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Raider Sparkplug Cole Matthews

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What Should We Expect in 2017-18?

It's natural to look ahead and wonder — even try to predict what a new wrestling season will bring.

Unlike last year's squad that dominated opponents and smashed records, I expect this year's team to be in some real battles.

There is enough talent and experience to allow the team to compete with anyone and yet enough youth and inexperience to make things exciting.

Overall, it's a nice blend and I believe this year's team has what it takes to take us on two more rides to Hershey.

History teaches us to never count out a Reynolds team and this team certainly has way too much talent to be dismissed. **My prediction:** The Raiders will be in the running for a pair of state titles.

LOOKING AHEAD — RHS begins the season having won 25 consecutive dual matches. Modest compared to the school record of 115, but in this era when only one Class AA school

can finish unbeaten — it is almost certainly among the longest winning streaks in the state.



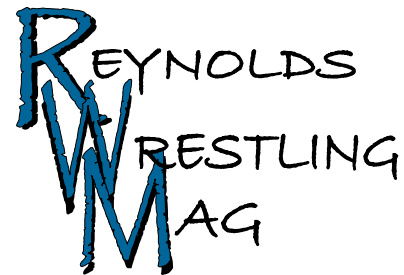
Here are a few other things to look forward to in 2017-18:

- RHS has 298 Section champions. No. 300 will likely come this season, considering there are 5 returning champions. Who will be No. 300 and join Bucky Moffett (No. 1), Jeff Groover (No. 100) and Joel Davis (No. 200) as landmark champs?
- Junior Beau Bayless enters the season with 72 wins and could be the next to join the 100-Win Club. Senior Cole Matthews (130) is already a member.
- Matthews has a legitimate shot to reach 100 career pins—that is something no other Reynolds

wrestler has even accomplished. Cole has averaged 25 in each of this first three seasons.

- Reynolds begins the year with an all-time dual match record of 815-94-2, a win percentage of 89.6.
- Coach Casey Taylor begins the season with a coaching record of 133-17. His teams have won three state titles.

As a wrestler at RHS, Coach Taylor was 123-10-2 and won three state titles, making it hard to determine whether he was a better wrestler or a better coach.



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The Raiders Look to Pick-up Where They Left off in 2016-17



(Photo by Annese Bayless)

Potentially Dangerous

Experience, Youth & Coaching Will Lead Raiders to Another Successful Season

BY DON SHAFFER

RWM Editor

When your favorite wrestling team is the Reynolds Raiders, the start of a new season is always accompanied by a sense of expectation.

As Reynolds fans we've gotten spoiled and last year's dominant run to PIAA gold only made things worse. The record-setting Raiders of 2016-17 finished 23-0, won the PIAA Class AA Dual Match and Team Points championships and sophomore Beau Bayless won a state title to lead a pack of eight PIAA placers.

The team put a cherry on top of an incredibly tasty season by winning a national title in June at the 2017 AAU Scholastic Duals at Disney World. Yes, it was that kind of fairy tale season.

This year's team will not be tasked with repeating all that was accomplished last season, but to simply continue the unrelenting legacy that is Reynolds Wrestling.

While there are many factors that go into a successful season, there are three - experience, youth and coaching - that really pop to the forefront as the 2017-18 season commences.

"When you consider the talent that we have coming back, and you add in the freshman class that we have

coming up, I think that makes us a dangerous bunch," said Coach Casey Taylor, who is 133-17 through his first six seasons. "There will be obstacles to overcome - there always are - but I think this team has an awful lot of potential. I've been impressed with what I've seen so far."

Topping the list of returning Raiders are a pair of state champions. Nationally-ranked Cole Matthews, and Bayless, now a junior, are legit. They will not have to do it alone as seven others return who reached double-digit wins last year.

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"To know that we are sending out a line-up that has two state champions, three medalists and five state qualifiers, that's a tremendous start right there," Taylor said. "But then you add in guys like Jarod Miller and Adam Wilcox who were Regional qualifiers ... they bring a lot of experience, as well."

"We've got a handful of other guys who are eager to contribute ... guys like Wyatt Owen, Rocco Bartolo, Mason Wilkerson and Tylir Shannon. We're excited

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about the team we are going to put on the mat this season.”

“The truth is that a majority of this team already has a gold medal, but I can tell you that these guys are not satisfied,” Taylor said. “They’ve heard the whispers that we’ve lost too much to win another state championship; it’s become personal to them. They want to do it again.”

Youth, more specifically *talented* youth, is another key component to continued success and Reynolds has that covered in the form of eight extremely talented freshmen who will compete on the varsity level.

“They’ve heard the whispers that we’ve lost too much to win another state championship; it’s become personal to them. They want to do it again.”

If you are not already familiar with Gary Steen, Jordan DeCarmen, Kaeden Berger, Alex Ischo, Cole Toy, Liam Foore, Rocco John-Daniello and Dreyvin Livingston, you soon will be. They are a special group and will help keep this Blue & Gray machine running for the next four years.

Individual classes this talented usually come along once every decade, so RHS is blessed to be able to welcome this group one year after saying goodbye to the Class of 2017 and its five, 100-match winners.

Coaching is also a strength of the RHS program. After taking over for Hall of Fame coach Brian Hills (370-39-1) in 2011-12, Taylor has been outstanding. His teams have already won three state titles and he has guided three individual state champions, 26 place-winners and 40 state qualifiers.

“There are a lot of factors that go into why I like coaching so much,” Taylor said. “First and foremost it is a love for the sport of wrestling. Getting to coach with my brothers and some of my best friends makes it really special. Of course, we always get great support from the administration, the community and the fans. Coaching at Reynolds is just the best place to be.”

The Raiders have completed eliminations, and except for a few challenge matches for the Ironman tournament, the starting lineup is set for opening day.

The lighter weight classes will be the strength of this year’s team as the first three or four weight classes feature outstanding depth and some season-long battles for starting positions.

Steen, a two-time Pennsylvania Junior Wrestling state champion, will start at 106 pounds. He is ranked as the No. 12 incoming freshman in the state by PaPowerWrestling.com. He will be confronted

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Returning Win Leaders

Cole Matthews	43
Andrew Ischo	36
Beau Bayless	34
Hunter Michaels	33
Derek Skeehan	27
Jarod Miller	26
Adam Wilcox	26
Hunter Thompson	14
Wyatt Owen	13
Cole Bayless	6

Returning Pin Leaders

Cole Matthews	27
Hunter Michaels	17
Adam Wilcox	15
Beau Bayless	14
Jarod Miller	11
Derek Skeehan	9
Wyatt Owen	8
Andrew Ischo	7
Hunter Thompson	4

Career Win Leaders

Cole Matthews	130
Beau Bayless	72
Hunter Michaels	60
Andrew Ischo	60
Jarod Miller	39
Derek Skeehan	35
Adam Wilcox	26
Ryan Harnett	23
Hunter Thompson	16

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by sophomore Cole Bayless who went 6-1 in restricted action last year.

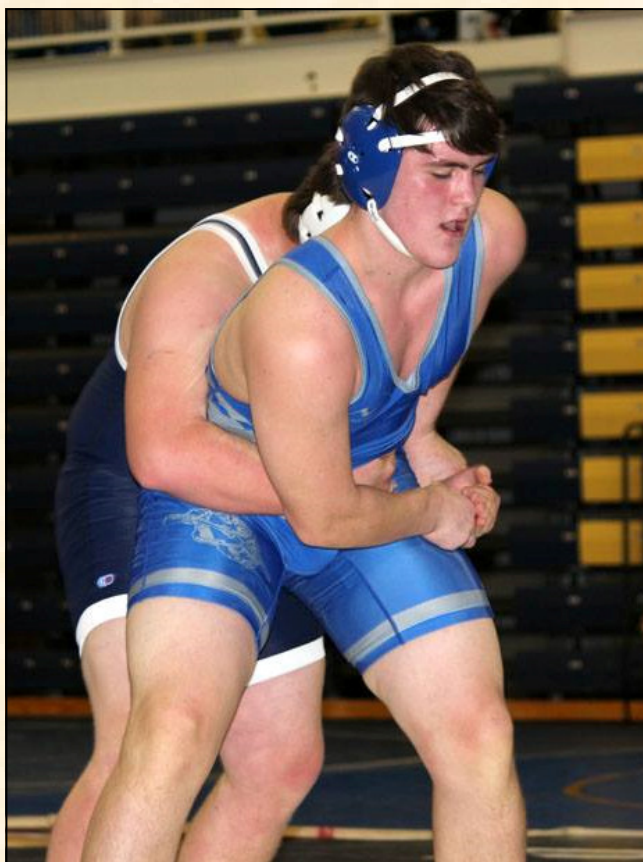
Sophomore Wilcox has won the 113-pound spot by beating out freshman Livingston. Wilcox is a returning starter who will look to improve on his 26-win freshman campaign.

Beau Bayless is the man at 120 but really had to work to get past determined freshman Berger. Foore, another talented freshman, makes the Raiders rock solid at 120.

Junior Andrew Ischo went 36-8 last season and finished seventh in the state. He will be the starter at 126 pounds, up one weight class from last year.

Bartolo is primed to step in at 132 pounds. Forced to be patient behind a pair of state place-winners the last two seasons, Bartolo, a junior, appears to have all the tools he needs to be successful. He has bided his time the last two years by placing first and third at PowerAde JV tournament.

Freshman Alex Ischo fought off senior Tylir Shannon and classmate Lee Walter to earn the starting spot at 138 pounds. Ischo was one of nine Raiders to qualify for the 2017 Junior High state champion-



Junior Derek Skeehean is a returning state qualifier who won 27 matches last season.



Junior Andrew Ischo had a breakout season in 2016-17, winning 36 matches and placing 7th in the state.

ships. Like Bartolo, Shannon has paid his dues behind some very talented wrestlers. Don't be surprised if he shows up in the starting lineup at some point.

Matthews and his remarkable 130-13 career record check in at 145 pounds. The University of Pittsburgh recruit will look to wrap up his scholastic career as the eighth Reynolds wrestler to win four PIAA medals.

There is a logjam of talent in the next three weight classes with seven legitimate candidates.

Senior Hunter Michaels, a two-time PIAA qualifier, will start the season at 152 pounds.

Hunter owns 60 career wins after going 33-7 last season and winning Section 2-AA, District 10 and Northwest Regional titles.

Others in contention for starting spots from 152 to 170 are seniors Mason Wilkerson and Ethan Kasbee, junior Hunter Thompson, sophomore Bryce McCloskey and freshmen DeCarmen and Toy.

FUN FACT:

Reynolds wrestlers have won 125 PIAA medals. That is the most in Class AA and second most in PA history behind Easton.

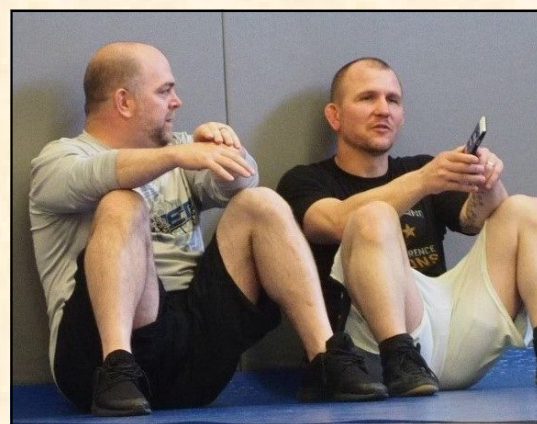
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Photos by Annese Bayless



CAMP KOLAT

U.S. Olympian, 2X NCAA and 4X PIAA champion Cary Kolat was at RHS on May 7, 2017 for a clinic. About two dozen wrestlers showed up to learn technique from a living legend. A graduate of Jefferson Morgan High School, Kolat is the current head coach at Campbell University in North Carolina.



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Thompson showed tremendous improvement last season and has 16 varsity wins under his belt. He has earned the starting spot at 160 pounds while Toy will get the nod at 170.

McCloskey was 3-6 last year, but three of his losses were to state place-winners Jacob Oliver, Jared McGill and Luke Funck. McCloskey starts the season injured as does DeCarmen. Once healthy, they could certainly make an impact.

Sophomore Evan Miller has his sights set on the starting job at 182 pounds, but it is also possible that one of the wrestlers from the aforementioned logjam will bump up to challenge him.

Senior Jarod Miller is back for his third season as a starter at 195 pounds. He was 26-14 last season and just missed a trip to the state tournament. He will be backed by Xavier Coburn.

Junior Wyatt Owen returns at 220 pounds. Owen started most of his sophomore season and was solid in posting a 13-7 record.

Derek Skeehan, also a junior, will be the Raiders' 285-pounder, but like McCloskey and DeCarmen, starts the season on the injured list. Skeehan qualified for the 2017 state tournament while going 27-17. Holding down the heavyweight spot until Skeehan returns will be freshman Rocco John-Daniello. RJD took the year off last year, but is a former PAJW state champion with loads of potential.

"I like how the chemistry of this team is coming together," Taylor said. "The way it worked out with most of these freshmen going to Disney with us this past summer really helped. They got a chance to see

first-hand what last year's team was all about. Now they are going to be a big part of it as we move forward."

In addition to Coach Taylor, the varsity coaching staff includes assistants Marty Taylor, Jeff Linn, Mike Hills, Jay Pierce and Jamar Henry. Mark Higbee is the Junior High head coach and his assistants are Bill Foore and Levi Stoyer.

Reynolds opens the season Dec. 8-9 at the Ironman Tournament. The first dual match is Dec. 12 at Franklin. The home opener is Dec. 14 vs. Grove City.



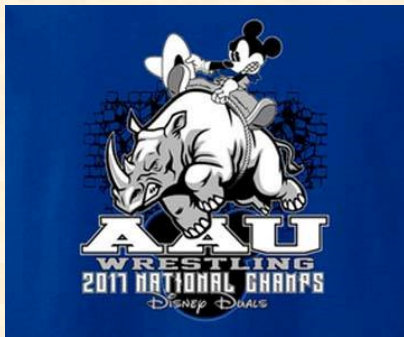
2017-18 VARSITY CHEERLEADERS include (front, l-r) Alexys Bucher, Brianna Hennigh and Katie Bateman. And (back, l-r) Hall Hoover, Elaine Christy, Tristan Mull, Savanna Riffe and Rebekah Leise.

(Photo by ACW Productions)



(Photo by Annese Bayless)

MAT MAIDS for the 2017-18 season include (l-r) Jordan Slater, Frankie Giardina, Sophie Tofani, Janelle Brandt and Sadie Brandt.



National Champs!



To Infinity and Beyond

Reynolds seniors Hunter Michaels (left photo) and Cole Matthews signed National Letter of Intent to continue their academic and athletic careers at Clarion University and the University of Pittsburgh, respectively. Pictured with Hunter are his parents Tammi and Don Michaels, RHS principal Scott Shearer, Coach Casey Taylor and Athletic Director Steve Waleff. At right, Cole is pictured with his mother, Amy, and his father, Curt.

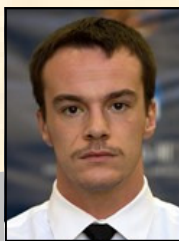
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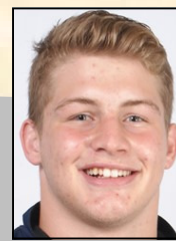
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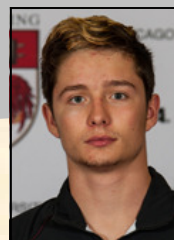
Bartolo



Leise



Matthews



Bayless



Hauck

Making the Grade

Eleven Former Raiders Competing in College

As the Raiders prepare to kick-off the season at the Ironman Tournament, the college season is already well underway.

An amazing 11 RHS graduates appear on college rosters this season. That's more than enough Reynolds alum to make a college team — although they'd have to shuffle some weight classes to fill all the sports.

What follows is a rundown of where these 11 wrestlers are and how they've fared in November.

Three-time national qualifier **Austin Matthews ('13)** leads the way. Ranked 16th in the nation by Intermat, Austin is in his redshirt senior season at Edin-

boro University. Competing at 165 pounds, Austin dropped his only match of the young season and currently sits at 64-25 in his career.

Clarion junior **Michael Bartolo ('15)** is redshirting this season which means he will defer one season of eligibility. He will still have two seasons remaining. Mike is currently battling an injury but intends to compete in Open tournaments after he heals.

Sophomore **Seth Hogue ('16)** has locked down the starting spot at 149 for Bucknell University. Seth opened the season with a win over Cal State Bakersfield's Kalani Tonge. He then dropped matches in duals against Edinboro and Lehigh. Seth was then pinned in a dual vs. Penn State, but

not before he picked up a takedown against Zain Retherford, a returning 2X national champion and the No. 1 ranked wrestler in the country.

Seth was the victim of a poor draw in the Navy Classic. He lost his opening bout to No. 1 seed and eventual champion Matthew Kolodzik of Princeton, and then fell to the eventual fourth-place finisher in the consolations.

Pitt freshman **Cole Rickert ('17)** will back up senior Ryan Solomon at heavyweight for the Panthers. Solomon was one win away from All-American status last season. Cole opened the season at the Clarion Open where he went 2-2. He later placed sixth at the

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2017-18 Reynolds Wrestling Roster

Seniors

Xavier Coburn
Ethan Kasbee
Cole Matthews
Hunter Michaels
Jarod Miller
Tylir Shannon
Mason Wilkerson

Juniors

Rocco Bartolo
Beau Bayless
Andrew Ischo
Wyatt Owen
Derek Skeehan
Hunter Thompson

Sophomores

Cole Bayless
Bryce McCloskey
Evan Miller
Lee Walter
Adam Wilcox

Freshmen

Kaeden Berger
Rocco John-Daniello
Jordan DeCarmen
Liam Foore
Alex Ischo
Dreyvin Livingston
Gary Steen
Cole Toy

2017-18 Reynolds Wrestling Schedule

Date	Location	Opponent
Dec. 8-9	Walsh Jesuit HS	Ironman Tournament
Dec. 12	Franklin HS	Franklin
Dec. 14	Reynolds HS	Grove City
Dec. 16	Canfield HS	Canfield Duals
	(vs. Dover, Kenston, Aurora & Canfield)	
Dec. 19	West Middlesex HS	West Middlesex
Dec. 21	Reynolds HS	Hickory
Dec. 23	Reynolds HS	Cathedral Prep
Dec. 29-30	Canon-McMillan HS	PowerAde Tournament
Jan. 4	Slippery Rock HS	Slippery Rock
Jan. 9	Reynolds HS	Lakeview
Jan. 11	Sharpsville HS	Sharpsville
Jan. 17	Reynolds HS	Mercer
Jan. 20	Brookville HS	Ultimate Duals
	(vs. Burrell, Chestnut Ridge, Bishop McCort & Brookville)	
Jan. 24	Sharon HS	Sharon
Feb. 3	Sharon HS	District 10 AA Team Duals
Feb. 8-10	Giant Center, Hershey	PIAA AA Team Championships
Feb. 16-17	Sharon HS	Section 2-AA Tournament
Feb. 23-24	Sharon HS	District 10 AA Championships
March 2-3	Sharon HS	AA Northwest Regional
March 8-10	Giant Center, Hershey	PIAA AA Individual Championships



(Photo by Annese Boyless)

2017-18 Reynolds Junior High Team

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Eastern Michigan Open while competing in a sophomore- and freshman-only division. Rickert also placed fourth at the Mat Town Open in Lock Haven, again going 2-2.

Cam Cianci ('13) is back for his sophomore season at Thiel College. Cam is 0-2 competing at both 174 and 184 pounds. Cam will become a junior, academically, at the end of the first semester.

Freshman **Gavin Wilkerson ('17)** and senior **Mason McCollum ('14)** are both wrestling at 165 pounds for Mercyhurst University, with Gavin currently serving as the Lakers' starter. Gavin opened his career by going 1-2 at the Ohio Intercollegiate Open. He then



won back to back dual matches against Embry-Riddle and Sierra. McCollum also won an exhibition match against Embry-Riddle.

Gavin and Mason both wrestled at the Mile High Open where Gavin went 5-2 to place fifth and Mason went 1-2, with one of his losses coming to Gavin.

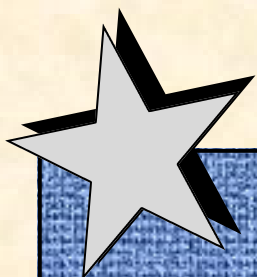
Freshmen **Gage Bayless ('17)** and **Chaise Hauck ('17)** are both at the

University of Chicago, where Chaise has earned the starting spot at 141 pounds. Both opened their careers by going 3-2 at the Trine Invitational. Hauck later dropped a decision in a dual against Elmhurst.

Waynesburg University junior **Mike Millero ('15)** went 1-2 at 184 pounds at the W&J Invitational. He also picked up a fall in a dual against Alma College at the Mt. Union Duals.

Freshman **Joel Leise ('17)** will red-shirt for Gannon University this year. Joel did experience his first taste of college action at the Findlay Open, where he went 2-2.

Gannon opened the season ranked No. 5 in the NCAA Division II national poll. It is the school's highest ranking ever.



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Lehigh Coach Pat Santoro hosted a clinic at RHS



Jeremy Fowler Fundraiser



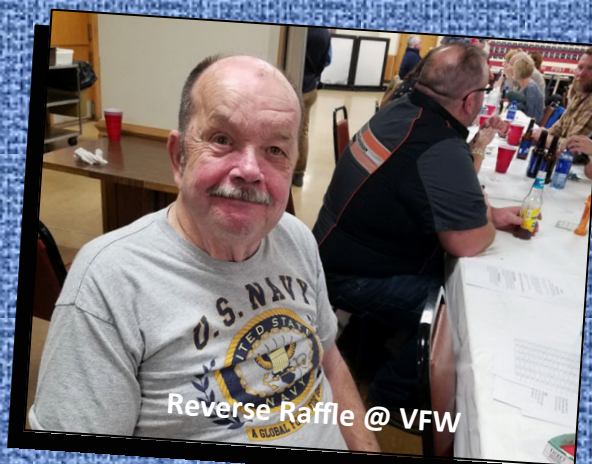
Road Crew Golf Outing

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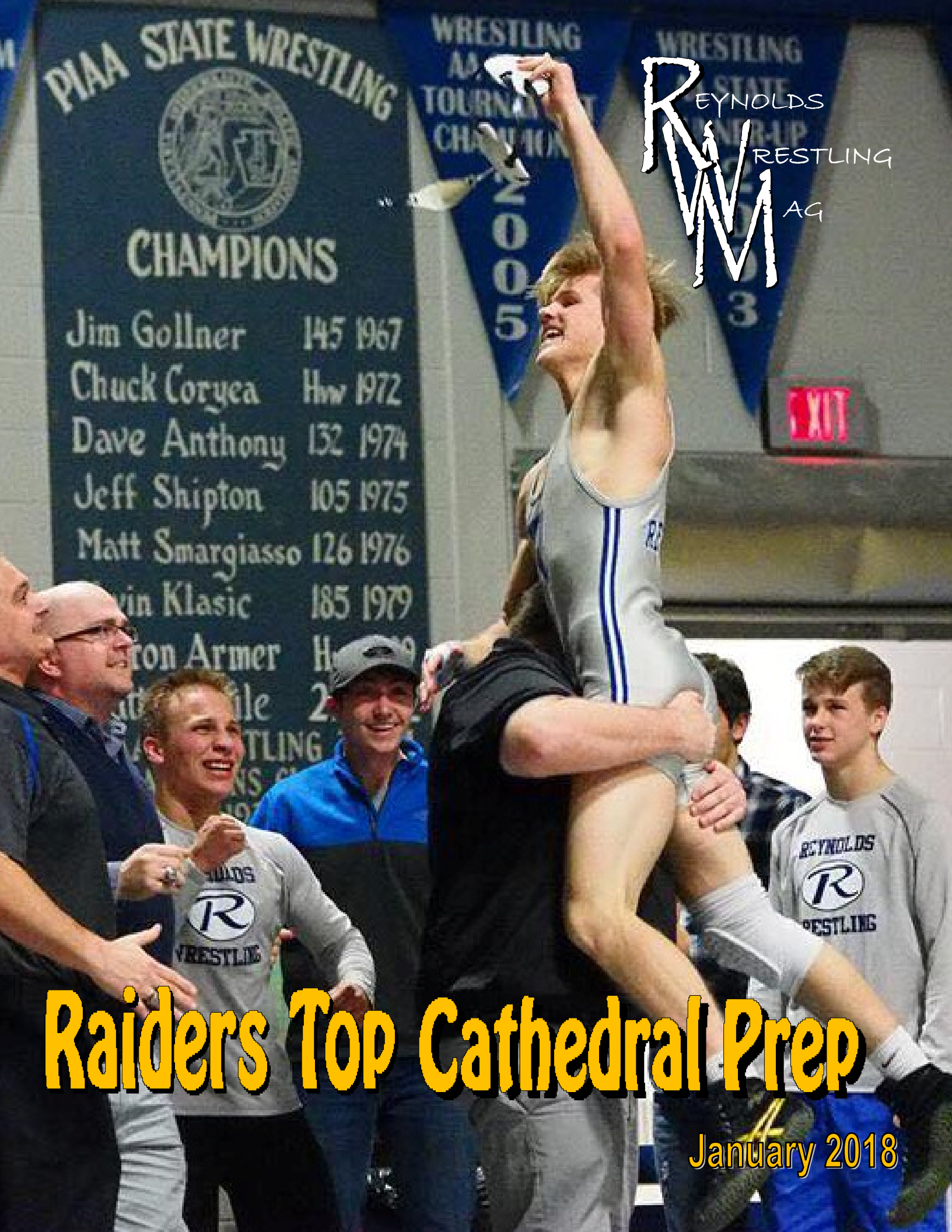
New Question: Who holds the RHS single season record for most wins?

Previous Question: Who owns the RHS record for the fastest fall?

Answer: Brad Rowe owns the Reynolds record for the fastest fall — :05 seconds.



Reverse Raffle @ VFW



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CHAMPIONS

Jim Gollner	145	1967
Chuck Coryea	Hwr	1972
Dave Anthony	132	1974
Jeff Shipton	105	1975
Matt Smargiasso	126	1976
Kevin Klasic	185	1979
Don Armer	H	1979
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Raiders Top Cathedral Prep

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A Match of Inches & Seconds

In the wide, wild world of sports, highly-competitive athletic contests are sometimes referred to as “A game of inches.”

We got a taste of what that means during the 31-29 win over Cathedral Prep on Dec. 23 — one of the most thrilling dual matches to take place in the RHS gymnasium in recent memory.

Looking back, not only was the team score close, but so were a handful of individual matches, including three that went to overtime. Inches — and seconds — came into play in more than a few of those bouts.

At 145 pounds, Hunter Michaels fought off his back for more than 100 seconds in the first period. He was within inches of being pinned.

Later, when Michaels brought the house down with a third-period fall (*see cover photo*) inches again came into play as he secured the pin with at least one of Marquis McClorin’s shoulder blades out of bounds.

In previous seasons, this would not have been a fall. A new rule—enacted just this season—allows pins to be called if shoulder blades are out of bounds as long as supporting points remain in bounds. It was close. Inches.

Seconds mattered at 132 pounds when Rocco Bartolo nearly surrendered a last-second takedown in his bout with Tyler McKinney.

It was so close to being two that Prep coaches asked referees Gene Fertig and Rob Powell to talk about it. They did, but upheld the initial ruling that time had expired.

Bartolo nailed a takedown in overtime to secure the win and give Reynolds a win in a pivotal match.

Inches mattered to Cole Matthews

at 138 pounds when he held Andrew Stark on his back for most of the third period. Cole ended up with a major decision at a juncture when two additional points would have been huge.



Give Stark credit for fighting off the fall for all those seconds.

And finally, inches and seconds again came into play again at 220 pounds when Raider Wyatt Owen got tossed to his back with less than 10 seconds remaining in his match-up with Kareem Carson.

It was so close that I still can’t talk about it (still holding my breath) and it may have been the closest one of all. A pin there and Prep almost certainly wins the match.

A match of inches and seconds, it certainly was, as well as another great chapter in the Reynolds-Prep rivalry.

BEAU AND BOUZAKIS— Beau Bayless’s match in the finals of the POWERade Tournament vs. 8th grader Nic Bouzakis of Lake Highland Prep, FL was a first in the 51-year history of the tournament.

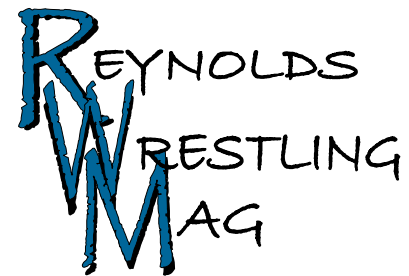
As you may have guessed, Bouzakis is not your average 8th grader. Last season, he won a Florida state championship as a 7th grader. (Florida is one of a handful of states that allows junior high students to compete at the high school level.)

No doubt Bouzakis is tough and I give the kid his props, but a chronic bloody nose never let Beau get into a

rhythm. Beau told us after the match that once they wrapped his head to stop the bleeding that he could not breathe.

Even though Beau came out on the short end of a 10-4 decision and Bouzakis became the first 8th grader to win a POWERade title, I love that Beau battled to the final buzzer. Watching the match a second time on PCN made me appreciate his effort even more. He never quit.

Meanwhile, keep an eye on this Bouzakis kid, he’s something special.



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Matthews Repeats as Powerade Champ

By DON SHAFFER
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CANONSBURG - Cole Matthews won his second straight title and the Raiders finished fifth in the team standings to highlight action at the 51st annual POWERade Tournament Dec. 29 and 30.

Three other Raiders also secured spots in the Top 8. Junior Beau Bayless was second at 113, freshman Gary Steen was fourth at 106 and senior Jarod Miller was 8th at 195. Reynolds entered 13 wrestlers in the tournament and all contributed to the team points total by winning at least one match.

Wyoming Seminary won the tournament with 272 points. Rounding out the Top 5 were Lake Highland Prep (202), Parkersburg-South (178.5), Cathedral Prep (145) and Reynolds (137.5).

Matthews' finals against Jack Davis of Wyoming Seminary was more like a chess match than a wrestling match as the two exchanged escapes through the first six minutes. Matthews took the only good shot of the match in the sudden victory period and made it pay dividends.

It was Cole's fourth POWERade medal, as he fin-

ished second as a sophomore and fifth as a freshman. His tournament record was 6-0 and he is now 17-2 this season and 147-15 for his career.

Bayless squared off with 8th grade phenom Nik Bouzakis of Lake Highland Prep, FL in the 113-pound finals. POWERade allows 8th graders if the home state allows them to compete.

Even though he scored the first takedown of the match, Beau was never able to gain traction because of a chronic nosebleed and Bouzakis won a 10-4 decision. Beau's tournament record was 5-1 and he is now 18-4 this year.

Gary Steen finished a 5-2 tournament with a fourth-place medal, dropping a 6-2 decision to Tim Devine. Gary (16-4) was in the match until the final seconds, giving up a late two points on an acrobatic takedown attempt. He wrestled extremely well all weekend and will likely move up in the state rankings from his current No. 7 spot.

Miller worked his way to the POWERade podium thanks to a 3-3 weekend. His only losses were to the first, sixth and seventh place finishers. In his final bout, Jarod (11-7) dropped a hard-fought 3-1 decision to Cathedral Prep sophomore Dorian Crosby.





Rocco Bartolo

RWM Photo by Annee Boyless

An Old-Fashioned Brawl

Raiders Hold On for Thrilling 2-point Win over Cathedral Prep

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

Reynolds built a 31-6 advantage through the first nine weight classes and held on for dear life to win a thrilling 31-29 victory over nationally-ranked Cathedral Prep on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 23, at RHS.

"To be honest, I miss these kinds of matches," said Reynolds Coach Casey Taylor. "This is the way I remember matches being when I was growing up. I wish we had more opportunities for matches like this at home."

Thanks to Gary Steen's win by forfeit at 106 pounds, Adam Wilcox's heart-pounding overtime win and a quick fall from Beau Bayless (120) Reynolds grabbed an early

15-0 lead.

Freshman Paniro Johnson got Prep on the board with a win over Andrew Ischo at 126 pounds, but Reynolds bounced right back with three straight wins.

Rocco Bartolo (132) nailed a textbook takedown in overtime to pick up a decision over 2016 state qualifier Tyler McKinney and Cole Matthews (138) had Andrew Stark on his back for most of the third period en route to a win by major decision.

At 145, Prep's Marquis McClorin had Hunter Michaels on his back nearly the entire first period before Michaels regained his composure and rallied. His third-period takedown tied the bout and his subsequent cradle ended it at 5:27.

After Prep's Kishawn Higgins topped Mason Wilkerson by decision at 152 pounds, Hunter Thompson (160) gave Reynolds its final points with a solid 5-1 victory. Thompson's win was especially sweet because it came over returning state qualifier Albert Taylor.

The Ramblers started their rally at 170 when nationally-ranked Carter Starocci accepted a forfeit and state-ranked senior Luigi Yates (182) followed with a tech fall over Raider freshman Cole Toy.

The third overtime match of the night came at 195 pounds. After a scoreless sudden-victory period Raider Jarod Miller escaped in his 30-second tiebreaker, but

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RWM photo by Annese Bayless

Bayless 8th at Ironman

CUYAHOGA FALLS, OH— Beau Bayless won four matches and finished in 8th place to secure his first Ironman medal at the season-opening tournament Dec. 8 and 9.

“We’re just so extremely proud of Beau for what he accomplished,” said Reynolds Coach Casey Taylor. “This tournament features the best in the country and Beau proved he belonged on the podium.”

Bayless finished the tournament with a 4-3 record. Among his wins was a decision over a wrestler that was ranked 4th in the country. Beau’s performance was good enough to propel him into the national rankings for the first time in his career. After the tournament, FloWrestling put Beau at No. 20 in its 113-pound rankings.

Bayless was the only Raider to earn a medal at this year’s Ironman. Freshman Gary Steen (106) and senior Cole Matthews (145) both finished with 2-2 records. Matthews has previously won a pair of Ironman silver medals.

Other Raiders to win matches at Ironman included Andrew Ischo (120, 1-2), Rocco Bartolo (132, 1-2), Hunter Michaels (152, 1-2), Jarod Miller (195, 1-2) and Rocco John-Daniello (285, 1-2).



December Win Leaders

Beau Bayless	18
Cole Matthews	17
Gary Steen	16
Hunter Michaels	12
Jarod Miller	11
Andrew Ischo	10
Rocco Bartolo	10
Hunter Thompson	9
Wyatt Owen	7
Cole Toy	7

December Pin Leaders

Cole Matthews	7
Beau Bayless	7
Hunter Michaels	6
Jarod Miller	5
Andrew Ischo	4
Cole Toy	4
Rocco Bartolo	4
Gary Steen	4
3 others tied	2

Career Win Leaders

(Through end of December)

Cole Matthews	147
Beau Bayless	90
Hunter Michaels	72
Andrew Ischo	70
Jarod Miller	50
Derek Skeehan	35
Adam Wilcox	30
Hunter Thompson	25
Ryan Harnett	23

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Canfield Snaps Win Streak at 30

Raiders Lose for First Time Since Team States in Feb. 2016

CANFIELD, Ohio— The Reynolds Raiders saw their 30-match win streak snapped when Canfield was able to hold off a desperate Reynolds rally for a 34-33 victory.

Earlier in the day, Reynolds had defeated Dover (66-9), Kenston (69-(-1)) and Aurora (46-16) without any major issues.

Early on against Canfield things went well, as Rocco Bartolo (132), Alex Ischo (138) and Cole Matthews (145) started the match with consecutive major decisions to stake Reynolds to an early 12-0 lead.

That did not last long, however, as Canfield then rattled off seven straight wins.

Included in that streak were three pins, a forfeit and a major decision. That gave the host Cardinals a 34-12 edge as the line-up turned the corner and circled back to the lightweights.

Gary Steen (106) had a quick pin

to give Reynolds life at 34-18. Cole Bayless dug deep to win an over-time thriller at 113 but without bonus points the match was mathematically over at 34-21.

Beau Bayless (120) accepted a forfeit and Andrew Ischo (126)

notched a fall to set the final team score.

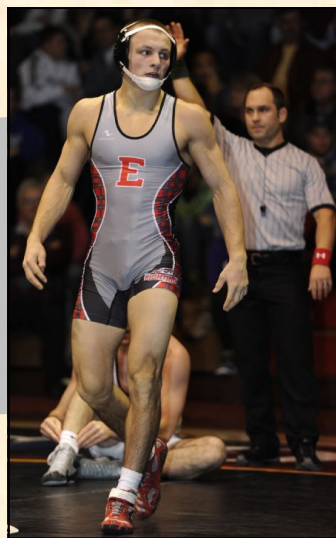
Reynolds and Canfield have now wrestled four times in their brief history with both teams winning twice.



RWM photos by Annese Bayless



Steve Popovitch's ALUMNI NEWS



Matthews Pulls Plug on Illustrious Career

As previously reported on our Facebook page, RWM has learned that the illustrious wrestling career of **Austin Matthews ('13)** has come to an end.

Austin made the difficult decision after learning that a recent injury will require surgery and extensive rehab.

Austin, who competed as a freshman at Clarion University before transferring to Edinboro, finishes with a career record of 68-25.

He twice won a Eastern Wrestling League (EWL) championship and was a three-time NCAA tournament qualifier.

Austin is on track to graduate from Edinboro in May with a degree in Criminal Justice. He hopes to enroll in the Pennsylvania State Police Academy and become a state trooper.

Seth Hogue ('16) had a very successful month of December for Bucknell.

At the prestigious Las Vegas Invitational, Seth advanced to the round of 16 - further than any of his Bison teammates - before consecutive losses

knocked him from the tournament. He then had a key victory - by major decision - in Bucknell's first-ever win over Pitt (20-16).

Mercyhurst freshman **Gavin Wilkerson ('17)**, had a rough month on the mat. Gavin was pinned twice at the Mercyhurst Duals, an event which the Lakers swept as a team. He then was the victim of a brutal draw at the PSAC Championships.

Wilkerson opened against the top seed, Lock Haven's 7th ranked (Intermat) Chance Marsteller, and was the victim of a quick fall. After receiving a bye in the consolations, Gavin was beaten by the second seed, Fritz Hoehn of Edinboro, who was upset in the quarters.

Freshman **Chaise Hauck ('17)** went 1-2 at the Milwaukee School of Engineering Invitational. After winning his opening bout by injury default, Chaise dropped consecutive decisions to the eventual runner-up and third place

finishers. Chaise went 2-1 at the Chicago duals, where his University of Chicago teammate, **Gage Bayless ('17)**, also saw action. Gage was pinned by Alma's Brandon Ladd, who is ranked 5th in the nation at 141.

Waynesburg recently hosted a quad meet where **Mike Millero ('15)** split a pair of matches. Millero won by fall against Apprentice, before dropping a decision to Penn State Behrend's Jake Paulson, a McDowell High School product.

Mike then advanced to the championship finals at the Long Island Open. He lost to Johnson & Wales' Khamri Thomas, who Intermat has tabbed as the #6 wrestler in the country.

Gannon redshirt **Joel Leise ('17)** recently wrestled at the Findlay open, where he went 4-1. Joel finished tied for fifth place with teammate Brian Zehe. The fifth-place bout was not contested because the daily match limit was reached.

Champ Berger Leads 5 Powerade JV Placers

CANNONSBURG—Five of the eight Reynolds wrestlers entered in the POWERade JV tournament at CanonMac earned medals.

Freshman Kaeden Berger (126) paced the Raiders by winning the 126-pound championship. He finished with a 4-0 record, including three falls.



Kaeden Berger

Kaeden extends the Raiders' modest streak of POWERade JV champs to three, joining Rocco Bartolo (2015) and Bryce McCloskey (2016).

Cole Bayless (106) and Adam Wilcox (113) finished third for the Raiders. Wilcox went 7-1 and Bayless had a 6-1 record.

Cole Toy (170) and Evan Miller (182) finished fourth. Toy lost his consolation finals match in the UTB.

Liam Foore (113) came within one win of placing after being eliminated in the consolation semifinals following a 4-0 loss to Wilcox. Foore was a semifinalist after winning three straight matches — all by fall.

Also participating for the Raiders were Dreyvin Livingston (113, 2-2) and Lee Walter (138, 0-2).

The eight Raiders combined for a 31-12 record. Only the top four wrestlers at each weight earned placement.



RWM photos by Annesse Bayless

Five Reynolds wrestlers placed at the POWERade JV Tournament. They include (front, l-r) Kaeden Berger (126, 1st) and Cole Bayless (106, 3rd) and back (l-r) Cole Toy (170, 4th), Evan Miller (182, 4th) and Adam Wilcox (113, 3rd).

An Old-Fashioned Brawl

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sophomore Dorian Crosby nailed a switch in his for a reversal and held on for an 8-7 win.

With Reynolds leading 31-20 and with two matches remaining, Prep needed big-time bonus points in both to finish the rally. Kareem Carson led Wyatt Owen 4-2 late in the match before tossing the Raider to his back with about 8 seconds remaining.

Owen was able to fight off the fall and Carson's 9-2 victory was not enough to give Prep the bonus points it needed. A forfeit to Prep stud Kawaun Deboe at heavyweight set the final score.

The win improved Reynolds to 8-1 while Prep fell to 5-2. Reynolds leads the all-time series 19-9-1 and has won 10 straight against the Ramblers dating back to 1994-95.



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Evan Miller



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The two-piece uniform debuts in a win over Hickory on Dec. 21

RHS Handles Hickory, 55-12

Adam Wilcox (113), Rocco Bartolo (132) and Cole Matthews (145) had first-period pins for the Raiders and three others won by forfeit as the Raiders improved to 7-1, 4-0 in District 10 Region I action with a 55-12 win over Hickory at RHS on Thursday, Dec. 21.

Hunter Michaels (152), Hunter Thompson (160) and Cole Toy (170) started the night with consecutive major decisions for Reynolds. Wyatt Owen (285) also had a major.

The most competitive match of the night came at 138 pounds where Hornet Aidan Thompson edged Reynolds freshman Alex Ischo, 5-4. Thompson is a returning Northwest Regional qualifier.

Win No. 1 Comes at Franklin

FRANKLIN - Slippery roads and temperatures in the teens could not stop the Reynolds Raiders as they opened the 2017-18 dual-match season with a 60-12 win at Franklin on Tuesday, Dec. 12.

The match featured six total forfeits - five by the Knights and one by the Raiders. Of the eight matches wrestled, Reynolds held a 6-2 advantage.

Rocco Bartolo (132), Alex Ischo (138) and Cole Matthews (145) strung together consecutive falls to open the match and Jarod Miller (195) also scored six. Adam Wilcox (113) and Andrew Ischo (126) won by decision.

Collecting their first varsity wins were freshmen Alex Ischo and Cole Toy (170).



Freshman Rocco John-Daniello in action at Franklin



Senior Tylir Shannon gets the win vs. Grove City

Raiders Win Home Opener

The Reynolds Raiders topped Grove City, 68-6, in a near-perfect home opener on Thursday, Dec. 14.

Thanks to quick falls from Wyatt Owen (285), Adam Wilcox (113) and Rocco Bartolo (132) and four forfeits, Reynolds led 42-0 before the home crowd got settled in.

Cole Matthews (145) also notched a fall for RHS and Hunter Michaels (152) added a tech fall. Claiming wins by decision were Tylir Shannon (138), Hunter Thompson (160) and Cole Toy (182).

Grove City's lone victory was collected by unbeaten Tyler Greer, who accepted a win via forfeit at 170 pounds.



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Fort LeBoeuf champ Kane Kettering (above) and runner-up Ava Bayless (below)



RWM photo by Annese Bayless

Junior High Team Finishes 4th at FLB

WATERFORD — Reynolds Junior High coach Mark Higbee reports that the Raiders finished fourth at the annual Fort LeBoeuf tournament on Saturday, Dec. 30.

Eighth graders Kane Kettering and Ava Bayless led the Raiders' charge. Kettering finished first at 92 pounds and Bayless was second at 97.

Here is a list of the Raiders' place-winners at the Fort LeBoeuf tournament:

- 77- Logan Hammerschmidt, 3rd place
- 82—Jonathon Swingle, 2nd place
- 87—Santino Gentile, 3rd place
- 92—Kane Kettering, 1st place
- 97—Ava Bayless, 2nd place
- 140—Brook Santell, 4th place
- 187—Mitchell Mason, 4th place



RWM photo by Annese Bayless

Hunter Thompson scores a first period fall against West Middlesex

Raiders Take Down Big Reds, 75-6

WEST MIDDLESEX — Reynolds ran its season record to 6-1 overall, and 3-0 in District 10 Region I action with a 75-6 win at West Middlesex on Tuesday, Dec. 19.

Only one match went the distance, as Raider Jarod Miller (195) worked his way to a 7-0 win over Anthony Gioan.

Reynolds won six matches by forfeit and six others by fall.

West Middlesex got its lone win from 182-pounder Shane Slicker.

December Boxscores

Dec. 23, 2017

Reynolds 31, Prep 29

106-Gary Steen (R) won by forfeit
113-Adam Wilcox (R) dec. Jacob Brummet, 4-2 (OT).
120-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Ben Tirpak, 1:18.
126-Paniri Johnson (EP) dec. Andrew Ischo, 11-4.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) dec. Tyler McKinney, 8-6 (OT).
138-Cole Matthews (R) major dec. Andrew Stark, 17-6.
145-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Marquis McClorin, 5:27.
152-Kishawn Higgins (EP) dec. Mason Wilkerson, 6-4.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) dec. Albert Taylor, 5-1.
170-Carter Starocci (EP) won by forfeit.
182-Luigi Yates (EP) tech fall Cole Toy, 18-2, 5:09.
195-Dorian Crosby (EP) dec. Jarod Miller, 8-7 tb2.
220-Kareem Carson (EP) dec. Wyatt Owen, 9-2.
285-Kawaun Deboe (EP) won by forfeit.

Dec. 21, 2017

Reynolds 55, Hickory 12

152-Hunter Michaels (R) major dec. Cole Ruffo, 12-3.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) major dec. A.J. Hammond, 9-0.
170-Cole Toy (R) major dec. Danny Wanchisn, 16-2.
182-Nate Marchand (H) dec. Evan Miller, 7-3.
195-Jarod Miller (R) dec. Troy Scurry, 4-2.
220-Skylar Collins (H) pinned Xavier Coburn, 1:36.
285-Wyatt Owen (R) major dec. Trevor Lightner, 10-1.
106-Gary Steen (R) won by forfeit.
113-Adam Wilcox (R) pinned Noah Rust, 0:35.
120-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
126-Kaeden Berger (R) won by forfeit.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) pinned Jaden Rogers, 1:19.
138-Aidan Thompson (H) dec. Alex Ischo, 5-4.
145-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Braelin Stewart, 0:53.

Dec. 19, 2017

Reynolds 75, West Middlesex 6

113-Gary Steen (R) pinned Justin O'Neill, 0:59.
120-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
126-Kaeden Berger (R) won by forfeit.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) won by forfeit.
138-Alex Ischo (R) won by forfeit.
145-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Logan O'Neill, 0:15.15
2-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Anthony Aldrich, 1:17.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) pinned Dylan Wanner, 1:54.
170-Cole Toy (R) pinned pinned Zeb Rubaker, 4:52.
182-Shane Slicker (WM) pinned Evan Miller, 3:29.
195-Jarod Miller (R) dec. Anthony Gioan, 7-0.
220-Xavier Coburn (R) won by forfeit.
285-Wyatt Owen (R) pinned Rye Yank, 0:46.
106-Cole Bayless (R) won by forfeit.

Dec. 16, 2017

Canfield 34, Reynolds 33

132-Rocco Bartolo (R) major dec. McCoy Watkins, 10

-1.

138-Alex Ischo (R) major dec. Giovanni Dunlap, 12-3.
145-Cole Matthews (R) major dec. Eric El-Hayek, 13-4.
152-David Reinhart (C) pinned Hunter Michaels, 3:42.
160-Seth Hull (C) pinned Hunter Thompson, 2:39.
170-Ben Cutrer (C) dec. Cole Toy, 9-3.
182-David Crawford (C) won by forfeit.
195-Nick Crawford (C) pinned Evan Miller, 0:40.)
220-Tyler Stein (C) dec. Jarod Miller, 5-2.
285-Daniel Kapalko (C) major dec. Wyatt Owen, 11-1.
106-Gary Steen (R) pinned Ethan Fletcher, 1:35.
113-Cole Bayless (R) dec. Nicholas Barber, 5-2 (SV).
120-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
126-Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Aidan Burcsak, 3:30.

Reynolds 46, Aurora 16

126-Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Kyle Petersen, 1:15.
132-Jack Gorman (A) dec. Rocco Bartolo, 7-5.
138-Alex Ischo (R) dec. Jeff Burger, 9-3.
145-Cole Matthews (R) dec. Andrew Garr, 3-1.
152-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Tyler Freemont, 0:24.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) dec. Will McGhee, 5-1.
170-Jacob Loudon (A) dec. Cole Toy, 4-2.
182-Ryan Scantland (A) major dec. Evan Miller, 13-4.
195-Colin McNamara (A) pinned Xavier Coburn, 0:31.
220-Jarod Miller (R) major dec. Dante Leone, 12-4.
285-Wyatt Owen (R) dec. Mason Copley, 3-1.
106-Gary Steen (R) pinned Anthony Sagaris, 1:50.
113-Liam Foore (R) pinned Ben Rogge, 3:50.
120-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Jack Tincher, 0:33.

Reynolds 69, Kenston -1

120-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Alexander Charvat, 2:33.
126-Andrew Ischo (R) dec. Nick Nastasi, 3-2.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) major dec. Payton Roth, 10-1.
138-Tyler Shannon (R) dec. Evan Measures, 6-2.
145-Cole Matthews (R) tech fall Dylan Sosnowsky, 18-3 5:36.
152-Hunter Michaels (R) major dec. Brian Ashago, 13-2.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) dec. Joe Koplow, 6-5.
170-Cole Toy (R) pinned Evan Glasscock, 1:34.
182-Evan Miller (R) pinned Jay Butler, 5:11.
195-Xavier Coburn (R) won by forfeit.
220-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Badie Kulmukhamedov, 1:55.
285-Wyatt Owen (R) pinned Mitchell Sotera, 5:09.
106-Cole Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
113-Gary Steen (R) tech fall Lance Bumbu, 18-3 5:46.
(Note: Kenston lost one team point following 106 pound match)

Reynolds 66, Dover 9

106-Gary Steen (R) pinned Miguel Itzep-Santiago, 0:23.
113-Cole Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
120-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
126-Andrew Ischo (R) won by forfeit.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) pinned Mitchell Wallick, 0:58.
138-Alex Ischo (R) pinned Tyler Frye, 2:36.
145-Tyler Shannon (R) won by forfeit.
152-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Ethan Wertz, 1:09.
160-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Doug Weaver, 0:16.
170-Hunter Thompson (R) dec. Mason Contini, 10-9.
182-Evan Miller (R) dec. Palmer Metcalf, 5-1.
195-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Dayton Robin, 4:19.
220-Riley Warner (D) dec. Wyatt Owen, 1-0.
285-Chandler McGrath (D) won by forfeit.

Dec. 14, 2017

Reynolds 68, Grove City 6

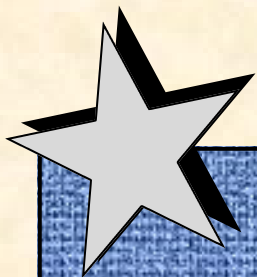
220-Xavier Coburn (R) won by forfeit.
285-Wyatt Owen (R) pinned Alex Nero, 0:19.
106-Gary Steen (R) won by forfeit.
113-Adam Wilcox (R) pinned Brayden Barr, 0:35.
120-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
126-Andrew Ischo (R) won by forfeit.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) pinned Logan Breese, 1:57.
138-Tyler Shannon (R) dec. Alec Petry, 9-6.
145-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Collin Meals, 3:08.
152-Hunter Michaels (R) tech fall Daiveon Say, 16-0, 5:02.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) dec. Nathaniel Henriquez, 5-2.
170-Tyler Greer (GC) won by forfeit.
182-Cole Toy (R) dec. Brad Cavolo, 4-2.
195-Jarod Miller (R) won by forfeit.

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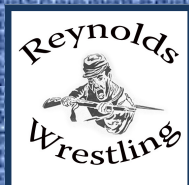
Reynolds 60, Franklin 12

132-Rocco Bartolo (R) pinned George Coon, 1:49.
138-Alex Ischo (R) pinned Justus Baker, 4:19.
145-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Harley Chatley, 0:20.
152-Hunter Michaels (R) won by forfeit.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) won by forfeit.
170-Cole Toy (R) won by forfeit.
182-Dawson Jones (F) won by forfeit.
195-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Holden Cook, 2:54.
220-Zach Baughmann (F) dec. Wyatt Owen, 5-4.
285-Josh Nettles (F) dec. Rocco John-Daniello, 5-3.
106-Gary Steen (R) won by forfeit.
113-Adam Wilcox (R) dec. Matt Vincent, 6-0.
120-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
126-Andrew Ischo (R) dec. Gage Shoemaker, 6-3.





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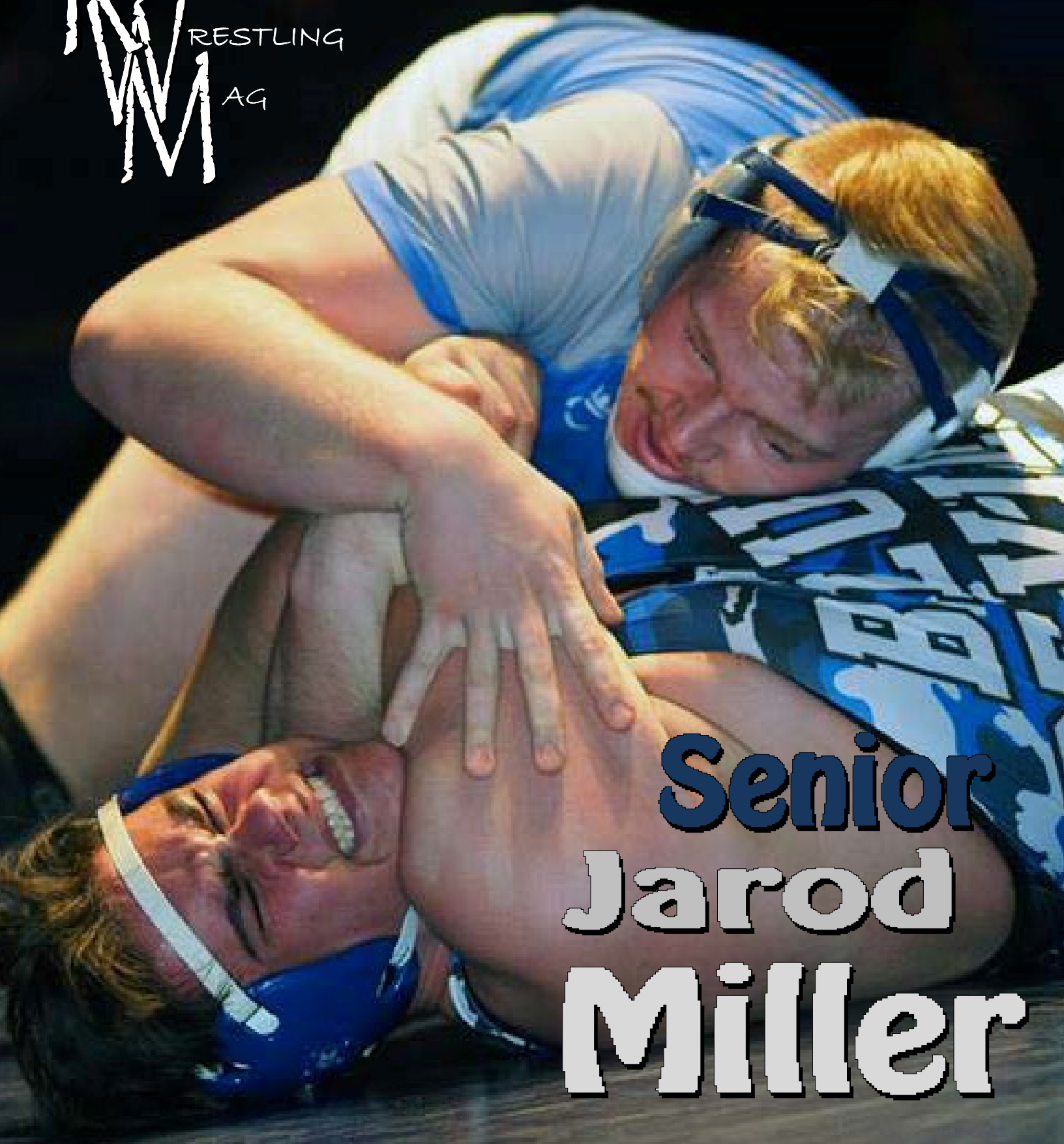
TRIVIA ? CHALLENGE

New Question: How many team state championships has Reynolds won?

Previous Question: Who holds the RHS single season record for most wins?

Answer: Matt Dunn holds the RHS single season record for wins with 52, set in 2006.





Senior
Jarod
Miller

I'm Getting Ready for a Fun Run

Do not be fooled by this headline. Because in terms of jogging, I believe the term "Fun Run" is an oxymoron. Running and funning at the same time? I don't think so.

But, if you're talking about a fun run in terms of the Reynolds Raiders pursuing another state championship, then I'm down with that.

Our Raiders dominated the post-season last year, winning both the dual match and team points state titles in dominating fashion.

This season they are among the favorites, and win or lose, I believe it will be a fun run.

My optimism has grown in recent weeks and runs pretty much parallel with the team getting healthier. While we still have not put our 14 best wrestlers on the mat at one time, that day is getting closer.

Junior Derek Skeehan, a returning state qualifier, returned to action on Jan. 9. He is progressing very well.

Freshman Jordan DeCarmen made his varsity debut recently

and impressed, and sophomore Bryce McCloskey is nearing his final hurdle.



That adds three very talented wrestlers to a team that has already defeated nationally-ranked Cathedral Prep, the No. 2 team in Class AAA.

So you can see why I'm feeling more confident about this fun run. I hope you are making plans to join us in Hershey.

A "Git Together" is being planned for team states. It will be held from 6 — midnight at the Holiday Inn, Grantville, on Thursday, Feb. 8 (see below).

Raider alum Chuck Cornea ('72) is helping to organize. We are hoping it will be well attended.

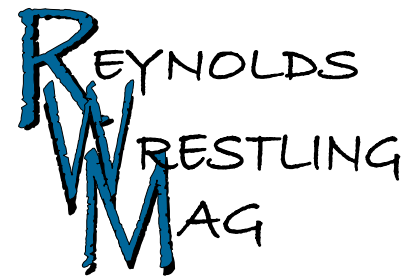
COLE & BEAU — Milestones were reached this month for Reyn-

olds' two nationally-ranked wrestlers.

Cole Matthews set a new school pin record, breaking the old mark of 83 set by his brother Austin. The record was tied on Jan. 9 and then broken on Jan. 17. Cole ends January with 87 pins and has made it a goal to reach 100.

Meanwhile, junior Beau Bayless became the 41st Raider to reach 100 career victories.

Beau joined the 100-Win Club on Jan. 24 (see page 5).



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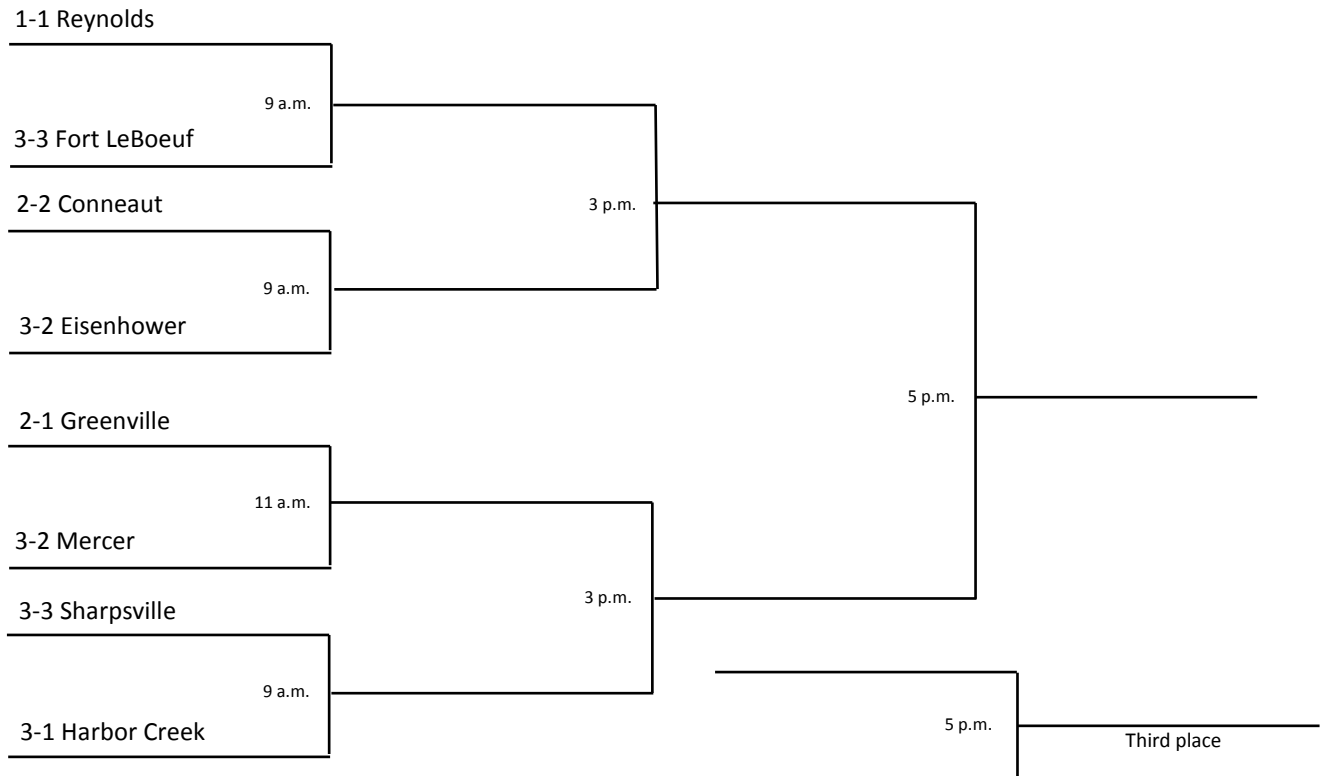
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District 10 Class AA Wrestling Championships

Saturday, Feb. 3, 2018 — Sharon High School



Raiders Earn Top Seed for District 10 Team Championships

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

Winners of the District 10 Region I regular season title, the Reynolds Raiders have been named the top seed for the D-10 Class AA Team Championships scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 3 at Sharon High School.

Reynolds will be gunning for its sixth straight title and its 16th in the 20-year history of the event. Reynolds is 40-4 in all matches wrestled at the D-10 duals.

The Raiders face a familiar opponent in this year's opening round – Fort LeBoeuf.

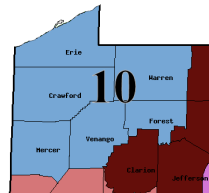
The Bison are the only team to have ever beaten Reynolds at the duals, that happening four times

with the most recent coming in 2012, Casey Taylor's first year as the RHS head coach.

Reynolds and Fort LeBoeuf have met 13 times at the Team Championships – all in the finals – with Reynolds holding an 9-4 advantage.

A win in the opening round would advance Reynolds to meet the winner of the Con-neaut vs. Eisenhower match. Con-neaut is the Region II runner-up and Eisenhower finished second behind Harbor Creek in Region III and is the No. 4 seed.

First-round matches in the bot-



tom half of the bracket will feature Region II champion and No. 3 seed Greenville vs. Region III runner-up Mercer, and Region III champion and No. 2 seed Harbor Creek squaring off with Region I third-place finisher Sharpsville.

At the 2017 championships, Reynolds went 3-0 and defeated Harbor Creek, 56-6, in the championship finals.

The D-10 champ will receive an automatic berth in the 2018 PIAA Team Championships in Hershey.

The D-10 runner-up and third-place finisher will have wrestle-in matches vs. opponents from District 7 (WPIAL) and District 6, respectively. Those matches will be held on Monday, Feb. 5.

Exceeding Expectations

Raiders Go Five and Oh!!! at Brookville

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

BROOKVILLE, Pa. — Reynolds capped an unbeaten day with a convincing 44-12 victory over host Brookville on Saturday Dec. 20 at the Ultimate Duals.

By going 5-0, Reynolds improved its season record to 17-1.



The Raiders started their day with a 45-19 victory over Chestnut Ridge, and followed that up with a 66-2 triumph over South Fayette.

Later, Reynolds topped Freedom, 50-12, and then took care of Burrell, 48-13.

In the finale vs. Brookville, everything seemed to go the Raiders' way as Hunter Thompson (170), Adam Wilcox (113) and Beau Bayless (120) led the charge with falls. Cole Matthews (138) was handed a forfeit.

Reynolds won 10 of 14 individual matches, including several outstanding individual match-ups.

At 145 pounds, Hunter Michaels picked up a takedown in the sudden victory period to edge Brookville's Dontae Constable, who bumped up one weight from his usual spot at 138.

Jarod Miller scored a late takedown to edge Xavier Molnar at 195 pounds. The two state-ranked wrestlers have met several times during their careers, with Jarod winning for the first time.

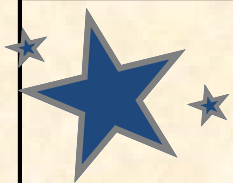
Mason Wilkerson (152) gave up the first takedown but then rattled off eight straight points in an 8-2 win, and Cole Toy (182) sealed a solid 5-2 victory with a late takedown.

Junior Rocco Bartolo (132) topped off a 5-0 day - that included a win over a state ranked wrestler - with a 14-8 win, while Gary Steen (106) added a major decision.

Junior Wyatt Owen (220) wrestled a strong match but came out on the short end of a 6-4 decision vs. Tyler Cook.



IN 22 SEASONS OF COMPETING
AT THE ULTIMATE DUALS
REYNOLDS OWNS A RECORD OF 75-13



All-Time Pin Leaders

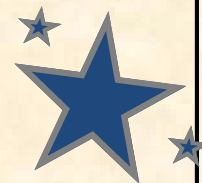
Cole Matthews	87
Austin Matthews	83
Dylan D'Urso	77
Mason Stewart	75
Joel Leise	72
Matt Dunn	70
Aaron Nestor	68
Blake Heim	67
Mason Beckman	64



RWM Photo by Annese Bayless

Reynolds senior wrestlers and Mat Maids pose after their final home match

Senior Night



Matthews Sets Pin Record

Cole Matthews set a school record with the 84th fall of his career as the Reynolds Raiders wrapped up its 21st consecutive league championship with a 55-9 triumph over Mercer on Wednesday, Jan. 17.

Reynolds celebrated Senior Night in the final home match of the season, by honoring its seven seniors - Matthews, Hunter Michaels, Jarod Miller, Tylir Shannon, Xavier Coburn, Ethan Kasbee and Mason Wilkerson.

Also honored were senior Mat Maids Jordan Slater, Janel Brandt and Sophie Tofani, as well as senior cheerleader TJ Mull.

On the mat, Cole Toy (170), Beau Bayless (126) and Hunter

Michaels (145) joined Matthews with falls for RHS. Jarod Miller (195) chipped in with a tech fall and Rocco Bartolo (132) and Mason Wilkerson (152) had majors.

Also for Reynolds (12-1, 8-0), junior Wyatt Owen (220) won by decision, while Cole Bayless (106) and Gary Steen (113) were handed forfeits.

Mercer (9-3, 6-1) won three matches, all by decision, by a combined six points.

In a battle of returning state qualifiers, Mercer heavyweight Bobby Gregory (15-2) made a second-period escape stand up in a 1-0 win over Derek Skeehan.



RWM Photo by Mark Steen

Cole broke his brother Austin's school record

At 182, Mustang Logan Conner (12-5) used a late reversal to seal a 5-2 win over Evan Miller, and at 160, unbeaten Will Chess (17-0) jumped out to a 6-1 lead then held on to defeat Hunter Thompson, 10-7.



100
Beau Bayless
wins

T-T-T-That's All, Folks!

Bayless Wins 100; RHS Ends Regular Season at 18-1, 9-0 in Region

SHARON - Beau Bayless won the 100th match of his career and Reynolds wrapped up an 18-1 regular season scoring a 74-3 win over Sharon on Wednesday, Jan. 24.

Reynolds concludes Region I action with a perfect 9-0 record, winning its 21st consecutive league championship.

In securing the victory, the Raiders scored eight falls, two major decisions, two forfeits and a win by injury default.

Junior Hunter Thompson (160) had a nice win for the Raiders. He entered the third period trailing 6-2 but picked up an escape, takedown and the fall over Tiger DeAndre Young. Hunter Michaels (145) and Evan Miller

(182) had the major decisions.

Sharon's lone win came from sophomore standout Sully Allen who improved to 21-2 with a 3-0 win over Mason Wilkerson. Allen scored all of his points in the second period with an escape and takedown.

Reynolds will now shift gears and look toward the postseason which will commence with the District 10 Class AA Team Championships on Saturday, Feb. 3 in Sharon.

Coach Casey Taylor has confirmed for RWM that the Raiders will apply for participation in the duals. As the No. 1 ranked team in Pennsylvania and as the defending D-10 and PIAA champions, the Raiders are expected to be the No. 1 seed.

**Reynolds has won
 21 consecutive
 conference
 championships.**

Steve Popovitch's ALUMNI NEWS

Mercyhurst freshman **Gavin Wilkerson ('17)** posted three dual match wins in January, helping to keep the Lakers unbeaten and extending the teams win streak to nine.

In Mercyhurst's 28-15 win over East Stroudsburg, Gavin lost to No. 7 Mike Raccioppi. He rebounded with a bonus point victory over William Manley of Kutztown, which proved key in the Lakers' 19-18 victory. He then dropped a high-scoring affair to Keegan Driscoll as Mercyhurst topped No. 19 Wheeling Jesuit.

Gavin then posted the signature win of his young collegiate career, as he dominated in an 11-0 major decision over No. 8 ranked Alonzo Turner, as the Lakers topped No. 18 Findlay.

He followed that up with another strong performance when he scored a tech fall over Chase Morgan in Mercyhurst's 30-7 pounding of No. 16 West Liberty.

University of Chicago freshman **Chaise Hauck ('17)** moved up to 149 pounds after competing all season at 141.

The move proved challenging as Chaise dropped all four bouts as his team went 2-2 at the Division III National Duals. Chaise stayed at 149 for a dual against No. 25 Wheaton College, and earned a key victory by decision in the Maroon's 21-18 win.

Hauck made the drop back to 141 when UChicago hosted No. 14 North Central College. Chaise was victorious in sudden victory. **Gage Bayless ('17)** moved into the 149 slot and dropped a 5-3 decision. North Central won the dual 27-12.



**Cam Ciani and Mike Millero
at the Waynesburg Invitational**

Gage wrestled well at the Al Hanke Invite, where he placed 6th at 141. His wins included a pair of first-period falls.

More recently, Chaise (141) won first place at the Harper College Open. Chaise was impressive, going 4-0 and winning in the championship finals by major decision.

Bucknell endured a trying month in January, going 1-7 in dual matches. Unfortunately, things were not any better for their sophomore 149 pounder **Seth Hogue ('16)**. Seth lost all six bouts he competed in during January.

Waynesburg junior **Mike Millero ('15)** battled to a sixth-place finish at the Waynesburg Invitational.

Mike dropped his first bout, a tough 3-2 decision to eventual third-place finisher Isaac Morales of Johns Hopkins. A bye and three straight wins put Millero in the medal round where he was again bested by Morales. Unfor-

tunately, an injury kept Mike from competing in the fifth-place bout and he has yet to return to action.

Gannon redshirt freshman **Joel Leise ('17)** finished 6th at Mount Union's Purple Raider Open. Joel went 4-2 with all four wins coming by fall — two against D-I opponents.

More recently, Joel finished second at the Jamestown (N.Y.) Jayhawks tournament. Joel scored a pair of falls and won by medical forfeit to advance to the finals where he dropped a 7-1 decision to NJCC All-American and D-I commit (Buffalo) Troy Keller.

Mike Bartolo ('15) missed the first part of the season while recovering from injury. The Clarion University redshirt saw his first action at the Franklin & Marshall Open where he was impressive.

Mike started with four straight wins to advance to the semifinals, where he fell to the tournament's eventual champion. He injury defaulted in the consolation final to finish fourth.

University of Pittsburgh freshman **Cole Rickert ('17)** got his first dual match start against North Dakota State where he lost to Daniel Stibral. NDSU won the dual 28-11.

Cam Ciani ('13), a sophomore at Thiel College, saw action at 165 pounds in a dual against Washington & Jefferson. He got three matches at the Mel Berry Duals, hosted by Thiel, and was in the line-up again when Thiel traveled to Waynesburg. Cam went 1-4 in those matches.

When he is not in the lineup, Cam has been volunteering his time coaching with the 'Cats.



RWM photo by Annese Bayless

Raider Cole Matthews works to a win over Mike Doerflinger

RHS Grounds Rockets, 62-7

SLIPPERY ROCK - Reynolds stayed unbeaten in District 10 Region I action with a 62-7 win over Slippery Rock on Thursday, Dec. 4.

The Rockets won two of the first three matches to take a 7-6 lead but it was all Reynolds from there on out as the Raiders rattled off 11 straight wins.

Despite the lopsided score, there were several very good individual bouts.

A pair of state-ranked wrestlers tangled at 145 where Cole Matthews topped Mike Doerflinger, 10-6. A pair of penalty points against Matthews late in the match made the score appear closer than what it was.

A penalty point was the difference in the outcome at 195 pounds where Raider Jarod Miller handed Elijah Hilliard his first loss of the season, 3-2.

Another competitive bout came at 152 pounds, where Reynolds' Mason Wilkerson nailed a third-period Peterson Roll for a 7-2 victory over Mike Antal.

Slippery Rock's wins came back-to-back at 170 and 182 pounds. Vito Pilosi worked for a 4-0 win over Cole Toy, while Kaleb Kamerer scored a major decision over Evan Miller.

Reynolds' Hunter Michaels missed the match with illness.

Season Win Leaders

(Through January)

Beau Bayless	28
Cole Matthews	27
Gary Steen	26
Hunter Michaels	20
Jarod Miller	20
Rocco Bartolo	20
Hunter Thompson	17
Andrew Ischo	16
Cole Toy	14
Wyatt Owen	13

Season Pin Leaders

(Through January)

Cole Matthews	12
Beau Bayless	11
Hunter Michaels	11
Jarod Miller	11
Rocco Bartolo	9
Andrew Ischo	8
Adam Wilcox	7
Cole Toy	7
Gary Steen/Wyatt Owen (tied)	6

Active Career Win Leaders

(Through the end of January)

Cole Matthews	157
Beau Bayless	100
Hunter Michaels	85
Andrew Ischo	76
Jarod Miller	59
Derek Skeehan	40
Adam Wilcox	37
Hunter Thompson	32
Gary Steen	26

RHS

ALL-TIME DUAL MATCH RECORD

833-95-2

Matthews Ties Pin Record as Raiders Sink Sailors

Senior Cole Matthews tied a school record with the 83rd fall of his high school career and the Reynolds Raiders won for the 10th time this season, topping visiting Lakeview, 66-11, in a District 10 Region I match-up on Tuesday, Jan. 9.

Matthews (138) was one of five Raiders to win by fall while a half-dozen others won by forfeit. Rocco Bartolo (132), Cole Toy (170), Jarod Miller (195) and Andrew Ischo (126) joined Matthews in pinning their opponents.

Only two matches were decided by decision and both went to overtime.

At 182 pounds, Lakeview's Greg Ferlin was awarded a takedown in the sudden victory period to edge Evan Miller, 3-1.

Soon after, Raider heavyweight Derek Skeehan made his first start of the season and was edged 2-1 by state-ranked Max Wills. Wills escaped in his 30-second tiebreaker and then rode Skeehan out in the



RMM photos by Annese Bayless

Senior Cole Matthews registers pin No. 83
second, 30-second period.

Skeehan wrestled well despite having only two practices under his belt.

Tyler Zebrovious (220) had a pin for Lakeview, which was deducted one team point following the 170-pound match.

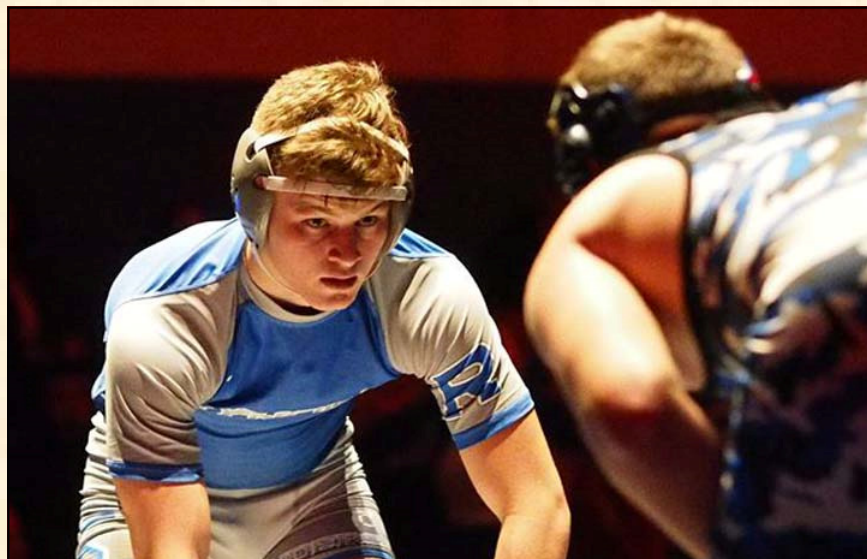
Raiders Cool Down Blue Devils, 60-9

SHARPSVILLE — Cole Matthews won the 150th match of his career and Reynolds moved one step closer to securing the District 10 Region I championship with a 60-9 win over Sharpsville on Thursday, Jan. 11.

Mason Wilkerson (152) started the Raiders off with a fall and the team never looked back while improving to 11-1 overall, 7-0 in the Region.

Also scoring pins for RHS were Jarod Miller (195), Wyatt Owen (220), Adam Wilcox (113) and Hunter Michaels (145). Matthews (138) and Gary Steen (106) added tech falls and Cole Toy (170) notched a major decision.

Sharpsville (6-4, 4-1) won three matches - two of them by one point. At 182 pounds, Blue Devil



RMM photo by Annese Bayless

Mason Wilkerson started the Sharpsville match with a second-period fall.

Peyton Schell edged Evan Miller, 2-1; and at 285 pounds, Tristan Stoner was awarded points at the final buzzer to top Derek Skeehan, 4-3.

Returning state qualifier Cameron Prebble (160) had Sharpsville's other win, a 12-7 triumph over Hunter Thompson.



Junior High 2nd at Latrobe

The Reynolds junior high wrestling team turned in an outstanding performance in placing second at the Latrobe duals on Saturday, Jan. 6.

"What a great day for these kids," said junior high coach Mark Higbee. "We were only able to fill 11 of the 18 weight classes, so to come down here and place second is awesome."

The Raiders finished the day with a 4-1 record. The team defeated Franklin Regional (37-36), Ligonier Valley (56-30), Mifflin County (42-39) and Latrobe Orange (51-24).

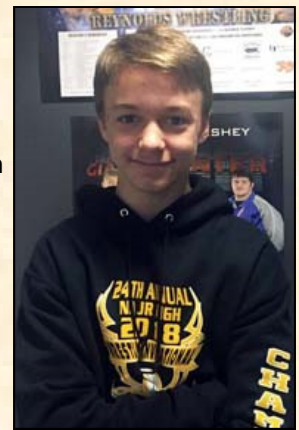
Reynolds lost to Latrobe Black in the finals, 57-25.

Rhoades 1st @ NA as JH Raiders close out Regular Season

Reynolds 8th grader Clayton Rhoades picked a good time to have a very good day, turning in one of his best performances of the season to take first place at the North Allegheny tournament on Saturday, Jan. 27.

Rhoades helped lead the Reynolds junior high team to an 11th place finish in the 34 team field.

Kane Kettering finished second after getting slammed in the semifinals. Kane was not able to compete in the championship finals.



Clayton Rhoades

Also placing for Reynolds were Ava Bayless (4th) and Jalen Wagner (5th).

JH Raiders 'Take one on the Chin' at Bellefonte Tournament

Kane Kettering (3rd place, 90 pounds), Brook Santell (5th, 138) and Ava Bayless (6th, 95) were the only Reynolds wrestlers to place at the 2018 Bellefonte Tournament on Saturday, Jan. 20.

"Not a very good weekend for the junior high Raiders. At Bellefonte this weekend we took it on the chin," said Coach Mark Higbee.

The Raiders finished 17th in the team standings.



Bellefonte placers Ava Bayless and Kane Kettering

RWM Photo by Brad Kettering

January Boxscores

Jan. 24, 2018

Reynolds 74, Sharon 3

195-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Seth Newberry, 1:11.
220-Wyatt Owen (R) pinned Zach Dingall, 1:49.
285-Derek Skeehean (R) pinned Robert Hupp, 2:39.
106-Gary Steen (R) won by forfeit.
113-Adam Wilcox (R) pinned Cameron Bliss, 1:43.
120-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit. (100th career win)
126-Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Aiman Kanaan, 1:47.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) pinned Nick Dingall, 1:49.
138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Spencer Baker, 0:40.
145-Hunter Michaels (R) major dec. Luke Gaston, 10-0.
152-Sully Allen (S) dec. Mason Wilkerson, 3-0.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) pinned DeAndre Young, 4:32.
170-Cole Toy (R) injury default Zach Steines, 1st pd.
182-Evan Miller (R) major dec. Aidan Buck, 9-0.

Jan. 20, 2018

Brookville Ultimate Duals

No.1 Reynolds 44, No.3 Brookville 12

138-No.1 Cole Matthews (R) won by forfeit.
145-No.7 Hunter Michaels (R) dec. No.13 Dontae Constable, 3-1 (SV).
152-Mason Wilkerson (R) dec. Wyatt Griffin, 8-2.
160-No.4 Caleb Hetrick (B) major dec. Jordan DeCarmen, 13-3.
170-Hunter Thompson (R) pinned Cole LaBenne, 3:56.
182-Cole Toy (R) dec. Braden MacBeth, 5-2.
195-No.13 Jarod Miller (R) dec. No.5 Xavier Molnar, 2-1.
220-No.5 Tyler Cook (B) dec. Wyatt Owen, 6-4.
285-No.10 Colby Whitehill (B) dec. No.14 Derek Skeehean, 9-4.
106-No.2 Gary Steen (R) major dec. Cayden Walter, 11-2.
113-Adam Wilcox (R) pinned Parker Fleming, 1:54.
120-No.1 Beau Bayless (R) pinned Cabe Park, 3:43.
126-No.18 Kai Sorbin (B) dec. No.7 Andrew Ischo, 8-5.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) major dec. Wyatt Kulik, 14-6.
Brookville lost 1 team point after 220

No.1 Reynolds 48, No.8 Burrell 13

126-No.13 Bryan Gaul (B) major dec. Kaeden Berger, 12-4.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) dec. No.14 Anthony Corrado, 5-2.
138-No.1 Cole Matthews (R) won by forfeit.
145-No.7 Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Noah Linderman, 3:52.

152-No.8 Corey Christie (B) pinned Mason Wilkerson, 3:55.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) dec. No.16 Shaun Gates, 5-3.
170-Cole Toy (R) dec. Austin Mele, 2-0.
182-Ricky Feroce (B) dec. Evan Miller, 4-3.
195-No.13 Jarod Miller (R) pinned Zach Rupert, 1:14.
220-Wyatt Owen (R) dec. Colton Moorehead, 5-0.
285-No.14 Derek Skeehean (R) pinned Mason Slantovsky, 3:28.
106-No.2 Gary Steen (R) dec. No.4 Trent Valochik, 2-0.
113-No.1 Beau Bayless (R) dec. No.7 Ian Oswalt, 2-0.
120-Adam Wilcox (R) pinned Colby Christie, 3:31.

No. 1 Reynolds 50, Freedom 12

120-Kaeden Berger (R) dec. No.18 Kenny Dushek, 4-2.
126-No.8 ZJ Ward (F) dec. No.7 Andrew Ischo, 3-1 (SV).
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) pinned Trent Schultheis, 2:50.
138-No.1 Cole Matthews (R) pinned Jake Pail, 1:07.
145-No.7 Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Ethan Wolfe, 0:43.
152-Chase Komara (F) dec. Mason Wilkerson, 4-3.
160-Jordan DeCarmen (R) dec. Brett Johnston, 6-4. (1st varsity win)
170-Hunter Thompson (R) tech fall Andrew Kalamasz, 17-2, 5:33.
182-Caleb Hersey (F) dec. Evan Miller, 5-3.
195-No.19 Bryson Miller (F) dec. Jarod Miller, 3-2.
220-Wyatt Owen (R) pinned Nick Wolfe, 3:19.
285-Derek Skeehean (R) dec. Fernando Franco, 3-2.
106-No.2 Gary Steen (R) pinned Joshua Ackerman, 0:15.
113-No.1 Beau Bayless (R) pinned Thomas Young, 0:46.

No.1 Reynolds 63, South Fayette 2

106-No.2 Gary Steen (R) pinned Noah Brayless, 4:36.
113-Adam Wilcox (R) won by forfeit.
120-No.1 Beau Bayless (R) dec. Collin Dunn, 6-2.
126-No.7 Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Ronald Dewey, 2:26.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) pinned Luke Finestone, 2:10.
138-No.1 Cole Matthews (R) tech fall Eli Brinskey, 25-10, 4:42.
145-No.11 Michael Cusick (SF) dec. No.7 Hunter Michaels, 3-2.
152-Mason Wilkerson (R) major dec. Dalton Hirt, 11-3.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) pinned Johnny Obenour, 1:17.
170-Cole Toy (R) pinned Eamon Horowitz, 3:05.
182-Evan Miller (R) dec. Nicholas Carter, 4-3
195-No.13 Jarod Miller (R) pinned Mark Kurchena, 5:36.
220-Wyatt Owen (R) dec. Jake Walker, 4-1.
285-No.14 Derek Skeehean (R) dec. No.8 Quentin Franklin, 3-2 (UTB).

South Fayette lost one team point after 145-pound match

No.1 Reynolds 45, No.4 Chestnut Ridge 19

285-No.14 Derek Skeehean (R) dec. Dalton Seace, 5-3.
106-No.2 Gary Steen (R) major dec. Kai Burkett, 9-1.
113-No.1 Beau Bayless (R) pinned Nathan Holderbaum, 1:02.
120-Kaeden Berger (R) tech fall Caleb Holderbaum, 15-0, 5:55.
126-No.7 Andrew Ischo (R) dec. Gryphon Callihan, 4-3.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) dec. Seth Harbaugh, 7-2.
138-No.1 Cole Matthews (R) pinned Cody Brown, 3:04.
145-No.7 Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Scott Miller, 1:10.
152-No.1 Justin McCoy (CR) tech fall Mason Wilkerson, 19-4, 5:34.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) dec. Brodie Harbaugh, 8-2.
170-No.5 Jared McGill (CR) tech fall Cole Toy, 16-1, 3:44.
182-Levi Hobson (CR) pinned Evan Miller, 1:23.
195-No.13 Jarod Miller (R) pinned Austin Crouse, 3:01.
220-Duane Knisley (CR) dec. Wyatt Owen, 6-2.

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Reynolds 55, Mercer 9

170-Cole Toy (R) pinned Austin Heselgesser, 4:11.
182-Logan Conner (M) dec. Evan Miller, 5-2.
195-Jarod Miller (R) tech fall Adam Walker, 16-0, 4:00.
220-Wyatt Owen (R) dec. PJ Boggs, 7-2.
285-Bobby Gregory (M) dec. Derek Skeehean, 1-0.
106-Cole Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
113-Gary Steen (R) won by forfeit.
120-Adam Wilcox (R) dec. Carson Filer, 8-3.
126-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Ryan Moore, 0:33.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) major dec. Alex Chess, 13-2.
138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Brad Filer, 0:51. (school record No. 84)
145-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Aiden Bright, 0:38.
152-Mason Wilkerson (R) major dec. Harrison Murray, 15-4.
160-Will Chess (M) dec. Hunter Thompson, 10-7.

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Reynolds 60, Sharpville 9

152-Mason Wilkerson (R) pinned Haun Kaleb, 3:54.
160-Cameron Prebble (S) dec. Hunter Thompson, 12-7.
170-Cole Toy (R) major dec. Tyler Layman, 12-2.
182-Peyton Schell (S) dec. Evan Miller, 2-1.
195-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Slade Sherman, 3:43.
220-Wyatt Owen (R) pinned Kevin Evans,

1:57.

285-Tristan Stoner (S) dec. Derek Skeehean, 4-3.
106-Gary Steen (R) tech fall Zach Herrmann, 17-2, 4:52.
113-Adam Wilcox (R) pinned Alex Walker, 1:41.
120-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
126-Andrew Ischo (R) major dec. Austin McFeater, 15-3.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) won by forfeit.
138-Cole Matthews (R) tech fall Brock Salvatore, 21-6, 5:55.
145-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Ryan Whalen, 2:27.

Jan. 9, 2018

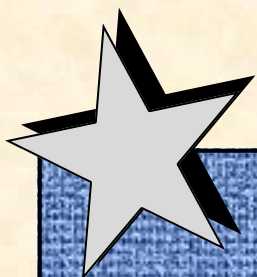
Reynolds 66, Lakeview 11

132-Rocco Bartolo (R) pinned Dallas Barber, 5:10.
138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Zac Tingley, 4:26.
145-Hunter Michaels (R) won by forfeit.
152-Mason Wilkerson (R) won by forfeit.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) won by forfeit.
170-Cole Toy (R) pinned Doug Lumley, 3:41.
182-Greg Ferlin (L) dec. Evan Miller, 3-1 (SV).
195-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Sawyer Daugherty, 5:14.
220-Tyler Zebrovius (L) pinned Xavier Coburn, 0:59.
285-Max Wills (L) dec. Derek Skeehean, 2-1 (TB-2).
106-Gary Steen (R) won by forfeit.
113-Adam Wilcox (R) won by forfeit.
120-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
126-Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Ryan Opolka, 3:14.
Note: Lakeview lost 1-team point following 170-pound match.

Jan. 4, 2018

Reynolds 62, Slippery Rock 7

160-Hunter Thompson (R) pinned Thomas Hofmann, 1:52.
170-Vito Pilosi (SR) dec. Cole Toy, 4-0.
182-Kaleb Kamerer (SR) major dec. Evan Miller, 10-0.
195-Jarod Miller (R) dec. Elijah Hilliard, 3-2.
220-Xavier Coburn (R) won by forfeit.
285-Wyatt Owen (R) pinned Brenden Good, 0:47.
106-Gary Steen (R) tech fall Nicholas Ayers, 24-9, 6:00.
113-Adam Wilcox (R) pinned Destan Hooper, 1:49
120-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
126-Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Ian Heitzenrater, 1:24.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) pinned Mason Borlan, 0:52.
138-Alex Ischo (R) pinned Kid Scarborough, 3:32.
145-Cole Matthews (R) dec. Mike Doerflinger, 10-6.
152-Mason Wilkerson (R) dec. Mike Antal, 7-2.



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12-Time State Champs

Casey Taylor,
Neal Lineman and
Brian Hills pose
with the 12 state
championship
trophies that they
have helped win
for Reynolds High
School.

Charge!

Here come the Raiders



TRIVIA ?

C H A L L E N G E

New Question: When Chuck Coryea won his state title in '72 where was the state tournament held?

Previous Question: How many team state championships has Reynolds won?

Answer: Reynolds has won four PIAA Team championships ('06, '07, '09 and '17).



This Week in
Reynolds Wrestling
with Don Shaffer

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March 2018

Back-to-Back
State Champs!

Raiders Take Aim at 4th Straight PIAA Title

I will always be proud to say that Neal Lineman was my high school wrestling coach.

But the truth of the matter is that I just made it into the Lineman era. I had Coach Lineman only one season — my freshman year.

For most of my wrestling career at Reynolds Mark Reichard was my wrestling coach.

One day Coach Reichard walked into the wrestling room, had us circle up and announced a brand new Reynolds Wrestling mantra ... "Be a hog!"

Coach Reichard was not talking about a buffet, sadly; but was referring to scoring points in a wrestling match.

He wanted us to score as many points as we could muster ... wanted us to constantly be adding to our total and ultimately working for the fall.

I think this year's team can benefit from that same advice — at least in terms of winning another state championship.

As we prepare to head back to Hershey, I encourage the Raiders to take Coach Reichard's advice and "Be a hog!" and bring home that fourth straight trophy.

Reynolds has won the last three PIAA state championships in Class AA —back-to-back duals titles and last year's team points title.

Surprisingly, that is not a record. Reynolds won five straight PIAA trophies from 2005 to 2007. Two duals titles and three team points totals.



DUAL MATCH RECORD — Reynolds tacked on seven more wins in February to move the all-time dual match record to 840-95-2.

I'll be honest, I can't look at those numbers without wondering if we can reach 900 wins before we reach 100 losses.

As crazy as it sounds, I think we can.

For starters, the Raiders are 48-1 the last two seasons, so all we really need to do is keep doing what we are doing.

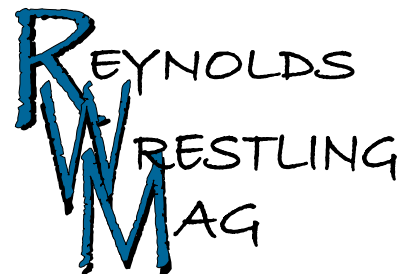
Sure, we'll lose four starters off the state championship team but there was plenty of talent on the bench this year.

Guys like Kaeden Berger, Adam Wilcox, Jordan DeCarmen, Rocco John Daniello, Liam Foore, Alex Ischo, Bryce McCloskey and Evan Miller all saw some action this season but were not full-time starters. They'll be back and they'll be better — and hungry.

An under-appreciated junior class will take their place as leaders, primed to write their own chapter in the Reynolds Wrestling history book.

I'm not a gambling man and predictions aren't really my bag, but I would not be surprised to see the 900 mark eclipsed before triple digits are reached in the loss column.

A 90-percent winning percentage after 1,000 wrestling matches? Why that's just Reynolds bein' Reynolds.



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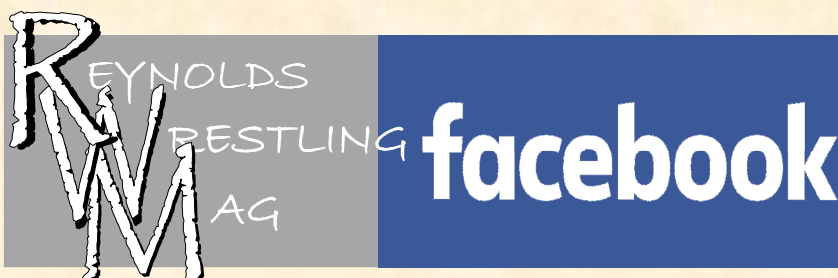
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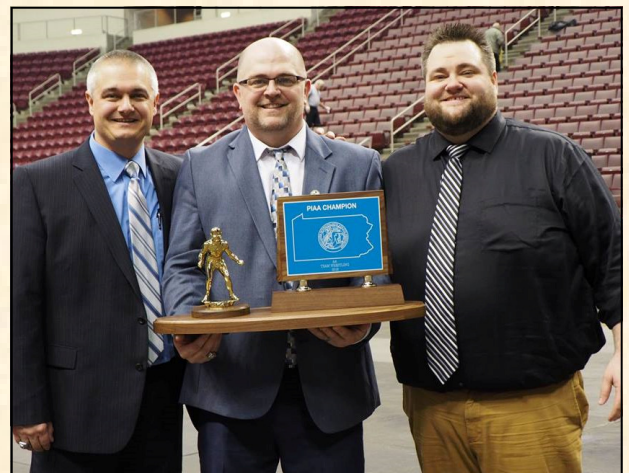
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2018 PIAA AA TEAM

CHAMPS





Cole Matthews started the state finals with a fall and Andrew Ischo and Rocco Bartolo iced it with wins

State Champs!

Raiders Go Back-to-Back to Earn Record 5th PIAA Team Title

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

HERSHEY — The Reynolds Raiders have done it again.

Thanks to back-to-back, match-sealing wins from juniors Andrew Ischo (126) and Rocco Bartolo (132) Reynolds was able to turn a 25-24 deficit into a thrilling 30-25 victory over Southern Columbia in the Class AA Team Championship match.

The win gives Reynolds a second straight team championship and its record-setting fifth, overall. The Raiders also won titles in 2006, 2007 and 2009.

Reynolds becomes the first AA team to win five titles, surpassing Bethlehem Catholic, the team that won four straight from 2011 to 2014.

Counting the eight team-points

titles, Reynolds has now won 13 PIAA wrestling titles.

The difference in the state finals match-up was bonus points as both teams won seven individual matches.



Reynolds was able to gain nine bonus points thanks to a trio of falls from seniors Cole Matthews (138) and Hunter Michaels (145) and freshman Gary Steen (106).

The Tigers (21-1) totaled four bonus points via tech falls from two of their studs - Jaret Lane (120) and Gaige Garcia (170).

Returning state champion Beau

Bayless (113) battled an incessant bloody nose but managed a 7-4 win over tough freshman Patrick Edmondson, while senior captain Jarod Miller was Reynolds' other winner, scoring a 5-2 decision over Quinton Lear in a battle of state-ranked wrestlers.

The RHS wrestlers who did not win their individual matches played an equally important role in the victory because they fought hard to keep their matches close.

For example, sophomore Bryce McCloskey (182) lost by a single point, junior Derek Skeehan (285) lost by two points and junior Mason Wilkerson (152) by three -- all against state-ranked opponents.

At the end of the day, it was a total team effort that led the Raiders and Coach Casey Taylor to another state championship. And

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RWM Photo by Annese Bayless

Senior Jarod Miller wins a match-up of state-ranked wrestlers

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truth be told, every ounce of that effort was needed because Southern Columbia proved to be an outstanding team with exceptional talent.

Dual Match State Champs

2006
2007
2009
2017
2018

By finishing 25-1, the Raiders set a single season school record for most wins. That breaks the old mark of 24 set back in 2013-14.

Reynolds is 48-1 the last two seasons — 92-8 in its last 100 matches — and this year's seniors have won four PIAA Team medals finishing 3rd, 3rd, 1st and 1st.

Reynolds' only loss this season was to Canfield, 34-33, back on Dec. 16. Canfield was a Division II dual match semifinalist in Ohio.

Reynolds finished the season with 20 consecutive victories, including an impressive, 31-29, win over Cathedral Prep, a team that finished third in the Class AAA tournament.

Reynolds opened the state duals on Thursday, Feb. 8 with a 64-6 win over Honesdale, before defeating Bishop McDevitt, 55-9, in the Friday morning quarterfinals.

The Raiders then knocked off District 4 runner-up Muncy, 40-16, Friday night to set the stage for the Saturday's state finals showdown with Southern Columbia.

RHS 840-95-2

ALL-TIME DUAL MATCH RECORD

Season Win Leaders

(Through end of February)

Beau Bayless	41
Cole Matthews	40
Gary Steen	38
Hunter Michaels	33
Jarod Miller	31
Rocco Bartolo	30
Hunter Thompson	26
Andrew Ischo	25
Cole Toy	24
Wyatt Owen	20

Season Pin Leaders

(Through end of February)

Cole Matthews	21
Beau Bayless	17
Jarod Miller	15
Hunter Michaels	13
Cole Toy	12
Rocco Bartolo	12
Andrew Ischo	11
Gary Steen	10

Active Career Win Leaders

(Through end of February)

Cole Matthews	170
Beau Bayless	113
Hunter Michaels	94
Andrew Ischo	85
Jarod Miller	70
Derek Skeehan	47
Hunter Thompson	42
Adam Wilcox	39
Gary Steen	38

Steve Popovitch's ALUMNI NEWS

Mercyhurst entered February with a perfect dual season. They kept it going by defeating Seton Hill and Shippensburg while extending their win streak to 11. Freshman **Gavin Wilkerson** ('17) was pinned against Seton Hill and won by forfeit against Shippensburg.

The Lakers' magic ran out when they faced a tough, sixth ranked Pitt-Johnstown squad. Wilkerson lost a major decision to Devin Austin, who is ranked 9th in the country by Intermat, as UPJ scored a 32-10 victory.

Gavin closed out the dual season on a high note, pinning former national qualifier Chris Matthews of Gannon. Gavin's pin was the only bonus points for the Lakers, as they lost, 20-15.

Wilkerson closed out his rookie year with a 1-2 finish at the Super Regional national qualifying tournament.

Gavin was pinned in his opening bout, and advanced in the consolations with a bye and a 10-4 decision, before losing 10-8 to ABU's Logan Shaurina, the eventual 4th place finisher. Gavin finished his freshmen year with 13 wins and 16 losses.

Mercyhurst's **Mason McCollum** ('14) was honored prior to the Gannon match as one of five seniors. The Biochemistry major won 16 matches over his career at Mercyhurst.

Gannon first-year redshirt **Joel Leise** ('17) concluded his season with a couple of strong tournament finishes.

Two first period falls and a 10-9 decision advanced Joel to the semi-finals of the Edinboro Open, where he

dropped a 5-3 decision to Ohio State's Kaleb Romero, the eventual tournament champion. In the consolation finals, Leise lost 4-1 to Fresno State's Brandon Martino, to finish 4th. All of Joel's opponents were from Division I programs.

At the John Carroll University Open, a bye, 12-0 major decision and another first period fall, led Leise to the championship finals, where an injury kept him from competing.

Joel finished his redshirt year with a 17-8 record and he led Gannon's roster with 12 pins.

Joel also worked hard off the mat

and recently received confirmation of Dean's List honors.

University of Chicago freshman **Chaise Hauck** ('17) led the Maroons to a comeback victory over Augustana. After forfeiting the first three bouts, Chaise started a rally with a 7-2 decision. Chicago would go on to win 27-21.

Chicago ended NYU's six-year reign as the University Athletic Association champions by winning a dramatic 21-19 dual. Chaise won by forfeit at 141.

At the Upper Mid-West Regional national qualifying tournament, Chaise posted a 3-2 record and finished in fifth place. The top three qualified for the national tournament. Hauck's losses came to the No. 2 and No. 4 (6-3 decision) ranked wrestlers in D-III. Chaise finishes his rookie cam-

paign with a solid 17-12 mark.

Chase's UChicago teammate **Gage Bayless** ('17) was also in the starting line-up for the Regional, posting a 1-2 record at 133 lbs. His win was by technical fall. Gage's freshman year ends with a 7-11 ledger.

Bucknell sophomore **Seth Hogue** ('16) won both of his February bouts. It took overtime to decide his dual with Wil Gil of Franklin & Marshall, even after 22 points were put up in regulation. An early sudden victory take down, gave Seth the 13-11 victory. Against Army, Seth hit his patented spladle to gain the fall in 2:25.

Seth will compete for a berth in the NCAA tournament March 3-4 at the EIWA championships at Hofstra. The top four finishers at 149 pounds will earn automatic bids.

Thiel sophomore **Cam Cianci** ('13) dropped an 8-0 match when the Mat Cats fell to Thomas Moore College in Kentucky. Cam closed his season by finishing fourth at the PAC Championships.

University of Pittsburgh freshman **Cole Rickert** ('17) had a tough draw at the Edinboro Open, when he dropped a 2-0 decision in the pigtales to the tournament's eventual champion.

Cole received a bye and won a decision in the consolations, before another loss eliminated him from the tournament. Cole finished his freshman season with a 4-7 record.

Clarion's **Mike Bartolo** ('15) and Waynesburg's **Mike Millero** ('15) did not compete during the month of February.





Junior Hunter Thompson gave the Raiders a lift vs. Harbor Creek

Sweet 16

Raiders Make it Six Straight D-10 Titles; 16th in 20-Year History

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

Consecutive falls from Cole Matthews (138), Hunter Michaels (145) and Mason Wilkerson (152) helped Reynolds jump out to an 18-0 advantage after the first three weight classes as the Raiders rolled to its sixth straight District 10 Team Championship Saturday, Feb. 3 with a 46-21 victory over a talented team from Harbor Creek.

Junior Beau Bayless (113) and freshmen Cole Toy (182) and Gary Steen (106) also had pins for the Raiders (21-1) and Coach Casey Taylor.

Junior Hunter Thompson (160) continues to impress as he knocked off District 10's No. 2 ranked wrestler Jason Bratt, while Andrew Ischo (126) also looked sharp in a showdown of state-ranked wrestlers with an equally impressive 8-3 win over Nick Oosterkamp.

Rocco Bartolo showed off his considerable skills in a 132-pound match-up with state-ranked Mark Samuel Sallot, with the difference in a 3-2 setback being a penalty point.

Reynolds' other winner was freshman Kaeden Berger, who looked strong in posting a win by major decision at 120 pounds.

In the 20-year history of the D-10 championships, Reynolds has won 16 titles and finished second in the other four.

Reynolds 52, Eisenhower 12

Reynolds earned the right to advance to the championship match for a 20th straight season thanks to a convincing win over Eisenhower in the semifinal round.

The match marked the return of sophomore Bryce McCloskey (170) who stepped on the mat for the first time this season. McCloskey had a fall for the Raiders as did

Matthews (138), Toy (182) and Bayless (120).

Steen won a match-up of state-ranked 106 pounders by topping Logan Jaquay, 6-4.

Bartolo (132) won a major decision for RHS while Derek Skeehan (285) and Adam Wilcox (113) accepted forfeits.

Reynolds 51, Fort LeBoeuf 15

Reynolds won 10 of 14 match-ups in defeating Fort LeBoeuf in the quarterfinals.

Scoring falls for RHS were Matthews (138), Skeehan (285) and Steen (106), while Jarod Miller (195), Wyatt Owen (220) and Bayless (113) won by forfeit.

Berger (126), Bartolo (132) and Michaels (145) added major decisions while Wilkerson won a 5-4 decision over one of D-10's top-ranked wrestlers -- Trenton Pace.

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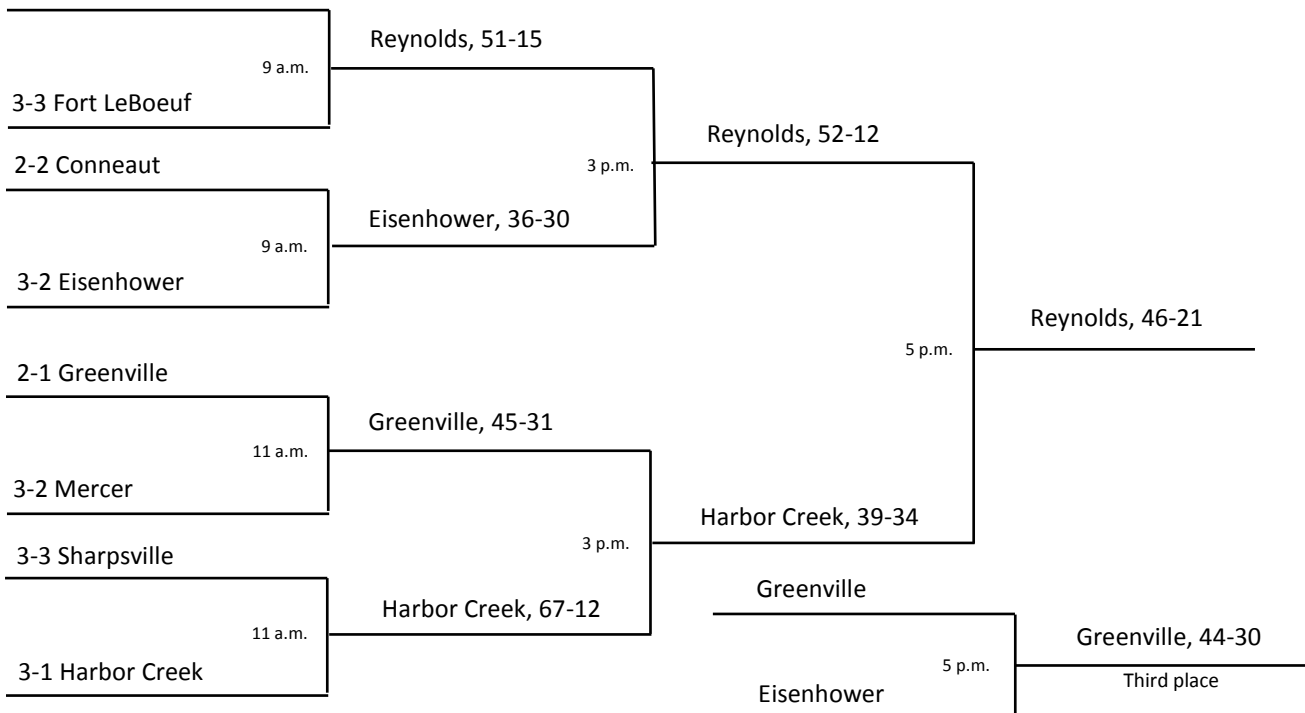
REYNOLDS-RAIDERS



District 10 Class AA Wrestling Championships

Saturday, Feb. 3, 2018 — Sharon High School

1-1 Reynolds



District 10 CHAMPS!



Matthews Wins 4th District 10 Title

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

SHARON — It was another very good weekend for the Reynolds wrestling team.

Senior Cole Matthews won his fourth District 10 championship, leading a quartet of champions as the Reynolds Raiders ran away with the team title while watching 12 of its wrestlers qualify for the Northwest Regional.

Reynolds rolled to 205 team points, to outpace Harbor Creek (151.5). Greenville (108.5), Saegertown (83) and Union City (70) rounded out the top five.

Matthews (138) joins an exclusive 4-timers club that includes only Matt Dunn, Lawrence Beckman, Mason Beckman, Dylan D'Urso and his brother, Austin Matthews.

Junior Beau Bayless (113) stayed on pace to join

the 4-timers club by winning his third title while senior Hunter Michaels (145) won his second and freshman Gary Steen (106) his first.

Reynolds' other finalists were Andrew Ischo (120) and Rocco Bartolo (132). Freshman Kaeden Berger

capped a solid one-loss weekend in placing third and Jarod Miller was fourth, losing his consy final in the UTB. Berger's only loss was to the tournament champion.

Hunter Thompson (160), Bryce McCloskey (170) and Cole Toy (182) all finished fifth and Derek Skeehan (285) ended sixth after defaulting out of the tournament after winning his quarterfinal match and qualifying for Regionals Friday night.

Junior Wyatt Owen (220) was not able to qualify for Regionals but should be proud of his season. He lost a two-point decision in the elimination round.





And, for the 24th Consecutive Season ...

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

SHARON — The Road to Hershey officially opened at the District 10 Section 2-AA Tournament at Sharon High School and the Reynolds Raiders got off to a very good start by crowning 10 champions, advancing 13 wrestlers to the District 10 Championships and winning the team points race.

A couple of major milestones were reached at the tournament as senior Cole Mathews became a rare four-time champion — just the 14th in school history — and Beau Bayless became the 300th Section champ in school history.

Reynolds finished with 265.5 points, well ahead of runner-up Mercer (103.5). It was the Raiders' 24th straight Section team title.

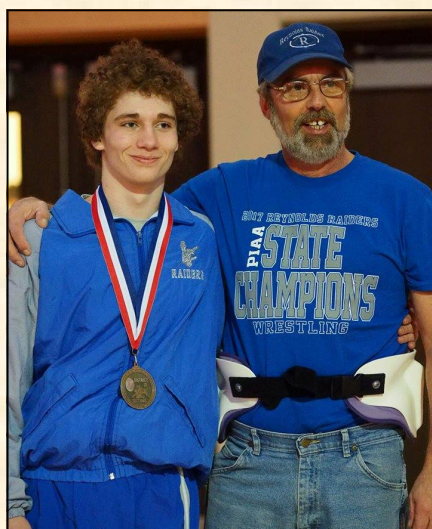
The 10 Section champions ties a school record that has been accomplished multiple times, most recently last season.

Along with Bayless (113) and Matthews (138), Reynolds' other Section champions were Gary Steen (106), Andrew Ischo (120), Kaeden Berger (126), Rocco Bartolo (132), Hunter Michaels (145), Bryce McCloskey (170), Jarod Miller (195) and Wyatt Owen (220).

Finishing second for the Raiders were Hunter Thompson (160) and Derek Skeehan (285).

Freshman Cole Toy finished fourth at 182 pounds and senior Mason Wilkerson, competing in arguably the tournament's toughest bracket, was unable to advance. Wilkerson posted a 1-2 record and finishes his season with an 11-12 record with 3 falls.

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Section champ No. 300 Beau Bayless with
Section champ No. 100 Jeff Groover

Section 2-AA



February Boxscores

Feb. 10, 2018

PIAA Class AA Team Championships
Championship Finals
Reynolds 30, Southern Columbia 25

138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Michael Miner, 0:45.
145-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Shane Miller, 0:59.
152-Cade Linn (SC) dec. Mason Wilkerson, 4-1.
160-Cal Haladay (SC) dec. Hunter Thompson, 5-0.
170-Gaige Garcia (SC) tech fall Cole Toy, 21-6, 5:13.
182-Anthony Scicchitano (SC) dec. Bryce McCloskey, 4-3.
195-Jarod Miller (R) dec. Lear Quinton, 5-2.
220-Sean Sprague (SC) dec. Wyatt Owen, 7-3.
285-John C. Fulmer (SC) dec. Derek Skeehan, 2-0.
106-Gary Steen (R) pinned Nicholas Dorkoski, 2:57
113-Beau Bayless (R) dec. Patrick Edmondson, 7-4.
120-Jaret Lane (SC) tech fall Kaeden Berger, 26-11, 5:47.
126-Andrew Ischo (R) dec. Ian Yoder, 5-2.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) dec. Jacob Renn, 5-0.

Feb. 9, 2018

PIAA Class AA Team Championships
Quarterfinals
Reynolds 40, Muncy 16

195-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Cael Hembury, 1:01.
220-Hunter Poust (M) dec. Wyatt Owen, 4-2.
285-Derek Skeehan (R) pinned Coty Steele, 3:06.
106-Gary Steen (R) dec. Jacob Blair, 5-3.
113-Beau Bayless (R) dec. Mario Barbario, 5-0.
120-Andrew Ischo (R) dec. Christian Good, 6-5.
126-Bryce Vollman (M) dec. Kaeden Berger, 2-1.
132-Joseph Klock (M) major dec. Rocco Bartolo, 10-2.
138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Ethan Gush, 1:46.
145-Hunter Michaels (R) dec. Coleman Good, 3-0.
152-Noah Gush (M) dec. Mason Wilkerson, 9-8.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) pinned Gavyn Eisenhower, 3:29
170-Michael Kustanbauter (M) dec. Bryce McCloskey, 1-0.
182-Cole Toy (R) major dec. Josh Hull, 13-2.

Semifinals

Reynolds 55, Bishop McDevitt 9

170-Bryce McCloskey (R) tech fall Justin Piper, 15-0, 3:41.
182-Cole Toy (R) pinned Cayetano Reyes, 3:18.

195-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Dray Donley, 3:32.
220-Wyatt Owen (R) dec. Marquin McArthur, 6-2.
285-Derek Skeehan (R) dec. Tahir Layton, 2-0.
106-Gary Steen (R) won by forfeit.
113-Beau Bayless (R) dec. Nate Smith, 3-1 (SV)
120-Kaeden Berger (R) pinned Jackson Shields, 3:44.
126-Chase Childs (BM) dec. Andrew Ischo, 3-2.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) major dec. Jack Cunningham, 10-2.
138-Cole Matthews (R) major dec. Tyler Martin, 17-6.
145-Hunter Michaels (R) won by forfeit.
152-Tanner Updegraff (BM) pinned Ethan Kasbee, 2:49.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) dec. Elisha Cooksey, 7-6.

Feb. 8, 2018

PIAA Class AA Team Championships
Preliminary Round
Reynolds 64, Honesdale 6

113-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Peter West, 0:49.
120-Andrew Ischo (R) pinned Jordan Young, 3:34.
126-Kaeden Berger (R) pinned Chris McDevitt, 1:13.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) pinned Ethan Chotski, 2:52.
138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Matt Davis, 1:03.
145-Hunter Michaels (R) tech fall Joe Rutledge, 19-2, 2:54.
152-Brandon Lawson (H) dec. Mason Wilkerson, 6-2 (SV -1).
160-Hunter Thompson (R) major dec. Gerald Pepper, 18-4.
170-Cole Toy wbmd (R) major dec. Mike O'Day, 10-2.
182-Jake Kabonick (H) dec. Evan Miller, 10-6.
195-Jarod Miller (R) pinned Michael Ehrlich, 1:56.
220-Wyatt Owen (R) pinned Jon Kuhns-Miller, 3:10
285-Rocco John Daniello (R) major dec. Ken Huber, 10-0.
106-Gary Steen (R) tech fall Tristyn Bodie, 19-3, 4:23.

Feb. 3, 2018

District 10 Class AA Team Championships
Championship Finals
Reynolds 46, Harbor Creek 21

138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Karter Krewszewski, 1:12.
145-Hunter Michaels (R) pinned Jared Frampton, 1:32.
152-Mason Wilkerson (R) pinned Shane Stafford, 2:30.
160-Hunter Thompson (R) dec. Jason Bratt, 5-4.

170-Shane Watkins (HC) pinned Bryce McCloskey, 1:38.
182-Cole Toy (R) pinned Nick Bille, 3:48.
195-Lucas Fulmer (HC) pinned Evan Miller, 1:07.
220-Dominic Viscuso (HC) dec. Jarod Miller, 4-2.
285-Collin Askins (HC) dec. Derek Skeehan, 3-2.
106-Gary Steen (R) pinned Joe Gabler, 5:59.
113-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Joe Capan, 0:51.
120-Kaeden Berger (R) major dec. Mike Gabler, 9-1.
126-Andrew Ischo (R) dec. Nick Oosterkamp, 8-3.
132-Mark Samuel Sallot (HC) dec. Rocco Bartolo, 3-2.

Semifinals

Reynolds 52, Eisenhower 12

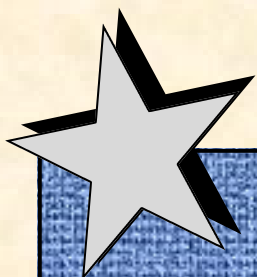
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) major dec. Nate Holt, 16-3.
138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Sam Holt, 0:46.
145-Hunter Michaels (R) dec. Garrett Head, 6-2.
152-Spencer Head (E) pinned Jordan DeCarmen, 4:23.
160-Alex Barnett (E) dec. Hunter Thompson, 14-9.
170-Bryce McCloskey (R) pinned Ethan Chambers, 5:03.
182-Cole Toy (R) pinned Justin Hagberg, 1:45.
195-Jarod Miller (R) dec. Matt Huling, 5-4.
220-Josef Bauer (E) dec. Wyatt Owen, 3-1.
285-Derek Skeehan (R) won by forfeit.
106-Gary Steen (R) dec. Logan Jaquay, 6-4.*
113-Adam Wilcox (R) won by forfeit.
120-Beau Bayless (R) pinned Ethan Kellogg, 0:26.
126-Andrew Ischo (R) dec. Josh Bortz, 5-3.

*Reynolds lost 1-team point after 106.

Quarterfinals

Reynolds 51, Fort LeBoeuf 15

126-Kaeden Berger (R) major dec. Justin Cornelius, 11-0.
132-Rocco Bartolo (R) major dec. Joel Huck, 9-1.
138-Cole Matthews (R) pinned Clayton Barr, 3:31.
145-Hunter Michaels (R) major dec. Josh McCall, 13-2.
152-Mason Wilkerson (R) dec. Trenton Pace, 5-4.
160-Jacob Lloyd (F) dec. Hunter Thompson, 6-5.
170-Brent Burbles (F) dec. Cole Toy, 8-4.
182-Julian Gorrington (F) dec. Evan Miller, 11-6.
195-Jarod Miller (R) won by forfeit.
220-Wyatt Owen (R) won by forfeit.
285-Derek Skeehan (R) pinned Lance McLaughlin, 5:42.
106-Gary Steen (R) pinned Matthew Orton, 0:57.
113-Beau Bayless (R) won by forfeit.
120-Isaac Crowell (F) pinned Liam Foore, 4:48.



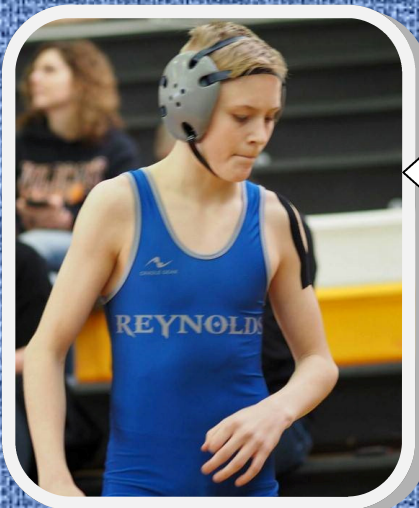
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Ava Bayless
Area VI champ



Casey Taylor
D-10 COTY



Kane Kettering
Area VI champ



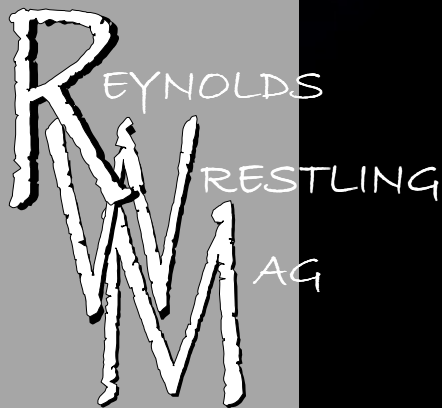
Gary Steen
150th D-10 champ

TRIVIA ? CHALLENGE

New Question: Who is the only Reynolds Wrestler to compete in the state semifinals four straight years?

Previous Question: When Chuck Coryea won his state title in '72 where was the state tournament held?

Answer: Farm Show Arena, Harrisburg.



The Great Cole Matthews

April 2018

No Signs of Slowing Down

I remember talking to Ron Beckman a few years back as Mason was entering his senior season at RHS.

You'll recall Mason had gone unbeaten as a junior winning Ironman and PIAA titles along the way.

I asked Ron something like, "How do you repeat something like that?" Ron's response has stuck with me all these years.

"Mason's not going to try to repeat, he's just going to try and keep it going."

As a team, that is pretty much where the Reynolds Wrestling program finds itself. Moving forward, no longer is the challenge going to be to duplicate what has already been done, but to keep it going.

As we finally begin to soak in all that was accomplished over the past two seasons, we humbly look forward to the next several seasons with expectation being more of the same.

WE ARE ... RAIDER NATION! —

While being interviewed by PaPower-Wrestling after his win at the Pittsburgh Wrestling Classic (*see our coverage on pg. 9*), Cole Matthews talked about the support he has received throughout his career from Raider Nation.

There was, indeed, a large contingent of Reynolds fans at the Classic. And why not? It's close, it's great wrestling and we had a vested interest.



The truth is, it's always been easy to be a Cole Matthews fan with the biggest reason being he makes it so dang easy.

Thanks for the shout out Cole, we appreciate it.

LOOKING AHEAD — Beau Bayless will begin his senior season with 120 wins and three state medals. He will look to join some very exclusive clubs as he begins his final season.

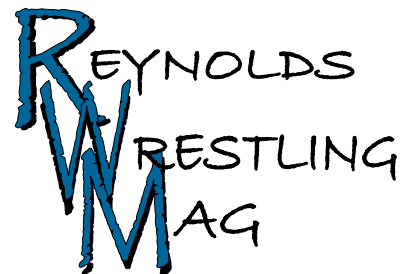
Andrew Ischo will almost certainly reach 100 wins early next year as he currently sits at 91. Andrew, however, appears to be the only Raider with a legitimate shot to reach the milestone next year.

Reynolds will begin 2018-19 with a modest 20-match win streak, and Coach Casey Taylor will begin his 8th season at 158-18.

Reynolds will look to win its third straight state championships in both dual match and team points competition.

The Raiders will have two state champions (Bayless and Gary Steen), four state place-winners (add in Ischo and Rocco Bartolo) and six state qualifiers (add Kaeden Berger and Derek Skeeihan) in its starting lineup.

Reynolds will enter its 59th season with an all-time dual match record of 840-95-2.



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Raider Nation and his RHS teammates were out in full force to support Cole Matthews at the Pittsburgh Wrestling Classic



Matthews, Steen Strike Gold!!

Raiders Capture a Record 14th PIAA Wrestling Championship

By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

HERSHEY — The Reynolds Raiders put an exclamation mark on another sensational season by crowning a pair of state champions and winning a record-setting 9th team points title at the 2018 PIAA Class AA Wrestling Championships March 8-10 at the Giant Center.

Senior Cole Matthews (138) capped a 177-win career with a second state title and freshman Gary Steen (106) polished off a brilliant rookie season with a gold medal.

They are the 27th and 28th state champions in RHS history. Reynolds' 9 team points titles are a PIAA record. No team has won more. Reynolds' combined 14 state championships (counting the 5 dual match titles) is also a PIAA record.

Also earning all-state honors for the Raiders were Beau Bayless (3rd, 113), Rocco Bartolo (3rd, 132), Hunter Michaels (5th, 145) and Andrew Ischo (6th, 120).



State Champs Cole Matthews and Gary Steen

Bayless is now a 3-time PIAA medalist and Ischo's medal was his second.

Freshman Kaeden Berger (1-2, 126) and senior Jarod Miller (1-2, 195) also represented Reynolds at the state tournament.

"I don't even know where to begin," said Casey Taylor, who won his fifth state championship as the RHS coach. "What an outstanding weekend for our wrestlers."

"I couldn't be more proud of the efforts of our guys — all eight of them can and should feel like they are part of this championship because they all won matches to

contribute to the team points title," Taylor said.

After winning gold as a freshman, Matthews placed third and second at the past two state tournaments. He rose back to the top of the podium in 2018 with a pair of pins and a major decision among his four wins.

"Never a doubt," said Taylor when asked if he thought Matthews would get the gold. "He completely dominated his weight class."

Matthews closes his career as one of the most accomplished wrestlers in school history, finishing with four state medals and a 177-15 record.

He reached 100 career falls at the state tournament, finishing with 101 to smash the former school record of 83 previously held by his brother, Austin.

Cole has signed to continue his academic and athletic careers at

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**Team points
title No. 9
and PIAA
Championship
No. 14
for RHS**

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the University of Pittsburgh.

"They are getting one of our very best," Taylor said of Cole signing with Pitt. "I think Cole will make an impact there both on and off the mat. His commitment to excellence and his tremendous work ethic will be a great addition to Pitt's program."

While Matthews exits, freshman Steen enters — polishing off a fantastic freshman campaign.

Gary also dominated his weight class, pitching a pair of 7-0 shut-outs while winning four matches by a combined score of 26-5.

Like his cousin, Cole, Gary won his state finals match by a score of 5-2.

"Gary has been consistent for us all season long," Taylor said. "His focus was right where it needed to

be and his superb technique and natural athleticism led him to the top of the podium," Taylor said. "The coaching staff is very proud of the way he handled himself and



took care of business. He is a focused young man."

Gary ends his season with a record of 45-4. His only losses were split between the Ironman and PowerAde tournaments.

Bayless, a junior, placed for the third straight season while going 4-1 to finish 3rd at 113 pounds. Beau finished 4th as a freshman and 1st as a sophomore.

His only loss of the tournament came in the championships semifinals when his takedown attempt

was countered in the sudden victory period.

Beau finishes the season at 48-5 — the most wins of any Raider this season — and is now 120-18 in his Reynolds career.

In his first season as a full-time starter, Bartolo, a junior, rolled all the way to a third-place finish.

Bartolo (37-9) won by injury default in his consolation final to finish the tournament 5-1. His only loss was to the state runner-up, 6-3, in the quarterfinals.

"Rocco was on fire, it was so much fun to be in his corner cheering him on," Taylor said.

Among his wins in Hershey, Rocco had two falls, a major decision and a 7-0 win.

Michaels won his first PIAA medal in his third trip to Hershey and in winning five matches reached

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Reynolds' six PIAA placers include (front, l-r) Gary Steen (1st), Beau Bayless (3rd) and Andrew Ischo (6th). And (standing) Rocco Bartolo (3rd), Cole Matthews (1st) and Hunter Michaels (5th).

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the century mark in career wins.

After an opening-round loss, Hunter came roaring back to win four straight matches in the consolation bracket. Included in that streak were a fall and a major decision.

He won an 8-6 triumph in the sudden victory period in his final match to finish with 101 wins.

Ischo won his second state medal and moved up one step on the PIAA podium to 6th place.

He finished 3-3 at states and was competitive in all of those matches, losing one 6-5 and another 2-0.

Miller, a senior, ends his RHS career as a state qualifier with a 74-47 record. His win in Hershey was by major decision.

Berger was not even a full-time starter early in the season but he didn't let that stop him.

He qualified for the state tournament as a freshman and posted a 1-2 record to finish the year 18-12.

Season Win Leaders

(Final)

Beau Bayless	48
Cole Matthews	47
Gary Steen	45
Hunter Michaels	40
Rocco Bartolo	37
Jarod Miller	35
Andrew Ischo	31
Hunter Thompson	28
Cole Toy	26
Wyatt Owen	20

Season Pin Leaders

(Through end of season)

Cole Matthews	26
Beau Bayless	17
Jarod Miller	15
Hunter Michaels	14
Rocco Bartolo	14
Cole Toy	12
Andrew Ischo	11
Gary Steen	10

Active Career Win Leaders

(Through end of season)

Cole Matthews	177
Beau Bayless	120
Hunter Michaels	101
Andrew Ischo	91
Jarod Miller	74
Derek Skeehan	50
Gary Steen	45
Hunter Thompson	44
Adam Wilcox	39

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ALL-TIME DUAL MATCH RECORD

Steve Popovitch's ALUMNI NEWS

I can't believe another wrestling season has come and gone. They seem to go quicker every year. There is not a lot of results-based news to report this month, but we do have some fun updates to share with you.

Seth Hogue ('16) was the only RHS grad to compete since our last report. He went 1-2 at the EIWA Championships. Seth finished the season 11-19 and is now 20-38 for his career, with two years of eligibility remaining.

While Cole Matthews deservedly got a lot of headlines for his impressive performance in the Pittsburgh Wrestling Classic, our very own **Bunky Mathieson** ('88) was selected as an official for the event. If you get a chance to watch the video, you can hear the boisterous Raider crowd chanting for him.

There were lots of reports from Raider Nation that they got to see **Cole Rickert** ('17) while they were at Fitzgerald Field House for the Classic. Cole is a freshman on the University of Pittsburgh roster.

In other officiating news, **Pat Fordyce** ('85) earned the honor of representing District 10 as an official at the PIAA tournament. It was great seeing a familiar face out on the mat.

RWM recently learned that **Blake Heim** ('12) has taken a position as the head junior high coach at Commodore Perry. Blake was all set to join the RHS staff when CP presented him with an offer for a paid position.

Next season Reynolds and Commodore Perry will be competing in the same Region. We wish Blake the best!

John Svirbly ('02) completed his 12th season as head coach at Cochranon

which always seems to field a competitive squad.

Sammy Fuchs ('09) just completed his 5th season coaching at Olentangy High School in Ohio. Olentangy had two state place-winners this season.

Sam made the trip over to attend the recent RHS wrestling banquet where he presented the Kaine Kulka Award in honor of his former teammate. Freshman Cole Toy won the award that honors the team's most fearless wrestler.

It was a big year for **Austin Matthews** ('13) — who ended his collegiate wrestling career earlier this season.

Austin joined the coaching staff at RHS just weeks later and seemed to love his new role in wrestling.

Austin is on schedule to graduate from Edinboro this spring and hopes to pursue a career as a PA State Trooper.

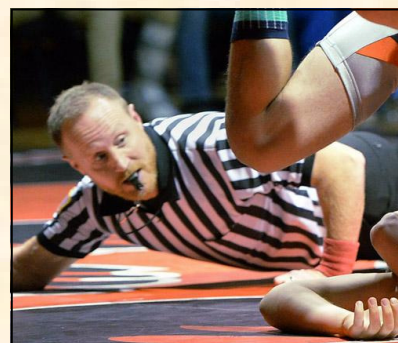
One of the most successful Raiders of all time — **Mason Beckman** ('11) — has joined the staff at PA Power Wrestling. During the scholastic season, you can catch his weekly podcast (papowerwrestling.com) that focuses on college wrestling. Occasionally, you'll hear him mention, with pride, the Reynolds program.

Luke Taylor ('10) is a Lieutenant for the United States Coast Guard. Luke is stationed in Puerto Rico. Luke was on rescue duty during last year's devastating hurricanes and has been delivering supplies and helping the people of the island recover since.

Luke was captured in a photograph handing out supplies and the photo got some serious exposure in a recent Coast Guard photography contest.



Coast Guard Lt. Luke Taylor handing out relief supplies in Puerto Rico



Pat Fordyce ('85) worked this year's state championships



Commodore Perry Junior High coach Blake Heim ('12) with his wrestlers at the Corry tournament



Referee Bunky Mathieson ('87) and Casey Taylor ('95) at the Pittsburgh Wrestling Classic

Steen, Bayless, Matthews win NWR Crowns



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By DON SHAFFER
RWM Editor

SHARON — The Reynolds Raiders continued their all-out assault on the postseason at the 2018 Class AA Northwest Regional by winning the team title, crowning three champions and qualifying eight wrestlers for the 2018 PIAA Class AA Individual Wrestling Championships.

Senior Cole Matthews (138) and junior Beau Bayless (113) won their 3rd Regional crowns while freshman Gary Steen (106) picked up his first.

With his title, Matthews became a four-time state qualifier and will look to become a rare, four-time state medal winner next weekend in Hershey.

Matthews pinned his way through the tournament to move his career pin total to 99.

Bayless heads to Hershey for the third time. He is a defending PIAA champion.

Junior Rocco Bartolo (132) and senior Hunter Michaels (145) also battled their way to the championship finals and finished second. Michaels earned his third trip to Hershey and Bartolo, his first.

Reynolds' other Regional medalists were junior Andrew Ischo (3rd, 120), senior Jarod Miller (4th, 195) and freshman Kaeden Berger (4th, 126).

Ischo is heading back to the state tournament for the second time. He placed seventh in 2017.

Reynolds won the team title with 153.5 points. Harbor Creek (93) was second.

Also competing at the NWR for RHS were juniors Hunter Thompson (160) and Derek Skeehan (285), sophomore Bryce McCloskey (170) and freshman Cole Toy (182).

Skeehan and McCloskey were one win short of qualifying for the state tournament.

Skeehan lost 2-1 in the ultimate tiebreaker, while McCloskey lost 3-0. Skeehan finished the tournament with a 3-2 record while McCloskey was 2-2. Both wrestlers missed considerable time in 2017-18 with injuries.

Thompson and Toy were both 2-2.



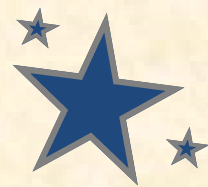
Rocco Bartolo



Hunter Michaels

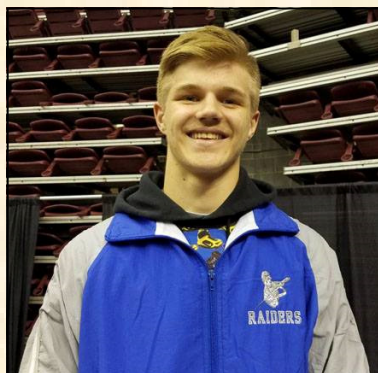


2017-18 Final Statistics



Wrestler	Gr.	Wins	Losses	Pins	T-Falls	Majors
Beau Bayless	11	48	5	17	2	3
Cole Matthews	12	47	2	26	4	8
Gary Steen	9	45	4	10	9	3
Hunter Michaels	12	40	9	14	3	7
Rocco Bartolo	11	37	9	14	0	11
Jarod Miller	12	35	15	15	1	2
Andrew Ischo	11	31	13	11	0	3
Hunter Thompson	11	28	15	9	1	4
Cole Toy	9	26	17	12	0	4
Wyatt Owen	11	20	16	8	0	1
Kaeden Berger	9	18	12	4	3	3
Derek Skeehan	11	15	12	5	0	0
Adam Wilcox	10	13	0	7	0	0
Mason Wilkerson	12	11	12	3	1	2
Bryce McCloskey	10	9	7	1	1	0
Alex Ischo	9	6	3	3	0	1
Cole Bayless	10	5	0	0	0	0
Evan Miller	10	5	16	1	0	1
Xavier Coburn	12	4	3	0	0	0
Tylir Shannon	12	3	0	0	0	0
Rocco John-Daniello	9	2	3	1	0	1
Liam Foore	9	1	1	1	0	0
Jordan DeCarmen	9	1	2	0	0	0
Ethan Kasbee	12	0	1	0	0	0
Lee Walters	10	0	0	0	0	0
Dreyvin Livingston	9	0	0	0	0	0

(Final statistics are courtesy of ReynoldsWrestling.com)



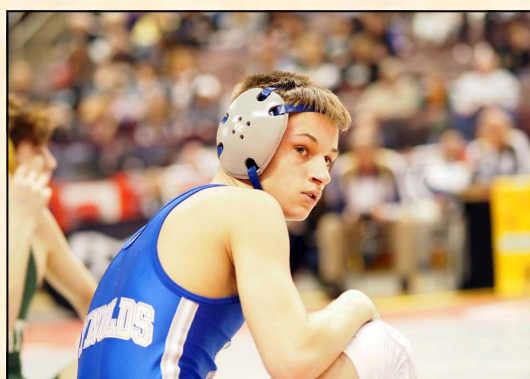
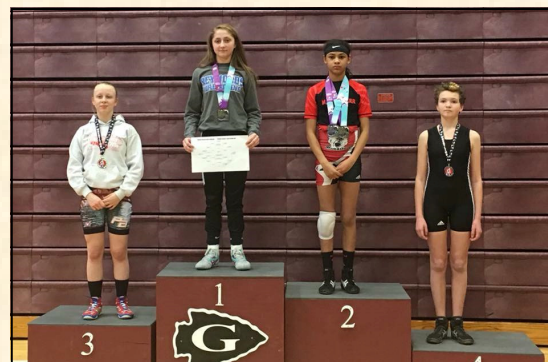
Congratulations Hunter Michaels on reaching 100 wins in your high school wrestling career. Hunter reached the century mark on Friday, March 9 at the 2018 PIAA Wrestling Championships. Hunter is the 42nd wrestler to record 100 victories at Reynolds High.

Bayless Wins 7th Straight PA Girls Title

Congratulations to Reynolds 8th grader Ava Bayless who won her seventh straight PA girls state championship Sunday in Gettysburg.

Wrestling in the 7th-8th grade division at 101 pounds, Ava went 3-0. In the opening round she scored a fall in 1:38. In the semifinals she pinned her opponent in 1:56 and in the finals match, she won by fall in 25 seconds.

For the record, the tournament has been renamed the Middle Atlantic Girls Folkstyle tournament.



State Champ Steen Snared for Team PA

Reynolds freshman Gary Steen, a 2018 PIAA Class AA state champion, has accepted an invitation from the Pennsylvania Amateur Wrestling Federation (PAWF) to represent Team Pennsylvania at the Junior Freestyle and Greco Roman National Duals on June 19-23 in Tulsa, OK.

Pennsylvania takes just one team to this event. Gary expects to wrestle in both disciplines and could compete in as many as 20 matches over the four-day event.

Matthews Named D-10 Region I Wrestler of the Year

The 2017-18 District 10 Region I wrestling all-stars list was released recently.

RHS senior Cole Matthews was named the Region I Wrestler of the Year to lead 5 Raiders who were selected to the first team. Five other Raiders were named to the second team.

The all-stars were nominated and then voted on by the Region's head coaches at the Section tournament seeding meeting.



Region champion: Reynolds
Region 1 Wrestler of the Year:
Cole Matthews, sr., Reynolds

220: Tyler Zebrovich, sr., Lakeview

285: Max Wills, jr., Lakeview

Second team

Region 1 All-Stars First team

106: Gary Steen, fr., Reynolds
113: Matt Vincent, sr., Franklin
120: Beau Bayless, jr., Reynolds
126: Andrew Ischo, jr., Reynolds
132: Alex Chess, so., Mercer
138: Cole Matthews, sr., Reynolds
145: Mike Doerflinger, sr., Slippery Rock
152: Sully Allen, so., Sharon
160: Cameron Prebble, sr., Sharpsville
170: Vito Pilosi, so., Slippery Rock
182: Kaleb Kamerer, jr., Slippery Rock
195: (tie) Elijah Hilliard, jr., Slippery Rock and Jarod Miller, sr., Reynolds

106: Nick Ayers, fr., Slippery Rock
113: Adam Wilcox, so., Reynolds
120: Gage Shoemaker, sr., Franklin
126: Logan Breese, fr., Grove City
132: Rocco Bartolo, jr., Reynolds
138: Brad Filer, sr., Mercer
145: Hunter Michaels, sr., Reynolds
152: Mason Wilkerson, sr., Reynolds
160: Tyler Greer, jr., Grove City
170: (tie) Brad Cavolo, sr., Grove City and Peyton Schell, sr., Sharpsville
182: Shane Slicker, so., West Middlesex
195: None
220: Wyatt Owen, jr., Reynolds
285: Bobby Gregory, sr., Mercer

Matthews a Winner at Pittsburgh Wrestling Classic

By DON SHAFFER

RWM Editor

PITTSBURGH— Just like he has done 177 other times, Cole Matthews walked off the mat at Fitzgerald Field House a winner.

Cole was competing as the 138-pound Team Pennsylvania representative at the 44th Pittsburgh Wrestling Classic, billed as “The Rose Bowl of Wrestling.”

While many thought Team USA and its stacked line-up would win in a romp, the PA stars showed some grit in dropping an exciting 23-21 decision. Cole and Saegertown’s Cody Mulligan - District 10’s other representative - both won their individual matches. (Full box on The Back Page.)



RWM photo by Don Shaffer

Cole Matthews with Pitt coach Keith Gavin at the Pittsburgh Wrestling Classic.
Cole has signed to wrestle at Pitt beginning this fall.

Cole was matched against Quinn Kinner, a two-time New Jersey state champion out of Kingsway HS. Coming into the match, FloWrestling.com had Kinner ranked No. 2 in the country and Cole No. 8. An Ohio State recruit, Kinner posted a 168-6 high school ledger. He finished 44-0 as a senior and in addition to his state title, won championships at Escape the Rock and Beast of the East.

A late first-period scramble resulted in a takedown and back points as Cole led 4-1 after the first two minutes. Kinner earned an escape and takedown in the second period to tie it. Matthews scored the winning point in a 5-4 triumph with a third-period escape.

“I haven’t been working out much the last two weeks, so my conditioning wasn’t where it should be ... I knew I had to pace myself,” Cole said. “I knew I had enough left to get the escape but I wanted to get some time off the clock, too.”

Cole was close to adding a late takedown when he countered Kinner’s shot at the edge.

“I wanted to get that takedown, but I also wanted to keep my foot in bounds and keep the clock rolling,” Cole said. (College out-of-bounds rules were used at the all-star event.)

“Cole enjoyed the role of being the underdog,” said Coach Taylor. “It allowed him to wrestle with

less pressure.”

“It was an incredible win against a highly-ranked opponent that helps him finish out an amazing high school career,” Taylor said. “Cole enjoyed the entire weekend from start to finish.”

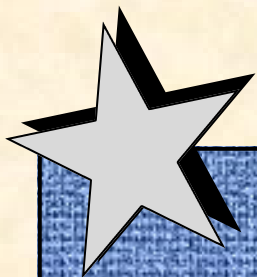
Cole’s win moves Reynolds’ all-time record at the Classic to 4-3-1. The Raiders are on a bit of a streak, having won three straight as Mason Beckman was a winner in 2011 and Austin Matthews in 2013.

Cole is scheduled to wrestle one more high school match. On April 14, he will travel to Brownsburg, IN where he will compete as a member of Team USA in the Dream Team Classic.

Reynolds' **4-Time PIAA Medal-Winners**

Grad	Wrestler	Yrs	Medals	Year	Class	Gr	Wt	Place	Tournament	Season	Team
2007	Beckman, Lawrence	4	4	2004	AA	FR	140	6th	2-3	39-7	Reynolds
				2005	AA	SO	152	5th	3-2	45-5	Reynolds
				2006	AA	JR	160	4th	3-2	45-8	Reynolds
				2007	AA	SR	171	3rd	5-1	47-7	Reynolds
2011	Beckman, Mason	4	4	2008	AA	FR	103	2nd	3-1	48-8	Reynolds
				2009	AA	SO	112	3rd	5-1	50-4	Reynolds
				2010	AA	JR	119	1st	4-0	49-0	Reynolds
				2011	AA	SR	125	1st	4-0	49-0	Reynolds
2006	Dunn, Matt	4	4	2003	AA	FR	103	1st	4-0	40-1	Reynolds
				2004	AA	SO	112	3rd	5-1	43-4	Reynolds
				2005	AA	JR	130	2nd	3-1	41-3	Reynolds
				2006	AA	SR	145	1st	4-0	52-3	Reynolds
2012	D'Urso, Dylan	4	4	2009	AA	FR	103	4th	3-2	44-4	Reynolds
				2010	AA	SO	125	3rd	4-1	42-7	Reynolds
				2011	AA	JR	130	3rd	4-1	46-6	Reynolds
				2012	AA	SR	132	2nd	3-1	39-2	Reynolds
2009	Kelly, Cody	4	4	2006	AA	FR	103	2nd	3-1	40-6	Reynolds
				2007	AA	SO	112	3rd	4-1	43-11	Reynolds
				2008	AA	JR	125	3rd	5-1	47-3	Reynolds
				2009	AA	SR	130	4th	4-2	48-5	Reynolds
2013	Matthews, Austin	4	4	2010	AA	FR	130	8th	2-3	43-9	Reynolds
				2011	AA	SO	140	2nd	3-1	44-5	Reynolds
				2012	AA	JR	138	2nd	3-1	48-2	Reynolds
				2013	AA	SR	152	1st	4-0	49-1	Reynolds
2018	Matthews, Cole	4	4	2015	AA	FR	120	1st	4-0	43-6	Reynolds
				2016	AA	SO	126	3rd	4-1	44-5	Reynolds
				2017	AA	JR	138	2nd	3-1	43-2	Reynolds
				2018	AA	SR	138	1st	4-0	47-2	Reynolds
2001	Nestor, Justin	4	4	1998	AA	FR	130	1st	4-0	34-6	Reynolds
				1999	AA	SO	135	4th	4-2	39-4	Reynolds
				2000	AA	JR	145	1st	4-0	39-1	Reynolds
				2001	AA	SR	145	1st	4-0	41-0	Reynolds

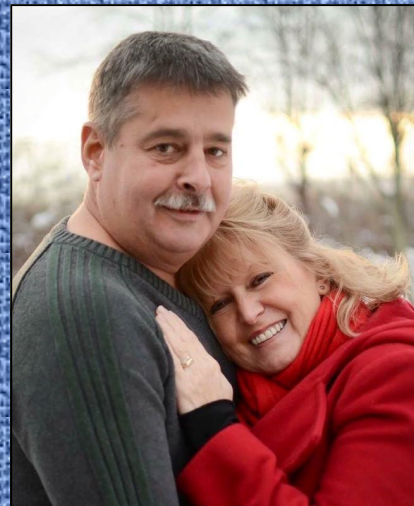
Congratulations!



The Back Page



Pennsylvania Junior Wrestling state qualifiers include (l-r) Jalen Wagner, Cael Kettering, Santino Gentile, Kagan Painter, Braden McCloskey and Cam Kettering.



Doug Battles ('76) is now home as he continues to recover from his Feb. 15, 2018 liver transplant.



TRIVIA ? CHALLENGE

New Question: How many combined state championships has Casey Taylor won as a coach and wrestler?

Previous Question: Who is the only Reynolds Wrestler to compete in the state semifinals four straight years?

Answer: The only Raider to appear in four straight PIAA semifinals was Dylan D'Urso. He is now joined by Cole Matthews.

Pittsburgh Wrestling Classic

U.S. All-Stars 23, PA All-Stars 21

220-Zach Elam, Kansas City, MO dec. Anthony Walters, Bishop McCort, 3-0.

285-(Team USA OW) Gable Steveson, Apple Valley, MN major dec. Isaac Reid, Kiski Area, 17-7.

120-Jaret Lane, Southern Columbia, pinned Kyle Biscoglia, Waukee IA, 4:20.

120-Patrick McKee, Albertville, MN, dec. Logan Macri, Canon-McMillan, 6-4.

132-Real Woods, Wheaton, IL, dec. Jack Davis, Wyoming Seminary, 9-2.

138-Cole Matthews, Reynolds, dec. Quinn Kinner, Kingsway, NJ, 5-4.

145-Sammy Sasso, Nazareth, dec. Brock Hardy, Brigham City, UT, 9-8.

152-David Carr, Massillon, OH, dec. Zach Hartman, Belle Vernon, 14-8.

160-Shane Griffith, Westwood, NJ, major dec. Caleb Clymer, Northwestern Lehigh, 12-4.

170-Travis Wittlake, Jr. Broadbent, OR, dec. Trent Hilday, Mifflin County, 5-2.

182-Cody Mulligan, Saegertown, dec. Jack Jessen, Villa Park, IL, 5-2.

195-Gavin Hoffman, Montoursville, dec. Brandon Whitman, Dundee, MI, 3-2.