



2021-22 SUN DEVIL WRESTLING MEDIA NOTES



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#3 ASU at Journeymen National Duals

Dates: Dec. 20-21

Time: All Day

Location: Northwest Florida State College | Niceville, Florida

TV: Rokfin

Live Results: Tournaflex

Blue Pool:

#2 Penn State (Big Ten)
#3 Arizona State (Pac 12)
#7 Virginia Tech (ACC)
#9 Cornell (EIWA)
#22 UNI (Big 12)
Hofstra (EIWA)

Red Pool:

#1 Iowa (Big Ten)
#6 NC State (ACC)
#10 Missouri (Big 12)
Central Michigan (MAC)
Lehigh (EIWA)
Binghamton (EIWA)

One of the hottest tickets on the schedule is finally here - The Journeymen Wrestling Collegiate Wrestling Duals. No. 3 Arizona State is one of eight top-25 teams heading to the campus of Northwest Florida State College for the two-day tournament. Competition runs Dec. 20-21 in a two-pool tournament series that'll see ASU lineup against No. 2 Penn State, No. 7 Virginia Tech, No. 9 Cornell, No. 22 UNI and Hofstra, with the Sun Devils opening their tournament Monday against Hofstra at 11 a.m. MST/noon CT before taking on the Hokies at 1 p.m. MST/2 p.m. CT. The National Duals are split into red and blue pools with no crossover possibilities. Both pools open the tournament with simultaneous competition running all day Monday on two separate mats. Medal rounds then begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday with each pools' 5th/6th place matches, followed by 3rd/4th place matches at 3 p.m., the red pool championship dual at 5 p.m. and the blue pool championship dual at 7 p.m.

ASU is 1-0 in the lone duals its wrestled in so far, a 22-12 home-opening victory over No. 17 Oklahoma on Nov. 19. A crowd of 2,228 saw the Sun Devils earn two major decision wins and register 21 takedowns to Oklahoma's eight in the first dual of the 2021-22 season. The Sun Devils went 7-for-10, taking the first 6 matches and beating four top-25 wrestlers.

2021-22 Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Nov. 5	M&G Scrimmage	Tempe, AZ	6:00 p.m.
Nov. 14	Mountaineer Open	Boonce, NC	8 titles
Nov. 19	Oklahoma	Tempe, AZ	W, 22-12
Nov. 28	Cowboy Open	Laramie, WY	5 titles
Dec. 20-21	National Duals	Niceville, Fla.	All Day
Jan. 3	Michigan	Austin, Texas	TBD
Jan. 9	Iowa State	Tempe, AZ	7:00 p.m.
Jan. 14	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh, PA	7:00 p.m.
Jan. 16	Princeton	Princeton, NJ	Noon
Jan. 21	Cal Poly*	San Luis Obispo, CA	TBD
Jan. 23	CSU Bakersfield*	Bakersfield, CA	TBD
Jan. 30	Oregon State*	Tempe, AZ	2:00 p.m.
Feb. 4	Stanford*	Tempe, AZ	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 6	Little Rock*	Little Rock, AR	Noon
Feb. 12	Missouri	Tempe, AZ	6:00 p.m.
Feb. 19	Lehigh	Tempe, AZ	Noon
March 6	Pac-12 Championships		

*Pac-12 Conference match

* All times Local

Bold = Home

Quick Facts

University Name.....	Arizona State University
Location.....	Tempe, Ariz.
Enrollment.....	103,000
Nickname	Sun Devils
Colors	Maroon & Gold
Conference.....	Pac-12 Conference
President.....	Dr. Michael Crow
Vice President for University Athletics.....	Ray Anderson
Arena.....	Desert Financial Arena
Website	TheSunDevils.com
Head Coach.....	Zeke Jones (year 8)
Director of Operations.....	Todd Ford
Athletic Trainer	Jess Battilochi
Wrestling Contact.....	Will Edmonds, wkedmond@asu.edu

Sun Devils' Projected Starters

125 133 141 149 157 165 174 184 197 HWT

No. 3	No. 14	No. 15	No. 5	No. 3	No. 6		No. 8	No. 3
Brandon	Michael	Jesse	Kyle	Jacori	Anthony	Zane	Josh	Kordell
Courtney	McGee	Vasquez	Parco	Teemer	Valencia	Coleman	Nummer	Norfleet
								Schultz

InterMat rankings Dec. 14

FloWrestling Rankings (12/13)

125 Courtney 4th
 133 McGee 11th
 141 Vasquez 16th
 149 Parco 5th
 157 Teemer 4th
 165 Valencia 9th
 197 Norfleet 9th
 HWT .Schultz 3rd

InterMat Rankings (12/14)

125 Courtney 3rd
 133 McGee 14th
 141 Vasquez 15th
 149 Parco 5th
 157 Teemer 3rd
 165 Valencia 6th
 197 Norfleet 8th
 HWT .Schultz 3rd

NCWA Rankings (12/14)

1. Iowa
 2. Penn State
 3. Michigan
 4. Oklahoma State
 5. NC State
 6. Arizona State
 7. Ohio State
 8. Virginia Tech
 9. Nebraska
 10. Missouri

FloWrestling Rankings (12/13)

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 2. Iowa
 3. Michigan
 4. Oklahoma State
 5. Arizona State
 6. NC State
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 T-7. Cornell
 9. Nebraska
 10. Minnesota

InterMat Rankings (12/14)

1. Iowa
 2. Penn State
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 5. Oklahoma State
 6. NC State
 T-7. Nebraska
 T-7. Virginia Tech
 9. Cornell
 T-10. .. Minnesota
 T-10. .. Missouri

Pac-12 Wrestlers of the Week

11/9 ... Mateo Olmos, Oregon State
 11/16. Shane Griffith, Stanford
 11/23. Michael McGee, ASU
 11/30 Cohlton Schultz, ASU
 12/7 ... Evan Wick, Cal Poly

Last time out

Arizona State last competed Nov. 27 at the Cowboy Open. 125 No. 3 Brandon Courtney (7-0), 149 No. 5 Kyle Parco (8-0), 165 No. 8 Anthony Valencia (7-0), 174 Cael Valencia (8-0) and heavyweight No. 3 Cohlton Schultz (8-0) all picked up individual titles on the day to remain undefeated on the year.

- Schultz picked up two pins in Wyoming, bringing his total to a team-leading five on the year.
- 165 Anthony Valencia, 174 Zane Coleman and 184 Josh Nummer all have three pins.
- McGee earned a pair of tech falls to bring his total to a team-high three.
- At 174, Coleman, Cael Valencia and Ryan Rochford all have three major decisions this season.

ASU key matchups at National Duals

125: #3 Courtney, #16 Sam Latona (VT), #10 Brody Teske (UNI), #31 Kyle Biscaglia (UNI)

133: #14 McGee, #1 Roman Bravo-Young (PSU), #4 Korbin Myers (VT), Vito Arujau (Cornell)

141: #15 Vasquez, #1 Nick Lee (PSU), #31 Sam Hillegas (VT), #26 Cael Happel (UNI)

149: #5 Parco, #22 Beau Bartlett (PSU), #6 Bryce Andonian (VT), #1 Yianni Diakomihalis (Cornell), #28 Triston Lara (UNI)

157: #3 Teemer, #22 Connor Brady (VT), #25 Colton Yapoujian (Cornell), #28 Greg Gaxiola (Hofstra)

165: #6 Valencia, #26 Creighton Edsell (PSU), #9 Julian Ramirez (Cornell)

197: #8 Norfleet, #3 Max Dean (PSU), #19 Jacob Cardenas (Cornell) #19 Izzak Olejnik (UNI), #23 Austin Yant (UNI), #26 Trey Rogers (Hofstra)

HWT: #3 Schultz, #4 Greg Kerkvliet (PSU), #14 Nathan Traxler (VT), Lewis Fernandez (Cornell), #21 Carter Isley (UNI), #20 Zach Knighton-Ward (Hofstra)

Last Meetings

Penn State, Nov. 22, 2019: No. 5 ASU upset No. 1 Penn State 19-18 in Tempe and snapped the Nittany Lions' 60-match win streak. Victories came from Brandon Courtney, Josh Marica, Jacori Teemer, Zahid Valencia and Kordell Norfleet.

Virginia Tech, Jan. 13, 2018: No. 10 Arizona State wrestling earned a historic set of victories on the final day of the Virginia Duals, defeating No. 11 Northern Iowa, 24-16, and No. 9 Virginia Tech, 21-15, en route to their first-ever Virginia Duals championship at the 38th annual tournament.

Northern Iowa, Feb. 14, 2021: No. 8 Sun Devil Wrestling (6-0, 2-0 Pac-12) walks away with two victories to finish the 2020 regular season undefeated Sunday afternoon. ASU slammed in six individual wins and three bonus points in their 20-15 win over No. 13 Iowa State before dominating Northern Iowa 24-10.

Cornell, Jan. 21, 2007: Despite another dominating victory at 157 pounds from Brian Stith, the Arizona State University wrestling team dropped a 38-4 decision to No. 11 Cornell Sunday afternoon inside Newman Arena in Ithaca, N.Y. The Sun Devils slipped to 5-9 on the year with the loss while the Big Red moved to 2-4 on the season.

Hofstra - First meeting

Sun Devil Roster

Name	Wt	Yr	Hometown
Hunter Balk	157	RFr.	Weatherford, TX
Cleveland Belton	133	RFr.	Corona, CA
Jose Beltran	165	Fr.	Tucson, AZ
Julian Chlebove	133	RFr.	Northampton, PA
Zane Coleman	174	RFr.	Choctaw, OK
Brandon Courtney^	125	RJr.	Goodyear, AZ
Dom Digena	133	RFr.	Mendham, NJ
Jonathan Fagen	184	So.	Fruitland, ID
Richard Figueroa	125	Fr.	Sanger, CA
Lou Fincher	133	Fr.	Lawrence, KS
Gustavo Fonseca-Walker	157	Fr.	Erie, CO
Cody Foote	141	Fr.	Mesa, AZ
Westin Keime	197	Fr.	Showlow, AZ
Tristan Mascarenas	125	Fr.	Rio Rancho, NM
Michael McGee^	133	RJr.	Bolingbrook, IL
Ryan Moltz	184	RSo.	Salida, CO
Kendall Norfleet	165	Fr.	Chicago, IL
Kordell Norfleet^	197	Sr.	Chicago, IL
Josh Nummer	174	RFr.	Kodiak, AK
Caleb O'Hara	125	Fr.	Anchorage, AK
Jake Ortiz	184	Fr.	Scottsdale, AZ
Alexander Owens	174	Fr.	Palm Bay, Fla.
David Palosika	197	Fr.	Phoenix, AZ
Kyle Parco^	149	RFr.	Danville, CA
Ethan Pickren	141	RFr.	Panama City Beach, FL
Chad Porter	197	RJr.	Phoenix, AZ
Jaren Powell	149	Fr.	Northlake, TX
Mykey Ramos	149	Fr.	Gilbert, AZ
David Remer	197	Fr.	Carson City, NV
Ricky Roberto	157	Fr.	Marietta, GA
Ryan Rochford	174	RSo.	Albuquerque, NM
Tyler Rokop	141	Fr.	Tucson, AZ
Cohlton Schultz^	285	RFr.	Parker, CO
Marlee Smith	133	Jr.	Wantage, NJ
Jacori Teemer^	157	RSo.	Long Beach, NY
Alex Torres	185	RSo.	Phoenix, AZ
Anthony Valencia^	165	RSr.	Bellflower, CA
Cael Valencia	174	Fr.	Pico Rivera, CA
Jesse Vasquez	141	Fr.	Corona, CA
Max Wilner	165	Fr.	Costa Mesa, CA

^ = All-American

* Extra COVID year used across entire 2020-21 roster

Pronunciations

Jose Beltran:	Hoe zay Bell tran
Julian Chlebove:	Klee bove (long O)
Dom DiGena:	DehHEEna
Jonathan Fagen:	Faygin (like begin)
Richard Figueroa:	Fig U row uh
Cody Foote:	Cody Foot
Westin Keime:	Keem
Michael McGee:	Meh-kale
Jake Ortiz:	Or teeZ
David Remer:	Reemer
Ryan Rochford:	Rock ford
Tyler Rokop:	Row cop (row row your boat)
Jacori Teemer:	Juh-cory
Anthony Valencia:	Vuh LEN C uh
Cael Valencia:	Cah-el (seperated, not kale)
Jesse Vasquez:	Vaz-kez

Records

125

Name	Overall	Major Decisions	Falls	Tech Falls
Brandon Courtney	7-0	1	0	1

133

Name	Overall	Major Decisions	Falls	Tech Falls
Michael McGee	7-1	2	0	3
Julian Chlebova	6-2	1	2	2
Lou Fincher	3-4	2	1	0

141

Name	Overall	Major Decisions	Falls	Tech Falls
Jesse Vasquez	5-0	2	2	0
Ethan Pickren	3-4	2	2	0
Domenico DiGena	2-1	0	1	0
Cody Foote	1-2	0	1	0

149

Name	Overall	Major Decisions	Falls	Tech falls
Kyle Parco	8-0	1	2	1

157

Name	Overall	Major Decisions	Falls	Tech Falls
Jacori Teemer	5-0	2	0	1
Ricky Roberto	4-3	1	1	0
Gus Fonseca-Walker	0-2	1	0	0

165

Name	Overall	Major Decisions	Falls	Tech Falls
Anthony Valencia	7-0	1	3	1
Maxwell Wilner	7-2	0	2	1
Kendell Norfleet	7s-2	1	0	0

174

Name	Overall	Major Decisions	Falls	Tech Falls
Zane Coleman	7-3	3	3	0
Cael Valencia	8-0	3	0	0
Ryan Rochford	4-4	3	2	0
Alex Torres	0-2	0	1	0

184

Name	Overall	Major Decisions	Falls	Tech Falls
Josh Nummer	3-5	1	3	1

197

Name	Overall	Major Decisions	Falls	Tech Falls
Kordell Norfleet	7-2	1	0	0

HWT

Name	Overall	Major Decisions	Falls	Tech Falls
Cohlton Schultz	8-0	0	5	0
Chad Porter	5-2	0	1	0

Sun Devil Weights

125



Brandon
COURTNEY
R-Jr.



Tristan
MASCARENAS
Fr.



Richard
FIGUEROA
Fr.



Caleb
O'HARA
Fr.

133



Michael
MCGEE
R-Jr.



Julian
CHLEBOVE
R-Fr.



Lou
FINCHER
Fr.



Dom
DIGENA
R-Fr.



Cleveland
BELTON
R-Fr.

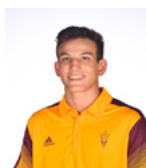
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Jesse
VASQUEZ
Fr.



Tyler
ROKOP
Fr.



Ethan
PICKREN
R-Fr.



Cody
FOOTE
Fr.

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Kyle
PARCO
R-Fr.



Mykey
RAMOS
Fr.

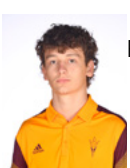


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POWELL
Fr.

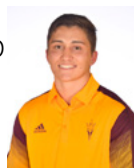
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Jacori
TEEMER
R-So.



Ricky
ROBERTO
Fr.



Gustavo
FONSECA-
WALKER
Fr.



Hunter
BALK
R-Fr.



Jason
HILL

165



Anthony
VALENCIA
R-Sr.



Max
WILNER
Fr.



Kendall
NORFLEET
Fr.

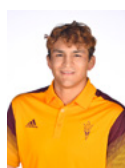


Jose
BELTRAN
Fr.

174



Zane
COLEMAN
R-Fr.



Cael
VALENCIA
Fr.



Ryan
ROCHFORD
R-So.



Alexzander
OWENS
Fr.

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Josh
NUMMER
R-Fr.



Alex
TORREZ
R-So.



Jonathan
FAGEN
So.



Jake
ORTIZ
Fr.



Ryan
MOLTZ
R-So.

197



Kordell
NORFLEET
Fr.



David
REMER
Fr.



David
PALOSIKA
Fr.



Westin
KEIME
Fr.

HWT



Cohlton
SCHULTZ
R-Fr.



Chad
PORTER
R-Jr.

Sun Devil Coaching Staff

Head coach: Zeke Jones, year 8

Three-time Pac-12 Coach of the Year and 1988 Sun Devil national champion Zeke Jones was hired to lead his alma mater in 2014 and immediately turned the program into a national powerhouse while continuing the Sun Devils' tradition of success in the conference. Jones is directly responsible for bringing four Pac-12 Championships to Tempe since his arrival - tying long-time rival Oregon State at 22 for the conference lead - and developed a two-time national champion in Zahid Valencia. Fourteen Sun Devils have earned All-American honors since Jones' hiring.



Jones took the helm with a resume that features accomplishments at the collegiate and international level. The Ann Arbor, Michigan, native was a three-time All-American, three-time Pac-10 champion, and national runner-up at 118 lbs with the Sun Devils from 1987-1990 before going on to earn the 1991 52kg World Champion title. He followed his world title with a silver medal-finish (52kg freestyle) while representing the U.S. at Barcelona 1992. He finished his professional career with four World-Cup titles before shifting over to coaching, guiding U.S. Olympians at the 1996, 2000, 2004 and 2012 Games. His accomplishments earned him an induction into the Arizona State Athletics Hall of Fame in 2004.

The 2020-21 season was one for the record books, despite the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. No. 6 ASU earned five titles at the conference championships to post 138 total points en route to earning its 20th title in the Pac-10/12 era. Brandon Courtney (125), Jacori Teemer (157), Anthony Valencia (165), Kordell Norfleet (197) and Cohlton Schultz (HWT) brought home gold, and nine total trophies were earned in Corvallis, Oregon. Jones' athletes went on to collect five All-America nods at the NCAA Championships, with No. 3 Courtney taking silver in 125. The year was capped off with Cohlton Schultz earning a spot on Team USA with his second-place finish at the Olympic Trials, Anthony Valencia earning CoSIDA Academic All-America status, and Cade Belshay earning a Pac-12 Postgraduate Scholarship.

Jones earned his third Pac-12 Coach of the Year honor in four years in 2020 after leading the Sun Devils to their highest conference tournament point total (141.5) since 1993 while winning the program's 19th Pac-10/12 title. He became the first ASU wrestling head coach to win the conference award three times since Thom Ortiz did so in 2003, 2005 and 2006.

As an Olympic head coach, Jones' athletes earned two gold medals and one bronze at the London Games in 2012. His athletes in the 2004 Athens Games, where he was the freestyle coach, earned a gold and two silvers.

In the four World Championships the U.S. competed in with Jones on the coaching staff, Team USA placed seventh in 2009, third in the 2011, and fifth in 2013. He also led the U.S. to five individual World-Champion medals, with Jordan Burroughs earning two World Champion crowns.

Zeke Jones Coaching History:

Bloomsburg: 1990-92

Arizona State (Assistant): 1993-98

West Virginia: 1998-05

Penn: 2005-08

USA Wrestling: 2008-14

Arizona State (head coach): 2014-Current

Sun Devil Coaching Staff



Lee Pritts, Assistant Coach

Year: 9

Lee Pritts was named assistant coach on September 4, 2012. Pritts, considered one of the top recruiters in the country, previously worked at North Carolina State, Old Dominion, and Missouri. He was a two-time team captain and made three appearances in the NCAA Championships, earning All-America honors in 1996 for Eastern Michigan and qualified for the 2000 Olympic trials. In 2017 and 2018, he was a coach for USA Wrestling at the Cadet Freestyle World Championships. Pritts mainly works with the lighter weights and also helps oversee the academics of Sun Devil Wrestling Student-Athletes.



Frank Molinaro, Assistant Coach

Year: 2

Frank Molinaro was named assistant coach on April 9, 2020. Molinaro was training to prepare himself for Team USA's roster for the Olympics before the Olympic Committee announced postponement of the games to 2021. Previously he won the 2016 Pan American games (70kg) and placed second at the 2017 World Team Trials. Molinaro comes to ASU after previously working as an assistant coach with Virginia Tech in 2017-2018. Before coaching at Virginia Tech, Molinaro was also an assistant coach with Rutgers and Penn State, where he helped win the National Championship in 2016. During Molinaro's collegiate career he was named NCAA champion with Penn State, a four-time NCAA All-American, and a two-time Big Ten champion. Molinaro primarily works with the middle weights.



Eric Thompson, Assistant Coach

Year: 1

Thompson joined the Sun Devil Wrestling staff in August 2021 as a volunteer assistant coach. Thompson coached at the Nittany Lion Wrestling Club prior to coming to Tempe where he trained Kyle Snyder and David Taylor, five world-team members, and four Olympians. Before joining the coaching staff, Thompson wrestled at NLWC, where he trained to make the 2016 Olympic Team. He took fifth place in the 2016 Olympic trials. During his collegiate career at Grand View University, Thompson was a three-time NAIA National Champion at 285 pounds and was named NAIA Wrestler of the Year in 2012. Other stops for Thompson include a three-year stint with M2 Training Center where he worked with over 100 athletes and a one-year position with Lock Haven University as an assistant coach. Thompson focuses on the upper weights.

