

# 2011

## Dist 1 North Tournament

### Feb. 25 & 26st

Wrestlers from the thirty schools that make up the northern portion of District One gathered at Council Rock North High School for the two day tournament to determine who will take that one giant step closer to Hershey. Of those thirty schools, CRNorth finished fourth overall behind CRSouth, Norristown and Neshaminy respectively and four Indians took that giant step closer to the sweetest place on earth.

What a year for freshman **Timmy Ambacher**! **Timmy** began the 2010-2011 season up a weight in the 112 pound spot only wrestling on an as needed bases. As the season progressed so did **Timmy**. He was eventually able to nail down a permanent spot at 103 and the rest is history. At 112 Timmy went 4-6 (0.400). Once in the 103 pound spot he improved to 8-9 (0.470). Not a big improvement but an improvement none the less. A steady climb that saw **Timmy** finish fourth at Sections last week and end his season at Districts with a respectable 2-2 finish making it all the way to the consolation quarter finals. With his winning altitude and determination **Timmy** will certainly be a force to be reckoned with next year.

**Tyler Kelly** (135) did not finish in the top four at Section but somehow managed to make it to Districts. Apparently Eddie Kwait from William Tennent dropped out and **Tyler** was given his spot. Unfortunately **Tyler** was unable to take advantage of the situation. He lost his pigtail bout with Alex Barday from Pennsbury by the narrowest of margins going extra periods only to lose 3-1 in sudden victory. In the consolations **Tyler** was match up with Bensalem's Nick Lippincott. A loss there and **Tyler** was finished for the day. Over the season **Tyler** was the regular 135 pounder with a winning record going 18-13 for the season. As a sophomore **Tyler** will be back and definitely will be an important part of next year's squad.

January 14, 2011 was a turning point for North's Junior, 215, 189 171 pound, **Brendon Poff**. It was on that date that something clicked and **Brendon** turned his season around. To that point **Brendon** was 3-15 (0.125) wrestling three different weight classes and then the big change. On that same day **Brendon** began the big turnaround posting a win against Gabe Ford from Clearfield at the Escape the Rock Tournament. That began a streak that saw **Brendon** go 10-5 (0.667) for the remainder of the season.

**Brandon** then placed third at Sections last weekend and earning a trip to Districts where he went 1-2 before being eliminated. A little work over the off season and **Brendon** will surely be a big part of next year's team.

From having a late start and then having to battling illness it could not have been a fun year for freshman **Tyler Callender**. Even at that, he was able to finish the season 9-10. Filling in at 215 and 285 he carded some big wins for the Indians and managed a fourth place finish at Sections. There he went up against the number one seeded Brenden Shirley from William Tennent in the consolation finals losing 2-4. That gave **Tyler** fourth place but more importantly a berth at Districts.

**Tyler** lost to Matt Jorgenson from Quakertown in his opening bout at Districts 1-2. In the consolations he met up with Tennent's Shirley once again. Fifteen seconds into the third period Shirley picked **Tyler** up and brought him to the mat. Everyone in the gym, except the referee, thought it was a slam. **Tyler** was not allowed to continue after being examined by the trainers and that was the end of his day and his season. A season of ups and downs but a season that showed some great promise of things to come for **Tyler**.

**Hayden Schenker** went 2-2 (0.500) as a sophomore for North wrestling, in the 119 and 125 weight classes. In 2009-2010 **Hayden** was the regular 135 pounder compiling a 14-13 (0.519) record. One memorable bout was **Hayden's** 9-7 win at Hazelton that helped North make it to the State Duals at Hershey that year. As a senior **Hayden** was selected as one of the 2010-2011 team captains. A senior year that saw **Hayden** become an anchor in the middle weights for the Indians turning in bouts at 145, 152 and 160. **Hayden** finished the regular season 22-10 which earned him a fifth seed at last week's Section One Tournament where he took home the third place medal at 145.

This week, at Districts, **Hayden** opened with a win over Dau from Central Bucks East to move to the Championship quarter finals against the number one seed from Norristown. **Hayden** lost that one to Brandon Parker and dropped to the consolations. A win by forfeit in his first consi bout, saw **Hayden** go against Will Dill from Upper Moreland in the consolation 1/4's. A loss there and **Hayden's** day was done. That also brought to a close an outstanding career at North. From singing the National Anthem as a sophomore to team captain as a senior. **Hayden** finishes his wrestling career at Council Rock North with an outstanding career record of 43-28

(0.605). After graduation **Hayden** plans to enter the University of Michigan. We will miss him and hopefully he will remember that wherever life may take him, he will always be a welcome member of the Council Rock North wrestling family.

Next week's Regional Tournament will be held at Oxford Area High School in southern Chester County. This tournament will include teams from District One North and District One South with the potential of competitors from some sixty-two different schools. Representing Council Rock North will be **Johnny Dutrow** (119), **Shane Longstreth** (125), **Adam Slezak** (130) and **Anthony Dutrow** (140).

**Johnny** earned his way with a third place finish at Districts. His only loss was to the eventual District One Champ, Matt Harkins from Hatboro Horsham, by a score of 4-9. That had to be one of the best bouts of the tournament. In his three wins **Johnny** scored three technical falls. He outscored Souderton's Gregg Donley 16-0 in 3:06 in his opener. In the consolations, **Johnny** wrestled Kyle Fellman from Upper Perk, that one ended with a score of 16-0 in 1:36. In the consi finals for third place it was Neshaminy's Ryan O'Connor that fell 16-1 in 4:58. Let's hope **Johnny** gets another shot at Harkins at Regions. That would be another great match.

**Shane Longstreth** made it to the finals with wins over Methacton's Joe Staley and the number one seed from UPerk, Wolfgang McStravick. **Shane** easily handled Staley 14-3. With McStravick it took seven periods to resolve this one. The score was 0-0 after regulation and it was still 0-0 after the three overtime periods. **Shane** rode McStravick in the fourth OT period to claim the 1-0 ride out win. In the finals, **Shane** took on the number two seed Justin Staudenmayer from Plymouth Whitmarsh. A 2-11 loss there and **Shane** had to settle for second place. Still recouping from that bad knee, another week may help **Shane** get back to form.

**Adam Slezak** shutout Will Beradelli from Wissahickon in his pigtail bout 10-0 only to run into Quakertown's number one seed Scott Wolfinger. **Adam** lost that one and dropped to the consolations where he met Mike McCaughey from Abington. **Adam** had wrestled McCaughey in the consolation finals last week at Sections. That one went to **Adam** 6-0. This time a different score but the same results. That 4-2 win set up a bout with Nick DiMuzio from Upper Dublin in the Consolation semi finals. **Adam** lost that one and would wrestle Perkiomen Valley's Nick Giangliulio for fifth place. This was a big bout because the winner here would go on to

Regions. **Adam** outscored Giangiulio 4-1 to capture the fifth spot and will be heading to the Regional Tournament.

You can always expect the unexpected out of **Anthony Dutrow**. He may not go down as one of the greatest wrestlers at CRN but he will certainly go down as one of the most exciting. **Anthony** pinned his opponent in the pigtail round only to lose in the prelims. Another pin in the consolation opener and a 10-0 shutout against Lee from Abington saw **Anthony** lose to Patrick Carr from Methacton. That set up a match for fifth place against Briar Malischewski from Quakertown. This is the big one. This one is for all the marbles. This one is for that last seat on the bus to Oxford. After two periods of wrestling, **Anthony** is losing 14-4. Even the most faithful had penciled in Malischewski. Not Anthony, nooo. Thirteen seconds into the third period he hits a standing death roll and puts Malischewski on his back and BAM just like that it was all over. Dog gone if he ain't on the bus.

It's a long trip to Oxford but it will be well worth the ride to see these guys next week. So get there and cheer on the ROCK FOUR. Wrestling starts at 5:30pm Friday.