HUSKIES

Bloomsburg goes into this weekend’s Eastern Wrestling League (EWL) Tournament having ended the season with wins over Lock Haven and East Stroudsburg two weekends ago. Finishing the season 11-9, 4-2 in the EWL, the Huskies post their second-consecutive 10-win season for the first time since the 1989-90 and 1990-91 seasons.

In the Huskies’ 21-15 win at Lock Haven, Mike Spaid recorded his second match-winning bout victory of the season with a pin at heavyweight.

Spaid, with a 2-0 lead after the opening period, scored an escape four seconds into the second period before a takedown at the 1:39 mark. Following three backpoints with one minute remaining in the period, Spaid got the pin with 39 seconds remaining in the third.

Fourteenth-ranked Mike Sees opened the match with a 5-2 overtime win over 16th-ranked Obe Blanc. Blanc led 2-1 in the second, but Sees scored an escape from the defensive position 15 seconds into the period to tie the match. Following a scoreless third period and first overtime, Blanc took the defensive position first, Sees riding out and giving himself a chance to take the bout. With 22 seconds remaining, Sees scored an escape to take the lead and then sealed the win on a takedown with five seconds remaining in the match.

Ricky Donald got a win at 133 pounds, with a 3-2 decision over Casey Moore. Following a scoreless first period, Moore took a 2-0 lead after a takedown at the 1:01 mark in the second. In the third, Donald cut the lead to one with an escape just 15 seconds in, followed by a takedown with 24 seconds remaining in the match to win the bout for the Huskies.

The Huskies’ got their second overtime win over the match at 141 pounds from Brad Forbes. In the first, Ellis struck initially, scoring on a takedown at the 1:13 mark in the first period. Eight seconds later, Forbes got an escape, cutting the lead to 2-1 after the first. In the second, Forbes tied the score at two, prior to an Ellis escape with one minute left in the period. Following another Forbes escape, Ellis led 4-3, and chose the defensive position in the third period. After riding out the third period, Forbes tied the score, 4-4, to force overtime. With 12 seconds remaining in overtime, Forbes got the takedown to win the match for the Huskies.

Seventeenth-ranked Josh Medina gave the Bald Eagles their first bout win of the night with a 10-5 win over George Hickman. Medina recorded four take-downs in the match. At 157 pounds, Lock Haven got a win as 17th-ranked Seth Martin won a tight 4-2 decision over Aric Fuhrman at 157 pounds. Martin scored all of his points in the first period, owning a 4-1 lead after the first three minutes. In the second, Fuhrman got an escape from the defensive position, cutting the lead to two going into the final period. In the third, despite Fuhrman riding out the period, Martin hung on for the win.

At 165 pounds, Rory McCoy gave Lock Haven its third-straight win in an 11-5 decision over Frank Beasley. McCoy scored eight points in the first period en route to the win.

Jim Bertulis gave the Huskies bonus points at 174 pounds with a pin over the Bald Eagles’ Carlos Ponce. After scoring five quick points in the first 25 seconds, Bertulis got his fifth pin of the season at the 2:19 mark.

Derrick Morgan scored three third-period points against Nate Shirk to give the Bald Eagles a 6-1 decision win at 184 pounds. After a scoreless first period, Shirk escaped from the defensive position to take an early 1-0 lead. With 1:07 remaining in the second, Morgan scored on a takedown, taking a 2-1 lead into the final period. In the third, he added an escape and takedown before earning his final point for riding time.

Tom Kocher’s win at 197 pounds over Jesse Hasseman tied the match before Spaid’s heavyweight victory to lift the Huskies to the win. Kocher had three take-downs and one escape in the match, in addition to one point for riding time.

In the Huskies’ 35-0 shut out over East Stroudsburg, Bloomsburg recorded its second shut out of the season. The last time the Huskies had two shut outs in one year was during the 1984-85 campaign.

Sees scored bonus points for the Huskies at 125 pounds with a 16-6 major decision win, while Spaid recorded a 9-0 major decision at heavyweight. Forbes, in his final dual match as a Husky, won an exciting 5-3 overtime bout, while at 157 pounds, Fuhrman also got an overtime win.

Beasley got a close 3-2 win at 165 pounds after a reversal with 40 seconds left in the match, avenging a loss from the PSAC Championships. Donald won a 9-2 decision at 133 pounds, while at the 184-pound bout, Shirk won an 8-2 decision. Bertulis also wrestled his final dual match, winning an 8-3 decision at 174 pounds, while Hasseman got a 7-3 decision in the 197-pound bout.
COACHING notes

HEAD COACH • JOHN STUTZMAN

John Stutzman, in his first year as head coach, led the Huskies to an 11-9 finish to the regular season with a 4-3 mark in the EWL. Bloomsburg opened the year with Stutzman’s first dual-match win over EWL-rival Pittsburgh. The win was the first for Stutzman as a head coach at the collegiate level after spending the past three years as the top assistant for the Huskies. The following weekend, Bloomsburg went 2-1 at the Buffalo Duals with a win over Findlay and also a victory over Gardner-Webb in the teams’ first dual match against the Bulldogs in school history.

Before coming to Bloomsburg, Stutzman was previously an assistant coach at both the University at Buffalo and Northern Illinois. As an assistant coach he has had the opportunity to coach over 22 Division I NCAA Division I national qualifiers, two Division I All-Americans, and one Olympic Trials Participant. He has also had the opportunity to coach for the New York Athletic Club at the 2004 Canada Cup as well as the 2004 US Olympic Freestyle Trials.

Over the past five years as the recruiting coordinator at both Northern Illinois University and Bloomsburg, Stutzman has been able to bring in four nationally-ranked recruiting classes with the 2003 Bloomsburg recruiting class ranked as high as 14th nationally by Intermat.

A 1998 graduate of the University of Buffalo, Stutzman was 95-27 in a three-year career for the Bulls and left as the school’s all-time leader in career wins. His best year for the Bulls was the 1996-97 season when he posted a mark of 35-4. He was two-time captain at Buffalo, a three-time East Coast Wrestling Association place-winner and a two-time alternate for the Division I championships.

ASSISTANT COACH • PHIL MANSUETO

Phil Mansueto begins his first year as assistant wrestling coach after spending two years as a graduate assistant coach at his alma mater Cleveland State.

At Cleveland State, Mansueto assisted with recruiting, practice and skill development for the Vikings. He also served as an assistant youth club coach at University School and head coach of Westshore Kids Club during 2003.

As a wrestler, Mansueto was a three-time NCAA Division qualifier at Cleveland State winning the 133-pound Eastern Wrestling League title in 2002. During his career, he compiled a career record of 98-37 and finished his run as a Viking at the 2003 NCAA Championships. As both a junior and a senior he fell just one win shy of becoming an All-American. Mansueto also excelled in the classroom, earning Academic All-American honors as a senior.

The Middletown, New York native was a high school state champion as a junior, runner-up as both a sophomore and senior, and sixth as a freshman.

Mansueto graduated from Cleveland State in 2003 with a degree in special education and is pursuing his master’s in sports management.

ASSISTANT COACHES • BRYCE HASSEMAN • EDDIE PAWLAK

wins

23 • Brad Forbes
21 • Mike Sees
16 • Aric Fuhrman
15 • Frank Beasley
14 • Ricky Donald
13 • Jesse Hasseman
12 • Nate Shirk

pins

5 • Jim Bertulis
4 • Darren Kern
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technical falls

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2 • Jim Bertulis

major decisions

5 • Brad Forbes
4 • Frank Beasley
3 • Mike Spaid
STUTZMAN WRAPS UP INAUGURAL SEASON AS HEAD COACH

With two wins to wrap up the regular season, the Huskies finish the year 11-9 in head coach John Stutzman’s inaugural season.

Following the Huskies’ 17-16 win over then-ranked, Pittsburgh to open the season, Stutzman believes this year has been a successful one for the young Husky line-up.

“We started seven freshman and sophomores, a lot of times eight for most of the year,” he said. “Knowing we did that, with the schedule we wrestle, I’m very pleased with our results.”

The Huskies dropped two one-point matches this season, losing to Drexel, 18-17 in January, before falling to Slippery Rock by the same score the next month.

“We could have been 12-8 or 13-7, but our youth sometimes showed,” Stutzman said. “In the month of February, we went 4-2 and that just tells me that our young guys are maturing a lot.”

In addition to wrestling a young line-up, the Huskies also suffered from a number of injuries at a variety of positions.

“Sees missed time, as well as Forbes, Bertulis and Shirk and we’ve had back-ups in a lot this year,” Stutzman said. “Going 11-9 showed a lot of character and a lot about who we are as a team.”

Despite being thrilled with the Huskies’ success during the latter part of the season, the highlight, for Stutzman, came in the season opener in the win over EWL-rival, Pittsburgh.

“We came out with so much energy and it really showed our guys that all the pre-season conditioning and the hard work they’d put in paid off,” he said.

In the Huskies’ final match of the year, they recorded a 35-0 shut out over East Stroudsburg. The shut out was the second for the team during the 2005-06 season, having shut out Clarion, 42-0, just two weeks prior to the match against the Warriors. The last time Bloomsburg had two shut outs in a season was during the 1984-85 campaign when they recorded shut out wins over Delaware State (55-0) and George Mason (52-0).

STUTZMAN WRAPS UP INAUGURAL SEASON AS HEAD COACH

USA Today/NWCA NCAA Coaches Dual Meet Poll
Ranked by NWCA (2/21/06)

1. Minnesota
2. Michigan
3. Oklahoma State
4. Central Michigan
5. Nebraska
6. Iowa State
7. Missouri
8. Penn State
9. Illinois
10. Oklahoma
11. Iowa
12. Arizona State
13. Northwestern
14. Cornell
15. Lehigh
16. Edinboro
17. Indiana
18. Michigan State
19. Wisconsin
20. Navy
21. Hofstra
22. Pennsylvania
23. Cal Poly
24. Northern Illinois
25. Kent State

Other teams receiving votes: Northern Iowa, Oregon State, West Virginia

Husky in the Rankings

BLOOMSBURG: 125–Mike Sees

NWCA (2/21/06): 14th
The Wrestling Mall (2/21/06): 11th
Amateur Wrestling News (2/20/06): 8th
W.I.N. Magazine (2/20/06): 10th

Frank Beasley finished the regular season 15-21, including a win in the Huskies’ 26-13 win over Rider. At the 2006 PSAC Championships, Beasley took fourth in his first appearance at the tournament.
The Huskies head into this weekend’s EWL tournament after finishing fifth at last year's championships.

Last season, the Huskies were led by Mike Sees and Jim Bertulis who both won individual titles. Mike Spaid also had a strong showing, taking fifth-place and earning a wild card, making the trip to the NCAA Championships along with Sees and Bertulis.

Looking ahead to the tournament, Stutzman is pleased with the way the Huskies wrapped up the regular season and hopes that momentum continues into this weekend.

“Everyone is feeding off of each other and we’re wrestling well right now,” he said. “We’re not wrestling like a bunch of individuals out there, we’re wrestling as a team. If we can stay together and work as a team, even though it’s an individual tournament, I think it’ll be a good weekend for us. Right now, all these guys can do is give themselves a chance, and if they wrestle smart, they’ll do that.”

Two particular Huskies working together are Sees and freshman Ricky Donald. At 125 and 133 pounds, respectively, the two will look to feed on one another at the tournament.

“They’re constant workout partners—they drill with each other, they fight each other—champions come in pairs,” Stutzman said. “Those guys feed off each other. If they both realize they can work off each others’ energy, it’ll help them in the tournament.”

Though Bloomsburg goes into the championships with one of the youngest teams in the conference, Stutzman is pleased with the way the season wrapped up and the improvements that were made this season.

“We started seven freshman and sophomores, a lot of times eight for most of the year,” he said. “When you can do that, with the schedule we wrestle, I’m very pleased with our results. We could have had 12-8 or 13-7, but our youth sometimes showed.”

The youth of the Huskies wasn’t their only characteristic showing.

“Sees missed time [because of injury], as well as Forbes, Bertulis and Shirk and we’ve had back-ups in a lot this year,” Stutzman said. “Going 11-9 showed a lot of character and a lot about who we are as a team.”

Looking back at the plethora of matches the Huskies wrestled, two stick out in Stutzman’s mind for two different reasons.

“I think our biggest match of the year was our first win over Pittsburgh because we had a lot of energy and it showed our guys, individually, our work ethic was paying off,” he said. “East Stroudsburg was a big match of us, as well, because we really came together as a team. They are a tough team and we could have let a couple of matches get away from us, but coming out of that match with a shut out was a great win for us as a team.”

**BLOOMSBURG RESULTS • 2005 EASTERN WRESTLING LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

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Mike Sees • 125

R-Sophomore
Northumberland, Pennsylvania
Shikellamy High School
2005 EWL Finish: Champion (125 pounds)
Season record: 23-3

2005-06 Season

Mike Sees heads into the EWL tournament as the defending champion at 125 pounds.

This season, he started the year 7-0 before dropping his first match to second-ranked Sam Hazewinkel in the finals of the Oklahoma Gold Classic at Brockport. Prior to Brockport, he competed in the Slippery Rock Open, tallying two major decision wins en route to winning the tournament.

At the Buffalo Duals he went 2-0 with wins against the hosting-Bulls, in addition to a tech fall win against Findlay.

When the Huskies traveled to the Purdue Duals, Sees dropped a match to Eastern Michigan’s Sean Clair, following a win over the Boilermakers’ Brandon Tucker.

In the Huskies’ next three dual matches, Sees recorded wins over Nebraska, Drexel and Rider before the team headed to the Virginia Duals. Once at the tournament, Sees sat out two of three matches due to a back injury.

After having been out of competition for two weeks, Sees won his first Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Championships, beating Edinboro’s Ricky Duebel in an exciting overtime final, 7-5.

The win gave him a title-match berth, where he faced off against West Virginia’s Shawn Cordell, beating the Moutaineer, 5-4.

Leading up to the title match, he first won a technical fall decision against Kutztown, and beat Lock Haven’s Obe Blanc in the semifinals, 8-5 to advance to the championship bout.

2006 EWL

Sees heads into EWLS as the heavy favorite, having gone 5-0 in EWL duals this season.

Against Lock Haven, Sees won a 5-2 overtime decision over 16th-ranked Blanc, leading the Bald Eagle in the all-time series between the two, 5-1.

Another possible contender for the title is Edinboro’s Duebel, a freshman ranked 20th in the latest Intermat rankings.

“Mike’s either going to see Obe or Ricky in the finals, but, of course, you can’t take your early rounds lightly,” Stutzman said. “I think Mike will have the edge in the early goings as far as his competitiveness, his shape and endurance and being able to score points. He’s putting himself in position to be one of the top eight guys in the country.”

Realizing that the competition for Sees, particularly with the other two ranked competitors in the bracket, will be tough, Stutzman is very confident in his potential to repeat his 2005 title and the work he’s put in this season towards attaining that goal.

“Not only should he compete for the EWL title, he really should compete to be an All-American,” Stutzman said. “He’s wrestling the best he’s wrestled in his life. He’s confident and he’s healthy and he’s been putting in some great workouts leading up to this tournament.”

2005 EWL

In his first season as the starter at 125 pounds, Sees won the 2005 EWL title, earning a trip to the NCAA Championships.

After an opening round bye, as the number one seed, Sees won a 14-3 major decision over Cleveland State’s Joe Wornoff.

The win gave him a title-match berth, where he faced off against West Virginia’s Shawn Cordell, beating the Moutaineer, 5-4.

Sees was one of three of Bloomsburg’s EWL Champions last year as Jim Bertulis won his first title at the 165-pound weight class and Bryce Hasseman finished first in the 174-pound bracket.

Stutzman on Sees:

“Not only should he compete for the EWL title, he should really compete to be an All-American. He’s wrestling the best he’s wrestled in his whole life. He’s confident and he’s healthy. He’s putting in some great workouts right now.”
**Ricky Donald • 133**

Freshman  
Millville, Pennsylvania  
Bloomsburg High School  
2005 EWL Finish: first appearance  
Season record: 16-15

### 2005-06 Season

Going into the EWL tournament Ricky Donald is 16-15 on the season, including nine dual-match wins and a top-three finish at the 2006 PSAC Championships.

Donald started off the year with a 3-1 performance at the Slippery Rock Open, taking third in the tournament. At the Oklahoma Gold Classic, he went 1-2, including a loss to EWL-opponent, David Armstrong of Cleveland State.

In the first four dual matches, Donald opened up the year at 0-4, falling to opponents from Pittsburgh, Findlay, Buffalo and Gardner-Webb, but was able to bounce back on the Huskies’ next trip.

Donald posted an undefeated 3-0 mark at the Purdue Duals, followed dual match wins over Rider and Old Dominion.

In the Huskies’ loss to EWL-rival, West Virginia, Donald lost a tough 9-4 match to Seth Lisa.

At the PSAC Championships, Donald posted a third-place finish in his first conference tournament. In the first round, he got a 6-4 win over Kutztown’s Brandon Clemmer, before falling to top-ranked Shawn Bunch of Edinboro, 10-3, in the semifinal match-up.

In the consolation bracket, Donald won a 3-2 decision over Clarion’s Rob LaBrake, followed by another decision win over Clemmer to finish in the top three.

To finish the regular season, Donald went 4-2 in the Huskies’ last six dual matches.

In Bloomsburg’s shut out against Clarion, Donald got his second win over LaBrake, this time beating him 4-2 in overtime. After tying the match at two with 23 seconds remaining in regulation, Donald scored a takedown just 13 seconds into the extra period to win the bout for the Huskies.

“Looking back at September, we wouldn’t have thought Ricky would be 16-15 at this point and have some good wins under his belt. He’s really come out as a consistent, solid 133-pounder this year,” Stutzman said. “He’s one of our steady guys this year. He’s really athletic and he’s had some great wins.”

### 2006 EWL

Donald will, most likely, go into the tournament as the fourth seed this weekend, having gone 3-3 in EWL dual-match action.

“The bad part about him potentially being the number-four seed is that he’s going to have a tough match right off the bat,” Stutzman said. “If he gets past that first match, he’ll wrestle Bunch in the semifinals, which will, of course, be a tough match.”

Stutzman knows that regardless of what happens in the championship bracket, when Donald gets to wrestlebacks, he’s going to have to get a win over someone who previously beat him.

“Ricky Donald is one of those kids who can upset somebody,” Stutzman said. “If he loses in the semifinals and is in the wrestlebacks, I believe he has a good shot at making the national tournament. He’s going to have to beat someone he lost to in the season, whether its Mike Ciotti (Pittsburgh) or Seth Lisa (West Virginia), but I think he’s putting himself in the position to make the national tournament.”

Donald already avenged one EWL loss, beating Cleveland State’s Armstrong in the Huskies’ dual match win over the Vikings after having lost to him at the Oklahoma Gold Classic.

“I’m excited about how much progress, Ricky’s made, especially the second part of the year,” Stutzman said. “He’s very dedicated; he cuts a lot of weight. He’s very disciplined and he’s a good kid.”

### Stutzman on Donald:

“I think he’s putting himself in the position to make the national tournament. I’m excited about his progress, especially the second part of the year. He’s very dedicated, he cuts a lot of weight. He’s very disciplined and he’s a good kid.”

### Donald vs. EWL Opponents

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- **Brockport/Oklahoma Gold Classic**  
  11/12/05  
  L Armstrong (Cleveland St.)  
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- **PSAC Championships**  
  1/28/06  
  L Bunch (Edinboro)  
  10-3

  1/28/06  
  W LaBrake (Clarion)  
  3-2
**2005-06 Season**

In addition to posting his first 20-win season as a senior, Brad Forbes also won the first conference title of his career at the 2006 PSAC Championships.

Forbes started out the year with a second-place performance at the Slippery Rock Open. At the Oklahoma Gold Classic, he finished third, including wins against opponents from Army and Rutgers. His lone loss at the tournament came in overtime against Cesar Grajales of the University of Pennsylvania.

Despite starting out the dual-match portion of the Huskies’ season 1-2, Forbes then rattled off five straight wins. He got a win at the Buffalo Duals against Gardner-Webb, followed by a 4-3 win at Nebraska over Dominick Moyer, the 2005 Big 12 runner-up at 141 pounds.

After wins over Drexel and Rider, Forbes got a win over Old Dominion at the Virginia Duals, before suffering a knee injury and sitting out one of Bloomsburg’s matches at the tournament.

At the PSAC Championships, he went 3-0 to capture his first title. In the opening round, he got an 11-2 major decision win, followed by a 4-3 win over Greg Lewis of Clarion. In the title bout, Forbes won a 4-3 overtime decision over Edinboro’s Ricky McLaughlin.

In the Huskies’ final six dual matches, Forbes recorded a 5-1 record. He got his second win over the season on both Lewis and McLaughlin, and also had wins against Cleveland State, Lock Haven and an exciting overtime win over East Stroudsburg.

**2006 EWL**

Forbes will head into the tournament 5-1 in dual-match competition in the EWL.

His sole loss comes to seventh-ranked Ron Tarquinio of Pittsburgh in a 2-1 decision.

Another ranked opponent Forbes could face is West Virginia’s Brandon Rader, who earned the 15th slot in the most recent rankings by Intermat. Rader sat out the dual match against the Huskies.

In the first weekend of February, Forbes recorded wins over Clarion’s Lewis, and a decision win over Cleveland State’s Mike Hurley. Forbes earned EWL Wrestler of the Week honors for his performances that weekend, helping the Huskies to wins in both conference matches.

“141 pounds is a tough weight class,” Stutzman said. “Whoever he gets first round is going to be a ‘barn-burner’—it’s going to be tough. If he gets past that first match, he’ll probably see Tarquinio who’s beaten him this year. He’s got a chance to get to the national tournament—and I think he’s fully capable of doing it.”

Knowing that Forbes has put in his most successful season as a Husky, Stutzman is looking forward to him having a solid tournament.

“His weight’s down; he’s wrestling pretty well right now,” Stutzman said. “I’m excited about his potential this weekend.”

**2005 EWL**

Wrestling with a broken hand in last year’s EWL tournament, Forbes posted a sixth-place finish. Following a first-round win over Lock Haven’s Matt Fittery, Forbes lost a 6-2 decision to eventual champion, Frank Edgar of Clarion.

In the wrestlebacks, Forbes dropped his first match to Vince Giorello in a 5-1 decision, before dropping the fifth-place bout to McLaughlin by medical default.

**Forbes vs. EWL Opponents**

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**Stutzman on Forbes:**

Forbes has never won 20 matches in a year, and he’s had some big wins, including the win over the Big 12 runner-up from Nebraska. He’s got a chance to get to the NCAA tournament and I think he’s fully capable of doing it. His weight’s down and he’s wrestling pretty well right now. I’m excited about his potential this weekend.
George Hickman • 149
Sophomore
Wilmington, North Carolina
Riverside High School
2005 EWL Finish: Sixth place (149 pounds)
Season record: 13-18

2005-06 SEASON
Hickman goes into the EWL tournament with a record of 13-18 on the season.
He started out the year going 1-2 at the Slippery Rock Open and at the Oklahoma Gold Classic at Brockport. He got a 5-2 win over Cleveland State’s Ryan Hurley at Brockport, after falling to another Viking in Victor Crenshaw at Slippery Rock.
In the Huskies’ first dual match of the year, Hickman got an exciting 7-5 overtime win over Pittsburgh’s Joey Ecklof. With four seconds remaining in the first overtime period, Hickman got a takedown to get the bout win for Bloomsburg.
At the Penn State Open, Hickman went 3-2, including wins over Boston University and Navy. He followed up that performance with a win against Eastern Michigan at the Purdue Duals and went 2-1 at the Virginia Duals. At the dual tournament, he got an 11-2 major decision win over Old Dominion’s Jeff Becker, and in the second round dropped a tough 5-3 match to Matt Cooper of Indiana University.
Against the University of Virginia, Hickman won a 9-6 decision over Andrew DiPasquale.
In the Huskies’ shut out over Clarion, Hickman got a 9-6 decision win over Derrick Smith.

2006 EWL
Hickman heads into the tournament with a 2-4 record in EWL dual-match action.
He got a win over Ecklof and Smith, and dropped a close match to West Virginia’s David Jauregui. Hickman also split bouts this season with Cleveland State’s Ryan Hurley, dropping the most recent match-up between the two, 5-2.
“George has some good wins this year,” Stutzman said. “He’s beaten Pitt and Hurley from Cleveland State and wrestled a tough match against Jauregui from West Virginia.”
Stutzman believes Hickman has a chance to qualify for NCAAs, as long as he wrestles smart.
“He’s got to get takedowns,” Stutzman said. “If he can score takedowns and wrestle with a lot of energy, be tough on top and get off the bottom, he’ll give himself a chance. He has his work cut out for him because 149 is one of the toughest weight classes at the tournament.”

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Slippery Rock Open
11/5/05 L Crenshaw (Cleveland St.) 10-2
Brockport/Oklahoma Gold Classic
11/12/05 W Hurley (Cleveland St.) 5-2

Stutzman on Hickman:

“George is right there. He’s close, but he’s got to get takedowns. If he can score takedowns and wrestle with a lot of energy, be tough on top and get off the bottom, he’ll give himself a chance. He has his work cut out for him because 149 is one of the toughest weight classes at the tournament. He’s going to have to wrestle hard and smart and give himself a chance.”
Aric Fuhrman • 157
R-Freshman
Spring Grove, Pennsylvania
Delone Catholic High School
2005 EWL Finish: first appearance
Season record: 21-13

2005-06 SEASON
Aric Fuhrman goes into the EWL Championships with a 21-13 record in his first year as a Bloomsburg starter.

Fuhrman began the season with a 5-1 mark at the Slippery Rock Open, followed by a 2-2 performance at the West Virginia Open where he got wins over Tennessee-Chattanooga and Duquesne.

In the Huskies’ opening match against Pittsburgh, Fuhrman won a 3-2 decision against the Panthers’ Sean Richmond, earning his first career dual-match win.

At the Buffalo Duals, Fuhrman went 3-0 on the day, getting wins over Findlay, Buffalo and Gardner-Webb.

On the next trip with the Huskies, the Purdue Duals, Fuhrman compiled a 2-1 mark, getting decision wins against host Purdue and William Penn.

After three-straight dual matches losses to Nebraska, Drexel and Rider, Fuhrman bounced back, compiling a 2-1 record at the Virginia Duals. In the Huskies’ win over Old Dominion, Fuhrman got a 6-1 decision followed by a 10-2 major decision over Kyle Artusio the following day in Bloomsburg’s loss to the University of Virginia.

At the PSAC Championships, Fuhrman turned in a fourth-place performance. In the first round, he got a 5-0 win over Slippery Rock’s Gerald Christian, before falling to 17th-ranked Seth Martin of Lock Haven in the semifinals, 7-5. In the consolation rounds, Fuhrman got a technical fall win before dropping the third-place bout to East Stroudsburg’s Mark Smith.

In Bloomsburg’s last six dual matches, Fuhrman posted a 3-3 record. In the Huskies’ shut out of Clarion, he won a 13-2 major decision over the Golden Eagles’ Lucas Christopher.

After a 7-3 loss to Victor Crenshaw of Cleveland State, Fuhrman bounced back with two decision wins against Edinboro and Slippery Rock.

In the Huskies’ final two duals, Fuhrman lost a tough 4-2 decision to nationally-ranked Martin from Lock Haven, but avenged PSAC tournament loss to Mark Smith with a 6-4 bout win in the second meeting between the two against East Stroudsburg.

2006 EWL
With a 4-2 record in EWL dual-match action this season, Fuhrman will look to get into the top three spots and earn a national tournament berth.

“Twenty-one wins as a freshman with our schedule is tough,” Stutzman said. “He’s as strong as anyone in the country; he’s good on top, he can lift people up. He’s probably going to have to wrestle Crenshaw right away. He’s beaten us this year, but I think Fuhrman can get the upset.”

Knowing that the top three title contenders in West Virginia’s Matt Lebe, Edinboro’s Matt Hill and Martin, are “studs” Stutzman said Fuhrman will have to turn in a tough performance to squeak into the top three positions.

“This is one of the tougher brackets at the tournament,” Stutzman said. “Not only are the top three guys studs, but Crenshaw is really good from Cleveland State and both Clarion and Pittsburgh also have really good guys. I think we have a chance of getting in the top three—mentally, if he stays into it, he’s got a really good chance at making it to the national tournament.”

Fuhrman vs. EWL Opponents
Dual matches: 4-2
11/12/05  W  Richmond (Pittsburgh)  3-2
1/20/06  L  Lebe (West Virginia)  12-4
2/3/06  W  Christopher (Clarion)  13-2
2/5/06  L  Crenshaw (Cleveland St.)  7-3
2/10/06  W  Ashby (Edinboro)  7-2
2/17/06  L  Martin (Lock Haven)  4-2

Tournaments: 1-2
Slippery Rock Open
11/5/05  W  Christopher (Clarion)  7-2
West Virginia Open
11/12/05  L  Fryling (West Virginia)  5-2
PSAC Championships
1/28/06  L  Martin (Lock Haven)  7-5

Stutzman on Fuhrman:

“Twenty-one wins as a freshman with our schedule is tough. He’s as strong as anyone in the country; he’s good on top, he can lift people up. He’s probably going to have to wrestle CSU right away. He’s beaten us this year, but I think Fuhrman can get the upset.”
2005-06 Season

Frank Beasley enters his first EWL tournament with a 15-21 record on the year, including an 11-11 mark at the 165-pound weight class after moving down from 174 pounds.

Beasley opened his season with a 3-1 performance at the Slippery Rock Open, followed by going 1-2 at the Oklahoma Gold Classic at Brockport. At the Brockport tournament, Beasley recorded a pin at the 5:32 mark over Cleveland State’s J.T. Miller.

At the Penn State Open, Beasley tallied a 3-2 mark, including wins over opponents from Clarion, Cornell, and Ohio State.

Beasley went 1-1 at the Purdue Duals, with a pin against R.J. Pratt from Eastern Michigan 4:59 into the match.

At the PSAC Championships, Beasley finished the tournament in fourth-place. In the first round, he got a 12-2 win over Clarion’s Logan Downes, but lost by fall in the semifinals to Edinboro’s Deonte Penn.

In the third-place bout, Beasley lost a tight 3-2 decision to East Stroudsburg’s Keith Smith.

In the next two matches, Beasley got two wins, beating Chris Goings from Clarion, 10-5, in the Huskies’ shut out of the Golden Eagles.

Two days later, Beasley came out against Cleveland State, winning a 4-1 decision over the Vikings’ Tim Scarl.

In the Huskies’ last home match of the season, Beasley averaged his loss to Smith from PSACs with a 3-2 win after getting a reversal with 40 seconds left in the match.

2006 EWL Season

With a 2-4 record in EWL dual match competition, Beasley will look to get a top-three finish to earn his first trip to the NCAA Championships.

“With the way he wins, he wrestles really smart and keeps it really basic, he doesn’t roll around a lot and he stays really solid on his feet,” Stutzman said. “Beasley’s very basic. He’s not trying to score a lot of points. He can beat people because he’s good on top, he’s hard to score on and he can get off the bottom.”

Stutzman said in order to get to the next level, Beasley will have to have a solid weekend and finish in the top three, as wild card spots will be hard to come by.

“He’s going to have to wrestle a complete tournament,” Stutzman said. “He’s going to have to squeak in that third-place slot to get to NCAAs and he’s capable of doing that as long as he sticks to the basics.”

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Stutzman on Beasley:

“When he gets wins, he wrestles really smart and keeps it really basic. He can beat people because he’s good on top, he’s hard to score on and he can get off the bottom. He’s going to have to have a solid weekend.”
Jim Bertulis • 174
Senior
Aston, Pennsylvania
Garnett Valley High School
2005 EWL Finish: Champion (165 pounds)
Season record: 14-3

2005-06 SEASON

Jim Bertulis will look to get the second EWL Championship of his career, having won the 165-pound title in 2005.

Despite being injured for a large part of the season, Bertulis is 14-3 on the season and has a 9-0 record in tournaments.

Bertulis started the season with a win at the Slippery Rock Open, recording two pins in the tournament and a major decision. En route to the title, he two wins over opponents from Buffalo.

At the Oklahoma Gold Classic, Bertulis got a pin over Jake Blowers from Buffalo, before a major decision win in the semifinals.

Following two dual-match losses, Bertulis took second at the PSAC Championships, beating Dave Sullivan of East Stroudsburg in the first round, 4-3, before winning a 7-5 decision to advance to the title bout. In the finals, Stutzman decided to sit Bertulis out as to not put too much stress on the injury suffered earlier in the year.

In the Huskies final six matches, Bertulis went 5-1. Against Clarion, he put bonus points on the scoreboard for the Huskies with a tech fall win over Dave Gardner. Bertulis followed up his technical fall win with a pin in the next match against David Gilkey from Cleveland State.

After suffering a 3-2 loss to Edinboro’s Eric Ring, Bertulis bounced back the following morning with a 1-0 decision over Jerimiah Frederick of Slippery Rock.

In the Huskies’ last weekend of competition, Bertulis closed out his final regular season with a pin over Lock Haven’s Carlos Ponce at the 2:19 mark and an 8-3 decision win over East Stroudsbury’s David Sullivan in his final match at Nelson Field House.

2006 EWL S

Bertulis will be a favorite at the 174-pound weight class with a 3-1 record in EWL dual-match action.

In his four matches this season, Bertulis has compiled two pins along with a technical fall. His only loss came in a tight decision to Ring, 3-2.

Stutzman is confident that Bertulis will be able to come out and wrestle a good tournament, knowing he’s looking as good as he did when he opened the season.

“Jim’s wrestling as well as he’s wrestled since November,” Stutzman said. “He’s a past champion and NCAA qualifier and he can do that again. There’s five good guys in that weight class, but I think he’s favored to win it.”

Even though the loss to Ring may affect the seedings, Stutzman thinks Bertulis should be able to avenge that loss.

“Ring’s a tough kid, but I think Jim can get back that loss he had against him in the dual match because he’s in great shape,” Stutzman said. “Mentally, he’s tough and ready to go.”

2005 EWL S

At the 2005 EWL Championships, Bertulis captured his first title.

Heading into the tournament as the second seed, Bertulis, following a first-round bye, got a 5-1 decision over Pittsburgh’s Justin Nestor to advance to the title bout.

In the finals, he won an 8-5 decision, upsetting first-seeded Nate Yetzer of Edinboro, qualifying for the NCAA Championships for the first time in his career.

Bertulis vs. EWL Opponents

Dual matches: 3-1
2/3/06 W Gardner (Clarion) WTF, 4:01
2/5/06 W Gilkey (Cleveland St.) F, 1:37
2/10/06 L Ring (Edinboro) 3-2
2/17/06 W Ponce (Lock Haven) F, 2:19

Tournaments:
Slippery Rock Open 11/5/05 W Kmetz (Cleveland St.) F, 0:28
Brockport/Oklahoma Gold Classic 11/12/05 W Ging (Cleveland St.) 9-1

Stutzman on Bertulis:

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2005-06 Season
Despite battling an injury during part of the season, Nate Shirk heads into the EWL tournament with a record of 15-10.

Shirk began the season with a 2-1 record at the Slippery Rock Open, getting wins over opponents from Pitt-Johnstown and Gannon University. Shirk also recorded his fastest fall of the season at Slippery Rock, pinning UPJ’s Pat Walsh at the 1:25 mark in the match.

Following a 4-2 win over Pittsburgh’s Kyle Deliere, Shirk dropped two matches before bouncing back to go 2-1 at the Purdue Duals.

Against Eastern Michigan, Shirk recorded a 7-1 decision win over Brandyn Jones. Shirk also got a win over William Penn’s Jorge Ortiz, but fell to host-Purdue’s Ben Wissel in a major decision.

Shirk put together a six-match win streak following the Huskies’ trip to Nebraska, including wins against Drexel and Rider before the team’s trip to Virginia.

At the VirginiaDuals, despite battling a bout with the stomach flu, Shirk went 2-0, including a 6-5 win over Old Dominion’s David Mendoza. Shirk sat out the Indiana match, but came back strong Saturday, recording a 6-1 decision win over Kyle Narkiewicz of the University of Virginia.

Shirk’s fifth-consecutive win came at West Virginia in a 3-2 decision over Chance Litton.

At the 2006 PSAC Championships, Shirk recorded a fifth-place finish. In the first round, he won a 3-1 decision over Shippensburg’s Mark Murphy, but fell in the semifinals to 17th-ranked Alex Clemsen of Edinboro. Following a loss in the consolation semifinals, Shirk won by medical default in the fifth-place match.

In the Huskies’ final six dual matches, Shirk wrapped up the regular season going 3-3.

Following a 5-3 win over Clarion’s Dominic Ross, Shirk dropped two close matches, falling to Cleveland State’s Ron Howard, 3-1 and Edinboro’s Clemsen, 3-2. The morning following the Edinboro match, Shirk recorded a 4-3 win over Slippery Rock’s Charlie Pienaar.

In Bloomsburg’s final weekend of competition, Shirk dropped a 6-1 decision to Lock Haven’s Derrick Morgan, before winning an 8-2 decision over Dave Williams in Bloomsburg’s shut out over East Stroudsburg.

2006 EWLs
The 184-pound bracket will prove to be another deep field for the Huskies. Shirk, though 3-3 in EWL duals, wrestled the top three title-contenders closely, and Stutzman believes he has a chance at getting back those losses this weekend.

“Nate’s so close right now and he’s really wrestling well,” Stutzman said. “Those three guys are really tough, but Nate has a shot at getting an upset. The biggest loss he had was a five-point loss to Morgan and he was able to hang with Clemsen in that 3-2 loss.”

Last season, Shirk had to miss the championships in addition to the larger portion of the year after being injured early-on.

Stutzman said Shirk is looking forward to this weekend and wants to improve upon his sixth-place finish in 2004.

“Nate can definitely compete with these guys,” Stutzman said. “If he goes out there knowing he can pick up some wins and wrestles smart, he’s got a chance at getting to NCAAs.”

Shirk vs.
EWL Opponents

Dual matches: 3-3
11/12/05 W Deliere (Pittsburgh) 4-2
1/20/06 W Litton (West Virginia) 3-2
2/3/06 W Ross (Clarion) 5-3
2/5/06 L Howard (Cleveland St.) 3-1
2/10/06 L Clemsen (Edinboro) 3-2
2/17/06 L Morgan (Lock Haven) 6-1

Tournaments: 0-2

PSAC Championships
1/28/06 L Clemsen (Edinboro) 3-2
1/28/05 L Morgan (Lock Haven) 7-3

Stutzman on Shirk:

“Nate’s another one who’s missed all last year and has come back and is 15-10. He lost to Howard and Clemsen close. If he wrestles smart and makes good attacks, he’s right there.”

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At the Virginia Duals, despite battling a bout with the stomach flu, Shirk went 2-0, including a 6-5 win over Old Dominion’s David Mendoza. Shirk sat out the Indiana match, but came back strong Saturday, recording a 6-1 decision win over Kyle Narkiewicz of the University of Virginia.

Shirk’s fifth-consecutive win came at West Virginia in a 3-2 decision over Chance Litton.

At the 2006 PSAC Championships, Shirk recorded a fifth-place finish. In the first round, he won a 3-1 decision over Shippensburg’s Mark Murphy, but fell in the semifinals to 17th-ranked Alex Clemsen of Edinboro. Following a loss in the consolation semifinals, Shirk won by medical default in the fifth-place match.

In the Huskies’ final six dual matches, Shirk wrapped up the regular season going 3-3.

Following a 5-3 win over Clarion’s Dominic Ross, Shirk dropped two close matches, falling to Cleveland State’s Ron Howard, 3-1 and Edinboro’s Clemsen, 3-2. The morning following the Edinboro match, Shirk recorded a 4-3 win over Slippery Rock’s Charlie Pienaar.

In Bloomsburg’s final weekend of competition, Shirk dropped a 6-1 decision to Lock Haven’s Derrick Morgan, before winning an 8-2 decision over Dave Williams in Bloomsburg’s shut out over East Stroudsburg.

2006 EWLs
The 184-pound bracket will prove to be another deep field for the Huskies. Shirk, though 3-3 in EWL duals, wrestled the top three title-contenders closely, and Stutzman believes he has a chance at getting back those losses this weekend.

“Nate’s so close right now and he’s really wrestling well,” Stutzman said. “Those three guys are really tough, but Nate has a shot at getting an upset. The biggest loss he had was a five-point loss to Morgan and he was able to hang with Clemsen in that 3-2 loss.”

Last season, Shirk had to miss the championships in addition to the larger portion of the year after being injured early-on.

Stutzman said Shirk is looking forward to this weekend and wants to improve upon his sixth-place finish in 2004.

“Nate can definitely compete with these guys,” Stutzman said. “If he goes out there knowing he can pick up some wins and wrestles smart, he’s got a chance at getting to NCAAs.”

Shirk vs.
EWL Opponents

Dual matches: 3-3
11/12/05 W Deliere (Pittsburgh) 4-2
1/20/06 W Litton (West Virginia) 3-2
2/3/06 W Ross (Clarion) 5-3
2/5/06 L Howard (Cleveland St.) 3-1
2/10/06 L Clemsen (Edinboro) 3-2
2/17/06 L Morgan (Lock Haven) 6-1

Tournaments: 0-2

PSAC Championships
1/28/06 L Clemsen (Edinboro) 3-2
1/28/05 L Morgan (Lock Haven) 7-3

Stutzman on Shirk:

“Nate’s another one who’s missed all last year and has come back and is 15-10. He lost to Howard and Clemsen close. If he wrestles smart and makes good attacks, he’s right there.”
Jesse Hasseman • 197
Sophomore
Franklin, IN
Franklin High School
2005 EWL Finish: Sixth place (184 pounds)
Season record: 15-15

WRESTLING

Hasseman vs.
EWL Opponents

Dual matches: 2-3
11/12/05 L Thomas (Pittsburgh) 5-2
2/3/06 W Forfeit --
2/5/06 W Williams (Cleveland St.) 10-4
2/10/06 L Fendone (Edinboro) F, 4:45
2/17/06 L Kocher (Lock Haven) 8-4

Tournaments: 1-0
PSAC Championships
1/28/06 W Kocher (Lock Haven) 11-5

Stutzman on Hasseman:
He’s doubled his win total since last year and he’s improved a lot, he just needs to get better in a couple more places. He’s going to have to beat someone seeded ahead of him to get to the national tournament, most likely Kocher from Lock Haven, which he did earlier this year.

Looking back on this season, Stutzman is pleased with the strides Hasseman has made since his freshman campaign.

“Mentally, if he’s ready to go, he’ll give himself a chance. He’s another one of those guys who can’t make a lot of mistakes when he wrestles. He’s a hard-working, disciplined kid and if he can wrestle a complete tournament he’ll give himself a chance.”

2005-06 SEASON
Following an 8-26 record last season, Jesse Hasseman’s has posted a 15-15 mark this season and will look to make his first NCAA Championship appearance with a top three finish at this year’s EWL tournament.

Hasseman got off to a 4-3 start after going 2-2 at the Slippery Rock Open and 2-1 at the Oklahoma Gold Classic. In his opening match of the season, Hasseman recorded a pin at the 1:26 mark to advance to the second round of the Slippery Rock Open. In his next match, he got an 8-3 win before dropping his next match in a 5-2 decision to Indiana’s Fowler.

At the Buffalo Duals, Hasseman went 2-1, including wins over Findlay and Gardner-Webb.

In the Huskies’ next event, the Purdue Duals, Hasseman again finished with a 2-1 mark. Against Eastern Michigan he came up with a 10-1 major decision win, and recorded a pin at the 1:44 mark against William Penn.

Despite a string of losses midway through the season, Hasseman bounced back to finish third at the PSAC Championships.

In the first round, he beat Lock Haven’s Tom Kocher. After a second-round loss to top-seeded Corey Jacoby of Shippensburg, Hasseman got two-straight decision wins to finish in the top three.

To close out the regular season, Hasseman won a 10-4 decision over Cleveland State to help the Huskies to a 26-13 win over the Vikings.

2006 EWL
With a 2-3 record this season in EWL dual matches, Hasseman will look to avenge decision losses to Pittsburgh’s Lou Thomas and also a loss to Kocher suffered in the Huskies’ dual match against Lock Haven.

One opponent Hasseman has yet to face is West Virginia’s Jared Villers.

Stutzman said Hasseman will have to get an upset to reach the NCAA tournament.

“He’s going to have to beat someone seeded ahead of him to get to the national tournament, most likely Kocher from Lock Haven, which he did earlier this year,” Stutzman said. “He’s going to have to get Villers or Fendone from Edinboro, and they’re both tough kids.”

Looking back on this season, Stutzman is pleased with the strides Hasseman has made since his freshman campaign.

“He’s doubled his win total since last year and he’s improved a lot, he just needs to get better in a couple more places,” Stutzman said. “Mentally, if he’s ready to go, he’ll give himself a chance. He’s another one of those guys who can’t make a lot of mistakes when he wrestles. He’s a hard-working, disciplined kid and if he can wrestle a complete tournament he’ll give himself a chance.”
Mike Spaid • HWT
Sophomore
Perkiomenville, Pennsylvania
Boyertown High School
2005 EWL Finish: Fifth place (HWT)
Season record: 21-9

2005-06 SEASON
Mike Spaid will look to win his second title of the season at the EWL tournament, having won the 2006 PSAC title earlier in the season.

Despite going 0-2 in his first tournament of the season, Spaid has compiled a record of 21-9 on the year.

Following two losses, he came into the Huskies’ dual match against Pittsburgh and recorded the match-winning bout victory of the night, beating Mike Heist, 2-0.

After going 1-2 with a win over Gardner-Webb at the Buffalo Duals, Spaid went 3-2 at the Penn State Open.

At Purdue, he went 3-0, recording three decision wins on the day and, after a 6-4 decision loss at Nebraska, came back to win three more matches in a row.

Spaid got dual-match wins over Drexel and Rider over winter break prior to the Virginia Duals. Once down at the tournament, Spaid helped the Huskies to a first-round win with a 3-1 decision over Old Dominion’s John Dolida, helping lift the Huskies to a 19-13 win.

At the PSAC tournament, Spaid rattled off three-straight wins en route to the title. In the first round, he won a 13-0 major decision over Matt Burkholder. In the semifinal match, Spaid pinned Clarion’s Richard Brooks 2:59 into the match before winning a 6-0 decision over Jake Lininger in the finals to win the championship.

Since the beginning of the PSAC tournament, Spaid is 9-1. He recorded two more pins in the Huskies last six dual matches, pinning Brooks again and also posting a pin against Lock Haven’s Tim Meyers.

Despite a loss at Edinboro, Spaid came back and won his last three matches. Against Slippery Rock, he won an 8-0 major decision over Joe Attle. In the last weekend of regular season competition, Spaid posted the fall against Meyers at Lock Haven, followed by another bonus-point victory in a 9-0 major decision win over Adam Karasevicz in the Huskies’ shut out against East Stroudsburg.

2006 EWL S
Heading into this weekend, Stutzman has high expectations for Spaid. In addition to being a favorite to win the heavyweight bracket, Stutzman believes Spaid can have success at the next level.

“Spaid’s on-course to win the EWL title and the way he’s wrestling, he’s putting himself in the position to be an All-American,” Stutzman said.

“He’s improved so much and I give a lot of credit to former head coach Tom Martucci. I try and give my guys the best competition and workout partners possible, if I have to go outside the room to do that, I’ll do it and Martucci has helped him so much.”

Since the Nebraska match, Spaid has put in three to four extra workouts each week with Martucci.

“I think after the Nebraska match, I laid into him a little bit about his weight and I think that really fired him up,” Stutzman said. “Working with Martucci and getting in extra workouts has helped him a lot. He’s been his workout partner, his academic advisor and keeping him on track.”

2005 EWL S
Spaid took fifth at last year’s EWL tournament, finishing with a mark of 1-2.

In the opening round, he lost a 5-3 decision to first-seeded Joe Dennis. In the wrestlebacks, John Fager from Clarion got a 2-1 decision over Spaid, moving him to the fifth-place bout.

Spaid faced off against Lock Haven’s James Nagel in the fifth-place match, winning 8-0.
November
3 Team Wrestle Offs
12 @ Oklahoma Gold Classic 9th
15 PITTSBURGH * W, 17-16
19 at Buffalo Duals
 vs. Findlay W, 18-17
 vs. Buffalo L, 30-11
 vs. Gardner-Webb W, 28-9
December
10 at Purdue Duals
 vs. Purdue L, 21-15
 vs. William Penn W, 32-7
 vs. Eastern Michigan W, 21-13
January
2 at Nebraska L, 30-12
6 at Drexel (North Penn HS) L, 18-17
7 RIDER W, 26-13
13-14 at Virginia Duals
 vs. Old Dominion W, 19-13
 vs. Indiana L, 42-0
 vs. Virginia L, 22-13
20 at West Virginia L, 22-14
27-28 at PSAC Championships (at Slippery Rock) 2nd Place
February
3 CLARION W, 42-0
5 Cleveland State W, 29-7
10 at Edinboro L, 30-9
11 at Slippery Rock L, 18-17
17 at Lock Haven W, 21-15
19 EAST STROUDSBURG W, 35-0
March
4-5 at Eastern Wrestling League (at Edinboro) All Day
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