (including this year's), 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 15 Big Ten Champions and a 15-3 record in Big Ten championship finals. Coach Sanderson now sports a 115-20-2 dual meet mark in this, his seventh year as a head coach. He is 71-10-2 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	15-1-0	1.000	7-1-0	1st	--	10	--	--
Career	115-20-2	.847	32-7-1	---	---	73	34	8

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NATIONAL RANKINGS

TEAM RANKINGS

INTERMAT TPI

(3/11/14)

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

USA TODAY

COACHES POLL

(2/25/14) (dual)

- Minnesota
- PENN STATE
- Iowa
- Cornell
- Northern Iowa
- Oklahoma State
- Michigan
- Nebraska
- Missouri
- Pittsburgh
- Ohio State
- Virginia
- Edinboro
- Oklahoma
- Wisconsin
- Virginia Tech
- Oregon State
- Lehigh
- Northwestern
- Illinois
- Iowa State
- North Dakota St.
- Stanford
- Chattanooga
- Central Michigan

INDIVIDUALS

INTERMAT

(3/11/14)

Nico Megaludis	3rd/125
Jimmy Gulibon	14th/133
Zain Retherford	3rd/141
James English	17th/149
Dylan Alton	13th/157
David Taylor	1st/165
Matt Brown	5th/174
Ed Ruth	2nd/184
Morgan McIntosh	4th/197
Jon Gingrich	12th/285

WIN MAGAZINE

(2/25/14)

Nico Megaludis	2nd/125
Jimmy Gulibon	17th/133
Zain Retherford	3rd/141
Zack Beitz	15th/149
Dylan Alton	7th/157
David Taylor	1st/165
Matt Brown	5th/174
Ed Ruth	1st/184
Morgan McIntosh	4th/197
Jimmy Lawson	15th/285

FLOWRESTLING

INDIVIDUAL

(2/25/14)

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Jimmy Gulibon	14th/133
Zain Retherford	3rd/141
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TOM (2/25/14)

Nico Megaludis	2nd/125
Jimmy Gulibon	15th/133
Zain Retherford	2nd/141
Dylan Alton	12th/157
David Taylor	1st/165
Matt Brown	5th/174
Ed Ruth	3rd/184
Morgan McIntosh	3rd/197
Jimmy Lawson	15th/285

FINAL NCAA RPI

(2/27/14)

Nico Megaludis	2nd/125
Jimmy Gulibon	12th/133
Zain Retherford	1st/141
James English	NR/149
Dylan Alton	6th/157
David Taylor	1st/165
Matt Brown	5th/174
Ed Ruth	3rd/184
Morgan McIntosh	2nd/197
Jon Gingrich	12th/285

FINAL NCAA

COACHES INDIV.

(2/27/14)

Nico Megaludis	2nd/125
Jimmy Gulibon	15th/133
Zain Retherford	2nd/141
James English	26th/149
Dylan Alton	11th/157
David Taylor	1st/165
Matt Brown	5th/174
Ed Ruth	2nd/184
Morgan McIntosh	3rd/197
Jon Gingrich	14th/285

NITTANY LIONS CLAIM 4TH STRAIGHT BIG TEN TITLE

The Penn State Nittany Lions rode a strong and balanced team attack to their fourth straight Big Ten team title, becoming the fifth team in conference history to win four straight crowns. The Nittany Lions won the title with 140.5 points, out-pacing a close second place performance from runner-up Iowa at 135.0. Penn State claimed two Big Ten Champions (David Taylor and Ed Ruth), had three more finalists (Nico Megaludis, Zain Retherford and Morgan McIntosh) and had all ten wrestlers qualify for the 2014 NCAA Championships, marking the second straight year that Penn State sent all 10 starters to nationals. Every Nittany Lion placed among the top eight at their respective weight as well.

DAVID TAYLOR WINS FOURTH BIG TEN TITLE

Senior David Taylor majored Iowa's Nick Moore 14-5 in the 2014 Big Ten Championship final at 165 pounds, becoming (along with teammate Ed Ruth) Penn State's first four-time Big Ten Champion. Taylor became the 12th four-time Big Ten Champion in conference history. He went 3-0 in his Big Ten title run with a pin, a tech fall and a major.

ED RUTH WINS FOURTH BIG TEN TITLE

Senior Ed Ruth majored Iowa's Ethen Lofthouse 10-2 in the 2014 Big Ten Championship final at 184 pounds, joining teammate David Taylor as Penn State's first four-time Big Ten Champion. Ruth became the 13th four-time Big Ten Champion in conference history. He went 4-0 in his title run with three majors.

MEGALUDIS, RETHERFORD, McINTOSH B1G FINALISTS

Junior Nico Megaludis, true-freshman Zain Retherford and sophomore Morgan McIntosh each advance to the Championship Finals of the 2014 Big Ten Championship on 3/8-9 in Madison, Wis. Megaludis went 3-0 to advance to the title bout at 125 where he dropped a tough 3-2 (TB2; 0:15 RT) decision to Illinois' Jesse Delgado on 0:15 of riding time. Retherford went 3-0 to advance to the finals at 141 before dropping a 7-3 decision to Ohio State's Logan Stieber in a much-anticipated rematch of an earlier bout won by Retherford. McIntosh went 2-0 to advance to the title bout at 197 before dropping a hard fought 5-3 (SV2) decision on a takedown on a last second takedown by Ohio State's Nick Heflin with just :01 on the clock.

ALL 10 LIONS QUALIFY FOR NAAs, PLACE IN TOP 8

With David Taylor and Ed Ruth winning titles at 165 and 184 and Nico Megaludis (125), Zain Retherford (141) and Morgan McIntosh (197) all in the finals, the remaining five Nittany Lions were strong as well, placing in the top eight, securing automatic bids to the NCAA Championship and earning valuable points in a tight team race to help the Nittany Lions win their fourth straight Big Ten Championship on 3/8-9. Senior Matt Brown went

TAYLOR B1G WRESTLER OF THE YEAR; O.W.!

Senior David Taylor won the 165-pound title at the 2014 Big Ten Wrestling Championships and was named the 2014 Big Ten Championship Outstanding Wrestler. He was also named the 2014 Big Ten Wrestler of the Year, the THIRD time in Taylor's four-year career that he has won that honor. He becomes the first Nittany Lion to win the honor three times and the fourth straight Nittany Lion (Ed Ruth won last year). Taylor is the only the second wrestler ever to be named Big Ten Wrestler of the Year three times (Iowa's Mark Ironside was in the '90s).

SANDERSON WINS 4TH B1G COACH OF THE YEAR HONOR

Penn State head coach Cael Sanderson was named the 2014 Big Ten Coach of the Year, the fourth straight time the Lion mentor has been honored as such. This is the fifth conference honor overall for Sanderson (he was the 2007 Big 12 Coach of the Year).

TAYLOR AND RUTH MAKING B1G HISTORY

Seniors David Taylor and Ed Ruth are both chasing Big Ten history. Each wrestler is currently working on careers that could see them never lose to a Big Ten opponent, dual meet or tournament. Taylor finished his Big Ten dual meet season with a perfect 8-0 mark and ends his career with a 32-0 record in conference duals. His overall record against Big Ten competition, including tournaments (in-season and post-season) is 56-0. Ruth also closed out his Big Ten dual season with an unblemished 8-0 mark in Big Ten dual meets and ends his career with an identical 32-0 record all-time. Ruth is now 56-0 all-time against Big Ten competition (dual and tourney combined). The duo has combined to post a 112-0 record and win eight Big Ten titles.

2013-14 BIG TEN STANDINGS

(by Big Ten win % -- 2/25/14)

Pl.	Team	Big Ten		Overall	
		W-L-T	PCT	W-L-T	PCT
1.	PENN STATE	7-1-0	.875	15-1-0	.938
	Minnesota	7-1-0	.875	14-1-0	.933
	Iowa	7-1-0	.875	15-2-0	.882
4.	Michigan	6-2-0	.750	11-4-0	.733
	Nebraska	6-2-0	.750	12-2-0	.857
6.	Wisconsin	5-3-0	.625	12-6-0	.667
7.	Ohio State	4-4-0	.500	13-5-0	.722
8.	Illinois	3-5-0	.375	10-9-0	.526
9.	Purdue	1-7-0	.125	6-8-0	.429
	Northwestern	1-7-0	.125	9-7-0	.563
	Michigan State	1-7-0	.125	8-10-0	.444
12.	Indiana	0-8-0	.000	9-9-0	.500

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	Thomas Gilman, Iowa
1/7	DAVID TAYLOR, PENN STATE
	Adam Chalfant, Indiana
1/14	Tony Ramos, Iowa
	Mike McMullan, Northwestern
1/21	Adam Coon, Michigan
1/28	Sam Brancale, Minnesota
2/4	Mike McMullan, Northwestern
2/11	Dylan Ness, Minnesota
2/18	Dylan Ness, Minnesota
2/25	Isaac Jordan, Wisconsin

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

Big Ten Champion, 184

First Team All-Big Ten

David Taylor, 165

NWCA All-Star Classic Participant

Big Ten Wrestler of the Week, 11/13

Big Ten Wrestler of the Week, 11/20

Big Ten Wrestler of the Week, 1/7

Big Ten Champion, 165

Big Ten Wrestler of the Year

Big Ten Championship Outstanding Wrestler

First Team All-Big Ten

Cael Sanderson, Head Coach

Big Ten Coach of the Year, 3/9

LIONS END REGULAR SEASON RANKED #1

The Penn State Nittany Lions closed out the regular season ranked No. 1 in the Intermat TPI. Iowa was a close second. All ten members of the Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team were ranked at their individual weights in the final (3/10/14) Intermat Rankings. Nico Megaludis is ranked No. 3 at 125, Jimmy Gulibon is No. 14 at 133, Zain Retherford is No. 3 at 141, James English is No. 17 at 149, Dylan Alton is No. 13 at 157, David Taylor is No. 1 at 165, Matt Brown is No. 5 at 174, Ed Ruth is No. 2 at 184, Morgan McIntosh is No. 4 at 197 and Jon Gingrich is No. 12 at 285.

RUTH AND TAYLOR EXIT REC HALL WITH FAST FALLS

Wrestling in the final matches of their stellar Penn State careers, senior All-Americans Ed Ruth and David Taylor gave yet another sold out Rec Hall crowd everything they could have wanted and more, even if their appearances were short and sweet. Taylor pinned Clarion's Michael Pavasko in just 0:11, the second fastest fall in Nittany Lion history; and Ruth pinned Clarion's Dustin Conti in just 1:05. The duo capped off perfect dual meet careers with Taylor ending his dual meet run with a 63-0 dual meet record and Ruth ends his with a 55-0 mark.

BROWN AND McINTOSH MAKE IT FOUR STRAIGHT PINS AS PENN STATE DOWNS CLARION 43-3

Matt Brown pinned Clarion's Ryan Darch in just 2:50 at 174 and Morgan McIntosh pinned Golden Eagle Danny Sutherland at the 3:11 mark to combine with teammates David Taylor and Ed Ruth for a four-pin streak in Penn State's 43-3 win over Clarion in Rec Hall on Feb. 23, the season's dual meet (and home) finale.

ENGLISH GETS FIRST DUAL WIN OF YEAR VS. CLARION IN REC HALL SWAN SONG

Senior James English made his Rec Hall finale a special one, posting a 7-2 win over Clarion's Justin Arthur at 149 as Penn State downed Clarion 43-3 on Senior Day, 2014. English's win was his first dual meet victory of the year.

RUTH, McINTOSH, GINGRICH SPARK LIONS TO BIG WIN OVER #5 OKLAHOMA STATE

Senior Ed Ruth posted a third period pin over Oklahoma State's Nolan Boyd (5:41) to spark Penn State to a 23-12 win over #5 Oklahoma State on 2/16. The dual, wrestled in front of over 6,500 fans in sold out Rec Hall (the largest Rec Hall crowd of the year and the 18th-straight home sell-out for Penn State including the BJC dual), also features majors from Morgan McIntosh at 197 and Jon Gingrich at 285 as Penn State won six of ten bouts.

MEGALUDIS, RETHERFORD, TAYLOR DOWN RANKED FOES AS LIONS TOP COWBOYS

With Penn State getting a pin from Ed Ruth and majors from Morgan McIntosh and Jon Gingrich in its 23-12 win over Oklahoma State on 2/16, three Nittany Lions posted impressive wins over ranked grapplers. Nico Megaludis downed #13 Eddie Klimara 11-7 at 125, Zain Retherford beat #19 Anthony Collica 2-0 at 141 and David Taylor took care of #5 Tyler Caldwell at 165. Penn State won six of ten bouts.

McINTOSH TAKES DOWN #1 SCHILLER

Sophomore Morgan McIntosh took down No.1-ranked and previously undefeated Scott Schiller in front of a sold out Minnesota crowd on Sunday, 2/9. McIntosh rolled to an 8-4 victory over the previously unbeaten Schiller on the back of three takedowns and a reversal. The Nittany Lions were upset 18-17 by the Gophers but still walked away with their second Big Ten dual meet Co-Championship in the last three years.

RETHETFORD SHUTS OUT #6 DARDANES

True freshman Zain Retherford continued to impress with a 4-0 shut-out of #6 Chris Dardanes in Minnesota on 2/9. Retherford used a first period takedown, an escape and yet another third period ride-out to build up 2:35 in riding time, rolling to the 4-0 win.

LIONS NAB SECOND B1G DUAL CO-TITLE IN 3 YEARS

Penn State won at least seven dual meets for the third straight year and grabbed it's second Big Ten dual meet co-title in the same span. Penn State's 7-1 Big Ten mark equals the conference dual record the team has had for the past three season.

2013-14 ATTENDANCE

11/24	LOCK HAVEN	6,498
12/8	PITTSBURGH (BJC)	*15,996
12/15	OHIO STATE	6,380
1/12	PURDUE	6,369
1/19	NORTHWESTERN	6,393
1/24	ILLINOIS	6,480
2/16	OKLAHOMA STATE	6,571
2/17	CLARION	6,483
TOTAL		61,170
AVG.		#7,646

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

Penn State ends the 2013-14 dual season with a string of 19 straight home sell-outs, including action in both Rec Hall and the BJC.

2013-14 RIDGE RILEY

AWARD WINNERS (home)

11/24	LOCK HAVEN	David Taylor, 165
12/8	PITTSBURGH (BJC)	David Taylor, 165
12/15	OHIO STATE	Zain Retherford, 141
1/12	PURDUE	David Taylor, 165
1/19	NORTHWESTERN	James Vollrath, 157
1/24	ILLINOIS	Nico Megaludis, 125
2/16	OKLAHOMA STATE	Ed Ruth, 184
2/17	CLARION	David Taylor, 165 Ed Ruth, 184

2013-14 ERNIE LUCAS

AWARD WINNERS (away)

11/16	RIDER	David Taylor, 165
11/17	LEHIGH	Morgan McIntosh, 197
12/6	BOSTON	Wes Phipps, 184
12/21	IOWA	Zack Beitz, 149
1/17	INDIANA	Jimmy Gulibon, 133
1/31	MICHIGAN STATE	Ed Ruth, 184
2/2	MICHIGAN	Jimmy Gulibon, 133
2/9	MINNESOTA	Morgan McIntosh, 197

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General: #PSUwr

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

#d1wrestle for NCAAs

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.

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
1/17 at #19 Indiana	W, 36-6
1/19 vs. #14 Northwestern	W, 39-8
1/24 vs. #11 Illinois	W, 31-3
2/2 at #11 Michigan	W, 32-9
2/9 at #3 Minnesota	L, 17-18
2/16 vs. #5 Oklahoma State	W, 23-12

NITTANY LIONS STRONG AT 'BORO OPEN

A number of Penn State Nittany Lions made the trek to Edinboro University on 2/8 and four Lions in particular posted impressive performances. Senior James English went 4-1 at 149 and advanced all the way to the finals. Taking second place, English also posted two tech falls. Freshman Cody Law went 4-0 at 157 and took fourth. He also had a major decision. Freshman Matt McCutcheon was 4-1 at 184 and took fourth as well. McCutcheon notched a tech fall and a pin (in 1:07) along the way. Freshman Garrett Hammond was 4-0 with a major and two tech falls at 165.

PENN STATE ROLLS THRU THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

Penn State travelled to the state of Michigan for two dual meets on 1/31 and 2/2 and came away with two lop-sided victories. The Nittany Lions downed Michigan State on 1/31 by a 42-3 score, winning nine of ten bouts (including four pins). Two days later, Penn State took down #11 Michigan 32-9 in front of a sold out Keen Arena crowd, winning eight of ten bouts (including three straight tech falls). In all, Penn State went 17-3 in both duals with four pins, four tech falls, three majors and six decisions. Penn State outscored MSU and UM 74-12.

CONAWAY GRABS TWO BIG TEN WINS AT 125

Sophomore Jordan Conaway, a national qualifier last year at 133, moved down to 125 for the Michigan weekend with All-American Nico Megaludis out sick and grabbed two impressive Big Ten wins. Conaway majored Michigan State's Brenan Lyon 14-5 on 1/31 then downed Michigan's Conor Youtsey 9-4 on 2/2.

DYLAN ALTON'S WIN OVER #14 MURPHY SPARKS PSU

Junior Dylan Alton posted a thrilling 3-1 (sv2) win over 14th-ranked Brian Murphy of Michigan on 2/2 to spark Penn State to a 32-9 victory over the homestanding Wolverines. Alton's win was one of eight for Penn State as the Lions silenced a sold out Keen Arena crowd in Ann Arbor.

MEGALUDIS DOWNS DELGADO IN TITLE TILT REMATCH

Junior Nico Megaludis used a four-point second period and a third period escape to post a thrilling 5-4 win over #4 Jesse Delgado of Illinois in Penn State's 31-3 victory over the Illini on 1/24. Megaludis' win energized a sell-out crowd in Rec Hall and spurred the Nittany Lions on to a 9-1 bout margin in the lop-sided conference win.

ZACK BEITZ AND DYLAN ALTON SPARK LIONS VS. ILLINOIS

Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz notched his third win of the year over a ranked wrestler, posting a convincing 4-2 win over #19 Caleb Ervin of Illinois at 149. Junior All-American Dylan Alton was strong with a 5-2 win over #12 Illini Zac Brunson at 157 in only his second dual meet appearance of the year. The duo helped lead Penn State to a convincing 31-3 win over Illinois in Rec Hall on 1/24.

LIONS STRONG IN TWO-DUAL BIG TEN WEEKEND WITH WINS AT #19 INDIANA AND V. #14 NORTHWESTERN

Penn State had an outstanding split weekend of home/away Big Ten duals on 1/17 and 1/19. The squad travelled to No. 19 Indiana on Friday, Jan. 17, and dominated the Hoosiers in front of the largest IU wrestling crowd in recent memory. Penn State won eight of ten bouts to roll to the 36-6 win. Two days later, back in Happy Valley, the Nittany Lions hammered No. 14 Northwestern in front of a jam-packed Rec Hall. The Lions, once again, won eight of ten bouts, and came away with a 39-8 victory over the Wildcats. In all, Penn State went 16-4 over the weekend, including five majors, five technical falls and two pins. The Nittany Lions posted an outstanding 53-6 combined takedown advantage in the duals as well.

GULIBON NOTCHES FIRST TWO DUAL WINS

Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon picked up his first two dual meet victories as a Nittany Lion, both in Big Ten action. The nationally ranked 133-pounder posted a 15-0 first period technical fall (2:57) over Indiana's Chris Caton on 1/17 as Penn State downed the Hoosiers 36-6 in Bloomington. Two days later, Gulibon posted a convincing 8-2 win over Northwestern junior Pat Greco in Penn State's 38-8 victory over the Wildcats in Rec Hall.

LIONS STRONG AT HITCHCOCK MEMORIAL

Nine members of the Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team competed at the Floyd 'Shorty' Hitchcock Open today at Millersville University, wrestling both attached and unattached. Penn State advanced three wrestlers to the finals and went 1-1 with one medical forfeit. Junior Dylan Alton, ranked No. 4 at 157, stayed unbeaten on the year with a strong 5-0 performance to win the 157-pound title. Alton had a pin and a major in his title run. Junior Andrew Alton (ranked No. 7 at 149, went 3-0 (plus a win over a non-collegiate) with a quick pin (in 0:31) and a tech fall, to advance to the finals before taking a medical forfeit to place second. True freshman Matt McCutcheon advanced to the finals at 184 before losing, going 3-1 with two pins to take second. True freshman Garrett Hammond went 6-1 with a pin to take third at 165 and classmate Cody Law was outstanding at 157, going 7-2 with a pin and advancing to the consolation semifinals.

McINTOSH DOWNS #16 ATWOOD

In the only match-up of ranked foes, sophomore Morgan McIntosh, ranked No. 8 at 197, beat No. 16 Braden Atwood 6-4. The Lion sophomore notched the bout's only three takedowns to roll to the win, helping Penn State to a lop-sided 34-3 win over the visiting Boilermakers. The dual was wrestled in front of Penn State's 15th straight sell-out and also featured David Taylor's 10th pin of the year at 165. The Lions posted a 36-2 take-down margin as well. Penn State got four majors in the dual from Nico Megaludis (125), Zain Retherford (141), Matt Brown (174) and Ed Ruth (184).

ALTONS MAKE SEASON DUAL DEBUTS WITH WINS

Juniors Andrew and Dylan Alton both made their season dual meet debuts with solid wins in Penn State's 34-3 victory over Purdue on 1/12. The twin brothers each had off-season shoulder surgeries and were wrestling in their first dual meets after seeing just limited action from late December on in open tournaments. Andrew posted a 7-6 win over Brandon Nelsen at 149 and Dylan notched a 6-1 victory over Dustin Schultz at 157.

NITTANY LIONS POST OUTSTANDING 3.13 TEAM GPA FOR FALL SEMESTER

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, under the direction of head coach Cael Sanderson, is coming off a strong performance in the classroom this past Fall. The No. 1-ranked, three-time defending NCAA and Big Ten Champions posted a 3.13 team grade point average for the 2013-14's first semester. While the outstanding team GPA is a combined team-effort, there are a number of individual performances of note. Red-shirt junior Matt Brown posted a perfect 4.0 GPA this fall, as did senior James English. Brown is a Crime, Law and Justice major. English, a '13 Chemical Engineering grad, is pursuing a second degree in Energy, Business and Finance. True freshman Zain Retherford posted a 3.82 GPA in his first collegiate semester. He is a Business Administration major. Red-shirt freshman Caleb Livingston posted a 3.77 GPA in DUS as well. Red-shirt sophomore Luke Frey earned a 3.7 GPA in Bio-behavioral Health. David Taylor posted a 3.67 GPA this Fall. A '13 RPTM/Business major, Taylor is pursuing his graduate degree in Education Administration. Red-shirt junior Kyle Moran had a 3.61 GPA in Finance and junior Nico Megaludis earned a 3.60 GPA in Finance as well. Red-shirt junior Cameron Kelly had a 3.52 GPA in Kinesiology. Twin brothers Andrew Alton and Dylan Alton, both red-shirt juniors as well, posted identical 3.33 GPAs this fall. Both are RPTM majors.

LIONS WIN FOURTH STRAIGHT SOUTHERN SCUFFLE TITLE

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestlers broke away from the competition at the 2014 Southern Scuffle in Chattanooga, Tenn., on Jan. 1-2, to roll to their fourth straight Southern Scuffle title. Penn State won by nearly 30 points, posting a crown clinching total of 189.0 points while Oklahoma State was second with 164.5. Minnesota (161.0), Cornell (114.5) and Missouri (102.5) rounded out the top five. The winning point total was three points shy of the all-time Scuffle team point total and Penn State's fourth crown is a Scuffle best.

RETFERFORD AND TAYLOR ROLL WITH TITLE RUNS AT SOUTHERN SCUFFLE; TAYLOR EARNS B1G WoW

A true freshman and a graduate student remained unbeaten through the Southern Scuffle as rookie Zain Retherford and fifth-year grappler David Taylor each went 5-0 to win Southern Scuffle titles. Retherford rolled to five win, including a major and a pin. He downed the #11, #7 and #19 ranked wrestlers on his way to his first Scuffle title. Taylor's 5-0 run included all bonus point victories. The three-time All-American had two pins, a tech fall and two majors. He majored #15 Dylan Palacio of Cornell, pinned #9 Zach Toal of Missouri and majored #2 Tyler Caldwell of Oklahoma State in the finals. Taylor was honored as Big Ten Wrestler of the Week (1/5) for the third time this year after his tourney title.

11 OF 17 PLACE AT SOUTHERN SCUFFLE

With Zain Retherford and David Taylor leading the way with titles at 141 and 165, 11 of Penn State's 17 entrants placed at the Southern Scuffle as Penn State ran away with its fourth straight crown. Nico Megaludis (125), Jimmy Gulibon (133), Matt Brown (174) and Ed Ruth (184) all placed second; Jimmy Lawson (285) took third; Morgan McIntosh (197) placed fourth; Jordan Conaway (133) and Jon Gingrich (285) were sixth and Luke Frey (149) was eighth.

GULIBON STRONG AT SOUTHERN SCUFFLE

Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon had an exception Southern Scuffle tournament, going 5-1, advancing to the finals and ending the tournament as the 133-pound Runner-Up. Gulibon downed #5 Ryan Mango of Stanford and #10 David Thorn of Minnesota to get to the title bout where he dropped a tough 4-0 decision to #1 Jon Morrison of Oklahoma State.

RUTH'S HISTORIC WIN STREAK ENDS

Three-time All-American, two-time NCAA Champion Ed Ruth had one of the nation's most historic win streaks snapped on Jan. 2 in the finals of the Southern Scuffle. Ruth had rolled off 84-straight wins dating back to the NCAA quarterfinals his freshman year (a year he wrestled back to third) before dropping a tough 7-4 decision to #7 Gabe Dean of Cornell in the Scuffle finals. Ruth had pinned Dean earlier in the year.

DYLAN ALTON, REX LUTZ STRONG AT F&M

Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling All-American Dylan Alton, ranked No. 5 nationally 157, went 4-0 at the Franklin and Marshall Open today and placed second, withdrawing as planned after wrestling in four bouts. Sophomore Rex Lutz led Penn State in wins at the open tournament, taking third at 174. Dylan rolled to four wins, including a major and a shut-out in the semifinals before withdrawing from the event as a precaution as planned. The Lion is now 6-0 on the year. Dylan's twin brother Andrew Alton, ranked No. 7 at 149, made the trip but an illness as the event began kept the Lion from competing. The juniors are continuing their planned schedules following off-season surgeries as Penn State preps for its next dual on Jan. 12. Sophomore Lutz went 7-1 at 174 to place third. The Easton native reeled off seven straight wins after a first round loss. His run included three pins, including one over Tyler Askey of Virginia in the third place bout (2:54).

ALTONS SOLID IN SEASON DEBUTS AT WILKES

Penn State Nittany Lion wrestlers Andrew Alton and Dylan Alton made their season debuts today at the Wilkes Open, competing at the open event after off-season surgeries delayed their season starts. The twin brothers, ranked No. 7 at 149 and No. 5 at 157 respectively, combined to go 5-0 before taking medical forfeits as planned. Wrestling in their first live action in almost nine months and after off-season shoulder surgery, the duo fared very well. Andrew went 3-0 at 149, including a technical fall and a fall before medically forfeiting out of the tournament as previously planned. Dylan posted a 2-0 mark at 157 including a pin before taking medical forfeits as planned as well. The wins do count towards each grappler's season records and so the tandem heads into the New Year with 3-0 and 2-0 marks respectively.

LIONS WIN 7 OF 10 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 B1G 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.

RETFERFORD 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). 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 IAN 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 BIG 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).

MEGALUDIS DOWNS #9 ZANETTA OF PITT

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 OF 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 1ST 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 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.

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 & BROWN AT 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 4-3 decision to No. 1 Andrew Howe of Oklahoma on riding time.

CHURCH & 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.

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.	131	Ed Ruth, 2011-Prsnt.
6.	129	David Taylor, 2011-Prsnt.
7.	125	Sanshiro Abe, '93-96
8.	123	Jeremy Hunter, '96-00
	123	Clint Musser, '94, 96-99
10.	121	Frank Molinaro, '09-12
	121	John Hughes, '92, 94-96
12.	116	Quentin Wright, '09-13
	116	Phil Davis, '05-08
14.	115	Ken Chertow, '85, 87-89
15.	114	Carl DeStefanis, '81-84
16.	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.	50	David Taylor, '11-Prsnt.
3.	45	Ed Ruth, '11-Prsnt.
4.	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	Andrew Alton, '11-Prsnt.
	31	Biff Walizer, '95-99
11.	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
--	22	Matt Brown, '12-Prsnt.

DUAL MEET VICTORIES

1.	73	Jim Martin, '86-89
2.	71	Kerry McCoy, '92-97
3.	63	David Taylor, '11-Prsnt.
4.	62	Jeremy Hunter, '96-00
5.	58	Phil Davis, '05-08
6.	57	Sanshiro Abe, '93-96
	57	Dan Vallimont, '07-10
8.	55	Ed Ruth, '11-Prsnt.
	55	Frank Molinaro, '09-12
	55	Greg Elinsky, '83-87
11.	54	Glenn Pritzlaff, '94, 96-99
12.	53	Clint Musser, '94, 96-99
13.	52	Troy Sunderland, '89, 91-93
14.	51	Jeff Prescott, '89-92
15.	50	Dave Hart, '89, 91-93
16.	49	Quentin Wright, '09-13
17.	48	Carl DeStefanis, '81-84
	48	Ken Chertow, '85, 87-89
	48	Bob Truby, '88-92
	48	Brad Pataky, 2006-11

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:

WBLF	970 AM	State College/Bellefonte
WPHB	1260 AM	Phillipsburg
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.	Toms 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
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

2013-14 PENN STATE WRESTLING INDIVIDUAL RECORDS & STATS

15-1 OVERALL, 7-1 B1G (DUAL CO-CHAMPS), 8-0 HOME, 7-1 ROAD, 2014 B1G CHAMPIONS

Wrestler, Wt.	Overall Record	Collegiate Record	Dual Record	Big 10 Dual Record	Dual Pts. For/Against	SV W-L	TB W-L	MD W-L	TF W-L	Pins W-L	Fastest Fall
Andrew Alton, 149	8-1	8-1	2-1	2-1	6/6	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-0	2-1	0:31
Dylan Alton, 157	18-5	18-5	5-2	4-1	15/9	1-0	0-0	2-1	0-0	3-1	0:59
Seth Beitz, 149/157	4-0	4-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	---
Zack Beitz, 141/149	11-9	11-9	5-5	3-2	15/15	0-2	0-0	0-1	1-0	1-0	2:52
Devon Bentley, 133/141	2-6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	1-1	2:43
Matt Brown, 174	28-4	28-4	14-2	7-1	62/6	0-0	0-0	9-0	4-0	7-0	1:16
Andrew Church, 174/184	6-4	6-4	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	---
Jordan Conaway, 125/133	15-5	15-5	4-1	2-0	14/3	1-0	0-0	5-0	0-0	1-0	4:29
Dylan Dailey, 174/184	2-8	2-8	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1-3	1:04
James English, 149	11-5	11-5	1-2	0-0	3/9	0-1	0-0	2-1	2-0	0-1	---
James Frascella, 174	5-6	5-6	0-2	0-0	0/8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2	0-0	---
Luke Frey, 149	5-4	5-4	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	2-0	0-0	1-0	3:38
Jon Gingrich, 285	22-8	22-8	3-2	1-2	10/6	1-0	0-0	5-0	0-0	6-2	0:58
Jimmy Gulibon, 133	17-13	17-13	5-8	4-4	19/27	0-2	0-0	3-0	5-0	1-2	2:01
Garett Hammond, 157/165	29-7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	4-2	7-0	9-0	0:42
Cameron Kelly, 133	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	1:48
Cody Law, 157/165	14-4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	1-1	1-0	0-0	1-0	4:02
Jimmy Lawson, 285	16-5	16-5	6-4	2-2	21/15	0-0	1-0	3-0	1-0	0-0	---
Caleb Livingston, 165/174	7-11	7-11	0-0	0-0	0/0	1-0	0-0	0-3	0-1	1-2	5:42
Rex Lutz, 165	14-5	14-5	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	4-1	1:23
Matt McCutcheon, 184/197	14-5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	2-1	2-0	1-0	4-0	1:07
Morgan McIntosh, 197	27-3	27-3	15-0	7-0	61/0	0-1	3-0	11-0	0-0	5-0	1:30
Nico Megaludis, 125	26-3	26-3	14-0	6-0	58/0	0-0	0-1	9-0	5-0	2-0	3:19
Kyle Moran, 149	3-4	3-4	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	---
Nate Morgan, 133	13-6	13-6	0-0	0-0	0/0	2-0	0-1	2-0	1-0	2-0	3:39
Kade Moss, 141/149	4-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-0	0:50
Wes Phipps, 174/184	5-4	5-4	2-2	0-1	8/6	0-0	0-0	3-0	0-1	0-0	---
Zain Retherford, 141	29-1	29-1	16-0	8-0	58/0	2-0	0-0	8-0	2-0	4-0	1:37
Josh Rogers, 197	7-10	7-10	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-3	2:14
Nick Ruggear, 285	6-4	6-4	0-1	0-1	0/3	0-0	0-0	3-0	1-0	1-1	2:49
Ed Ruth, 184	29-1	29-1	11-0	8-0	53/0	0-0	0-0	9-0	8-0	10-0	0:38
Scott Syrek, 184/197	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	---
David Taylor, 165	29-0	29-0	16-0	8-0	80/0	0-0	0-0	7-0	8-0	13-0	0:11
James Vollrath, 157	11-7	11-7	5-4	2-1	20/12	1-0	0-0	4-0	1-0	2-0	2:36
Michael Waters, 133/141	10-7	10-7	0-0	0-0	0/0	0-0	0-0	3-0	0-0	2-2	1:34
TOTALS	424-168	365-146	124-36	64-16	461/121	9-6	7-4	101-11	50-4	86-20	0:11

SV - sudden victory • TB - tiebreak • MD - major decision • TF - technical fall • * dual record includes a forfeit • NOTE: Big Ten Dual record for eight regular season duals only • + lost team point

SEASON LEADERS -- OVERALL*

WINS		FALLS		MAJOR DECISIONS	
1. Garett Hammond, 165	29	1. David Taylor, 165	13	1. Morgan McIntosh, 197	10
2. Zain Retherford, 141	29	2. Ed Ruth, 184	10	2. Nico Megaludis, 125	10
3. Ed Ruth, 184	29	3. Garett Hammond, 165	9	3. Matt Brown, 174	9
4. David Taylor, 165	29	4. Matt Brown, 174	7	Ed Ruth, 184	9
5. Matt Brown, 174	28	5. Jon Gingrich, 285	6	5. Zain Retherford, 141	8
6. Morgan McIntosh, 197	27	6. Morgan McIntosh, 197	5	6. David Taylor, 165	7
7. Nico Megaludis, 125	26	7. Rex Lutz, 174	4	7. Jordan Conaway, 133	5
8. Jon Gingrich, 285	22	8. Matt McCutcheon, 184	4	Jon Gingrich, 285	5
9. Dylan Alton, 157	18	9. Zain Retherford, 141	4	9. Garett Hammond, 157/165	4
10. Jimmy Gulibon, 133	17	10. Dylan Alton, 157	3	James Vollrath, 157	4
11. Jimmy Lawson, 285	16	11. Andrew Alton, 149	2	11. Jimmy Gulibon, 133	3
12. Jordan Conaway, 133	15	12. Nico Megaludis, 125	2	Jimmy Lawson, 285	3
13. Cody Law, 157	14	13. Nate Morgan, 141	2	Wes Phipps, 184	3
Rex Lutz, 165	14	14. Kade Moss, 141/149	2	Nick Ruggear, 285	3
Matt McCutcheon, 184	14	15. Josh Rogers, 197	2	Michael Waters, 133/141	3
16. Nate Morgan, 133	13	16. James Vollrath, 157	2	16. Dylan Alton, 157	2
17. Zack Beitz, 141	11	17. Mike Waters, 141	2	James English, 149	2
James English, 149	11	18. Zack Beitz, 141	1	Luke Frey, 149	2
James Vollrath, 157	11	19. Devon Bentley, 141	1	Cody Law, 157	2
20. Michael Waters, 133/141	10	20. Jordan Conaway, 133	1	Nate Morgan, 133	2
21. Andrew Alton, 149	8	21. Dylan Dailey, 174/184	1	21. Seth Beitz, 157	1
22. Caleb Livingston, 165/174	7	22. Luke Frey, 149	1	Matt McCutcheon, 184	1
Josh Rogers, 197	7	23. Jimmy Gulibon, 133	1		
24. Andrew Church, 174	6	24. Cameron Kelly, 141	1		
Nick Ruggear, 285	6	25. Cody Law, 157	1		
26. James Frascella, 174	5	26. Caleb Livingston, 165/174	1		
Luke Frey, 149	5	27. Nick Ruggear, 285	1		
Wes Phipps, 184	5				
29. Seth Beitz, 157	4				
Kade Moss, 141/149	4				
31. Kyle Moran, 149	3				
Devon Bentley, 141	2				
Dylan Dailey, 174/184	2				
34. Cameron Kelly, 141	1				
Scott Syrek, 184/197	1				

DUAL TAKEDOWNS

(numbers listed FOR/AGAINST)

Wt.	Wrestler	1st	2nd	3rd	OT	Total
125	Nico Megaludis	22-2	25-0	12-0	0-0	59-2
133/125	Jordan Conaway	4-1	2-0	10-2	0-0	16-3
133	Jimmy Gulibon	6-7	2-2	3-2	0-1	11-12
141	Zain Retherford	16-3	10-0	12-0	1-0	39-3
149	Andrew Alton	6-0	2-1	2-4	0-0	10-5
149	James English	2-1	0-0	2-1	0-1	4-3
149	Zack Beitz	4-3	4-1	2-1	0-2	10-7
157	Dylan Alton	7-2	3-0	1-2	1-0	12-4
157	James Vollrath	11-1	2-3	7-3	0-0	20-7
165	David Taylor	33-2	9-1	11-0	0-0	53-3
174	Matt Brown	30-2	14-1	12-1	0-0	56-4
184	Ed Ruth	21-0	4-0	7-0	0-0	32-0
184	James Frascella	1-0	0-2	0-5	0-0	1-7
184/97	Wes Phipps	3-1	2-0	3-1	0-0	8-2
197	Morgan McIntosh	22-1	15-0	16-1	0-0	53-2
285	Jimmy Lawson	6-3	4-1	15-0	0-0	25-4
285	Jon Gingrich	3-0	2-1	5-1	0-0	10-2
285	Nick Ruggear	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1
TOTAL		197-29	100-13	120-25	2-4	419-71

* Includes wrestlers w/unattached wins and red-shirts.



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

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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	26-3	14-0 (6-0)	12-3 (3-1/0-0)	2-0	5-0	9-0	58
Career	82-16	38-4 (18-4)	44-11 (9-4/8-2)	11-1	11-0	21-0	169

NCAA Seed: #3 RPI: #2 Coaches: #2 Intermat: #3

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
1/1	125	W, 14-2	Alfredo Gray, Kent State (major)	Scuffle	12-1
1/1	125	W, 10-4	Zach Synon, Missouri	Scuffle	13-1
1/1	125	W, 12-3	Jordan Kingsley, Minnesota (major)	Scuffle	14-1
1/2	125	W, 12-4	#12 Evan Silver, Stanford (major)	Scuffle	15-1
1/2	125	W, 7-2	#6 Josh Martinez, Air Force	Scuffle	16-1
1/2	125	L, 4-6	#1 Nashon Garrett, Cornell	Scuffle (2nd)	16-2
1/12	125	W, 15-4	Camden Eppert, Purdue (major)	dual	17-2
1/17	125	W, forfeit	Forfeit, Indiana	dual	18-2
1/19	125	W, 23-6	Garrison White, Northwestern (TF; 6:39)	dual	19-2
1/24	125	W, 5-4	#4 Jesse Delgado, Illinois	dual	20-2
2/9	125	W, 19-5	Jordan Kingsley, Minnesota (major)	dual	21-2
2/16	125	W, 11-7	#13 Eddie Klimara, Oklahoma State	dual	22-2
2/23	125	W, 21-5	Hunter Jones, Clarion (TF; 5:00)	dual	23-2
3/8	125	WBF	Garrison White, Northwestern (3:19)	B1G	24-2
3/8	125	W, 12-5	Nick Roberts, Ohio State	B1G	25-2
3/8	125	W, 4-3	#9 Ryan Taylor, Wisconsin	B1G	26-2
3/9	125	L, 2-3 (tb2)	#3 Jesse Delgado, Illinois (tb2; 0:15 RT)	B1G (2nd)	26-3

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...went 5-1 at Southern Scuffle, with three majors, to take second...dropped 6-4 dec. to #1 Nashon Garrett of Cornell in finals, picked up a major over #12 Evan Silver of Stanford and a win over #6 Josh Martinez of Air Force...majored Purdue's Camden Eppert 15-4 on 1/12...downed #4 Jesse Delgado 5-4 on 1/24 in a rematch of last year's NCAA title bout...11-7 win over #13 Eddie Klimara of Oklahoma State on 2/16...went 3-1 with a pin to finish as the 2014 Big Ten Runner-Up on 3/8-9.

MEGALUDIS VS. NCAA FIELD

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	125	L, 5-6	#3 Nashon Garrett, Cornell	Bing (2nd)	0-1
11/16	125	W, 5-0	#17 Robert Deutsch, Rider	dual	1-1
11/17	125	W, 19-4	Darian Cruz, Lehigh (TF; 6:48)	dual	2-1
12/8	125	W, 4-1	#9 Anthony Zanetta, Pittsburgh	dual	3-1
12/15	125	W, 21-4	#19 Nick Roberts, Ohio State (TF; 6:54)	dual	4-1
1/2	125	W, 12-4	#12 Evan Silver, Stanford (major)	Scuffle	5-1
1/2	125	W, 7-2	#6 Josh Martinez, Air Force	Scuffle	6-1
1/2	125	L, 4-6	#1 Nashon Garrett, Cornell	Scuffle (2nd)	6-2
2/16	125	W, 11-7	#13 Eddie Klimara, Oklahoma State	dual	7-2
3/8	125	W, 12-5	Nick Roberts, Ohio State	B1G	8-2
3/9	125	L, 2-3 (tb2)	#3 Jesse Delgado, Illinois (tb2; 0:15 RT)	B1G (2nd)	8-3

MEGALUDIS CAREER AT NCAAs

Year	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
2012	125	W, 13-5	Michael Martinez, Wyoming (major)	NCAA	1-0
2012	125	W, 7-3	#7 Jarrod Patterson, Oklahoma	NCAA	2-0
2012	125	W, 7-4	#2 Zach Sanders, Minnesota	NCAA	3-0
2012	125	W, 3-2 (tb2)	#6 Frank Perrelli, Cornell	NCAA	4-0
2012	125	L, 1-4	#1 Matt McDonough, Iowa	NCAA (2nd)	4-1
2013	125	W, 17-2	Kevon Powell, Ohio (TF; 6:25)	NCAA	5-1
2013	125	W, 5-2	Christian Cullinan, Central Michigan	NCAA	6-1
2013	125	W, 12-4	Dominic Parisi, Appalachian St. (major)	NCAA	7-1
2013	125	W, 2-2 (tb 2)	#1 Alan Waters, Missouri (0:18 RT)	NCAA	8-1
2013	125	L, 4-7	#2 Jesse Delgado, Illinois	NCAA (2nd)	8-2



to #11 Zane Richards of Illinois on 1/24...9-0 major over Michigan's Rossi Bruno on 2/2...tough 2-0 loss to #4 Jon Morrison of Oklahoma State on 2-16...first period tech fall (16-0 at the 3:00 mark) over Clarion's Victor Lepari on 2/23...went 3-2 with a tech fall and a major to take seventh at first Big Ten Championship tournament on 3/8-9.

GULIBON VS. NCAA FIELD

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/17	133	L, 6-7	#6 Mason Beckman, Lehigh	dual	0-1
12/15	133	L, 2-3	#6 Johnni DeJulius, Ohio State	dual	0-2
12/21	133	LBF	#3 Tony Ramos, Iowa (5:22)	dual	0-3
1/2	133	W, 2-1	#5 Ryan Mango, Stanford	Scuffle	1-3
1/2	133	W, 4-3	#10 David Thorn, Minnesota	Scuffle	2-3
1/2	133	L, 0-4	#1 Jon Morrison, Oklahoma State	Scuffle (2nd)	2-4
1/12	133	L, 2-9	Cashe Quiroga, Purdue	dual	2-5
1/19	133	W, 8-2	Dominick Malone, Northwestern	dual	3-5
1/24	133	L, 3-1 (sv)	#11 Zane Richards, Illinois	dual	3-6
2/2	133	W, 9-0	Rossi Bruno, Michigan (major)	dual	4-6
2/9	133	L, 0-2	#8 David Thorn, Minnesota	dual	4-7
2/16	133	L, 0-2	#4 Jon Morrison, Oklahoma State	dual	4-8
3/8	133	W, 15-0	Dominick Malone, Northwestern (TF; 5:47)	B1G	5-8
3/8	133	L, 1-8	#5 Tyler Graff, Wisconsin	B1G	5-9
3/8	133	L, 1-6	#8 Johnni DiJulius, Ohio State	B1G	5-10
3/9	133	W, 9-1	Dominick Malone, Northwestern (maj.)	B1G (7th)	6-10

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2012-13			Red-shirt season				
2013-14	17-12	5-8 (4-4)	12-5 (3-2/0-0)	1-2	5-0	3-0	20
Career	17-12	5-8 (4-4)	12-5 (3-2/0-0)	1-2	5-0	3-0	20

NCAA Seed: NR RPI: #12 Coaches: #15 Intermat: #14

GULIBON CAREER AT NCAAs

Year Wt. Result Opponent Place Record

First year competing at NCAA Championships

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
1/1	133	W, 2-1	Nick Zanetta, Pittsburgh	Scuffle	5-6
1/1	133	W, 6-1	Troy Heilman, North Carolina	Scuffle	6-6
1/1	133	W, 5-4	Joe Martinez, Virginia	Scuffle	7-6
1/2	133	W, 2-1	#5 Ryan Mango, Stanford	Scuffle	8-6
1/2	133	W, 4-3	#10 David Thorn, Minnesota	Scuffle	9-6
1/2	133	L, 0-4	#1 Jon Morrison, Oklahoma State	Scuffle (2nd)	9-7
1/12	133	L, 2-9	Cashe Quiroga, Purdue	dual	9-8
1/17	133	W, 15-0	Chris Caton, Indiana (TF; 2:57)	dual	10-8
1/19	133	W, 8-2	Dominick Malone, Northwestern	dual	11-8
1/24	133	L, 3-1 (sv)	#11 Zane Richards, Illinois	dual	11-9
1/31	133	W, 10-3	Garth Yenter, Michigan State	dual	12-9
2/2	133	W, 9-0	Rossi Bruno, Michigan (major)	dual	13-9
2/9	133	L, 0-2	#8 David Thorn, Minnesota	dual	13-10
2/16	133	L, 0-2	#4 Jon Morrison, Oklahoma State	dual	13-11
2/23	133	W, 16-0	Victor Lepari, Clarion (TF; 3:00)	dual	14-11
3/8	133	W, 15-0	Dominick Malone, Northwestern (TF; 5:47)	B1G	15-11
3/8	133	L, 1-8	#5 Tyler Graff, Wisconsin	B1G	15-12
3/8	133	W, 9-4	Shawn Nagel, Nebraska	B1G	16-12
3/8	133	L, 1-6	#8 Johnni DiJulius, Ohio State	B1G	16-13
3/9	133	W, 9-1	Dominick Malone, Northwestern (maj.)	B1G (7th)	17-13

NOTES:

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

Ranked #14 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...super 5-1 run at Southern Scuffle to finish as Runner-Up as the 7-seed...Gulibon beat #5 Ryan Mango of Stanford and #10 David Thorn of Minnesota to reach the finals, then dropped 4-0 dec. to #1 Jon Morrison of Oklahoma State in title tilt...picked up first dual meet win at Indiana on 1/17 with a 15-0 first period tech fall over IU's Chris Caton (2:57)...posted first Rec Hall dual win with 8-2 victory over Dominick Malone of Northwestern on 1/19...tough sudden victory loss (3-1, sv)



on 2/16...closed out perfect regular season (26-0) with 8-4 win over Clarion's Tyler Bedelyon on 2/23...advanced to Big Ten title bout as a true freshman before dropping 7-3 decision to defending NCAA champ Logan Stieber of Ohio State in the finals... the loss was Retherford's first after a 29-0 start to his collegiate career...went 3-1 to finish as Big Ten Runner-Up.

RETFERFORD VS. NCAA FIELD

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/17	141	W, 10-4	Laike Gardner, Lehigh	dual	1-0
11/24	141	W, 6-1	Dan Neff, Lock Haven	dual	2-0
12/8	141	W, 3-2	Edgar Bright, Pitt	dual	3-0
12/15	141	W, 4-2 (sv)	#1 Logan Stieber, Ohio State	dual	4-0
12/21	141	W, 4-2	#9 Josh Dziewa, Iowa	dual	5-0
1/2	141	W, 2-0	#11 Zach Horan, Central Michigan	Scuffle	6-0
1/2	141	W, 2-0	#7 Chris Mecate, Old Dominion	Scuffle	7-0
1/2	141	W, 6-4 (sv)	#19 Joe Spisak, Virginia	Scuffle (1st)	8-0
1/12	141	W, 10-2	Danny Sabatello, Purdue (major)	dual	9-0
2/9	141	W, 4-0	#6 Chris Dardanes, Minnesota	dual	10-0
2/16	141	W, 2-0	#19 Anthony Collica, Oklahoma State	dual	11-0
3/8	141	W, 4-0	#11 Stephen Dutton, Michigan	B1G	12-0
3/9	141	L, 3-7	#3 Logan Stieber, Ohio State	B1G (2nd)	12-1

RETFERFORD CAREER AT NCAAs

Year	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
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First year competing at NCAA Championships

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Overall	Duals (B10)	TRN (B10/NCAA)	F	TF	M	PTS
2013-14	29-1	16-0 (8-0)	13-1 (3-1/0-0)	4-0	2-0	8-0	58
Career	29-1	16-0 (8-0)	13-1 (3-1/0-0)	4-0	2-0	8-0	58

NCAA Seed: #3 RPI: #1 Coaches: #1 Interamat: #3

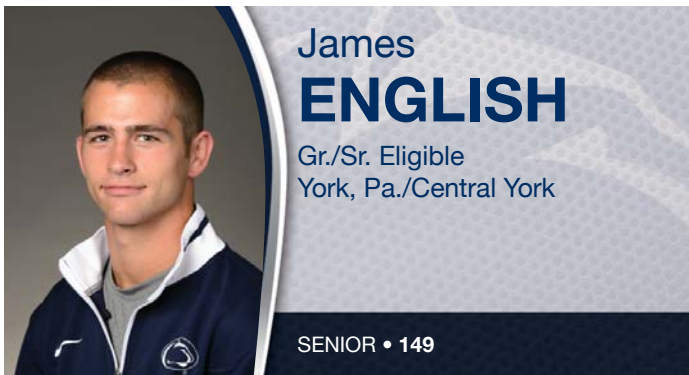
RETFERFORD MATCH-BY-MATCH

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 Stasencko, 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
1/1	141	W, 14-4	Mike Carlone, Cleveland State (major)	Scuffle	13-0
1/1	141	WBF	Joey Moon, North Carolina (2:30)	Scuffle	14-0
1/2	141	W, 2-0	#11 Zach Horan, Central Michigan	Scuffle	15-0
1/2	141	W, 2-0	#7 Chris Mecate, Old Dominion	Scuffle	16-0
1/2	141	W, 6-4 (sv)	#19 Joe Spisak, Virginia	Scuffle (1st)	17-0
1/12	141	W, 10-2	Danny Sabatello, Purdue (major)	dual	18-0
1/17	141	W, 15-5	Trevor Moody, Indiana (major)	dual	19-0
1/19	141	W, 11-2	Pat Greco, Northwestern (major)	dual	20-0
1/24	141	W, 15-3	John Fahy, Illinois (major)	dual	21-0
1/31	141	WBF	Brian Gibbs, Michigan State (4:42)	dual	22-0
2/2	141	W, 7-1	#13 Steve Dutton, Michigan	dual	23-0
2/9	141	W, 4-0	#6 Chris Dardanes, Minnesota	dual	24-0
2/16	141	W, 2-0	#19 Anthony Collica, Oklahoma State	dual	25-0
2/23	141	W, 8-4	Tyler Bedelyon, Clarion	dual	26-0
3/8	141	W, 8-0	Colton McCrystal, Nebraska (major)	B1G	27-0
3/8	141	W, 7-2	Jesse Thielke, Wisconsin	B1G	28-0
3/8	141	W, 4-0	#11 Stephen Dutton, Michigan	B1G	29-0
3/9	141	L, 3-7	#3 Logan Stieber, Ohio State	B1G (2nd)	29-1

NOTES:

Parents: Sarah and Allen Retherford -- Major: Business Administration.

Ranked No. 3 by Interamat...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...rolled to 2014 Southern Scuffle crown as a true freshman, downing the #11, #7 and #19 ranked grapplers on the way...5-0 run included a pin and a major...won four straight Big Ten dual meet bouts by major (1/12 through 1/24)...pinned MSU's Brian Gibbs on 1/31 (4:42)...7-1 win over #13 Steve Dutton of Michigan on 2/2...strong 4-0 win over #6 Chris Dardanes of Minnesota on 2/9...beat #19 Anthony Collica of Oklahoma State



ENGLISH VS. NCAA FIELD

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
2/8	149	W, md. frf.	Mac Maldarelli, Lock Haven	'Boro	1-0
2/23	149	W, 7-2	Justin Arthur, Clarion	dual	2-0
3/8	149	L, 2-3	#2 Nick Dardanes, Minnesota	B1G	2-1
3/8	149	W, 5-2	#18 Ian Paddock, Ohio State	B1G	3-1
3/9	149	L, 2-12	#8 Eric Grajales, Michigan	B1G	3-2
3/9	149	W, 3-2	Ryan Lubeck, Wisconsin	B1G (5th)	4-2

ENGLISH CAREER AT NCAA's

Year	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
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First year competing at NCAA Championships

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	11-5	1-2 (0-0)	10-3 (3-2/0-0)	0-1	2-0	2-1	3
Career	55-20	7-5 (1-2)	44-14 (3-2/0-0)	5-1	2-0	7-1	22

NCAA Seed: NR RPI: NR Coaches: #26 Intermat: #17

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
2/8	149	W, 17-0	Alfred Murabito, Penn (TF; 4:56)	'Boro	4-2
2/8	149	W, 3-1	Ryan Ponte, Columbia	'Boro	5-2
2/8	149	W, 15-0	Tanner Sutton, Lock Haven (TF; 4:33)	'Boro	6-2
2/8	149	W, md. frf.	Mac Maldarelli, Lock Haven	'Boro	7-2
2/8	149	L, 2-3	Hunter Stieber, Ohio State	'Boro (2nd)	7-3
2/23	149	W, 7-2	Justin Arthur, Clarion	dual	8-3
3/8	149	L, 2-3	#2 Nick Dardanes, Minnesota	B1G	8-4
3/8	149	W, 3-2	Brandon Nelsen, Purdue	B1G	9-4
3/8	149	W, 5-2	#18 Ian Paddock, Ohio State	B1G	10-4
3/9	149	L, 2-12	#8 Eric Grajales, Michigan	B1G	10-5
3/9	149	W, 3-2	Ryan Lubeck, Wisconsin	B1G (5th)	11-5

NOTES:

Parents: Angela and Jim English -- Major: 2013 Chemical Engineering Graduate; pursuing second degree in Energy, Business and Finance.

Ranked #17 by Intermat...Received sixth year of eligibility from NCAA this past summer....went 3-0 at Binghamton Open on 11/10, including two majors...went 4-1 with two tech falls to take second at Edinboro Open on 2/8, dropping tough 3-2 decision to red-shirting Ohio State Buckeye Hunter Stieber in the finals...picked up first dual win of the year in a 7-2 decision over Clarion's Justin Arthur on 2/23...entered his first Big Ten Championship as the No. 7 seed at 149 and went 3-2 to take fifth, advancing to first-ever NCAA Championship.



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

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ALTON VS. NCAA FIELD

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
1/24	157	W, 5-2	#12 Zac Brunson, Illinois	dual	1-0
2/2	157	W, 3-1 (sv2)	#14 Brian Murphy, Michigan	dual	2-0
2/9	157	LBF	#8 Dylan Ness, Minnesota (5:53)	dual	2-1
2/16	157	L, 4-6	#3 Alex Dieringer, Oklahoma State	dual	2-2
2/23	157	W, 12-6	Austin Matthews, Clarion	dual	3-2
3/8	157	L, 1-4	#4 Derek St. John, Iowa	B1G	3-3
3/9	157	L, 1-3	#13 Brian Murphy, Michigan	B1G	3-4
3/9	157	L, 4-13	Zac Brunson, Illinois	B1G (8th)	3-5

ALTON CAREER AT NCAA'S

Year	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
2012	157	W, 12-4	Jake O'Hara, Columbia (major)	NCAA	1-0
2012	157	W, 2-1	#10 Anthony Jones, Michigan State	NCAA	2-0
2012	157	L, 1-3 (sv)	#2 Derek St. John, Iowa	NCAA	2-1
2012	157	W, 6-3	Joshua Kreimier, Air Force	NCAA	3-1
2012	157	W, 4-3	#11 James Green, Nebraska	NCAA	4-1
2012	157	W, 7-5 (sv2)	#5 Ganbayar Sanjaa, American	NCAA	5-1
2012	157	W, 6-2	#3 Jason Welch, Northwestern	NCAA (3rd)	6-1
2013	157	W, 10-2	Jake O'Hara, Columbia (major)	NCAA	7-1
2013	157	W, 8-4	Donnie Tasser, Pittsburgh	NCAA	8-1
2013	157	W, 13-5	Zac Cibula, Rider (major)	NCAA	9-1
2013	157	L, 3-8	#1 Jason Welch, Northwestern	NCAA	9-2
2013	157	L, 4-14	#4 James Green, Nebraska	NCAA	9-3

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	18-5	5-2 (4-1)	13-3 (2-3/0-0)	3-1	0-0	2-1	15
Career	76-19	26-6 (14-4)	50-13 (9-7/9-3)	14-3	0-0	16-2	85

NCAA Seed: #13 RPI: #6 Coaches: #11 Intermat: #13

ALTON MATCH-BY-MATCH

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
12/28	157	WBF	Matt Fisher, Sacred Heart (5:21)	Wilkes	1-0
12/28	157	W, 10-5	Matt Gancayco, Princeton	Wilkes	2-0
1/4	157	W, 8-1	Austin Rose, Drexel	F&M	3-0
1/4	157	WBF	Ben Hunter, Navy (0:59)	F&M	4-0
1/4	157	W, 4-2	Jordan Marshall, Old Dominion	F&M	5-0
1/4	157	W, 4-0	John Boyle, American	F&M	6-0
1/12	157	W, 6-1	Dustin Schultz, Purdue	dual	7-0
1/19	157	W, 8-3	Taylor Simaz, Cornell	'Ville	8-0
1/19	157	W, 10-1	Andrew Reca, Rider (major)	'Ville	9-0
1/19	157	WBF	Ray Schiltz, Bucknell (4:15)	'Ville	10-0
1/19	157	W, md. frf.	Louis Mascola, Maryland	'Ville	11-0
1/19	157	W, 4-2	Ronnie Garbinsky, Pittsburgh	'Ville	12-0
1/24	157	W, 5-2	#12 Zac Brunson, Illinois	dual	13-0
1/31	157	W, 8-3	Roger Wildmo, Michigan State	dual	14-0
2/2	157	W, 3-1 (sv2)	#14 Brian Murphy, Michigan	dual	15-0
2/9	157	LBF	#8 Dylan Ness, Minnesota (5:53)	dual	15-1
2/16	157	L, 4-6	#3 Alex Dieringer, Oklahoma State	dual	15-2
2/23	157	W, 12-6	Austin Matthews, Clarion	dual	16-2
3/8	157	W, 12-3	Roger Wildmo, Michigan State (major)	B1G	17-2
3/8	157	L, 1-4	#4 Derek St. John, Iowa	B1G	17-3
3/8	157	W, 2-1	Randall Languis, Ohio State	B1G	18-3
3/9	157	L, 1-3	#13 Brian Murphy, Michigan	B1G	18-4
3/9	157	L, 4-13	Zac Brunson, Illinois	B1G (8th)	18-5

NOTES:

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

Ranked #13 by Intermat...made season debut in late-December coming back from off-season surgery with with 2-0 outing at Wilkes Open on 12/28, including a pin...continued rehab tourney run with 4-0 showing at Franklin & Marshall Open on 1/4...made season dual meet debut with 6-1 win over Purdue's Dustin Schultz on 1/12...went 5-0 at Hitchcock Invitational on 1/19 to claim 157 pound title in Millersville...downed #12 Zac Brunson of Illinois 5-2 on 1/24 in second dual meet appearance of the year...beat Michigan State's Roger Wildmo 8-3 on 1/31...impressive 3-1 (sv2) win over #14 Brian Murphy of Michigan on 2/2 in Ann Arbor...close 6-4 loss to #3 Alex Dieringer of Oklahoma State on 2/16...placed eighth at the 2014 Big Ten Championships on 3/8-9 with a 2-3 mark, including a major.



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)

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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	29-0	16-0 (8-0)	13-0 (3-0/0-0)	13-0	8-0	7-0	80
Career	129-3	63-0 (32-0)	66-3 (13-0/13-2)	50-1	42-0	29-0	310

NCAA Seed: #1 RPI: #1 Coaches: #1 Intermat: #1

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
1/1	165	W, 21-5	Mitchell Wightman, Boston (TF; 5:24)	Scuffle	13-0
1/1	165	WBF	Jesse Stafford, Air Force (1:47)	Scuffle	14-0
1/2	165	W, 17-6	#15 Dylan Palacio, Cornell (major)	Scuffle	15-0
1/2	165	WBF	#9 Zach Toal, Missouri (4:59)	Scuffle	16-0
1/2	165	W, 9-1	#2 Tyler Caldwell, Oklahoma State (major)	Scuffle (1st)	17-0
1/12	165	WBF	Chad Welch, Purdue (2:23)	dual	18-0
1/17	165	W, 15-0	Ryan LeBlanc, Indiana (TF; 7:00)	dual	19-0
1/19	165	W, 17-2	#9 Pierce Harger, Northwestern (TF; 4:45)	dual	20-0
1/24	165	W, 11-3	#12 Jackson Morse, Illinois (major)	dual	21-0
1/31	165	WBF	Bobby Nash, Michigan State (1:53)	dual	22-0
2/2	165	W, 17-2	#6 Dan Yates, Michigan (TF; 5:13)	dual	23-0
2/9	165	W, 13-3	Danny Zilverberg, Minnesota (major)	dual	24-0
2/16	165	W, 5-2	#5 Tyler Caldwell, Oklahoma State	dual	25-0
2/23	165	WBF	Michael Pavasko, Clarion (0:11)	dual	26-0
3/8	165	W, 22-4	#20 Austin Wilson, Nebraska (TF; 7:00)	B1G	27-0
3/8	165	WBF	#13 Jackson Morse, Illinois (0:40)	B1G	28-0
3/9	165	W, 14-5	#4 Nick Moore, Iowa (major)	B1G (1st)	29-0

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...rolled to his third Southern Scuffle title on 1/1-2 with 5-0 tournament run...had two majors, two pins and a tech, including 9-1 major over #2 Tyler Caldwell of Oklahoma State in the finals...picked up 10th pin of the year with a 2:23 fall over Purdue's Chad Welch on 1/12...15-0 TF over IU's Ryan LeBlanc on 1/17 then 17-2 TF of #9 Pierce Harger of Northwestern on 1/19...17-2 tech fall of #6 Dan Yates of Michigan on 2/2...ended

dual meet and Rec Hall career with second fastest pin in Penn State history, pinning Clarion's Michael Pavasko in 0:11 on 2/23...ended career a perfect 63-0 in dual meets, collecting 310 dual meet points in four years...rolled through Big Ten Championship with 3-0 mark, including pin, tech and a 14-5 major over #4 Nick Moore of Iowa in the finals...named Big Ten Championship Outstanding Wrestler for the first time... Named Big Ten Wrestler of the Year for the third time...He and teammate Ed Ruth became Penn State's first-ever four-time Big Ten Champions, leading Penn State to its fourth straight Big Ten title on 3/8-9 in Madison, Wis.

TAYLOR VS. NCAA FIELD

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/16	165	WBF	#13 Ramon Santiago, Rider (4:27)	dual	1-0
11/24	165	WBF	Jake Kemerer, Lock Haven (6:09)	dual	2-0
12/6	165	W, 21-5	Mitchell Wightman, Boston (TF; 6:57)	dual	3-0
12/21	165	W, 12-3	#4 Nick Moore, Iowa (major)	dual	4-0
1/1	165	W, 21-5	Mitchell Wightman, Boston (TF; 5:24)	Scuffle	5-0
1/2	165	W, 17-6	#15 Dylan Palacio, Cornell (major)	Scuffle	6-0
1/2	165	WBF	#9 Zach Toal, Missouri (4:59)	Scuffle	7-0
1/2	165	W, 9-1	#2 Tyler Caldwell, Oklahoma State (major)	Scuffle (1st)	8-0
1/17	165	W, 15-0	Ryan LeBlanc, Indiana (TF; 7:00)	dual	9-0
1/19	165	W, 17-2	#9 Pierce Harger, Northwestern (TF; 4:45)	dual	10-0
1/24	165	W, 11-3	#12 Jackson Morse, Illinois (major)	dual	11-0
2/2	165	W, 17-2	#6 Dan Yates, Michigan (TF; 5:13)	dual	12-0
2/9	165	W, 13-3	Danny Zilverberg, Minnesota (major)	dual	13-0
2/16	165	W, 5-2	#5 Tyler Caldwell, Oklahoma State	dual	14-0
3/8	165	W, 22-4	#20 Austin Wilson, Nebraska (TF; 7:00)	B1G	15-0
3/8	165	WBF	#13 Jackson Morse, Illinois (0:40)	B1G	16-0
3/9	165	W, 14-5	#4 Nick Moore, Iowa (major)	B1G (1st)	17-0

TAYLOR CAREER AT NCAAs

Year	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
2011	157	W, 13-2	Robert Erisman, Oklahoma State (major)	NCAA	1-0
2011	157	W, 20-3	David Bonin, Northern Iowa (TF; 5:49)	NCAA	2-0
2011	157	W, 6-3	#6 Derek St. John, Iowa	NCAA	3-0
2011	157	W, 7-1	#2 Steve Fittery, American	NCAA	4-0
2011	157	LBF	#4 B. Jenkins, Arizona State (4:14)	NCAA (2nd)	4-1
2012	165	WBF	Corey Lear, Bucknell (1:40)	NCAA	5-1
2012	165	WBF	Brandon Wright, UT-Chattanooga (1:51)	NCAA	6-1
2012	165	WBF	#8 Robert Kokesh, Nebraska (0:29)	NCAA	7-1
2012	165	WBF	#4 Bekzod Abdurakhmonov, Clarion (4:46)	NCAA	8-1
2012	165	W, 22-7	#11 Brandon Hatchett, Lehigh (TF; 5:55)	NCAA (1st)	9-1
2013	165	WBF	John Staudenmayer, North Carolina (2:51)	NCAA	10-1
2013	165	WBF	Zach Strickland, Appalachian St. (2:41)	NCAA	11-1
2013	165	WBF	#7 Conrad Polz, Illinois (0:24)	NCAA	12-1
2013	165	WBF	#3 Peter Yates, Virginia Tech (3:24)	NCAA	13-1
2013	165	L, 4-5	#1 Kyle Dake, Cornell	NCAA (2nd)	13-2



Matt BROWN

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

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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	28-4	14-2 (7-1)	14-2 (4-1/0-0)	7-0	4-0	9-0	62
Career	84-11	30-5 (14-4)	55-6 (8-1/4-1)	22-1	10-0	25-0	130

NCAA Seed: #5 RPI: #5 Coaches: #5 Interamat: #5

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
1/1	174	W, forfe.	Carsten Kopp, Campbell	Scuffle	13-0
1/1	174	WBF	Joey Krulock, Bucknell (3:40)	Scuffle	14-0
1/1	174	W, 12-3	Scott Marmoll, North Carolina (major)	Scuffle	15-0
1/2	174	WBF	Joe Latham, Oregon State (4:25)	Scuffle	16-0
1/2	174	W, 3-2	#5 Logan Storley, Minnesota	Scuffle	17-0
1/2	174	L, 0-4	#2 Chris Perry, Oklahoma State	Scuffle (2nd)	17-1
1/12	174	W, 14-4	Patrick Kissel, Purdue (major)	dual	18-1
1/17	174	W, 12-3	Matt Irick, Indiana (major)	dual	19-1
1/19	174	W, inj.def.	#9 Lee Munster, Northwestern (leading 10-1)	dual	20-1
1/24	174	W, 12-2	Tony Dallago, Illinois (major)	dual	21-1
1/31	174	W, 18-3	Nick Kaczanowski, Michigan State (TF; 7:00)	dual	22-1
2/2	174	W, 21-6	Collin Zeerip, Michigan	dual	23-1
2/9	174	L, 4-8	#6 Logan Storley, Minnesota	dual	23-2
2/16	174	L, 3-4 (TB2)	#2 Chris Perry, Oklahoma State	dual	23-3
2/23	174	WBF	Ryan Darch, Clarion (2:50)	dual	24-3
3/8	174	W, inj.def.	Kevin Bialka, Northwestern	B1G	25-3
3/8	174	W, 12-3	Scott Liegel, Wisconsin (major)	B1G	26-3
3/8	174	L, 2-3	#6 Mike Evans, Iowa	B1G	26-4
3/9	174	W, 16-5	Tony Dallago, Illinois (major)	B1G	27-4
3/9	174	W, 2-1	#4 Logan Storley, Minnesota	B1G (3rd)	28-4

NOTES:

Parents: Cindy Riley and Dave Brown -- Major: Crime, Law and Justice

Ranked #5 by Interamat...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...went 5-1 at Southern Scuffle to finish as Runner-Up...had two pins and a major and beat #5 Logan Storley of Minnesota 3-2 in semifinals before losing to #2 Chris Perry of Oklahoma State in the finals...100th career dual meet point with 14-4 major over Purdue's Patrick Kissel on 1/12...tough 8-4 loss to #6 Logan Storley

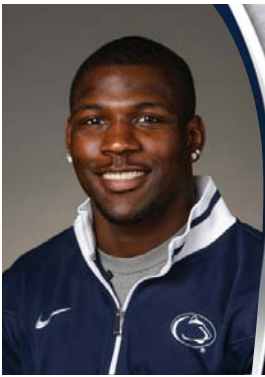
of Minnesota on 2/9...hard-fought 4-3 TB2 loss to #2 Chris Perry of Oklahoma State on 2/16...first period pin of Clarion's Ryan Darch (2:50) on 2/23...went 4-1 at Big Ten Championships, suffering 3-2 upset loss to Iowa's Mike Evans in semis, wrestling back to take third place on 3/8-9 in Madison.

BROWN VS. NCAA FIELD

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/16	174	WBF	Conor Brennan, Rider (1:14)	dual	1-0
11/17	174	W, 8-5	Elliott Riddick, Lehigh	dual	2-0
12/8	174	W, 9-3	#9 Tyler Wilps, Pitt	dual	3-0
12/15	174	W, 16-4	Mark Martin, Ohio State (major)	dual	4-0
12/21	174	W, 4-1	#6 Mike Evans, Iowa	dual	5-0
1/2	174	WBF	Joe Latham, Oregon State (4:25)	Scuffle	6-0
1/2	174	W, 3-2	#5 Logan Storley, Minnesota	Scuffle	7-0
1/2	174	L, 0-4	#2 Chris Perry, Oklahoma State	Scuffle (2nd)	7-1
1/24	174	W, 12-2	Tony Dallago, Illinois (major)	dual	8-1
2/9	174	L, 4-8	#6 Logan Storley, Minnesota	dual	8-2
2/16	174	L, 3-4 (TB2)	#2 Chris Perry, Oklahoma State	dual	8-3
3/8	174	W, 12-3	Scott Liegel, Wisconsin (major)	B1G	9-3
3/8	174	L, 2-3	#6 Mike Evans, Iowa	B1G	9-4
3/9	174	W, 16-5	Tony Dallago, Illinois (major)	B1G	10-4
3/9	174	W, 2-1	#4 Logan Storley, Minnesota	B1G (3rd)	11-4

BROWN CAREER AT NCAAAs

Year	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
2013	174	W, 10-1	Todd Porter, Missouri (major)	NCAA	1-0
2013	174	WBF	Nick Bonaccorsi, Pittsburgh (1:30)	NCAA	2-0
2013	174	W, 13-5	Tanner Weatherman, Iowa State (major)	NCAA	3-0
2013	174	W, 3-2	#6 Logan Storley, Minnesota	NCAA	4-0
2013	174	L, 1-2 (TB)	#1 Chris Perry, Oklahoma State	NCAA (2nd)	4-1



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)

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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	29-1	11-0 (8-0)	18-1 (4-0/0-0)	10-0	8-0	9-0	53	
Career	131-3	55-0 (32-0)	76-3 (13-0/16-1)	45-0	24-0	32-0	263	

NCAA Seed: #2 RPI: #3 Coaches: #2 Interamat: #2

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
1/1	184	WBF	Ben Schwery, South Dakota (5:30)	Scuffle	13-0
1/1	184	WBF	Ryan Garringer, Ohio (2:51)	Scuffle	14-0
1/2	184	WBF	#15 Sam Wheeler, Kent State (1:07)	Scuffle	15-0
1/2	184	W, 22-7	#12 Lorenzo Thomas, Penn (TF; 6:46)	Scuffle	16-0
1/2	184	L, 4-7	#7 Gabe Dean, Cornell	Scuffle (2nd)	16-1
1/12	184	W, 13-3	Tanner Lynde, Purdue (major)	dual	17-1
1/17	184	W, 18-3	#18 Luke Sheridan, Indiana (TF; 5:12)	dual	18-1
1/19	184	WBF	Jacob Berkowitz, Northwestern (1:36)	dual	19-1
1/24	184	W, 14-3	Nikko Reyes, Illinois (major)	dual	20-1
1/31	184	WBF	John Rizqallah, Michigan State (0:38)	dual	21-1
2/2	184	W, 17-2	#20 Domenic Abounader, Michigan (TF; 5:39)	dual	22-1
2/9	184	W, 7-1	#8 Kevin Steinhaus, Minnesota	dual	23-1
2/16	184	WBF	Nolan Boyd, Oklahoma State (5:41)	dual	24-1
2/23	184	WBF	Dustin Conti, Clarion (1:05)	dual	25-1
3/8	184	W, 9-1	Tanner Lynde, Purdue (major)	B1G	26-1
3/8	184	W, 4-1	Nikko Reyes, Illinois	B1G	27-1
3/8	184	W, 9-1	Domenic Abounader, Michigan (major)	B1G	28-1
3/9	184	W, 10-2	#4 Ethan Lofthouse, Iowa (major)	B1G (1st)	29-1

NOTES:

Parents: Thanayi and Eddie Ruth -- Major: Communications

Ranked #2 by Interamat...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...had 84-match win streak snapped in finals of Southern Scuffle by #7 Gabe Dean of Cornell, reach finals with three pins and a tech fall, including pin of #15 Sam Wheeler of Kent State and TF over #12 Lorenzo Thomas of Penn... posted convincing 18-3 tech fall over #18 Luke Sheridan of Indiana on 1/17...quick first period pin in just 0:38 over John Rizqallah of Michigan State on 1/31...17-2 tech fall of #20 Domenic Abounader of Michigan on 2/2...downed #8 Kevin Steinhaus

of Minnesota 7-1 on 2/9...pinned Oklahoma State's Nolan Boyd (5:41) in dual win on 2/16...ended dual meet and Rec Hall career with blazingly fast first period fall, pinning Clarion's Dustin Conti on 2/23...ended career a perfect 55-0 in dual meets, collecting 263 dual meet points in four years...rolled through the Big Ten Championship field in Madison on 3/8-9, going 4-0 with three majors to win 184-pound title... joined teammate David Taylor in becoming Penn State's first-ever four-time Big Ten Champions, leading the Nittany Lions to their fourth-straight Big Ten title.

RUTH VS. NCAA FIELD

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	184	WBF	Gabe Dean, Cornell (1:24)	Bing (1st)	1-0
12/1	184	W, 20-6	#19 Fred Garcia, Lock Haven (major)	Mat-Town (1st)	2-0
12/15	184	W, 14-3	#12 Kenny Courts, Ohio State (major)	dual	3-0
12/21	184	W, 12-4	#2 Ethan Lofthouse, Iowa (major)	dual	4-0
1/2	184	W, 22-7	#12 Lorenzo Thomas, Penn (TF; 6:46)	Scuffle	5-0
1/2	184	L, 4-7	#7 Gabe Dean, Cornell	Scuffle (2nd)	5-1
1/17	184	W, 18-3	#18 Luke Sheridan, Indiana (TF; 5:12)	dual	6-1
1/24	184	W, 14-3	Nikko Reyes, Illinois (major)	dual	7-1
1/31	184	WBF	John Rizqallah, Michigan State (0:38)	dual	8-1
2/2	184	W, 17-2	#20 Domenic Abounader, Michigan (TF; 5:39)	dual	9-1
2/9	184	W, 7-1	#8 Kevin Steinhaus, Minnesota	dual	10-1
2/16	184	WBF	Nolan Boyd, Oklahoma State (5:41)	dual	11-1
3/8	184	W, 4-1	Nikko Reyes, Illinois	B1G	12-1
3/8	184	W, 9-1	Domenic Abounader, Michigan (major)	B1G	13-1
3/9	184	W, 10-2	#4 Ethan Lofthouse, Iowa (major)	B1G (1st)	14-1

RUTH CAREER AT NCAs

Year	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
2011	174	WBF	Royal Brettrager, Liberty (0:24)	NCAA	1-0
2011	174	W, 5-3	Scott Glasser, Minnesota	NCAA	2-0
2011	174	L, inj.def.	#7 Nick Amuchastegui, Stanford	NCAA	2-1
2011	174	W, 7-6	Luke Manuel, Purdue	NCAA	3-1
2011	174	WBF	#6 Ben Bennett, Central Michigan (0:42)	NCAA	4-1
2011	174	W, 7-2	#5 Chris Heinrich, Virginia	NCAA	5-1
2011	174	W, 6-2	#3 Mack Lewnes, Cornell	NCAA (3rd)	6-1
2012	174	WBF	Jim Resnick, Rider (1:43)	NCAA	7-1
2012	174	WBF	Dorian Henderson, Missouri (1:25)	NCAA	8-1
2012	174	W, 11-4	#9 Nick Hefflin, Ohio State	NCAA	9-1
2012	174	W, 16-1	#4 Logan Storley, Minnesota (TF; 6:38)	NCAA	10-1
2012	174	W, 13-2	#3 Nick Amuchastegui, Stanford (major)	NCAA (1st)	11-1
2013	184	WBF	Fred Garcia, Lock Haven (0:28)	NCAA	12-1
2013	184	WBF	Kevin Radford, Arizona State (3:41)	NCAA	13-1
2013	184	W, 11-1	Max Thomusseit, Pittsburgh (major)	NCAA	14-1
2013	184	W, 4-1	#4 Steve Bosak, Cornell	NCAA	15-1
2013	184	W, 12-4	#3 Robert Hamlin, Lehigh (major)	NCAA (1st)	16-1



Penn State's dual meet finale in Rec Hall....advanced to Big Ten title bout at 197 with a 3-2 win over Iowa's Nathan Burak in semis...upset in finals by #5 Nick Heflin of Ohio State in SV2, 5-3.

McINTOSH VS. NCAA FIELD

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	197	W, 12-3	Abe Ayala, Princeton (major)	Bing	1-0
11/10	197	W, 13-3	#15 Jace Bennett, Cornell (major)	Bing (1st)	2-0
12/8	197	W, 4-3 (tb)	Nick Bonaccorsi, Pitt	dual	3-0
1/1	197	W, 17-4	Jace Bennett, Cornell (major)	Scuffle	4-0
1/2	197	L, 0-2	#14 J'Den Cox, Missouri	Scuffle	4-1
1/2	197	W, md. frf.	Phil Wellington, North Carolina	Scuffle	5-1
1/2	197	W, inj. def.	#12 Brand Palik, Drexel	Scuffle	6-1
1/2	197	W, 2-1 (tb)	Nick Bonaccorsi, Pittsburgh	Scuffle	7-1
1/2	197	L, 2-8	#14 J'Den Cox, Missouri	Scuffle (4th)	7-2
1/12	197	W, 6-4	#16 Braden Atwood, Purdue	dual	8-2
1/19	197	W, 17-8	#17 Alex Polizzi, Northwestern (major)	dual	9-2
2/9	197	W, 8-4	#1 Scott Schiller, Minnesota	dual	10-2
3/8	197	W, 7-4	Timmy McCall, Wisconsin	B1G	11-2
3/8	197	W, 3-2 (tb)	#13 Nathan Burak, Iowa	B1G	12-2
3/9	197	L, 3-5 (sv2)	#5 Nick Heflin, Ohio State	B1G	12-3

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	27-3	15-0 (7-0)	12-3 (2-1/0-0)	5-0	0-0	11-0	61
Career	45-13	23-2 (12-1)	22-11 (4-3/1-2)	8-0	0-1	14-0	86

McINTOSH CAREER AT NCAAs

Year	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
2012	197	W, 9-3	Taylor Meeks, Oregon State	NCAA	1-0
2012	197	L, 7-22	#1 Cam Simaz, Cornell	NCAA	1-1
2012	197	L, 3-8	Andrew Campolattano, Ohio State	NCAA	1-2

NCAA Seed: #3 RPI: #2 Coaches: #3 Intermat: #4

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, forfe.	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
1/1	197	W, 12-3	Jackson Lewis, Central Michigan (major)	Scuffle	12-0
1/1	197	W, 17-4	Jace Bennett, Cornell (major)	Scuffle	13-0
1/2	197	L, 0-2	#14 J'Den Cox, Missouri	Scuffle	13-1
1/2	197	W, md. frf.	Phil Wellington, North Carolina	Scuffle	14-1
1/2	197	W, inj. def.	#12 Brand Palik, Drexel	Scuffle	15-1
1/2	197	W, 2-1 (tb)	Nick Bonaccorsi, Pittsburgh	Scuffle	16-1
1/2	197	L, 2-8	#14 J'Den Cox, Missouri	Scuffle (4th)	16-2
1/12	197	W, 6-4	#16 Braden Atwood, Purdue	dual	17-2
1/17	197	W, 14-4	Garret Goldman, Indiana (major)	dual	18-2
1/19	197	W, 17-8	#17 Alex Polizzi, Northwestern (major)	dual	19-2
1/24	197	W, 10-3	Jeff Koepke, Illinois	dual	20-2
1/31	197	WBF	Nick McDiarmid, Michigan State (4:23)	dual	21-2
2/2	197	W, 17-7	Chris Heald, Michigan (major)	dual	22-2
2/9	197	W, 8-4	#1 Scott Schiller, Minnesota	dual	23-2
2/16	197	W, 16-2	Kyle Crutchmer, Oklahoma State (major)	dual	24-2
2/23	197	WBF	Danny Sutherland, Clarion (3:11)	dual	25-2
3/8	197	W, 7-4	Timmy McCall, Wisconsin	B1G	26-2
3/8	197	W, 3-2 (tb)	#13 Nathan Burak, Iowa	B1G	27-2
3/9	197	L, 3-5 (sv2)	#5 Nick Heflin, Ohio State	B1G	27-3

NOTES:

Parents: Rebecca and Brooke McIntosh -- Major: Agriculture.

Ranked #4 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...went 5-2 with two majors to take fourth place at the Southern Scuffle on 1/1-2...strong 6-4 win over #16 Braden Atwood of Purdue on 1/12...strong 17-8 major over #17 Alex Polizzi of Northwestern on 1/19...pinned MSU's Nick McDiarmid (4:23) on 1/31...dominating 8-4 win over #1 Scott Schiller of Minnesota on 2/9, handing Schiller his first loss of the year...16-2 major over Oklahoma State's Kyle Crutchmer on 2/16...pinned Clarion's Danny Sutherland (3:11) on 2/23, the last of four straight pins in



GINGRICH VS. NCAA FIELD

Date	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
11/10	285	L, 1-2	William Smith, Rutgers	Bing	0-1
2/2	285	L, 1-2	#2 Adam Coon, Michigan	dual	0-2
2/9	285	L, 0-6	#5 Tony Nelson, Minnesota	dual	0-3
3/8	285	W, 12-3	Collin Jensen, Nebraska (major)	B1G	1-3
3/8	285	W, 3-1 (sv)	#1 Adam Coon, Michigan	B1G	2-3
3/8	285	LBF	#6 Tony Nelson, Minnesota (1:58)	B1G	2-4
3/9	285	LBF	#7 Mike McClure, Michigan State (4:58)	B1G	2-5
3/9	285	L, 2-8	#2 Mike McMullan, Northwestern	B1G (6th)	2-6

GINGRICH CAREER AT NCAAs

Year	Wt.	Result	Opponent	Place	Record
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First year competing at NCAA Championships

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	22-8	3-2 (1-2)	14-4 (2-3/0-0)	6-2	0-0	5-0	10
Career	57-18	7-5 (5-4)	45-11 (2-3/0-0)	9-3	0-0	16-0	22

NCAA Seed: #14 RPI: #12 Coaches: #14 Intermat: #12

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
1/1	285	W, 10-1	Steve Graziano, Penn (major)	Scuffle	14-1
1/1	285	W, 5-1	Newton Smerchek, Central Michigan	Scuffle	15-1
1/1	285	W, 5-0	#17 Amar Dhesi, Oregon State	Scuffle	16-1
1/2	285	L, 2-5	#5 Nick Gwiazdowski, North Carolina	Scuffle	16-2
1/2	285	W, 11-1	Jacob Aiken Phillips, Cornell (major)	Scuffle	17-2
1/2	285	W, 3-2	Ethan Hayes, Virginia	Scuffle	18-2
1/2	285	L, 1-2	#12 Jimmy Lawson, Penn State	Scuffle (6th)	18-3
1/24	285	W, 6-1	Chris Lopez, Illinois	dual	19-3
2/2	285	L, 1-2	#2 Adam Coon, Michigan	dual	19-4
2/9	285	L, 0-6	#5 Tony Nelson, Minnesota	dual	19-5
2/16	285	W, 14-5	Ethan Driver, Oklahoma State (major)	dual	20-5
3/8	285	W, 12-3	Collin Jensen, Nebraska (major)	B1G	21-5
3/8	285	W, 3-1 (sv)	#1 Adam Coon, Michigan	B1G	22-5
3/8	285	LBF	#6 Tony Nelson, Minnesota (1:58)	B1G	22-6
3/9	285	LBF	#7 Mike McClure, Michigan State (4:58)	B1G	22-7
3/9	285	L, 2-8	#2 Mike McMullan, Northwestern	B1G (6th)	22-8

NOTES:

Parents: Barbara and Charles Gingrich -- Major: Landscape Contracting
 Ranked #12 by Intermat...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...went 5-2 at Southern Scuffle to place sixth as the 10-seed, including two majors and a 5-0 win over #17 Amar Dhesi of Oregon State...downed Illinois' Chris Lopez 6-1 in second dual appearance of the year on 1/24, his first dual of the season in Rec Hall...close 2-1 loss to #2 Adam Coon of Michigan on 2/2...strong 14-5 major over Oklahoma State's Ethan Driver on 2/16...placed sixth at first Big Ten Championship tournament as the eighth seed, including 3-1 (sv) win over #1 Adam Coon of Michigan in the quarterfinals.

#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.

BOU-T-BY-BOU-T:

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 led 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 Racciato 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 Racciato 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 Racciato at 149. The duo battled evenly throughout the opening period with neither man finding an opening to score. Racciato 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. Racciato chose down to start the second period but English was able to maintain control of his top position. English nearly turned Racciato 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. Racciato 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, Racciato 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.

#1 PENN STATE AT 2014 SOUTHERN SCUFFLE

Wed.-Thur., Jan. 1-2, 2014 -- Chattanooga, Tenn.

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS, TOP TEN:

- 1: PENN STATE – 189.0
 - 2: Oklahoma State – 164.5
 - 3: Minnesota – 161.0
 - 4: Cornell – 114.5
 - 5: Missouri – 102.5
 - 6: Virginia -- 89.0
 - 7: Kent State -- 73.5
 - 8: Iowa State -- 71.5
 - 9: Oregon State -- 60.0
 - 10: Old Dominion -- 58.5
- Attendance: 3,436

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, ranked No. 1 in the latest Intermat Tournament Power Index, roared to the 2014 Southern Scuffle title, its fourth straight. Head coach Cael Sanderson's team crowned two champions and used a balanced team effort to move away from both Minnesota and Oklahoma State on day two.

Penn State won the title with 189.0 points while Oklahoma State was second with 164.5 and Minnesota third at 161.0. The Lions used a balanced team effort, with 11 of its 17 competitors placing at the event.

Day two began at 9 a.m. with the quarterfinals and fourth round of consolations. The Nittany Lions went 7-5 in the quarters. Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, opened up Penn State's run of 12 quarterfinalists with 12-4 major over No. 12 Evan Silver of Stanford. Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 17 at 133, posted his most impressive win to date, notching a hard-fought 2-1 win over No. 5 Ryan Mango of Stanford to move into the semis. Teammate Jordan Conaway (Abbotstown, Pa.) dropped a tough 7-6 dec. to No. 11 Joe Roth of Central Michigan in his quarterfinal bout at 133.

True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, posted a 2-0 win over No. 11 Zach Horan of Central Michigan to move into the semifinals while red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) lost a close 3-1 dec. to No. 8 Chris Villalonga of Cornell. All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) put on a takedown clinic in the third period to roll to a 17-6 major over No. 15 Dylan Palacio of Cornell. All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, pinned Oregon State at the 4:25 mark, shortly after fellow All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 1 at 184, pinned No. 15 Sam Wheeler of Kent State in just 1:07. True freshman Matt McCutcheon (Apollo, Pa.), wrestling unattached, dropped a tough 6-4 decision to No. 12 Lorenzo Thomas of Penn in his quarterfinal bout.

Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 3 at 197, suffered a tough 2-0 upset loss to No. 14 J'Den Cox of Missouri and shifted into consolation action. Junior heavyweight Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 nationally, posted a thrilling 3-2 (TB2; rt) decision over No. 15 Austin Marsden of Oklahoma State to move on to the semis while classmate Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) dropped a tough 5-2 decision to No. 5 Nick Gwiazdowski in his quarterfinal match-up.

Penn State's seven semifinalists began action at 1:30 p.m. and Megaludis led things off got Penn State off to a fast start with a dominant 7-2 win over No. 6 Josh Martinez of Air Force. Gulibon then notched yet another huge win, this time over No. 10 David Thorn of Minnesota. Gulibon's 4-3 decision, fighting off a late shot by the Gopher, was key in the team race. True freshman Retherford was unfazed by his first Scuffle semifinal, rolling to a 2-0 win over No. 7 Chris Mecate of Old Dominion.

Taylor took the mat at 165 and added to his gaudy career totals by pinning No. 9 Zach Toal of Missouri at the 4:59 mark. The pin, his second of the tournament, was the 46th of his career. Then at 174, Brown walked away with a hard-fought 3-2 win over No. 5 Logan Storley of Minnesota in his semifinal bout, notching another big win in the team race. Ruth made it six in a row for Penn State in the semis with a dominating 22-7 technical fall over No. 12 Lorenzo Thomas of Penn at 184. The win was Ruth's 84th straight.

Heavyweight Lawson closed out Penn State's semifinalists with a tough 3-1 loss to No. 1 Tony Nelson of Minnesota, dropping into the consolation semifinals. He took on teammate Gingrich in the consolation semifinal bout and posted a 2-1 decision to move into the third place bout. He took on picked up a medical forfeit win over No. 11 Jeremy Johnson of Ohio in the third place bout, to take bronze. Lawson, the No. 4 seed, placed third with a 5-1 record.

In the finals, Megaludis took on No. 1 Garrett first at 125. The Lion junior fell behind early and mounted a furious rally before dropping a tough 6-4 decision to the top ranked Garrett. Megaludis lost 6-4 and took second place with a 5-1 run, including three majors. Megaludis is 16-2 with his only two losses to Garrett.

At 133, Gulibon, who entered the tournament as the No. 7 seed, took on No. 1-ranked Jon Morrison of Oklahoma State. Gulibon dropped a hard-fought 4-0 decision to the Cowboy grappler, taking second place. Gulibon's 5-1 run as was critical in Penn State's team-title run as the Lion improved to 9-7 on the year. Gulibon knocked off the 5th and 10th-ranked wrestlers during the tournament.

True-freshman Retherford used a blistering double leg for a clinching takedown against No. 19 Joe Spisak of Virginia. Retherford led late but Spisak surprised the Lion with a late takedown and the bout moved to extra time thanks to riding time for Retherford. The Nittany Lion rookie remained unbeaten, however, and clinched the 2014 Southern Scuffle title for Penn State with a fast takedown in sudden victory. The 6-4 (sv) win gave Retherford the 141-pound Scuffle title and capped off a 5-0 run that included a pin and a major. Retherford is now 17-0 on the year with three pins, two tech falls and three majors.

Taylor took on No. 2 Tyler Caldwell of Oklahoma State in the finals and, after a sluggish first period, blistered the Cowboy All-American on his way to a dominating 9-1 major decision. The major was highlighted by two two-point near falls in the second period and one in the third. Taylor also totaled 3:36 in riding time in the victory. Taylor posted a 5-0 mark during his title run, winning his third Southern Scuffle title. Taylor is now 17-0 on the year. He leaves the Scuffle with a 117-3 career record with 46 pins (seven shy of Penn State's all-time record of 53), 38 tech falls and 26 majors. His 117 wins is 11th all-time at Penn State.

Brown took on No. 2 Chris Perry of Oklahoma State in the finals at 174, a rematch of last year's NCAA title bout (won by Perry). Perry used two near fall points in the second period as the catalyst to a 4-0 win over Brown in the finals. Brown's second place finish at the Scuffle came off a 5-1 run which included two pins, a major and a forfeit. Brown leaves Chattanooga with a 17-1 record, including six pins, two techs and four majors.

Then, at 184, Lion senior Ed Ruth had his 84-match win streak snapped with a 7-4 upset loss to No. 7 Gabe Dean of Cornell. Dean used a first and third period takedowns and great defense to grab the win and send Ruth to defeat for the first time since his freshman year. Ruth took second at the Scuffle, ending his bid to become a four-time Scuffle titlist as he already has three titles. Ruth is now 16-1 on the year with 41 pins (third all-time at Penn State), 22 tech falls and 27 majors. His 118 wins is 10th all-time at Penn State.

Sophomore McIntosh rebounded from an upset loss earlier in the day to reel off three straight wins to advance to the third place bout at 197. He downed No. 16 Nick Bonaccorsi of Pitt in the conso semis to move to the third place bout where he was beaten again by No. 14 Cox and ended the tournament as the fourth place finisher. McIntosh's 5-2 showing has him at 16-2 overall heading into the Purdue dual.

Gingrich had a strong tournament as well. Entering as the 10th seed, the Lion junior wrestled above that. The Lion went 2-2 today and placed sixth. He dropped a tough 2-1 decision to teammate Lawson in the conso semis, which slid him to the fifth place match. Gingrich took a cautionary medical forfeit in that match, pushing the 10th seed to the sixth place slot. Gingrich went 5-2 with two majors (the medical forfeit does not count as a loss).

Conaway's strong run at 133 pounds ended in the fifth place match. The Lion began day two with a tough 7-6 loss to No. 11 Joe Roth but then responded with two wins, including a 7-4 victory over No. 18 Mark McGuire of Kent State. Following a loss in the consolation semifinals, Conaway ended his tournament with a tough 5-2 decision to No. 11 Roth and placed sixth. Conaway's 4-3 run to sixth as the No. 12 seed included two majors.

Sophomore Luke Frey (Montoursville, Pa.) entered the tournament as the 10th seed and wrestled above that. The Lion, making his first appearance since an injury in his first match in November, Frey posted a 5-3 mark, including two majors, a pin and a forfeit. He placed eighth, having to take an injury default in the seventh place bout in the second period.

Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) had a nice run at 149 for Penn State. Beitz went 2-2 and advanced to the quarterfinals, including an early round 10-4 upset win over No. 9 Scott Sakaguchi of Oregon State. Beitz' final loss came to teammate Frey in the sixth round of consolations, a close 2-0 decision. True freshman Matt McCutcheon (Apollo, Pa.) was also solid for Penn State, wrestling unattached at 184. McCutcheon posted a 3-2 record, advancing to the quarterfinals. He had a pin and a 5-4 win over No. 11 John Eblen of Missouri in the process.

True freshman Garret Hammond (Chambersburg, Pa.), wrestling unattached at 165, had a solid 3-2 tournament run at 165, including a tech fall and a pin. Red-shirt freshman Wes Phipps (Grove City, Pa.) was solid at 184, posting a 3-2 mark with a major and a win over No. 9 Boaz Beard of Iowa State. Junior Nate Morgan (McCook, Neb.) lost his only bout of the day and ended his tournament run at 141 with a 1-2 record. Senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) posted a 2-2 mark as Penn State's only 157-pounder.

Penn State entered day two with a 38-5 overall record. The Nittany Lions then went 7-5 in the quarters, 6-1 in the semis and 2-4 in the finals as well as 14-13 in all the consolation and medal action combined on day two. Penn State leaves Chattanooga having posted a 67-28 overall record with 17 majors, three tech falls and 11 falls.

#1 PENN STATE 34, PURDUE 3

Sunday, Jan. 12, 2014 -- Rec Hall -- University Park, Pa.

125: 125: #2 Nico Megaludis PSU maj. dec. Camden Eppert PUR, 15-4	4-0
133: Cashe Quiroga PUR dec. #9 Jimmy Gulibon PSU, 9-2	4-3
141: #2 Zain Retherford PSU maj. dec. Danny Sabatello PUR, 10-2	8-3
149: #7 Andrew Alton PSU dec. Brandon Nelsen PUR, 7-6	11-3
157: #5 Dylan Alton PSU dec. Dustin Schultz PUR, 6-1	14-3
165: #1 David Taylor PSU pinned Chad Welch PUR, WBF (2:23)	20-3
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU maj. dec. Patrick Kissel PUR, 14-4	24-3
184: #2 Ed Ruth PSU maj. dec. Tanner Lynde PUR, 13-3	28-3
197: #8 Morgan McIntosh PSU dec. #16 Braden Atwood PUR, 6-4	31-3
285: #12 Jimmy Lawson PSU dec. Alex White PUR, 8-1	34-3

Attendance: 6,369 (15th-straight home sell out at Penn State)

Yet another sold out crowd packed Rec Hall to watch No. 1 Penn State take care of visiting Purdue in a Big Ten wrestling dual. Over 6,300 fans (the 15th-straight home sellout for Penn State), saw head coach Cael Sanderson's squad win nine of ten to rout the Boilermakers 34-3.

Junior All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, opened up the dual with a resounding 15-4 major over Purdue senior Camden Eppert. The Boilermakers got on the board at 133 when All-American Cashe Quiroga notched a 9-2 win over Lion freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), who was ranked No. 9 at 133. True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), undefeated and ranked No. 2 at 141, majored Purdue's Danny Sabatello 10-2 to put Penn State up 8-3.

Junior Andrew Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 7 at 149, made his season dual meet debut with a 7-6 win over Brandon Nelsen, using 1:26 in riding time to post the victory. Twin brother Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 5 at 157, was also making his season dual debut. Alton posted a 6-1 decision over Purdue's Dustin Schultz to put Penn State up 14-3 at intermission. Both Alton's had off-season shoulder surgeries that kept them out of dual action up until today.

Senior All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), unbeaten and ranked No. 1 at 165, pinned Purdue's Chad Welch in the first period, putting Penn State up 20-3 at the 2:23 mark. The pin was the 47th of Taylor's career. Junior All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, dominated Patrick Kissel at 174, posting a 14-4 major to put the Lions up 24-3.

Senior All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, posted a major himself, rolling up a 13-3 win over Purdue's Tanner Lynde. Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 8 at 197, was convincing in a 6-4 win over No. 16 Braden Atwood to put the Lions up 31-3. Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at 285, closed out the dual with a resounding 8-1 win over Alex White, rolling up an even 4:00 in riding time in the process. The decision gave Penn State the 34-3 win.

Penn State moves to 8-0 on the year, 2-0 in Big Ten action, while Purdue falls to 3-4, 0-4 in the Big Ten. The win was wrestled in front of Penn State's 15th-straight home sell out, this one a crowd of 6,369. Penn State won the takedown battle by a gaudy 36-2 margin. Penn State picked up seven bonus points off Taylor's pin and four majors (Megaludis, Retherford, Brown and Ruth).

Taylor moves to 18-0 on the year. He is now 118-3 for his career with 47 pins, 38 tech falls and 26 majors. His 47 pins is six shy of Penn State's all-time record of 53 and he is 11th on Penn State's all-time wins list. Ruth is now 17-1 on the year. He is 119-3 for his career with 41 pins, 22 tech falls and 28 majors and is 10th on Penn State's all-time wins list. Retherford remains unbeaten on the year with an 18-0 mark, including three pins, two techs and four majors. Brown is 18-1 with six pins, two techs and five majors and Lawson is 16-1. Megaludis and McIntosh both improved to 17-2 on the year as well. The dual also featured an appearance by new Penn State football coach James Franklin, who watched the action mat side and addressed the crowd at halftime.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, took on Purdue's Camden Eppert in the dual's first match-up. Megaludis wasted no time getting in on a single leg, notching a takedown early to take a 2-1 lead less than :30 in. Megaludis added a quick second takedown, then a third at the midway point and led 6-2 with 1:20 on the clock. Megaludis then rode Eppert out and led 6-2 with nearly 2:00 of riding time after one. Eppert chose down to start the second and escaped to a 6-3 score. Megaludis added to his score with another takedown and cut Eppert loose to an 8-4 score, added a fifth takedown and began working for a tilt. While not turning Eppert, another ride out gave the Lion a 10-4 lead with a clinched riding time point after two. Megaludis chose down to start the third, quickly escaped and then picked up another point on a second Eppert stall. Leading 12-4, Megaludis cemented the major with another takedown at the :20 mark and rolled to the 15-4 major with over 3:00 in riding time.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 9 at 133, met Purdue All-American Cashe Quiroga. Gulibon shot early off the opening whistle, nearly getting in on a single leg out of the blocks. Quiroga was able to defend the shot and kept the bout scoreless early. The duo remained scoreless through 1:30 until Quiroga used a swift high single to take an early 2-0 lead. Quiroga added three near fall points to lead 5-0 with 1:00 on the clock. Quiroga rode Gulibon out and led 5-0 with 1:28 riding time after one period. Quiroga chose down to start the second period and Gulibon maintained control until the 1:00 mark until the Boilermaker escaped. Quiroga then took Gulibon down to open up an 8-0 lead at the :40 mark. Trailing 8-0 after two, Gulibon chose neutral to start the third period and took the Boilermaker All-American down to cut the lead to 8-3 after cutting Quiroga loose. Gulibon fought off a late Quiroga flourish to keep the Boiler from notching a major and dropped the 9-2 decision.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, met Boilermaker Danny Sabatello. Retherford was the early aggressor, forcing Sabatello to the edge of the mat for nearly two minutes before getting in on a single leg and forcing a scramble at the 1:00 mark. The Lion freshman then rolled through Sabatello and notched a go-ahead takedown with :25 on the clock. A short ride out gave the Lion a 2-0 lead after one. Sabatello chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 2-1 score. Sabatello shot early off a reset and forced a scramble in the middle of the mat. Retherford was able to force a stalemate and keep the 2-1 lead at the :45 mark. Retherford answered with his own quick shot off a reset and connected for a takedown and a 4-1 lead. The Lion freshman led 4-1 with :56 riding time after two periods. Retherford chose down to start the third, quickly escaped and then got in on a single leg, forcing a scramble that ended in a stalemate at the 1:26 mark. Leading 5-1, Retherford worked for bonus points with another takedown and cut to lead 7-2 with 1:07 in riding time. Retherford clinched the major with a final takedown and a :45 ride out. He stayed unbeaten on the year with 10-2 major.

149: Junior Andrew Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 7 at 149, made his first Rec Hall appearance of the year in a match-up against Purdue's Brandon Nelsen. Andrew had been out of action until recent open tournaments after off-season surgery. Nelsen shot early but Alton quickly countered for a 2-0 lead less than :50 into the bout. The Lion junior then rode Nelson for :42 before the Boiler escaped to a 2-1 score. Alton countered another Nelsen shot and nearly scored but a stalemate stopped the action at the :50 mark. Andrew countered a third Nelsen shot for a second takedown and led 4-1 after the opening period. Nelsen chose down to start the second period and escaped to a 4-2 score. He then countered a shot again, connecting to lead 6-3 after a quick Nelsen escape with 1:42 in riding time. Leading 6-3, Alton chose down to start the final period. Nelsen was able to keep control of Alton for nearly a minute, working the riding time down below 1:00. Alton got called for stalling and then called for an injury timeout with :49 on the clock. Nelsen chose down after the injury time. Alton maintained control and, while giving up stall points, managed to ride the Boiler out. The 1:26 in riding time was the difference and Alton posted the 7-6 decision to put Penn State up 11-3.

157: Like his twin brother, junior Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 5 at 149, made his first Rec Hall appearance of the year against Boilermaker Dustin Schultz. Dylan, like Andrew, had been out of action until recent open tournaments after off-season surgery. The duo to wrestled evenly for nearly two minutes before Alton roared through a low single to take a 2-0 lead. Alton then put together a strong ride, moving into the second period with a 2-0 lead and over 1:00 riding time. Alton took down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Neither wrestler could break through the other's defense for the entirety of the middle stanza and Alton led by three after two. Schultz chose down to start the third period and Dylan was able to control the action from the top until the 1:36 mark. Schultz escaped to a 3-1 score and then forced Alton out of bounds with 1:23 on the clock. Alton rolled through a high single to up his lead to 5-1 at the 1:10 mark. The Lion junior nearly caught the Boiler for in a headlock but action moved out of bounds at the :45 mark. The Lion All-American clinched the riding time point and then broke Schultz down for a strong ride out. With nearly 3:00 in riding time, Alton posted the 6-1 win.

165: Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, took on Purdue's Chad Welch. Taylor wasted no time taking Welch down, moving out to a 2-0 lead less than :20 into the bout. Taylor cut Welch loose then quickly moved in on offense again. The three-time All-American added a second takedown and led 4-2 at the 1:30 mark. Taylor quickly took Welch down a third time and then turned the Boilermaker for three near fall points. A quick adjustment led to Taylor locking Welch up and the Lion senior notched his 47th career pin at the 2:23 mark.

174: Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, faced off with Purdue junior Patrick Kissel. Brown steadily worked his offense on Kissel, picking up his first takedown at the 2:10 mark. Brown then dominated the action on top until the 1:14 mark and led 2-1 with 1:00 riding time. The Lion All-American then bulled through a second high single to up his lead to 4-1 with :50 left. Brown then rode Kissel out to lead 4-1 with 1:48 in time after one period. Brown chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 5-1 lead. After Kissel fought off two Brown scoring attempts, the Nittany Lion connected on a high double and took a 7-1 lead with :25 on the clock. A short ride out gave Brown a 7-1 lead with 1:55 in time after two. Kissel chose down to start the third, Brown cut him loose and then scored quickly with a low single to lead 9-3. The Lion added another quick takedown and led 11-3 with a clinched riding time point at the :55 mark. Brown cemented the major with a swift double in the middle of the mat and rode Kissel out. Brown's 14-4 major with 3:16 riding time put Penn State up 24-3.

184: Senior Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, took on Boilermaker freshman Tanner Lynde. Ruth quickly took Lynde down, taking a 2-0 lead just :15 into the bout. He cut Lynde loose and then began looking for another chance to score in the middle of the mat. Ruth took Lynde down again at the 1:10 mark and then began looking for a turning combination. Lynde escaped with :25 on the clock but Ruth quickly blew through a double leg to up his lead to 6-2 after one period. Ruth chose down to start the second period and steadily worked his way to an escaped and a 7-2 lead. The Lion senior then connected on a low single leg, turned it into another takedown, and led 9-2 at the :45 mark. Lynde chose down to start the third period and Ruth clinched the riding time point while working for a chance to turn the Boilermaker. Ruth moved out to a 10-2 lead on a Lynde stall and then cut the Boilermaker loose. The Lion senior iced the major with a takedown and ride out at the :15 mark and posted the 13-3 major with 3:12 riding time.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 8 at 197, met No. 16 Braden Atwood of Purdue in the dual's lone meeting between ranked foes. McIntosh scored first, using a low single to takedown to lead 2-0 at the 2:00 mark. He then dominated the action from the top position, keeping control of the Boilermaker for :36 before Atwood escaped to a 2-1 score. McIntosh then added to his lead with a last second takedown, using a high single for a 4-1 lead after the opening period. Atwood chose down to start the second period and escaped to a 4-2 score, but McIntosh continued to pressure the Boilermaker. McIntosh used another high single to force a scramble on the edge of the mat and connected on his third takedown with :30 on the clock. Atwood escaped to a 6-3 score but McIntosh led by three with nearly 1:00 in time after two. McIntosh chose down to start the final period but Atwood was able to maintain control for over 1:00, killing McIntosh's riding time advantage. McIntosh got called for a first stall warning at the :40 mark while Atwood worked for a turning combination. The ride out by Atwood gave the Boilermaker a riding time point but McIntosh's early offense led to the strong 6-4 win.

285: Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at 285, battled Purdue's Alex White. Lawson used a swift double leg to roll into a takedown and a 2-0 lead at the 1:00 mark. The junior then began putting together a strong ride, looking for a chance to turn the Boilermaker for a near fall. White was able to fight off Lawson's turning efforts but the Lion's ride out gave him a 2-0 lead with 1:09 riding time. White chose down to start the second period and Lawson controlled the action from the start. The 12th-ranked junior built up over 3:00 in riding time while working to turn the Boilermaker senior. Lawson's strong ride gave the Nittany Lion a 2-0 lead with a clinched riding time point (3:09) after two. He chose down to start the third and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Lawson then nearly caught White with a throw, adjusted post-shot and got the takedown with a low single at the end. Leading 5-0, Lawson continued to work from the top position. Lawson cut White loose, looking for one more takedown. The Nittany Lion picked up a final takedown with just :01 left and, with 4:00 even in riding time, posted the 8-1 win.

#1 PENN STATE 36, #17 INDIANA 6 Friday, Jan. 17, 2014 -- Bloomington, Ind.

197: #7 Morgan McIntosh PSU maj. dec. Garret Goldman IU, 14-4	4-0
285: #8 Adam Chalfant dec. #12 Jimmy Lawson PSU, 9-4	4-3
125: #2 Nico Megaludis PSU win by forfeit	10-3
133: #15 Jimmy Gulibon PSU tech fall Chris Caton IU, 15-0 (TF; 2:57)	15-3
141: #2 Zain Retherford PSU maj. dec. Trevor Moody IU, 15-5	19-3
149: Zack Beitz PSU dec. Eric Roach IU, 2-0	22-3
157: #5 Taylor Walsh IU dec. James Vollrath PSU, 5-4	22-6
165: #1 David Taylor PSU tech fall Ryan LeBlanc IU, 15-0 (TF; 7:00)	27-6
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU maj. dec. Matt Irick IU, 12-3	31-6
184: #2 Ed Ruth PSU tech fall #18 Luke Sheridan IU, 18-3 (TF; 5:12)	36-6
Attendance: 1,288	

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, ranked No. 1 nationally, took care No. 19 Indiana 36-6 in the team's first Big Ten road dual. Penn State won eight of ten bouts, including three technical falls and three majors, to coast to victory.

The dual began at 197, where sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 7 nationally at 197, rolled to a 14-4 major over Indiana's Garret Goldman. The next bout was one of the most anticipated of the dual meet. Lion junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at 285, took on No. 8 Adam Chalfant of Indiana. Chalfant connected on an early five-point move and was able to hold off a late Lawson flurry to post the 9-4 win.

Nittany Lion All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 nationally at 125, received a forfeit, putting Penn State up 10-3. Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 133, put on an offensive show, rolling to a first-period technical fall over Chris Caton. Gulibon had one takedown and five separate near falls for the 15-0 tech fall at the 2:57 mark. True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), unbeaten and ranked No. 2 at 141, remained that way with a strong 15-5 major over Trevor Moody, including 4:12 in riding time. Penn State led 19-3 at the midway point.

At 149, Penn State red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.), used an escaped and a full third period ride-out to post a 2-0 win over Hoosier Eric Roach. Senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) was strong against No. 5 Taylor Walsh of Indiana but dropped a tough 5-4 decision. Nittany Lion All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), unbeaten and ranked No. 1 in the nation at 165, took care of the nation's leader in wins, IU senior Ryan LeBlanc (who had a 28-8 mark heading into the dual). Taylor turned LeBlanc five different times to roll to a 15-0 technical fall at the 7:00 mark, with 6:14 in riding time.

Junior All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, was strong once again, rolling to a 12-3 major over Indiana's Matt Irick with over 3:00 in riding time. Penn State All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, capped off the lopsided win with an 18-3 tech fall over No. 18 Luke Sheridan. Ruth turned Sheridan for back points twice and tacked on four takedowns and a reversal. The lopsided win, at the 5:12 mark, cemented the 36-6 final score.

Penn State remains unbeaten with a 9-0 mark, 3-0 in Big Ten duals while Indiana falls to 7-5, 0-4. Taylor improves to 19-0 on the year with 10 pins, five tech falls and four majors. He is 119-3 for his career, 27-0 all-time in Big Ten duals and 48-0 all-time against Big Ten competition. Ruth moves to 18-1 on the year with six pins, seven tech falls and five majors. He is 120-3 for his career, is 27-0 all-time in Big Ten duals and 49-0 all-time against Big Ten competition.

Retherford remains unbeaten with a 19-0 mark, including three pins, two techs and five majors. Brown improves to 19-1 with six pins, two techs and six majors. McIntosh improves to 18-2 on the year as is Megaludis. Lawson falls to 16-3 on the year. Penn State won the takedown battle as well, 24-2.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 7 at 197, battled IU sophomore Garret Goldman. McIntosh scored quickly, notching a takedown just :10 into the bout. He nearly locked up a cradle but Goldman was able to move out of bounds keep the score at 2-0. McIntosh put together a strong ride after the reset, controlling the Hoosier for well over a minute. McIntosh cut Goldman loose and began working his offense again. McIntosh rolled through a high double with just :08 left and led 4-1 after one. Goldman chose down to start the second stanza and McIntosh tacked on more riding time while working for a chance to turn the Hoosier. McIntosh cut Goldman loose again at the :50 mark and action resumed in the center circle with the Lion up 4-2. A quick McIntosh takedown gave the Lion a 6-3 lead after another cut with :28 left. After a reset with :15 left, McIntosh blew through a low single for another takedown and an 8-3 lead with almost 3:00 riding time. McIntosh chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 9-3 lead. Another text book high single led to another takedown and an 11-4 McIntosh lead with a clinched riding time point. McIntosh tacked on one more takedown and rolled to the 14-4 major with 3:12 in riding time.

285: Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at 285, took to the mat against Indiana senior Adam Chalfant, ranked No. 8, in another marquee match-up. Lawson looked to score early on a headlock to single leg but Chalfant was able to fight off the move, quickly counter and notch the first takedown with 1:27 on the clock. He then turned Lawson for three near fall points and a 5-0 lead at the :28 mark. The Hoosier rode Lawson out and led 5-0 with 1:27 riding time after one. Chalfant chose down to start the middle period and steadily worked to an escape and a 6-0 lead with 1:30 on the clock. Neither wrestler was able to connect on a shot over the final minute-plus and Chalfant led 6-0 after two. Lawson chose down to start the third and quickly reversed Chalfant. He cut the Hoosier loose immediately and, trailing 7-2, began looking for offense. Lawson quickly tacked on a takedown and cut, cutting the lead to 8-4. Lawson nearly picked up a second takedown with :08 left but the move ended out of bounds and Chalfant grabbed a 9-4 win (with 1:04 riding time).

125: Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, received a forfeit, improving his overall record to 18-2 and putting Penn State up 10-3.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 133, tangled with Hoosier freshman Chris Caton. Gulibon wasted no time on offense, taking Caton down for a 2-0 lead. The Lion freshman then turned Caton for three near fall points, reset himself after getting the call, and turned him for two more. The early burst put Gulibon up 7-0 just over 1:00 into the bout. Looking to end his night early, Gulibon maintained control and turned Caton three more times. The first for three, the second for two and the last for three at the 2:57 mark. The offensive burst gave Gulibon the 15-0 technical fall (2:57).

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, took on IU's Trevor Moody. Retherford scored just under a minute into the bout and began a dominant ride, controlling the Hoosier while looking for a chance to turn him. After building up 1:17 in time, Retherford cut Moody loose. Retherford used control of

Moody's arm to pull the Hoosier close, work into a low single and take a 4-1 lead with :28 on the clock. A short ride out and Retherford led 4-1 with 1:15 in time after one. Moody chose down to start the second period and was allowed up by Retherford. The Lion fought off a solid Moody shot, forcing a stalemate and then worked the Hoosier's head to the mat, moved behind him for another takedown and led 6-2 with 1:20 left. Retherford added three more takedowns in a dominating period and led 12-5 with 3:02 in time after two. Retherford chose down to start the final period and reversed Moody for a 14-5 lead. With riding time and a major secured, the Lion freshman began looking for a tilt and back points. Retherford was not quite able to turn the Hoosier but walked away with a dominant 15-5 major with 4:12 in riding time.

149: Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) faced IU sophomore Eric Roach at 149. Beitz got in on an early single, nearly connecting for two. But Roach was able to work his way out of bounds and keep the bout scoreless early. The duo traded shots with each man able to fight off the other's until Roach got in deep on a single leg late. Beitz nearly turned it into a five point move of his own but time ran out and the bout moved to the second scoreless. Beitz chose down to start the second period and steadily worked to an escape and a 1-0 lead. Beitz continued to set the tempo, shooting consistently and forcing Roach into defense through most of the second period. Trailing 1-0, Roach chose down to start the third period. Beitz made him pay for the decision with a dominant ride. The Lion freshman maintained control of the Hoosier sophomore well into the final period. With :51 on the clock and Beitz still in control, a reset was called and Beitz had :43 in riding time. Beitz once again kept control of Roach and worked his riding time over 1:00. The Lion freshman maintained control for the entirety of the period and posted the impressive 2-0 win with 1:34 in time.

157: Senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) took on No. 4 Taylor Walsh of Indiana in one of the dual's most anticipated match-ups at 157. Vollrath quickly got in on a single leg, forcing a scramble that eventually led to a Vollrath takedown and a 2-0 lead at the 1:50 mark. Vollrath maintained control for :42 before Walsh escaped to a 2-1 Vollrath lead. The Lion senior fought off a Taylor takedown attempt that was not called a takedown. But the Hoosier coaching staff called for a video replay at the :14 mark of the first period. The call was reversed and Walsh led 3-2. Trailing by one, Vollrath chose neutral to start the second period. Vollrath controlled the action early in the second period, forcing Walsh backwards for over a minute while looking for a chance to score himself. Vollrath connected on a single leg and nearly scored at the buzzer but the takedown was not called and the Lion trailed by one after two. Walsh chose down to start the third. Vollrath maintained control for :30 but Walsh reversed him for a 5-2 lead with 1:20 on the clock. Vollrath reversed Walsh with :10 on the clock but could not turn the Hoosier at the end and dropped a hard-fought 5-4 decision.

165: Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, met IU senior Ryan LeBlanc. Early on in the action, LeBlanc called for an injury timeout, giving Taylor the positional choice. Taylor chose top and began working for a chance to turn the Hoosier. He picked up a quick two point near fall and then forced LeBlanc into a first stall warning. Taylor picked up another three-point near fall and led 5-0 with 2:41 in time after one. LeBlanc chose neutral to start the second period but Taylor was quick to score. The Lion senior worked his way around the Hoosier for his first takedown of the bout and a 7-0 lead with 1:10 on the clock. Taylor turned LeBlanc for two more points to lead 9-0, added another two point turn and led 11-0 with 4:14 after two. Taylor chose top to start the third and began working for another tilt. Taylor countered a LeBlanc reversal attempt, scrambling through for two more back points. He tacked on a point for another Hoosier stall and, with the riding time point off 6:14 riding time, posted the 15-0 tech fall at the 7:00 mark.

174: Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, took on Hoosier freshman Matt Irick. Brown got on the board first, steadily working his offense and connecting on a shot with 1:39 on the clock to lead 2-0. Irick escaped to a 2-1 score and then fought off a Brown cradle on the edge of the mat. But with :07 left, Brown blew through a double leg off the reset and led 4-1 after one. Irick chose down to start the second period but Brown controlled the action. He built up a 1:46 riding time edge before the Hoosier escaped, then quickly took him down again for a 6-2 lead with :50 left. Brown rode Irick out and led 6-2 with 2:28 in time heading into the third period. Brown chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 7-2 lead. He fought off a solid Irick shot early in the period, forcing a stalemate at the 1:12 mark. The Lion junior took Irick down for a 9-2 lead, cut him loose and then connected on a swift single leg for an 11-3 lead with a clinched riding time point. Brown then rode Irick out and posted the 12-3 major with 3:19 in time.

184: Senior Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, met Indiana's Luke Sheridan, who entered the dual ranked No. 18 nationally. Ruth rolled threw a low double early, gaining control of Sheridan quickly and locking up a cradle. The Lion picked up three quick near fall points, almost getting the pin, and led 5-1 after cutting Sheridan loose. Ruth connected on another low single and upped his lead to 7-1 midway through the period. After a Sheridan escape, Ruth notched another takedown with a nice low move and upped his lead to 9-2 with :50 left in the opening period. Sheridan escaped with :30 left and Ruth led 9-3 with 1:35 in time after one. Ruth chose down to start the second and quickly reversed Sheridan for an 11-3 lead. He then used arm control to pull Sheridan down and turn him for two back points and led 13-3 with 1:10 on the clock. Ruth gained control of Sheridan's shoulders, turning him for three back points to lead 16-3 after two periods with a clinched riding time point. Sheridan chose neutral to start the third period and Ruth ended the bout, and the dual, quickly. A swift takedown gave the Lion an 18-3 technical fall at the 5:12 mark and cemented the 36-6 final.

#1 PENN STATE 39, #14 NORTHWESTERN 8 Sunday, Jan. 19, 2014 -- Rec Hall -- University Park, Pa.

125: #2 Nico Megaludis PSU tech fall Garrison White NU, 23-6 (TF; 6:39)	5-0
133: #15 Jimmy Gulibon PSU dec. Dominick Malone NU, 8-2	8-0
141: #2 Zain Retherford PSU maj. dec. Pat Greco NU, 11-2	12-0
149: #4 Jason Tsirtsis NU dec. (SV) Zack Beitz PSU, 5-3 (sv)	12-3
157: James Vollrath PSU pinned Ben Sullivan NU, WBF (4:01)	18-3
165: #1 David Taylor PSU tech fall #9 Pierce Harger NU, 17-2 (4:45)	23-3
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU inj. def. #9 Lee Munster NU, (leading 10-1 at 3:56)	29-3
184: #2 Ed Ruth PSU pinned Jacob Berkowitz NU, WBF (1:36)	35-3
197: #7 Morgan McIntosh PSU maj. dec. #17 Alex Polizzi NU, 17-8	39-2*
285: #4 Mike McMullan NU inj. def. #12 Jimmy Lawson PSU, (at 2:44)	39-8

* Northwestern deducted team point during 197-bout, bench warnings
Attendance: 6,393 (16th-straight home sell out)

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, ranked No. 1 nationally, blazed past No. 14 Northwestern in front of the 16th-straight home sellout for Penn State. Penn State won eight of ten bouts for the second time in three days and posted the 39-8 Big Ten dual win over the visiting Wildcats.

The dual started at 125 where Nittany Lion All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, put on a takedown clinic on his way to a 23-6 technical fall over Northwestern's Garrison White. Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15 nationally, then picked up his first Rec Hall dual meet win at 133, posting a convincing 8-2 victory over NU's Dominick Malone. True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), unbeaten and ranked No. 2 at 141, then posted an 11-2 major over NU junior Pat Greco.

Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) nearly upset No. 4 Jason Tsirtsis at 149, but the ranked Wildcat was able to post the 5-3 sudden victory decision. Senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) then pinned Northwestern's Ben Sullivan at the 4:01 mark to send Penn State into the halftime break up 18-3.

Senior All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), unbeaten and ranked No. 1 at 165, rolled through No. 9 Pierce Harger, posting the 17-2 technical fall at the 4:45 mark. Junior All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, then downed No. 9 Lee Munster. Brown was up 10-1 at the 3:56 mark before Munster had to take an injury default. Senior All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 nationally at 184, pinned Northwestern's Jacob Berkowitz quickly, getting the fall at the 1:36 mark, giving the Nittany Lions a 35-3 lead.

Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 7 at 197, was impressive with a 17-8 major over No. 17 Alex Polizzi to put the Lions up 39-2 as Northwestern was deducted a team point for bench warnings. In one of the dual's most anticipated match-ups, Nittany Lion junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at 285, took on No. 4 Mike McMullan. McMullan used a quick move on the edge of the mat to take Lawson down with at the 2:44 mark when Lawson called for injury time. The Lion junior was not able to continue and McMullan got the injury default victory, making the final scored 39-8 Penn State.

The sell-out crowd of 6,393 was the 16th-straight home sell out for Penn State. Taylor improves to 20-0 on the year with 10 pins, six tech falls and four majors. He is 28-0 all-time in Big Ten duals and 49-0 all-time against Big Ten competition. His 120 career wins is 11th all-time (he is 120-3) at Penn State. Ruth moves to 19-1 with seven pins, seven tech falls and five majors. He is 28-0 all-time in Big Ten duals and 50-0 all-time against Big Ten competition. Ruth is 121-3 as a Penn State, tied for eighth all-time.

Retherford remains unbeaten with a 20-0 record, including three pins, two techs and six majors. Brown is 20-1 with six pins, two techs and six majors as well. Megaludis and McIntosh both improve to 19-2.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, met Wildcat sophomore Garrison White. Megaludis wasted no time taking an early lead, using a single leg to open up a 2-1 lead less than :10 into the bout. Megaludis continued to pressure White, working his shoulders to the ground and working his way behind the Wildcat for a takedown and a 4-2 lead after cutting him loose. Megaludis quickly tacked on a third takedown and then a fourth to break open an 8-4 margin. Megaludis continued his offensive work with a fifth takedown and a ride out to lead 10-4 with 1:02 in riding time after one. Megaludis chose top to start the second. White escaped and Megaludis quickly took him down twice. The Lion junior added three near fall points after the second takedown and led 17-6 at the 1:00 mark. Megaludis added one more three point turn and led 20-6 with 2:46 in time after two. White chose down to start the third period and Megaludis continued his strong work on top. Looking to cement a tech fall or pick up a pin, Megaludis worked White's shoulders to the mat, nearly picking up the pin. The three-point near fall gave the Lion a 23-6 tech fall at the 6:39 mark.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 133, took on Northwestern's Dominick Malone. Gulibon was the aggressor early, setting up his offense and forcing Malone towards the edge of the mat. Malone took his first shot off a reset and worked his way to a takedown and a 2-0 lead with 1:24 on the clock. Malone built up riding time with strong work up top but Gulibon escaped to a 2-1 score with :30 left in the opening period. Trailing 2-1, Gulibon chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 2-2 tie. Malone had 1:02 in riding time. Gulibon countered a slight Malone shot and quickly rolled behind him for a takedown and a 4-2 lead with 1:00 on the clock. The Lion freshman maintained control of Malone for the period's final minute, erasing the riding time and taking a 4-2 lead into the third period. Malone chose down to start the third period and Gulibon controlled the action once again from the top position. Malone was unable to work to his base as Gulibon first built up a 1:00-plus time edge and then forced a stall on the Wildcat. Gulibon then turned Malone for three back points and a 7-2 lead. A short ride out and Gulibon posted an 8-2 with 2:02 in riding time.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, wrestled NU junior Pat Greco. Retherford blew through an early takedown, taking the Wildcat down just :05 into the bout. The unbeaten Lion then began a dominating ride, keeping Greco belted out for nearly a minute before the Wildcat escaped. Retherford continued to pressure Greco, taking multiple shots, forcing Greco into a stall warning and then turning a low single into a takedown and a 4-1 lead at the buzzer. Retherford chose down to start the second period, quickly escaped and then picked up his third takedown to lead 7-1 with 1:20 on the clock. Retherford cut Greco loose to a 7-2 score and turned right in for more offense. The Lion's furious offense allowed him to lead 7-2 with 1:36 in time after two. Greco chose neutral to start the third period and Retherford continued to force the Wildcat backwards. Retherford moved out to an 8-2 lead with a stall point at the 1:10 mark and then fought off a Greco shot for the next :20. He countered the move, rolled behind the Wildcat and took a 10-2 lead with a clinched riding time point at the :30 mark. A short ride out gave the Lion freshman an 11-2 major with 2:10 in riding time.

149: Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) took on talented Wildcat freshman Jason Tsirtsis, who was ranked No. 4 at 149. Beitz and Tsirtsis traded early shots in the middle of the mat. Tsirtsis gained control of Beitz's right knee and began working for a takedown. But Beitz was able to force a stalemate after :30 of wrestling and the

score remained 0-0 at the 1:28 mark. Beitz nearly connected on a low single at the :40 mark, but Tsirtsis was able to back away to keep the bout scoreless after the opening stanza. Tsirtsis chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. The Lion freshman matched the ranked Wildcat shot for shot for the bulk of the period. The Lion connected on a single leg and looked to get a takedown but the official ruled no takedown. The Penn State corner called for a video review and the takedown was given. Beitz led 2-1 at the :27 mark. Tsirtsis was able to tie the score with a quick escape and the bout moved to the third period knotted at 2-2. Beitz chose down to start the third period but could not break free of a strong Tsirtsis ride. Tsirtsis maintained control by holding onto Beitz ankle and worked his riding time over 1:00. Beitz escaped to a 3-2 lead at the :50 mark but Tsirtsis had 1:13 in riding time. Time ran out and Tsirtsis' riding time sent the match to sudden victory tied 3-3. Tsirtsis got in on a single at the :40 mark, working for a winning takedown. Beitz nearly fought off the move but Tsirtsis connected for a 5-3 sudden victory win.

157: Senior James Vollrath (Richboro, Pa.) met Ben Sullivan at 157. Vollrath quickly took control of the match with a takedown out of the gates. The Lion senior was strong on top, locking up a cradle quickly for three back points and a 5-0 lead with 1:30 on the clock. He continued to turn Sullivan, looking for a pin. Sullivan rolled through the move but the second three point near fall gave the Lion an 8-0 lead after one. Sullivan chose down to start the second period and Vollrath quickly cradled the Wildcat, picking up the pin at the 4:01 mark.

165: Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, took to the Rec Hall stage against No. 9 Pierce Harger of Northwestern. Taylor quickly took Harger down to lead 2-0 :30 into the bout. Harger escaped to a 2-1 score only to have Taylor connect on an ankle pick. Taylor then turned Harger for two back points and the Lion senior led 6-1 at the 1:15 mark. Taylor cut Harger loose with :25 left, used another quick pick and then tilted the Wildcat for three back points. The quick burst put Taylor up 11-2 after one. Harger chose down to start the second period only to be titled again by Taylor. Taylor picked up another three point near fall to move out to a 14-2 lead, reset, and titled Harger again to notch the 17-2 tech fall at the 4:45 mark.

174: Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, faced off against Northwestern's Lee Munster, who entered the dual ranked No. 9. Brown scored quickly, taking Munster down for an early 2-1 lead. Brown then locked up a cradle on the edge of the mat, picking up the takedown before action moved out of bounds. Leading 4-1, Brown chose down on the reset after injury time and quickly escaped to a 5-1 lead. He then connected on a high single leg and led 7-1 with :50 on the clock. Brown rode Munster out and led 7-1 with 1:17 in time after one. Brown chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to an 8-1 lead. Brown added another takedown and took a 10- lead. He dominated the action from the top position before Munster took an injury default, giving Brown the win and putting Penn State up 29-3.

184: Senior Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, took on Wildcat sophomore Jacob Berkowitz. Ruth scored quickly, taking Berkowitz down, gaining control of his arm and turning him for two near fall points and a 4-0 lead at the 2:10 mark. The Lion All-American then locked up a cradle, turned the Wildcat and picked up the pin at the 1:36 mark.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 7 at 197, faced off with No. 17 Alex Polizzi in a key match-up at 197. McIntosh scored first, taking Polizzi down to lead 2-1. The Lion sophomore then used a low single off a reset to take a 4-2 lead after cutting Polizzi loose with 2:00 on the clock. A throw by the Lion nearly led to a quick pin, but the takedown did give McIntosh the 6-2 lead. Polizzi notched his first takedown after an escape with :45 on the clock to cut McIntosh's lead to 7-5 after a McIntosh escape. The Lion, undaunted, used a low double for a late takedown to lead 9-5 after one. McIntosh chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 10-5 lead with 1:03 in riding time. Looking for bonus points, McIntosh bulled through a low double for a 12-5 lead at the 1:20 mark. Northwestern was deducted a team point with :50 on the clock for bench warnings. McIntosh led 12-6 after two and Polizzi chose down to start the third. A quick escape gave McIntosh a 12-7 lead with 1:35 on the clock and the Lion blew through another low double for a takedown and a 14-7 lead. Polizzi escaped to a 14-8 score and McIntosh looked to clinch a major with another takedown. McIntosh turned the trick with just :02 left and, with the final takedown and 2:08 in riding time, posted the 17-8 major.

285: Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at 285, met his second ranked foe of the weekend, facing off with No. 4 Mike McMullan in the heavyweight bout. The duo battled evenly for the first minute, with Lawson pushing off an early McMullan shot. McMullan gained control of Lawson's left leg, working for a takedown at the 1:20 mark. But Lawson was able to fight off the move until the :16 mark. McMullan took Lawson down on the edge of the mat and Lawson called quickly for injury time. The takedown and two near fall points put McMullan up 4-0 and the Penn State heavyweight was not able to continue, giving McMullan the injury default win.

#1 PENN STATE 13, #11 ILLINOIS 3

Friday, Jan. 24, 2014 -- Rec Hall -- University Park, Pa.

125: #2 Nico Megaludis PSU dec. #4 Jesse Delgado ILL, 5-4	3-0
133: #11 Zane Richards ILL dec. (SV) #15 Jimmy Gulibon PSU, 3-1 (sv)	3-3
141: #2 Zain Retherford PSU maj. dec. John Fahy ILL, 15-3	7-3
149: Zack Beitz PSU dec. #19 Caleb Ervin ILL, 4-2	10-3
157: #4 Dylan Alton PSU dec. #12 Zac Brunson ILL, 5-2	13-3
165: #1 David Taylor PSU maj. dec. #12 Jackson Morse ILL, 11-3	17-3
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU maj. dec. Tony Dallago ILL, 12-2	21-3
184: #2 Ed Ruth PSU maj. dec. Nikko Reyes ILL, 14-3	25-3
197: #7 Morgan McIntosh PSU dec. Jeff Koepke ILL, 10-3	28-3
285: Jon Gingrich PSU dec. Chris Lopez ILL, 6-1	31-3

Attendance: 6,480 (17th-straight home sell out)

Another standing room only, capacity crowd packed Rec Hall as the top-ranked Penn State Nittany Lion wrestlers took care of No. 11 Illinois in Big Ten wrestling action. Nearly 6,500 fans, the 17th-straight home sell out for Penn State, cheered on as head coach Cael Sanderson's team win nine of ten bouts to roll to a 31-3 Big Ten dual meet victory.

Junior All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, got Penn State off to a hot start in a rematch of last year's NCAA title bout. The Lion took down No. 4 Jesse Delgado 5-4 to put Penn State up early and bring yet another capacity crowd to its feet. At 133, Lion freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15, nearly upset No. 11 Zane Richards but the Illini connected on a takedown in extra time to post the 3-1 (sv) decision, briefly tying the dual at 3-3.

Unbeaten true freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, majored John Fahy 15-3 to put Penn State up 7-3. Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) then took down yet another ranked opponent, using a third period reversal to post a 4-2 win over No. 19 Caleb Ervin. Junior All-American Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 4 at 157, then took care of No. 12 Zac Brunson 5-2 in only his second dual meet of the year. Alton, who has been slowly returning to action after off-season surgery, stayed unbeaten with the win.

After halftime, senior All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) majored No. 12 Jackson Morse 11-3. Taylor, ranked No. 1, at 165, stayed unbeaten with the win. Junior All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, majored Illinois senior Tony Dallago 12-2 and Penn State was out to a 21-3 lead.

Senior All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, rolled to a 14-3 major over Nikko Reyes to continue Penn State's string of bonus points and put the Lions up 25-3. At 197, sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 7 at 197, then posted a 10-3 win over Illinois' Jeff Koepke. With 12th-ranked Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.) out with an injury, junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) got the nod at 285, making his second dual meet appearance of the year. Gingrich stepped up in a big way with a strong 6-1 win over Illinois' Chris Lopez, cementing the 31-3 final score.

The 6,480 in attendance marked the 17th-straight home sell out for Penn State. Penn State posted a lop-sided 20-2 takedown advantage as well.

BOU-T-BY-BOU-T:

125: Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, met No. 4 Jesse Delgado of Illinois in a rematch of last year's NCAA title bout. As a sold out crowd came to its feet before the match started, the duo met in the middle of the mat and worked for control early on. Megaludis tried to connect on an early shot but Delgado was able to force a stalemate at the 1:50 mark. Megaludis continued to shoot, forcing Delgado into a first stall warning at the :45 mark. After a reset at the :36 mark, blood time was called and then the period ended tied at 0-0. Megaludis chose down to start the second period and quickly reversed Delgado for a 2-0 lead. The Illini escaped only to have Megaludis get in on a low single quickly. Delgado was able to force a stalemate and action moved on at the 1:25 mark with Megaludis up 2-1. Megaludis looked to connect on a lightning quick low single off a reset. After a short scramble, Megaludis finished off the move and led 4-1 with :25 left. Delgado was awarded an escape after a video review and the match moved to the second with Megaludis up 4-2. Delgado chose down to start the third and quickly reversed Megaludis to tie the match at 4-4. Megaludis escaped to a 5-4 lead at the :55 mark and then fought off a strong Delgado high single until only :12 was left in the match. After a reset with :12 left, Megaludis was able to kill the clock and grab the thrilling 5-4 win.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 133, faced off against No. 11 Zane Richards in a key battle at 133. The freshmen duo battled evenly for the first minute-plus with neither man able to find an opening to score. Each man worked for shoulder control but there was no give in the defense and the bout moved to the second tied 0-0. Richards chose down to start the second period but Gulibon quickly broke the Illini down, taking control up top to build up :47 riding time before Richards escaped to a 1-0 lead. Gulibon tried to score on a high-low combo at the :40 mark, but Richards was able to back out of bounds and force a reset with :17 on the clock. Gulibon chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 1-1 tie. The Lion freshman continued to make the Illini back to the outside circle. He nearly connected on a high single with 1:10 left but Richards' defense stayed true and the bout continued tied 1-1. The duo traded counter attempts to no avail with :30 on the clock. Tied 1-1, the bout moved into sudden victory. Richards countered a Gulibon shot :30 into the extra time and grabbed the hard-fought 3-1 (sv) win.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, met John Fahy. Retherford fought off an early Fahy shot, then worked in on his own single leg and connected for two points with 1:42 on the clock. The unbeaten Lion then went to work up top, breaking Fahy down and building up a sizeable riding time edge while trying to turn the Illini for back points. Fahy escaped to a 2-1 score but Retherford's consistent offense led to another takedown with :20 on the clock and the Lion led 4-1 with 1:09 in time after one. Retherford chose down to start the second period and worked his way to a reversal and a 6-1 lead with 1:27. He then turned Fahy for three back points to lead 9-1. After another ride out, Retherford led 9-1 with 2:27 in time after two periods. Fahy chose down to start the third and Retherford let him out to a 9-2 score. He swiftly moved in on another single to up his lead to 11-2 with 1:32 on the clock. Retherford reset himself, controlled Fahy's legs and turned him for three more back points to lead 14-2 with a clinched riding time point. Fahy escaped as time wound down and Retherford walked away with a convincing 15-3 major, including 3:58 in riding time.

149: Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) met No. 19 Caleb Ervin at 149. Beitz grabbed Ervin's ankle and worked his way into a scramble that ended with a takedown at the 1:40 mark. Ervin escaped to a 2-1 score and action resumed in the middle of the mat. Continuing to pressure the ranked Illini, Beitz once again gained control of Ervin's right leg but this time Ervin was able to force a stalemate with :20 on the clock. Trailing 2-1, Ervin chose down to start the second period but Beitz was strong on top, working the Illini long enough to build up his riding time edge to 1:13 before Ervin escaped to a 2-2 score with 1:10 on the clock. Beitz nearly scored again with :10 left with a low single, but Ervin was able to kill the clock and the match moved to the third tied 2-2. Beitz chose down to start the third period but Ervin was able to control the action for a minute by holding on to Beitz ankle.

A reset was called with :56 on the clock and Ervin was hit for a stall with :40 on the clock. Beitz quickly countered after a reset and worked his way deftly around Ervin for a reversal and a 4-2 lead at the :20 mark. Beitz then rode Ervin out and posted a 4-2 with over the ranked Illini.

157: Junior Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 4, took on No. 12 Zac Brunson at 157. Alton, wrestling in only his second dual this year, and Brunson battled evenly for over 2:00 with neither wrestler finding an opening to score. Alton took a solid shot at the :25 mark, nearly took Brunson to his back and then held on for the takedown and a 2-0 lead after one period. Brunson chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 2-1 Alton lead. Alton used a textbook high single to drive through for another takedown and a 4-2 lead after a quick Brunson escape. The Alton takedown was the period's only offense and the Nittany Lion junior carried that lead into the third. Alton chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 5-2 lead. Brunson tried to get in on a high single but Alton was able to work his way out of bounds and maintain position and a 5-2 lead with 1:10 on the clock. The duo traded shots for the next :40 with neither man connecting. Alton tried to score on a late single leg but time ran out and Alton posted the 5-2 win.

165: Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, took to the mat against No. 12 Jackson Morse. Morse got in on a high single leg but Taylor quickly wrapped him up to force a stalemate at the 2:20 mark. Taylor patiently waited for his offense to connect and came through with a nice low shot and takedown with 1:20 left in the opening period. Taylor then kept control of the ranked Illini, working for a tilt. He picked up three near fall points with just :15 left and rolled into the first period with a 5-0 lead and 1:21 in riding time. Morse chose down to start the second period, quickly escaped and then surprised Taylor with a takedown to cut Taylor's lead to 5-3. A reset was called with :57 on the clock but Taylor could not work his way free from Morse's strong ride. Morse worked the clock down to zeroes. Leading 5-3, Taylor chose down to start the third period and steadily worked his way to a reversal and a 7-3 lead with 1:20 on the clock. It was Taylor's turn to dominate the action from the top, nearly turning Morse for a pin before action was stopped for potentially dangerous. Taylor picked up two more back points, then another two as time expired and posted the tough 11-3 major decision.

174: Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, met veteran Illini senior Tony Dallago. The duo traded shots and near-scoring scrambles for over 2:00 with neither wrestler able finish off any of the opening salvos. After a reset at 1:00, Brown bulled through a high double and steadily worked his way to a takedown and a 2-0 lead with :22 left in a spirited opening period. Dallago escaped but Brown quickly caught the Illini senior, took him to his back and nearly pinned him. The late five-point move gave Brown a 7-1 lead after the opening period. Brown chose down to start the second and Dallago locked his hands, giving Brown an 8-1 lead. Dallago maintained control, however, until the :55 mark when Brown escaped to a 9-1 lead. Dallago got called for a stall with :10 on the clock and Brown furiously worked for a takedown, but time ran out and the late score did not count, giving Brown a 9-1 lead after two. Dallago chose down to start the third period and Brown controlled the action from the top position until Dallago escaped at the 1:20 mark. But Brown continued to pour on the offense, rolling through another takedown to lead 11-2 with 1:10 left. He reset on his knees and began trying to lock up a cradle with :50 on the clock. No near fall points were given and Brown maintained the lead at the :10 mark. A short ride out and 1:15 in riding time gave Brown the 12-2 major.

184: Senior Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, faced off with Illini freshman Nikko Reyes. Ruth quickly took the Illini freshman down and then began working for an opportunity to turn the Illini for back points. Ruth controlled the action for all but :10 and then added one more takedown to lead 4-1 after one period. Reyes chose down to start the second period and Ruth cut him loose at the 1:40 mark, still with 2:59 in riding time. The duo battled evenly for the rest of the period and Ruth led 4-2 after two. Ruth chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 5-2 lead. The Lion then worked Reyes to the mat and stepped behind him for a takedown and a 7-2 lead with 1:25 on the clock. With the riding time point assured, Ruth picked up another point on stalling and led 8-3 after cutting Reyes loose with :50 on the clock. Ruth circled around for a takedown with :30 on the clock and took a 10-3 lead. Ruth turned Reyes for three late back points and rolled to the 14-3 major with 4:04 in riding time.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 7 nationally, took on Jeff Koepke at 197. McIntosh took multiple shots out of the gates, connecting on this third with 1:15 left to lead 2-1 in the opening stanza. Koepke got hit for a first stall with 1:00 on the clock and action resumed in the center circle. Leading 2-1 after one, McIntosh chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 3-1 lead. McIntosh kept Koepke backing up and took a 4-1 lead on a stall point. A third stall meant another point and McIntosh led 5-1 with :45 left. The Lion then got in on a low single and notched a takedown to lead 7-2 with :30 on the clock after a Koepke escape. McIntosh led 7-2 after two and Koepke chose down to start the third. A Koepke escape cut the lead to 7-3 and McIntosh continued to pressure the Illini. The Lion sophomore connected with Koepke's ankle, pulled his head down to the mat and added a final takedown. With 1:03 in riding time, McIntosh posted the 10-3 decision.

285: Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) stepped up for Penn State and took on Illinois' Chris Lopez. The duo battled evenly for the opening over two minutes and then Gingrich got on the board with a solid low double, getting the takedown and taking a 2-0 lead with :51 on the clock. The Lion junior, making his second dual meet appearance of the year, then rode Lopez out to lead 2-0 after one. Lopez chose down to start the second stanza but Gingrich was able to break the Illini down and build up a sizeable riding time edge while looking for a turning combination. Gingrich maintained control for the entire period and, while not turning Lopez, entered the third period with a 2-0 lead and 2:51 in riding time. Gingrich chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Gingrich kept Lopez backing up, looking for offense and worked his way through a high double with :40 left to lead 5-0. Gingrich cut Lopez loose and quickly began looking for another takedown. Lopez backed out of the circle and the clock hit zeroes, giving Gingrich the 6-1 victory.

#1 PENN STATE 42, MICHIGAN STATE 3

Friday, Jan. 31, 2014 -- East Lansing, Mich.

157: #4 Dylan Alton PSU dec. Roger Wildmo MSU, 8-3	3-0
165: #1 David Taylor PSU pinned Bobby Nash MSU, WBF (1:53)	9-0
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU tech fall Nick Kaczanowski MSU, 18-3 (TF; 7:00)	14-0
184: #2 Ed Ruth PSU pinned John Rizqallah MSU, WBF (0:38)	20-0
197: #7 Morgan McIntosh PSU pinned Nick McDiarmid MSU, WBF (4:23)	26-0
285: #7 Mike McClure MSU dec. Nick Ruggear PSU, 5-1	26-3
125: Jordan Conaway PSU maj. dec. Brennan Lyon MSU, 15-4	30-3
133: #16 Jimmy Gulibon PSU dec. Garth Yenter MSU, 10-3	33-3
141: #2 Zain Retherford PSU pinned Brian Gibbs MSU, WBF (4:42)	39-3
149: Andrew Alton PSU dec. Nick Trimble MSU, 9-5	42-3

Attendance: 686

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team remained unbeaten on the year, pinning its way to a 42-3 win at Michigan State Friday night. Head coach Cael Sanderson's crew recorded four falls in the Big Ten road win.

The dual began at 157, where junior All-American Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 4 at 157, stayed unbeaten with a solid 8-3 win over Roger Wildmo. All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, remained unbeaten as well with a first period pin of Bobby Nash. Taylor got the fall at the 1:53 mark, his 11th of the season and the 48th of his career.

All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, then dominated Spartan Nick Kaczanowski, rolling to an 18-3 technical fall at the 7:00 mark, including 4:48 in riding time. All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, matched Taylor with a first period pin of his own, getting a quick pin over John Rizqallah at the 0:38 mark. Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 3 at 197, continued Penn State's pin-parade, locking up a second period cradle to pin Nick McDiarmid at the 4:23 mark. The win sent Penn State into intermission with a 26-0 lead.

Junior Nick Ruggear (Oxford, Pa.) got the nod at 285 and led into the third period over No. 7 Mike McClure. But McClure rallied late for the 5-1 decision, putting the Spartans on the board. At 125, Nittany Lion Jordan Conaway stepped in for second-ranked Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.). Megaludis did not make the weekend trip after being sick all week. Conaway, a national qualifier last year at 133, dominated MSU's Brennan Lyon, posting a 15-4 major decision.

Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 16 at 133, followed with strong performance of his own in a 10-3 decision with over 2:00 in riding time. Undefeated true freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, stayed unbeaten, pinning Brian Gibbs at the 4:42 mark. Junior Andrew Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) took to the mat at 149 and closed out a dominant Penn State performance with a 9-5 victory over Spartan Nick Trimble.

Penn State posted a lop-sided 23-2 edge in takedown and notched four pins, the most in a dual this year for the Nittany Lions.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

157: Junior Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 4 at 157, faced off against Michigan State's Roger Wildmo. Alton scored quickly, taking Wildmo down at the 2:30 mark and maintaining control for :26 seconds. The Nittany Lion junior then battled Wildmo evenly for the rest of the period and carried the 2-1 lead into the middle stanza. Wildmo chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 2-2 tie. Alton scored again, working around shoulder control for a takedown and a 4-2 lead with 1:25 on the clock. Alton maintained control long enough to work his riding time up to 1:02 before Wildmo escaped to a 4-3 score. Steadily working on his offense, Alton used a solid double leg to take Wildmo down on the edge of the mat with under :10 left and, after a short ride out, led 6-3 with 1:17 in time after two. Alton chose down to start the third period and escaped quickly to a 7-3 lead. Alton worked in on a high single and worked for a final takedown but Wildmo was able to kill the clock on the scramble. Alton posted the 8-3 win with 1:11 in riding time.

165: Top-ranked David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), unbeaten at 165, met MSU senior Bobby Nash at 165. Taylor scored quickly with a takedown just :06 into the bout. He let Nash loose and began working his offense again. Another quick takedown with shoulder control had Taylor taking Nash to his back for a five-point move and a 7-1 lead. Taylor cut Nash loose again and then quickly locked up a cradle on his next move, turning Nash to his back and getting the fall at the 1:53 mark. The pin was Taylor's 11th this season and the 48th of his career.

174: Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, battled Spartan Nick Kaczanowski. Brown scored first, using a single leg to take a 2-1 lead and building up :27 in riding time before the Spartan escaped. The Lion junior quickly added a second takedown and led 4-1 with 1:30 left. Brown then built up over 2:00 in riding time with a bullish ride out to lead 4-1 with 2:09 in time after one. Brown chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 5-1 lead. Brown added two quick takedowns and after the second wrapped up a cradle for three near fall points and a 12-2 lead after two. Kaczanowski chose down to start the final period and Brown already had the riding time point clinched. Brown steadily worked his way into another cradle, locking up the Spartan for three more back points and a 15-2 lead with :47 left on the clock. The Spartan escaped only to be taken down once more and the final takedown, plus the riding time point, gave Brown the 18-3 tech fall at the 7:00 mark with 4:48 riding time.

184: Second-ranked Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) met Spartan junior John Rizqallah at 184. Ruth, like his teammates before him, scored quickly, taking Rizqallah down and immediately working in on a cradle. He locked Rizqallah up, turned him to his back and got the shoulders flat for a quick pin at the 0:38 mark. The pin was Ruth's eighth this year and the 43rd of his career.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 7 at 197, took on MSU's Nick McDiarmid. The duo battled evenly for the bulk of the first period with each McIntosh looking to set the tempo and McDiarmid holding steady on defense. With the first three minutes passing scoreless, McIntosh chose down to start the second period and quickly reversed McDiarmid to take a 2-0 lead just over :10 into the stanza. The Lion sophomore maintained control for over a minute before locking up a cradle. McIntosh adjusted once and got McDiarmid's shoulders flat for the fall at the 4:23 mark.

285: Junior Nick Ruggear (Oxford, Pa.) took to the mat at 285 to face No. 7 Mike McClure. Ruggear was making his season dual meet debut. Ruggear battled McClure evenly for the first minute-plus, staying solid on his feet and keeping the action in the center of the mat. Neither man found an offensive opening during the entirety of the opening period and action moved to the second tied 0-0. Ruggear chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. McClure shot low on a single but Ruggear was able to block off the move, step back and maintain his 1-0 lead at the :50 mark. Ruggear maintained his 1-0 lead into the third period. McClure chose down to start the third and, like Ruggear, quickly escaped, tying the match at 1-1. Ruggear was called for stalling

and then countered a McClure shot, creating a scramble that ended with a McClure takedown and a 3-1 Spartan lead with 1:07 on the clock. A second Ruggear stall gave McClure a 4-1 lead and, with the ride-out and 1:10 riding time, McClure was able to post the 5-1 win.

125: Sophomore Jordan Conaway (Abbottstown, Pa.) stepped in at 125 for second-ranked Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), who did not make the weekend trip due to sickness. Conaway took on Spartan senior Brennan Lyon at 125. Conaway wasted no time working in on a takedown, but Lyon was able to force a stalemate and keep the bout scoreless early. Conaway was relentless, however, working his way to a takedown and a 2-0 lead at the 1:40 mark. Conaway cut Lyon loose at the 1:00 mark and quickly took the Spartan down for a 4-1 lead. He then rode Lyon out and led 4-1 with 1:23 in time after one. Conaway chose down to start the second and quickly reversed Lyon for a 6-1 lead. The Lion sophomore put together another dominating ride, controlling the action and forcing Lyon into a stall warning before cutting him loose to a 6-2 score. Conaway fought off a late Lyon shot and rode that lead into the third period. Lyon chose down to start the third period and Conaway clinched the riding time point before turning Lyon for two near fall points. Leading 8-2, Conaway cut Lyon loose, looking for bonus points. Conaway blew through a high double, lifting Lyon off the mat and working him down for a takedown and a 10-4 lead with :24 left. Needing one more takedown to get a major, Conaway used a quick duck-under for the final takedown, turned him for two near fall points and with 3:09 in time, posted the 15-4 major.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 16 at 133, met MSU freshman Garth Yenter. Gulibon scored quickly notching a takedown in just :07 to lead 2-0 early. The Lion freshman put together a strong ride, building up 1:37 in time before cutting Yenter loose to a 2-1 score. Gulibon countered a slight Yenter shot, worked his way into control of a single leg and finished off the move with just :02 left for a 4-1 lead after the opening period. Gulibon chose down to start the second period and began looking for a chance to reverse the Spartan. Gulibon was steady on his mission and got the reversal with :45 left in the period to lead 6-1. He then controlled the action from the top position, keeping Yenter flat for the final seconds to lead 6-1 with 1:20 in time after two. Yenter chose down to start the third period but Gulibon once again controlled the action. With the riding time point clinched, Gulibon cut Yenter loose and began looking for a chance to score. Gulibon connected on a quick single, picked up the takedown and cut him loose with :09 left. Yenter was able to keep from giving up another takedown and Gulibon posted the strong 10-3 win with 2:15 in riding time.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), unbeaten and ranked No. 2 nationally at 141, battled Michigan State's Brian Gibbs. The duo battled evenly for the bulk of the first period until Retherford broke through for a takedown and a 2-0 lead with :27 on the clock. Retherford rode the Spartan out and led 2-0 after a short ride out. The Lion freshman chose down to start the second stanza and quickly reversed Gibbs to up his lead to 4-0. He turned Gibbs for two back points and reset himself with :32 on the clock.

149: Junior Andrew Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) got the call at 149 and met Spartan Nick Trimble, who was second on the MSU roster with 18 wins coming into the match. The Lion junior gained control of Trimble's left ankle and worked his way for a takedown and a 2-0 lead just over a minute into the period. He then lifted Trimble off the mat and turned him to his back for two near fall points and a 4-0 lead. Trimble escaped with :35 on the clock to cut the lead to 4-1 after the opening three minutes. Alton chose down to start the second period but could not break free of a strong Trimble ride right away. The Lion junior broke out at the 1:00 mark and led 5-1. Alton used a fast low single to trip Trimble to the mat for another takedown and a 7-1 lead with :30 on the clock. Alton rode Trimble out to lead 7-1 with :42 in time after two. Trimble chose down to start the third, escaped, and was quickly taken down again by Alton. Alton cut Trimble loose and shot low, but Trimble countered for his own takedown to cut Alton's lead to 9-5. Trimble worked feverishly over the next minute to try and get back points but Alton was strong on defense and posted a 9-5 win to give Penn State the 42-3 dual meet victory.

#1 PENN STATE 32, #11 MICHIGAN 9

Sunday, Feb. 2, 2014 -- Ann Arbor, Mich.

125: Jordan Conaway PSU dec. Conor Youtsey MICH, 9-4	3-0
133: #16 Jimmy Gulibon PSU maj. dec. Rossi Bruno MICH, 9-0	7-0
141: #2 Zain Retherford PSU dec. #13 Steve Dutton MICH, 7-1	10-0
149: #7 Eric Grajales MICH pinned Andrew Alton PSU, WBF (6:56)	10-6
157: #4 Dylan Alton PSU dec. #14 Brian Murphy MICH, 3-1 (SV2)	13-6
165: #1 David Taylor PSU tech fall #6 Dan Yates MICH, 17-2 (TF; 5:13)	18-6
174: #3 Matt Brown PSU tech fall Collin Zeerip MICH, 21-6 (TF; 5:35)	23-6
184: #2 Ed Ruth PSU TF #20 Domenic Abounader MICH, 17-2 (TF; 5:39)	28-6
197: #7 Morgan McIntosh PSU maj. dec. Chris Heald MICH, 17-7	32-6
285: #2 Adam Coon MICH dec. Jon Gingrich PSU, 2-1	32-9

Attendance: 1,504

The top-ranked Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team handled No. 11 Michigan 32-9 in a Super Bowl Sunday showdown live on the Big Ten Network Sunday, in a battle between the conference's final two unbeaten teams. By virtue of the win, Penn State clinched at least a share of the 2014 Big Ten regular season title, riding three straight technical falls to a lop-sided win. Head coach Cael Sanderson's crew won eight of ten bouts in the victory.

With two-time All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, not making the weekend trip due to illness, sophomore Jordan Conaway (Abbotstown, Pa.) got the nod at 125 and controlled Conor Youtsey for a strong 9-4 win. 16th-ranked Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.) then silenced a raucous sell-out crowd with a strong 9-0 major over Rossi Bruno at 133. True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, remained unbeaten with a dominating 7-1 win over No. 13 Steve Dutton, rolling up 2:20 in riding time in the process and putting Penn State up 10-0.

At 149, junior Andrew Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) nearly pulled off an upset of No. 7 Eric Grajales. Alton bolted out to an 8-5 lead and led by two late. But a last second Grajales takedown ended with a Michigan fall at the 6:56 mark, briefly cutting into Penn State's lead. But All-American Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 4 at 157, responded in fine fashion with a thrilling 3-1 (SV2) decision over No. 14 Brian Murphy, sending Penn State into halftime with a 13-6 lead.

After intermission, three-time All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, posted yet another impressive win over a top-ten opponent, rolling through No. 6 Dan Yates on his way to a 17-2 tech fall at the 5:13 mark. All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, posted a tech fall of his own, notching a 21-6 win at the 5:35 mark over UM's Collin Zeerip. At 184, three-time All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 nationally, made it three straight tech falls, rolling to a 17-2 win over No. 20 Domenic Abounader at the 5:39 mark to put Penn State up 28-6.

Seventh-ranked sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.) continued the bonus point parade at 197, majoring Chris Heald 17-1. Junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) nearly upset No. 2 Adam Coon, but the Wolverine heavyweight fought off a late Gingrich shot to escape with a 2-1 win. Still, the Lions' eight wins led to a 32-9 victory and kept Penn State unbeaten on the year. Penn State won the takedown battle with a 31-5 edge.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: Sophomore Jordan Conaway stepped in at 125 for junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, as Megaludis did not make the weekend trip due to illness. Conaway took on Wolverine freshman Conor Youtsey. The duo battled evenly for over two minutes with neither man finding an opening to score. Conaway got in on a single leg with :40 on the clock and finished off the takedown with :28 left. Youtsey quickly reversed the Lion and then rode Conaway out to send the match to the second tied 2-2. Youtsey chose down to start the second period and escaped to a 3-2 lead with 1:40 on the clock. The Wolverine worked to control Conaway's shoulders for the first minute with Conaway able to force a stalemate at the :40 mark. Conaway then rolled through another high shot and forced a scramble with :30 left. He then finished off the takedown and led 4-3 after a short ride out. Conaway chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 5-3 lead. Youtsey shot quickly and Conaway backed out of reach, holding his 5-3 lead at the 1:30 mark. Conaway once again gained control of Youtsey on a low single and steadily worked his way to a takedown with :52 on the clock. Leading 7-3, Conaway controlled the Wolverine until the :20 mark. Continuing with his offense, Conaway tacked on one more takedown to post the strong 9-4 win.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 16 at 133, met sophomore Rossi Bruno. Gulibon stalked the middle of the mat, looking to control the pace during the early going. The Lion freshman connected on a swift low single for a takedown and a 2-0 lead at the 1:23 mark. Gulibon then broke Bruno down and controlled the action from the top position for over a minute, looking for a chance to turn the Wolverine for back points. Gulibon rode Bruno out and led 2-0 after one. Gulibon chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Gulibon deftly countered a Bruno throw attempt, took the Wolverine to his back and with the five-point move led 8-0 at the 1:21 mark. Gulibon was again strong on top building up over 2:00 in riding time and nearly turning him for more back points. Gulibon forced Bruno into a stall warning and carried the 8-0 lead into the third. Bruno chose neutral to start the third but Gulibon was relentless on offense. The Lion freshman forced the temp throughout and nearly notched another takedown with :56 on the clock. With the riding time point clinched, Gulibon worked the middle of the mat for the rest of the period and posted a convincing 9-0 major with 2:48 in riding time.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, faced off with No. 13 Steve Dutton of Michigan. Retherford drew first blood with a low single to takedown at the 1:48 mark. The Nittany Lion freshman then controlled the action from the top position, breaking Dutton down and working up a solid riding time edge while trying to turn the Wolverine junior. Retherford's strong work on top kept Dutton's belly on the mat and the Lion led 2-0 with 1:48 in riding time after one. Retherford chose down to start the second period and steadily worked his way to a text-book reversal and a 4-0 lead with 1:10 on the clock. His work up top forced Dutton into a stall warning with :40 left in the period. Another dominant ride out gave Retherford a 4-0 lead with 2:08 in time. Dutton chose neutral to start the third period and Retherford quickly took him down for a 6-1 lead after cutting him loose. Looking for a major, Retherford pressured the Wolverine and nearly notched the takedown but time ran out. 2:20 in riding time gave the unbeaten Nittany Lion a 7-1 win and put Penn State up 10-0.

149: Junior Andrew Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) met No. 7 Eric Grajales at 149. Alton scored quickly, turning shoulder control into a takedown and a 2-0 lead at the 2:32 mark. Alton nearly turned the Wolverine for two back points but Grajales was able to keep his shoulders off the mat. The Lion junior was undaunted though, controlling Grajales' shoulders and taking him to the mat for a takedown and two near fall points, upping his lead to 6-2 with 1:00 on the clock. Alton appeared to take Grajales down but the move was not counted. Penn State called for a review and the takedown was given, putting Alton up 8-2 with :03 left in the first. Grajales chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to an 8-3 score. Grajales notched his first takedown with :48 left in the period. He worked to turn Alton for back points but the Lion junior was able to keep parallel. Grajales rode Alton out and led 8-5 after two. The third period was a furious display with Grajales taking down and escaping quickly. He took Alton

down twice and picked up a stall point as well. Alton countered with a takedown of his own but Grajales picked up another stall point to tie the bout at 12-12. With just :10 left, Grajales took Alton to his back on the edge of the mat and got the pin at the 6:56 mark.

157: Junior Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 4 at 157, took on No.14 Brian Murphy of Michigan. The duo battled evenly for the opening minute until Alton gained control of Murphy's right ankle. He worked to pull the Wolverine into the center of the mat but could not finish off the takedown and Murphy escaped out of bounds with :50 on the clock. The match moved into the second scoreless and Murphy chose down to start the second. A quick escape gave the Wolverine a 1-0 lead and action resumed in the center circle at the 1:40 mark. Alton and Murphy traded shots for the next minute-plus with neither man breaking through the other's defense. Trailing 1-0, Alton chose down to start the third and quickly escaped to a 1-1 tie. With each wrestler looking for a chance to score, the battle moved into the final minute of the period knotted at 1-1. Alton shot low on Murphy, gaining control of his ankle and forcing a scramble that nearly ended in a takedown. But time ran out and the bout moved into extra time. Each wrestler took slight shots at the :30 mark but neither found their marks and a reset was called with :20 left. With neither man scoring, the bout moved into the first tie-breaker. Alton chose down for the first time breaker and nearly reversed Murphy. But the Wolverine was able to maintain control and rode Alton out. Murphy then took down nearly reversed Alton, but the official waved off the reversal call. Michigan called for a video review and Murphy took an injury timeout. The review was held up, the score stayed 1-1 and Alton chose down at the reset with :08 on the clock. Alton was unable to escape and the bout moved into a second sudden victory period. Alton gained control of Murphy this time and worked the Wolverine to the mat for a takedown just :20 into the second extra minute, posting the 3-1 (sv2) decision.

165: Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), the top-ranked grappler in the nation at 165, met No. 6 Dan Yates. Taylor quickly tripped Yates to the mat at the 2:30 mark, taking the Wolverine senior down to lead 2-0 early. The Lion senior then controlled the Wolverines for :52 before Yates escaped only to be taken down again and Taylor worked up a 1:30 riding time edge. Yates escaped, Taylor took him down a third time and then turned him to his back for three near fall points and a 9-2 lead after one. Yates chose down and Taylor continued to add to over 2:00 in riding time. Taylor dominated the action from the top, turning Yates for two more back points and an 11-2 lead. Taylor added a three-point near fall and led 14-2 with :40 on the clock. The Lion senior added another two point near fall and led 16-2 after two period with a clinched riding time point. Taylor chose down to start the third and quickly escaped to a 17-2 technical fall at the 5:17 mark.

174: Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, faced off with Wolverine junior Collin Zeerip. Brown scored right off the opening whistle, using a low single to take Zeerip down for a 2-1 lead early. He then took Zeerip down a second time to up his lead to 4-1 and built up a solid riding time edge while forcing Zeerip into a first stall warning. Brown cut the Wolverine loose, quickly blew through another takedown and led 6-2 at the 1:02 mark. Brown clinched up a cradle, turned the Wolverine to his back and led 9-2 with :30 on the clock. Brown cut Zeerip loose with :20, immediately turned into him and took him down once more with :08 on the clock. Leading 11-3, Brown chose down to start the second period and steadily worked his way into a reversal and a 13-3 lead with 1:30 on the clock. Brown titled Zeerip for two more back points before cutting him loose to a 15-4 score. The Lion junior continued his offensive prowess, notching another takedown with :15 left, cutting him loose and adding another takedown at the buzzer to lead 19-5 with 2:38 in time. Zeerip chose down to start the third period, was cut loose by Brown and then taken down for a 21-6 technical fall at the 5:35 mark.

184: Senior Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, took on No. 20 Domenic Abounader. Ruth came out quickly, looking for an early takedown and nearly scoring in just seconds. But Abounader was able to step back and keep Ruth from scoring on shot number one. Ruth then connected on shot number two, a swift low double to give him a 2-0 lead with 2:20 on the clock. Ruth cut the Wolverine loose and took him down quickly afterwards to lead 4-1 at the midway point of the opening period. After an Abounader escape, Ruth notched takedown number three and then built his riding time point up over 1:00 with a strong ride. Ruth chose down to start the second period and deftly reversed the young Wolverine to up his lead to 8-2 less than :30 into the middle stanza. He then controlled Abounader's wrist, turned him to his back for three near fall points and led 11-2 with :55 on the clock. The Lion senior worked to lock up a cradle and turned Abounader for three more back points to lead 14-2 after two. Abounader chose down to start the third period. But Ruth was relentless, working wrist control into three more back points and a 17-2 tech fall at the 5:39 mark.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 7 at 197, took on Chris Heald. McIntosh scored first, taking Heald down early and cutting him loose to a 2-1 lead with 1:50 on the clock. The Lion added a second takedown just seconds later and built up :56 in time before Heald escaped to a 4-2 score. McIntosh almost scored again as the period wound down but time ran out and the Lion led 4-2 after one. Heald chose down to start the second period and McIntosh built his riding time up over 1:00. McIntosh dominated the action from the top, turning Heald over for three near fall points and a 7-2 lead with :45 on the clock. McIntosh maintained control for the rest of the period and, while not getting more back points, led 7-2 with 2:56 in time after two. The Lion chose down to start the third and quickly escaped to an 8-2 lead. McIntosh added two more quick takedowns to lead 12- with 1:00 on the clock. Looking for more bonus points, McIntosh took the Wolverine down, cut him loose only to be taken down. McIntosh answered with a reversal and, with 3:23 in riding time, rolled to the 17-7 major.

285: Junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) battled second-ranked Wolverine Adam Coon at 285. The duo battled evenly for a minute with Coon forcing the action early. The second-ranked Wolverine forced Gingrich into a first stall at the 1:42 mark. Neither wrestler was able to find an opening and the bout moved to the second period tied 0-0. Gingrich chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Coon looked to control the action up top and Gingrich tried to connect on high singles, but neither wrestler was able to break free and the Lion held his 1-0 lead at the 1:00 mark. Gingrich got hit for stalling at the :40 mark and the bout was tied 1-1. With the match tied 1-1, Coon chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 2-1 lead. The duo battled evenly for the next minute with Gingrich upping his tempo down the stretch. The Lion junior worked for an opening but Coon's was able to step back out of trouble each time. With :30 on the clock, Gingrich worked a high double, looking to grab a win, but Coon was able to fight off the move and force a stalemate with :05 on the clock. Coon escaped with a tough 2-1 win on the stall point.

#1 PENN STATE 17, #3 MINNESOTA 18

Sunday, Feb. 9, 2014 -- Minneapolis, Minn.

125: #2 Nico Megaludis PSU maj. dec. Jordan Kingsley MINN, 19-5	4-0
133: #8 David Thorn MINN dec. #16 Jimmy Gulibon PSU, 2-0	4-3
141: #2 Zain Retherford PSU dec. #6 Chris Dardanes MINN, 4-0	7-3
149: #3 Nick Dardanes MINN dec. (SV2) Zack Beitz PSU, 6-4 (SV2)	7-6
157: #8 Dylan Ness MINN pinned #4 Dylan Alton PSU, WBF (5:57)	7-12
165: #1 David Taylor PSU maj. dec. Danny Zilverberg MINN, 13-3	11-12
174: #6 Logan Storley MINN dec. #3 Matt Brown PSU, 8-4	11-15
184: #2 Ed Ruth PSU dec. #8 Kevin Steinhaus MINN, 7-1	14-15
197: #5 Morgan McIntosh PSU dec. #1 Scott Schiller MINN, 8-4	17-15
285: #5 Tony Nelson MINN dec. Jon Gingrich PSU, 6-0	17-18

Attendance: 5,603

The Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, under the guidance of head coach Cael Sanderson, was upset 18-17 by No. 3 Minnesota in the Big Ten dual finale for both teams. Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.) took down previously unbeaten and top-ranked Scott Schiller at 197 in the dual's marquee match-up as each team won five bouts with the Gophers winning the dual on bonus points.

All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, opened up the dual with a dominating 19-5 major decision over Jordan Kingsley. Minnesota got on the board next when No. 8 David Thorn posted a hard-fought 2-0 win over No. 16 Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), cutting Penn State's lead to 4-3. True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 nationally, stayed unbeaten by dominating No. 6 Chris Dardanes 4-0 with 2:35 in riding time.

At 149, Zack Beitz nearly upset No. 3 Nick Dardanes, dropping a thrilling 6-4 (SV2) decision. Beitz got called for a contested fleeing call that was upheld upon review in the third period, sending the bout into extra time. Dardanes connected on a takedown with just :04 left in the second sudden victory period to grab the win. Minnesota took the lead at the break when No. 8 Dylan Ness of Minnesota pinned No. 4 Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.) at the 5:57 mark, giving the Gophers a 12-7 lead at the break.

Top-ranked David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio) dominated Danny Zilverberg for a 13-3 major to pull Penn State to within one point, 12-11. Minnesota, however, picked up an upset win at 174 when No. 6 Logan Storley downed No. 3 Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), 8-4. All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, beat No. 8 Kevin Steinhaus 7-1 to bring Penn State back to within a point, 15-14.

McIntosh then dominated previously unbeaten and No. 1-ranked Schiller at 197, notching three takedowns and a reversal to roll to an 8-4 win, putting Penn State up 17-15 with one bout remaining. Junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) battled No. 5 Tony Nelson tough but the defending national champion posted the 5-0 win and sent Penn State to its first dual meet loss of the year, 18-17.

The Nittany Lions 7-1 dual meet record gives Penn State a share of its second Big Ten dual title in the last three years, sharing the crown with at least two other teams. The seven wins also ties a Penn State record for Big Ten dual wins in a season. Penn State owned a 12-6 edge in the takedown battle as well. The five-five dual meet split was broken as Minnesota got three bonus points to Penn State's two.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, took on Minnesota's Jordan Kingsley in the dual's first bout. Megaludis wasted no time getting in on a single leg, gaining control of the Gopher's left leg and steadily working his way to a takedown and a 2-0 lead at the 2:11 mark. Megaludis then cut Kingsley loose and immediately began working for another takedown. He worked his way into control of the left ankle and once again notched the takedown after a brief bit of work in the center circle. Megaludis maintained control long enough to build up over a minute's riding time. He then completed the ride out to lead 4-1 with 1:16 in time after one. Kingsley chose down to start the second and Megaludis cut him loose to a 4-2 score. The Lion junior rolled through a low double to up his lead to 6-3 at the 1:20 mark. He then worked in a sweep single and completed the move for an 8-3 lead at the :54 mark. Megaludis cut him loose once again and used a solid high single to force a scramble, leading to another takedown and a 10-4 lead with :16 on the clock. Leading 10-4 with nearly 2:00 in riding time, Megaludis chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to an 11-4 lead. He tackled on another takedown to up his lead to 13-4 with 1:40 on the clock. With the riding time point clinched, Megaludis cut Kingsley loose once again. He rolled through a low single for another takedown to lead 15-5 with :50 left to wrestle. He turned Kingsley for three back points down the stretch and, with the riding time point, posted the dominating 19-5 major decision.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 16 at 133, met No. 8 David Thorn. Gulibon shot quickly, gaining control of Thorn's right ankle and forcing a mid-mat scramble that ended in a stalemate at the 2:40 mark. Gulibon fought off a solid Thorn shot and the match remained scoreless through the first minute-plus. The Lion freshman fought off another shot, stepping back from a Thorn single leg and action resumed in the center of the mat with 1:00 left, still scoreless. The duo battled evenly and the match moved to the second tied 0-0. Thorn chose down to start the second period and escaped to a 1-0 lead at the 1:43 mark. Gulibon broke free of Thorn's control on a shoulder throw and the bout stayed at 1-0 with 1:00 on the clock. Gulibon got hit for a first stall shortly thereafter. Trailing 1-0, Gulibon chose down to start the third period but could not break free of Thorn's control. Thorn worked up over 1:00 in riding time and then kept control for the remainder of the period, posting the 2-0 decision with 1:43 in riding time.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, met No. 6 Chris Dardanes. Retherford shot quickly, looking to connect on a high double, but Dardanes was able to defend the shot and keep the match scoreless a minute in. The duo wrestled evenly for over two minutes when Retherford used a high single to a scramble for a takedown and a 2-0 lead with :43 on the clock. The Lion freshman then controlled the action for the rest of the period and led 2-0 after one. Retherford chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Retherford continued to force the tempo, taking multiple high shots and forcing the Gopher into defense for the bulk of the second period. Trailing 3-0, Dardanes chose down to start the third period. Retherford controlled the action from the top position again, breaking Retherford down and forcing a stalemate with 1:19 on the clock. With well over a minute of riding time, Retherford continued to control the action from the top, trying to turn the Gopher for back points while clinching the riding time point. Retherford's dominating ride out gave the Nittany Lion a convincing 4-0 with 2:35 in riding time.

149: Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.) took to the mat against No. 3 Nick Dardanes at 149. Beitz wasted no time taking the lead, using a snap low single to take a 2-1 lead just :30 into the bout. Beitz nearly connected on another low shot, but Dardanes was able to flick his foot away and keep things static. Beitz continued to work his offense low while Dardanes looked to control shoulder action. The duo traded shots in the middle of the mat at the :30 mark with neither man connecting and Beitz led 2-1 after one period. Beitz chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-1 lead. Beitz continued to try and connect on low singles while fighting

off Dardanes' collar ties. Action moved out of bounds with Beitz leading 3-1 at the :18 mark and the Lion carried that lead into the third period. Dardanes chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 3-2 score. Beitz fought off a Dardanes shot flurry at the 1:20 mark and held his one point lead into the final minute. Beitz shot Dardanes out of bounds at the :44 mark, still leading by one. Dardanes tried to score on a high double and Beitz escaped the move out of bounds. The official called fleeing, giving Dardanes a point and tying the bout at 3-3 with :26 on the clock. The Penn State bench called for a video review of the call. The call stood and the bout was tied 3-3. Deadlocked, the bout moved into sudden victory. Neither wrestled scored in the extra minute, the bout moved into a tie-breaker. Beitz chose down first. Dardanes maintained control for the :24 seconds but was called for clasped hands, giving Beitz a 4-3 lead on the penalty. With :06 left, Beitz tried to escape on the reset but could not break free. Dardanes chose down for his tie-breaker period and quickly escaped to a 4-4 tie. The bout then moved into a second sudden victory period. Dardanes worked in on a single leg with :18 on the clock and connected on the takedown with :04 left to steal a 6-4 (sv2) win.

157: All-American Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 4 at 157, took on Gopher junior Dylan Ness. Alton looked to connect on a quick single leg but Ness was able to counter the move and work his way around the Lion junior for a takedown and a 2-0 lead of his own. Ness then controlled the action from the top position for over a minute before action moved out of bounds with 1:09 on the clock. Ness maintained control for the remainder of the period and carried a 2-0 lead with over 2:00 in time into the middle stanza. Ness chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. Alton nearly scored on a takedown and Ness fled the mat to avoid the score, similar to Beitz in the prior match. But in this case it was simply called stalling and Alton still trailed 3-0. Alton chose neutral to start the third period and shot quickly but once again, Ness was able to back out of the Lion's control and keep the 3-0 lead. Ness then turned a counter shot into a takedown and the takedown into back points on the edge of the mat. He would eventually pick up the pin and give the Gophers a 12-7 lead at intermission.

165: All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, met Minnesota senior Danny Zilverberg. Taylor pressured the Gopher from the get-go, working the Gopher's left ankle on a single leg and forcing a scramble that Zilverberg countered for a takedown of his own and a 2-0 lead. Zilverberg maintained control for over a minute before Taylor reversed the Gopher to tie the match a 2-2. Taylor rode Zilverberg out and the match moved to the second tied 2-2. Taylor controlled the action from the top position for over a minute, building up over 1:00 in riding time while trying to turn Zilverberg for back points. Taylor turned Zilverberg for three back points and led 5-2 after two periods. Taylor chose down to start the third period and quickly reversed the Gopher to take a 7-2 lead with well over 1:00 in time. Taylor cut Zilverberg loose, took him down and cut him loose again. Leading 9-3, Taylor turned him for three back points and upped his lead to 12-3. Taylor then rode the Gopher out and, with the bonus point, posted the 13-3 major with 2:37 in riding time.

174: All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 3 at 174, took on No. 6 Logan Storley. Storley shot quickly but Brown was able to push back on the shot and keep the bout scoreless early. Brown nearly turned Storley to his back with a front headlock, but Storley rolled through the move and action resumed in the center circle tied 0-0. Brown pressured Storley towards the edge of the mat, working for an opening, but the Gopher was solid on defense, fighting off a late single leg to take the match to the second scoreless. Brown chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Storley countered a Brown shoulder throw attempt, rolled through again and picked up four points on a takedown and two back points. Brown escaped to a 4-2 score with :30 on the clock. Brown once again nearly scored at the buzzer but time ran out and the Lion trailed 4-2 after two. Storley chose down to start the third and Brown cut him loose to a 5-2 lead. Storley countered a Brown high double and took Brown down again, taking a 7-2 lead. Brown picked up a point on a second Storley stall, cutting the lead to 7-3 with :35 on the clock. He escaped to a 7-4 score with :25 left but Storley would walk away with the 8-4 win.

184: All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, met No. 8 Kevin Steinhaus. Ruth looked to score early, trying to connect on a high single, but Steinhaus was able to step out of trouble and the bout moved on scoreless. Ruth countered a Steinhaus shot for his own takedown and a 2-0 lead at the 1:30 mark. The Lion senior then looked to lock up a cradle but could not finish off the move. Steinhaus escaped to a 2-1 score and action resumed in the center of the mat. Ruth picked up another point on an illegal hold and led 3-1 with heading into the second period with :54 in riding time. Steinhaus chose down to start the second period and Ruth controlled the action, looking for another cradle. Steinhaus was able to fight off Ruth's cradles but the Lion worked up well over 2:00 in riding time with a dominant ride out. Leading 3-1 with nearly 3:00 in time, Ruth chose down to start the third period. Ruth could not break free of a Steinhaus ride for over a minute, then escaped to a 4-1 lead with :30 on the clock. The escape would lead to a late Ruth takedown and the Lion would roll to a 7-1 win with 1:27 in riding time.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 5 at 197, took on unbeaten and No. 1-ranked Scott Schiller. The talented duo battled evenly in the middle of the mat for the first three minutes, trading collar ties with neither man finding an opening to score. Schiller chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. McIntosh then shot, forcing a scramble that nearly ended with each man getting a takedown. After :30, McIntosh finished off the move for a takedown and a 2-1 lead. Schiller escaped quickly to a 2-2 tie with 1:05 on the clock. McIntosh countered a Schiller shot, locking up the Gopher's head, working it into a single leg but running out of time for the takedown. Tied 2-2, McIntosh chose down to start the third and deftly reversed the Gopher for a 4-2 lead with 1:40 on the clock. McIntosh shot low again, gaining control of the Gopher's ankle and working his way to another takedown and a 6-3 lead. Schiller escaped to a 6-4 score and McIntosh once again got in on a low single. He rolled through the shot, finished off the takedown and led 8-4 with :15 on the clock. The outstanding win put Penn State up 17-15 with one bout left.

285: Junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) battled No. 5 Tony Nelson at 285. The duo battled evenly for the first half of the opening period, with each man trading collar ties but no one finding an offensive opening. Nelson looked to score on a double, but Gingrich muscled his way out of trouble and kept the bout scoreless at the :20 mark. Tied 0-0 after one, Nelson chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Nelson then connected on a high double leg to take a 3-0 lead with 1:30 on the clock. Gingrich was unable to break free of a strong Nelson ride and carried that lead with 1:25 in riding time into the third period. Gingrich chose neutral to start the third period and quickly got in on a low double. But Nelson was able to force a stalemate at the 1:29 mark, maintaining his 3-0 lead. Gingrich continued to shoot but Nelson was able to fight off each move, working down the clock to the :57 mark while forcing another stalemate. With Nelson able to defend each Gingrich shot, Nelson posted the 4-0 win a

#1 PENN STATE 23, #5 OKLAHOMA STATE 12

Sunday, Feb. 16, 2014 -- Rec Hall -- University Park, Pa.

125: #2 Nico Megaludis PSU dec. #13 Eddie Klimara OKST, 11-7	3-0
133: #4 Jon Morrison OKST dec. #16 Jimmy Gulibon PSU, 2-0	3-3
141: #2 Zain Retherford PSU dec. #19 Anthony Collica OKST, 2-0	6-3
149: #9 Josh Kindig OKST dec. #17 Zack Beitz PSU, 5-3	6-6
157: #3 Alex Dieringer OKST dec. #6 Dylan Alton PSU, 6-4	6-9
165: #1 David Taylor PSU dec. #5 Tyler Caldwell OKST, 5-2	9-9
174: #2 Chris Perry OKST dec. (TB2) #4 Matt Brown PSU, 4-3 (TB2)	9-12
184: #2 Ed Ruth PSU pinned Nolan Boyd OKST, WBF (5:41)	15-12
197: #3 Morgan McIntosh PSU maj. dec. Kyle Crutchmer OKST, 16-2	19-12
285: Jon Gingrich PSU maj. dec. Ethan Driver OKST, 14-5	23-12

Attendance: 6,571 (18th straight home sell out)

The No. 1-ranked Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team won six of ten bouts in front of a raucous Rec Hall crowd to grab a convincing win over No. 5 Oklahoma State. Over 6,500 fans, the 18th-straight home sell-out, cheered as Penn State rolled to a 23-12 victory in a national showcase non-conference dual.

Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 nationally at 125, got Penn State off to a hot start once again with a thrilling 11-7 win over No. 13 Eddie Klimara. The Cowboys were able to tie the dual when No. 4 Jon Morrison grabbed a hard-fought 2-0 win over sophomore Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 16, at 133.

At 141, true freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.) put Penn State back on top with a win over No. 19 Anthony Collica. Ranked No. 2 nationally, Retherford was just too strong in the second period, using a full ride out and a third period escape to roll to a 2-0 win with 1:50 in riding time. Oklahoma State would win the next two bouts, however, to take a lead into halftime. The Cowboys tied things when No. 9 Josh Kindig posted a tough 5-3 win over red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.), ranked No. 17, at 149. Oklahoma State took a 9-6 lead into halftime off No. 3 Alex Dieringer's 6-4 win at 157 over junior Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 6.

Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), unbeaten and ranked No. 1 at 165, posted a hard-fought 5-2 win over No. 5 Tyler Caldwell to tie the dual at 9-9. In a rematch of last year's NCAA title bout at 174, No. 4 Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah) nearly gained revenge on No. 2 Chris Perry. But a scramble on the edge of the mat that had Brown nearly pinning Perry ended as a Perry takedown and the defending NCAA champion would escape with a 4-3 (TB2) win.

Senior Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, put Penn State on top for good, however, sending the Rec Hall faithful to their feet with a pin over Nolan Boyd at the 6:41 mark. The fall put the Lions up 15-12. Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 3 at 197, then iced the dual meet with a dominating 16-2 major, giving the Lions a 19-12 lead. In the dual's final match-up, junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) capped off three straight dual-ending wins with a strong 14-5 major over Cowboy Ethan Driver, giving Penn State the 23-12 final victory.

Penn State dominated the takedown battle, posting a 20-7 advantage. The final attendance of 6,571 was the largest Rec Hall crowd of the year for Penn State and was the 18th-straight home sellout.

BOUT-BY-BOUT:

125: All-American Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 nationally at 125, took on Oklahoma State's Eddie Klimara, ranked No. 13. Megaludis fought off an early Klimara score attempt as the Cowboy gained control of Megaludis' arm and shoulders and tried to work his way around for an early takedown. But the Lion junior forced a reset with 2:00 on the clock still tied 0-0. Klimara connected on his second shot, taking Megaludis down on the edge of the mat for a 2-1 lead after a quick Megaludis escape. The Lion then gained control of Klimara's left ankle on the outside circle and began scrambling for his own takedown. But Klimara countered the move and took a 4-1 lead after one period. Klimara chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 5-1 lead. Megaludis then got in on a low single with 1:10 on the clock, connected, and cut the lead to 5-3. Megaludis let Klimara loose and quickly took him down again to cut the lead to 7-5. The Lion then tied the bout with a third second-period takedown with :30 on the clock. A short ride out sent the bout to the third tied 7-7. Megaludis chose down to start the third and quickly escaped to an 8-7 lead. The Lion forced Klimara into a first stall warning then got in on a high single leg on the edge of the mat. Megaludis then worked his right arm into control of Klimara's right ankle and took a 10-7 lead with :52 left to wrestle. Megaludis was able to ride Klimara for the full minute, breaking the Cowboy down and rolling to an 11-7 decision.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 16 at 133, met No. 4 Jon Morrison in a rematch of this year's Southern Scuffle title bout (won by Morrison). The duo battled evenly for a minute plus before Morrison connected on a high double to take a 2-0 lead. The fourth-ranked Cowboy was able to control the action for the rest of the period, with Gulibon unable to kick free of Morrison's ankle control. Leading 2-0, Morrison chose down to start the second period and Gulibon was able to control the action himself, working the riding time down below a minute. Not content at that, Gulibon put together a strong ride, controlling Morrison for the remainder of the period with a strong 2:00 ride. Trailing 2-0 with riding time not a factor, Gulibon chose neutral to start the third. Gulibon upped the tempo, forcing Morrison to the outside circle for the first half of the final stanza. The Lion freshman could not break through the senior's defense. Morrison got hit with a first stall at :10 but the bout ended with the Cowboy on defense, grabbing a tough 2-0 win.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, battled No. 19 Anthony Collica. Retherford was steady early on, controlling the action on his feet and forcing the Cowboy to the outside circle. The young Lion could not break down Collica's strong defense and the bout moved into the second stanza tied 0-0. Collica chose down to start the second period, giving Retherford a chance to work his strong ride. The Lion freshman was able to withstand a quick Collica start on a second reset and maintained control for well over minute, wrapping up Collica on his lower body and forcing the Cowboy to the mat. With Collica working hard to escape by getting to his feet, Retherford was able to break him down and notch the 2:00 ride out. Retherford chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead in just :10. Retherford then connected on a low single and forced a scramble on the edge of the mat. The Lion could not finish the move off before action moved out of bounds and a reset entailed with :48 left to wrestle. Retherford deftly stepped back from a Collica shot and forced a scramble that killed clock. The Lion remained unbeaten with a strong 2-0 win, including 1:50 in riding time.

149: Red-shirt freshman Zack Beitz (Mifflintown, Pa.), ranked No. 17 at 149, took on No. 9 Josh Kindig. Beitz was the early aggressor, forcing Kindig back towards the outside circle for over 2:00. The duo battled for the full three minutes and action moved to the second stanza tied 0-0. Beitz chose down to start the second and quickly escaped to a 1-0 lead. Kindig countered with a low single and a takedown and the bout was tied 2-2 after Beitz escaped with 1:10 left to wrestle. The match moved to the third period tied and Kindig chose down to start the final period. The Cowboy quickly escaped and took a 3-2 lead with 1:40 on the clock. Beitz's offense forced Kindig into a first stall with 1:20 left. The Lion junior continued to pressure the Cowboy, forcing him backwards. Kindig countered a low Beitz shot and took a 5-2 lead with :46 left to wrestle. Beitz escaped to a 5-3 score with

:35 left and the connected on a low single. But Kindig was able kick away and preserve the hard fought 5-3 win.

157: All-American Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 6 at 157, met No. 3 Alex Dieringer. Alton blew out of the gates fast, working a high double into an eventual takedown and a 2-1 lead early after a quick Dieringer escape. Dieringer gained control of Alton's waste and took him with down and to his back for a four-point move off a takedown and two near fall points. Alton quickly escaped to a 5-3 score with 1:00 on the clock and action resumed on their feet in the center circle. Leading 5-3, Dieringer chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 6-3 lead. Alton shot low but Dieringer was able to step out of trouble each time and hold onto the 6-3 score down to the :40 mark. Dieringer shot off a reset and looked to score but Alton forced a quick stalemate and the bout moved into the third period with Dieringer up 6-3. Alton chose down to start the third period and Alton quickly escaped to a 6-4 score. Alton fought off a swift Dieringer shot and kept the bout close with 1:19 on the clock. After a break for blood time, the duo returned to the center of the mat with Alton shooting low, Dieringer looking to counter, and neither wrestler breaking through. Alton's offense forced Dieringer into a stall warning but time ran out and Dieringer posted the 6-4 win, putting Oklahoma State up 9-6 at the break.

165: All-American David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, took on Cowboy Tyler Caldwell, who was ranked No. 5. Taylor and Caldwell, who met in the finals of the Southern Scuffle (a Taylor win), battled evenly for nearly two minutes. Taylor then connected on a single and worked his way into control for a takedown and 2-0 lead with :50 left in the opening period. Taylor then controlled the action from the top and rode Caldwell out, nearly turning him for back points in the process. Trailing 2-0, Caldwell chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 2-1 score. Caldwell shot low and Taylor deftly countered for another takedown and 4-1 lead with 1:00 on the clock. Taylor continued to try and turn Caldwell, building up 1:21 in riding time before cutting him loose to a 4-2 lead. Leading 4-2, Taylor chose down to start the third period. Caldwell was able to maintain control long enough to kill the riding time edge. Taylor picked up another point on an illegal hold call and led 5-2 with :45 left to wrestle. Caldwell continued to control the action from the top, trying to turn Taylor. But the Lion senior fought off every effort and walked away with a 5-2 win.

174: All-American Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 4 at 174, met No. 2 Chris Perry in a rematch of last year's NCAA title bout. Brown shot low on Perry, appearing to take him down right out of the gates. Brown did not get the call and the scramble worked its way to the outside circle where Perry countered and looked for his own takedown. Brown adjusted his weight and nearly had Perry pinned in front of the Oklahoma State bench. But no fall was called and Perry was given a takedown as action moved out of bounds. Trailing 2-0, Brown eventually worked his way to an escape, cutting the lead to 2-1 with :50 on the clock. The Lion junior then upped his offensive pressure, forcing Perry into defense with a swiftly flurry of shots. Perry was able to back out of trouble for the rest of the period and led by one after one. Brown chose down to start the second period and Perry was hit with a second caution on the start. Brown escaped to a 2-2 tie with 1:36 to wrestle but Perry had 1:12 in riding time. Brown continued to set the tempo and Perry continued to play the outside circle with the score tied at the 1:00 mark. Brown took a 3-2 lead when Perry was hit for a second stall at the :30 mark and carried that lead into the final period. Perry chose down to start the third period and Brown maintained control long enough to kill the riding time edge and then cut him loose to a 3-3 tie. Brown continued to shoot and Perry continued to look for offense on counters as the clock ticked down below :30. Tied 3-3, the bout moved into a first sudden victory period. Brown pressed Perry and Perry continued to counter but neither wrestler connected and the match moved into a tie-breaker. Perry was down first and Brown was able to work his way into control of the Cowboy, keeping him down and killing the first :30. Brown then chose down and could not work his way to an escape, moving the bout into a second sudden victory. Brown fought solid Perry shot and nearly scored on his own low single but the match moved to a second tie-breaker still tied 3-3. Brown chose down to start this tie-breaker. At a reset with :13, Brown was unable to break free and Perry had down for his shot at the second tie-breaker. Perry quickly escaped to a 4-3 lead. Brown got in on a low single and nearly grabbed the win but Perry fought off the move and escaped with the thrilling 4-3 (TB2) win.

184: All-American Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, faced off against Cowboy Nolan Boyd. Ruth scored quickly, taking a 2-0 lead. He then wrapped up a cradle and nearly took the Cowboy to his back but Boyd was able to fight off the move and escaped to a 2-1 Ruth lead. Ruth scored quickly again, using a high single off a reset to take a 4-1 lead with 1:20 on the clock. He then began working on another cradle but Boyd once again stood firm and Ruth led 4-2 with :30 left. Ruth quickly picked up a third takedown and then used a cradle to turn Boyd for two back points and an 8-2 lead at the buzzer. Trailing by six, Boyd chose down to start the second period but Ruth was too strong. He built his riding time up over 2:00 while looking for another turning combination. The Lion senior nearly connected on another cradle but Boyd was able to keep flat and escaped to an 8-3 Ruth lead with :30 on the clock. Ruth used a quick low counter with just :08 left to lead 10-4 heading into the third. Ruth chose down to start the third period and deftly reversed the Cowboy to up his lead to 12-4. He eventually locked up the cradle and sent the Rec Hall faithful to their feet with a pin at the 5:41 mark, putting the Nittany Lions up 15-12.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 3 at 197, took on Oklahoma State's Kyle Crutchmer. McIntosh scored quickly, taking Crutchmer down for a 2-1 lead in the first :30. McIntosh's offense forced Crutchmer into a first stall warning at the 1:00 mark. The Lion sophomore continued to shoot while Crutchmer looked to counter. McIntosh picked up a point on another Crutchmer stall and led 3-1 after one period. McIntosh chose down to start the second and nearly notched a reversal. The escape gave the Lion a 4-1 lead and he continued to force Crutchmer back on his heels. McIntosh connected on a nice high double leg, taking a 6-1 lead with 1:25 on the clock. He then turned the Cowboy for back points, reset himself and nearly got the point. Crutchmer fought off his back but McIntosh's offense gave him an 8-1 lead. The Lion then worked Crutchmer over once more, picking up three more back points to lead 12-1 after two. Crutchmer chose down to start the third and quickly escaped to a 12-2 score. McIntosh continued to force Crutchmer backwards, looking for an opening to walk through and up his lead. McIntosh picked up another point on

285: Junior Jon Gingrich (Wingate, Pa.) met Ethan Driver at 285. Gingrich exploded out of the gates for a takedown and a 2-0 lead just :20 into the bout. The Lion junior controlled the action from the top position, building up 1:21 in riding time before Driver escaped to a 2-1 score. Driver shot low on Gingrich but the Lion junior quickly countered the shot, worked his way behind the Cowboy and took a 4-1 lead with a takedown of his own. Trailing 4-1, Driver chose down to start the second and escaped to a 4-2 score with 1:20 left. Gingrich built up a 2:27 riding time edge in the process. Gingrich added a third takedown and led 6-3 with :40 left, cutting Driver loose and looking for another chance to add to his lead. The Lion junior bulled through a low double to carry an 8-3 lead with 2:55 in time into the third. Gingrich chose down, quickly escaped and took Driver down again to lead 11-3. The Lion, with a clinched riding time point, then tacked on one more takedown and posted the strong 14-5 major with 3:06 riding time.

#1 PENN STATE 43, CLARION 3 Sunday, Feb. 23, 2014 -- Rec Hall -- University Park, Pa.

125: #2 Nico Megaludis PSU tech fall Hunter Jones CUP, 21-5 (TF; 5:00)	5-0
133: #15 Jimmy Gulibon PSU tech fall Victor Lepari CUP, 16-0 (TF; 3:00)	10-0
141: #2 Zain Retherford PSU dec. Tyler Bedelyon CUP, 8-4	13-0
149: James English PSU dec. Justin Arthur CUP, 7-2	16-0
157: #6 Dylan Alton PSU dec. Austin Matthews CUP, 12-6	19-0
165: #1 David Taylor PSU pinned Michael Pavasko CUP, WBF (0:11)	25-0
174: #4 Matt Brown PSU pinned Ryan Darch CUP, WBF (2:50)	31-0
184: #2 Ed Ruth PSU pinned Dustin Conti CUP, WBF (1:05)	37-0
197: #3 Morgan McIntosh PSU pinned Danny Sutherland CUP, WBF (3:11)	43-0
285: Evan Daley CUP dec. #12 Jimmy Lawson PSU, 7-6	43-3
Attendance: 6,483 (19th straight home sell out)	

The No. 1-ranked Penn State Nittany Lion wrestling team, under the direction of head coach Cael Sanderson, saw a Rec Hall era come to a close on Sunday during its convincing win over visiting Clarion. Nearly 6,500 fans, the 19th-straight home sell-out at PSU, watched Penn State roll to a 43-3 win in the final home dual meet for a very special senior class.

A duo of national champions, Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.) and David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), as well as senior James English (York, Pa.) wrestled in the final home dual meets of their careers. All three came away victorious with Taylor and Ruth thrilling the capacity crowd with blazingly fast first period falls.

The dual began at 125, where junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 nationally, posted a dominating 21-6 technical fall over Clarion's Hunter Jones, getting the tech at the 5:00 mark. Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 133, matched Megaludis with a takedown of his own, rolling to a 16-0 first period takedown (3:00) over Clarion's Victor Lepari.

True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 nationally at 141, posted a strong 8-4 win over Clarion senior Tyler Bedelyon to put the Loins up 13-0. Senior James English (York, Pa.) made his Rec Hall farewell in fine fashion, posting a 7-2 decision over talented Clarion freshman Justin Arthur. At 157, junior Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 6 in the nation, closed out a perfect Penn State opening half with a 12-6 win over another talented Clarion rookie. The victory gave Penn State a 19-0 lead heading into intermission.

After the break, the sold out Rec Hall crowd rose to its feet as Taylor took center stage in Rec Hall for the final time. Taylor, ranked No. 1 at 165, gave the fans exactly what they wanted, posting the second fastest pin in Penn State history. Taylor caught Clarion's Michael Pavasko in just seconds, took him to the mat and flattened his shoulders for a pin in just 0:11. Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 4 at 174, was equally impressive, notching a first period pin of his own, getting the fall over Clarion's Ryan Darch at the 2:50 mark.

Following Brown's pin at 174, it was time for Ruth to receive a standing ovation from nearly 6,500 fans in sold out Rec Hall as he hit the mat in Rec Hall for the last time. Ruth, ranked No. 2 at 184, also went out in a blaze of glory with a first period pin. The Lion senior used his textbook cradle to lock up Clarion's Dustin Conti, adjust once and then flatten the Eagle for the fall at the 1:05 mark.

Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 3 at 197, made it four straight pins for Penn State, notching a second period pin at the 3:11 mark to put Penn State up 43-0. Clarion avoided the shut-out at 285, however, Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at 285, got the nod at heavyweight for the first time since an injury sidelined the Lion on Jan. 19. Lawson mounted a late comeback but riding time would be the difference as Evan Daley posted the 7-6 upset victory with 1:57 in time, making the final 43-3 in Penn State's favor.

Taylor moves to 26-0 on the year with 12 pins, seven tech falls and six majors. His 49 career pins is second all-time at Penn State, four shy of the all-time record of 63. The 0:11 fall was the second fastest in Penn State history (Dylan Alton had an 0:08 pin last year). Taylor is 126-3, sixth in wins at Penn State, with 49 pins, 41 techs and 28 majors. He ends his career with 63 dual meet victories, a perfect 63-0 record, third all-time at Penn State win dual wins.

Ruth is now 25-1 with ten pins, eight tech falls and six majors. His 45 career pins is third all-time at Penn State. Ruth is now 127-3 all-time, fifth on Penn State's all-time wins list. He has 45 pins, 24 tech falls and 29 majors during his Lion career. He leaves Penn State with a perfect 55-0 dual meet record, eighth all-time in school history.

Megaludis improves to 23-2 with a pin, five techs and nine majors; Retherford is still perfect on the year with a 26-0 mark, including four pins, two techs and seven majors; Alton is 16-2 with three pins and a major; Brown is 24-3 with seven pins, four techs and eight majors; and McIntosh is 25-2 with five pins and 11 majors.

Penn State won the takedown battle by a 24-4 margin. This was the second time this year Penn State had four pins in a dual (Michigan State). Sanderson's Lions close out the dual meet season with a 15-1 overall record and won their second Big Ten dual meet title (co-) with a 7-1 conference ledger. Clarion is now 9-15 overall. Penn State's 15 dual meet wins is the second most since 1998 when Penn State won 18 (The Lions went 17-1 in 2010-11). The sell-out crowd of 6,483 is the 19th-straight home sellout for Penn State.

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125: Junior Nico Megaludis (Murrysville, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 125, took on Clarion freshman Hunter Jones. Megaludis quickly took control of Jones' shoulders but the Eagle was able to fight off the move and keep the bout scoreless in the early going. The Nittany Lion used a swift duck under to work his way to a takedown at the 1:40 mark. He quickly tacked on three more takedowns and led 8-3 with :50 on the clock. Megaludis controlled the action from the top for the rest of the period, tacking on three near fall points in the process, to lead 11-3 after one. Megaludis chose down to start the second period, quickly escaped and then took Jones down for a 14-4 lead after cutting the Eagle loose. He tacked on another takedown and cut to lead 16-5 and added one more takedown with :38 left, upping his lead to 18-5. Megaludis then turned Jones one more time for three back points and rode him out for the 21-5 tech fall at the 5:00 mark.

133: Red-shirt freshman Jimmy Gulibon (Latrobe, Pa.), ranked No. 15 at 133, met Golden Eagle Victor Lepari. Gulibon scored right out of the gates to take a 2-0 lead. He then dominated action from the top position, working for a turning combination. He turned Lepari for two back points and led by four at the opening period's midway point. Gulibon reset, turned Lepari for three back points, reset again, and tacked on three more near fall points to lead 10-0 at the :40 mark. The Lion freshman added two more three point tilts, rode Lepari out and posted the 16-0 tech fall at the 3:00 mark, putting Penn State up 10-0 early.

141: True freshman Zain Retherford (Benton, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 141, took on Clarion senior Tyler Bedelyon. The veteran Eagle shot quickly, gaining control of Retherford's ankle, working for an opening takedown. Bedelyon worked his way to the takedown only to quickly be reversed by Retherford, tying the score at 2-2 with 2:30 on the clock. Retherford then began to work on top, building up over 2:00 of riding time as he flattened the Eagle out.

Retherford nearly turned Bedelyon for back points but the Clarion grappler fought off the move to keep the bout tied after one period. Bedelyon chose down to start the second period and worked his way into a low single leg. But Retherford was able to muscle through the shot and force a stalemate with :54 on the clock. The duo battled evenly for the rest of the period and the bout moved to the third tied at 2-2, with Retherford owning 2:22 in riding time. Retherford chose down to start the third period and quickly escaped to a 3-2 lead. He then exploded into a low single, working through a scramble into a takedown and a 5-2 lead with 1:16 on the clock. Retherford cut Bedelyon loose, quickly worked a high double into a takedown and led 7-3 with :50 on the clock. Retherford cut the Eagle loose again but could not notch a final takedown. The strong third period, with 2:36 in time, gave Retherford the 8-4 win.

149: James English (York, Pa.) got the nod at 149 in his final dual meet as a Nittany Lion and took on Clarion freshman Justin Arthur. English scored first, using a fast low single to gain control of Arthur's ankle, working his way to a takedown and a 2-0 lead with 1:46 on the clock. The Lion senior then controlled the action from the top, building up a 1:46 time advantage with a strong ride out. English chose down to start the second stanza and quickly escaped to a 3-0 lead. He then fought off an Arthur low single leg, forcing a stalemate with 1:20 on the clock. Arthur got in on a high single, forcing another scramble, but English was tough on defense once again, killing the clock before any takedown was called. Arthur chose down to start the third period and quickly reversed the Lion to cut English's lead to 3-2. English forced a stalemate at the :56 mark, still on the bottom. He scrambled for a near reversal, but the Eagle was able to maintain control. Arthur then cut English loose on a reset, only to watch the Lion quickly take him down to open up a 6-2 lead. A ride out and 1:28 in riding time gave the Nittany Lion senior a strong 7-2 win.

157: Junior Dylan Alton (Mill Hall, Pa.), ranked No. 6 at 157, faced Clarion's Austin Matthews. Alton nearly locked Matthews up for a throw early. But the Eagle fought off the attempt to keep things scoreless early. Alton turned in on a quick single, taking the Eagle down for a takedown and an early 2-1 lead. He added a second takedown to lead 4-1 with 1:45 on the clock. Matthews escaped to a 4-2 score with 1:20 left in the opening period, but Alton's offensive pressure was too much as the Lion junior caught the Eagle for a four-point move, getting the takedown and two near fall points to lead 8-2 after one period. Matthews chose down to start the second period and worked his way to an escape and an 8-3 score, but not before Alton built up 1:39 in riding time. Leading 8-3, Alton chose down to start the third period. He deftly worked his way around Matthews for a reversal and a 10-3 lead with 1:40 on the clock. Matthews escaped to a 10-4 scored with 1:20 left. Alton forced a scramble that ended in a stalemate with :51 left and action resumed in the center circle. Matthews countered a slight Alton shot and notched takedown to cut the lead to 11-6. But Alton escaped and quickly got in on a shot that killed the clock. 1:49 in riding time gave Alton a 12-6 win and put Penn State up 19-0 at the break.

165: Senior David Taylor (St. Paris, Ohio), ranked No. 1 at 165, bid adieu to Rec Hall by battling Clarion's Michael Pavasko. Walking off the stage in stunning and quick fashion, Taylor gained control of Pavasko's shoulder, quickly took the Eagle to the mat and turned his shoulders flat for a blistering pin in just 0:11. The fall is the second fastest in Penn State history and sent the Rec Hall faithful to their feet.

174: Junior Matt Brown (West Valley City, Utah), ranked No. 4 at 174, faced off against Clarion freshman Ryan Darch. Brown took a quick 2-1 lead with a fast takedown and cut. He then took Darch down again, this time nearly picking up the pin in the last :30. But Darch was able to roll out of trouble. Undaunted, Brown got in on another low single, forced a scramble and, with his back to Darch, used his strength to flatten the Eagle's shoulders out and get the first period pin at the 2:50 mark, putting Penn State up 31-0.

184: Senior Ed Ruth (Harrisburg, Pa.), ranked No. 2 at 184, took on Clarion's Dustin Conti in the final Rec Hall dual meet of his career. Ruth, like Taylor, would walk off the Rec Hall mat for the last time in glory. Catching Conti in a quick cradle, the Nittany Lion senior steadily worked the Eagle's shoulders to the mat. After a brief adjustment, the talented Nittany Lion picked up the pin at the 1:05 mark, eliciting a deafening roar from the sold out Rec Hall crowd.

197: Sophomore Morgan McIntosh (Santa Ana, Calif.), ranked No. 3 at 197, met Danny Sutherland. McIntosh scored early, using a low single to take Sutherland down and lead 2-1 in the opening :30. The Lion was relentless, tacking on two more quick takedowns to lead 6-3 with 1:26 on the clock. After a reset, the third-ranked Nittany Lion picked up a fourth takedown with :30 on the clock and then turned Conti for three back points to lead 11-3 after one period. Conti chose down to start the second period and McIntosh made him pay for the decision. He lifted the Eagle off the mat, turned him mid-air and brought him down flat in just eleven seconds, picking up the fall, Penn State's fourth straight, at the 3:11 mark.

285: Junior Jimmy Lawson (Tom's River, N.J.), ranked No. 12 at 285, took to the mat for the first time since a Jan. 19 injury and faced Clarion's Evan Daley. Daley looked to score early, shooting low on Lawson and working his way to a 2-0 lead with 2:07 on the clock. Lawson quickly reversed the Eagle and, after a Daley escaped, trailed 3-2 with 1:20 left. The duo battled evenly for the remainder of the period and Lawson trailed by one after one. Daley chose down to start the second period and quickly escaped to a 4-2 lead. Lawson and Daley traded shoulder control for the next minute with neither man gaining control of the action. Daley turned his efforts into a low single and a takedown to lead 6-2 with :30 on the clock. The Lion junior rolled his way to an escape and a 6-3 score after two period. Lawson chose down to start the third period but could not work his way free of a strong Daley ride. The Clarion big man controlled the action from the top, building up over 1:00 in riding time and then clinching the point before Lawson escaped to a 6-4 score with just :25 on the clock. Showing spark in the waning seconds, Lawson quickly blew through a low double to tie the bout at 6-6 with :05 left, but Daley's 1:57 in riding time was the difference. The Eagle notched a 7-6 win and prevented the shut-out with Penn State winning 43-3.