



### BENSALEM OWLS

It was good to get back to wrestling after a two and a half week lay off. North showed little signs of rust as they took on the Owls of Bensalem. Bensalem came into the match 0-3 in league matches and 5-8 overall. That record is no indication of how tough an Owls squad can be. Their team is a little light in the heavier weights, but real tough in the lighter weights and if the Indians didn't score big in the upper weights, it wasn't going to be a cake walk in the five light weight bouts.

**Hayden Schenker** got things started in the 135 pound weight class out scoring the Owls Kevin Hopkins. **Hayden** was all offense scoring the initial takedown and finishing with a 7-0 win.

In the 140 pound bout, **Anthony Dutrow** made short work of Bensalem's Aereus Clark recording a fall in just 0:39.

In his first varsity appearance of the year, **Cody Goldstein** (145) took the win by way of a forfeit.

Bensalem's Dan Lang was no match for North's **James Hollawell**, North's 152 pounder. **James** out scored the Owl grappler posting an 11-3 major decision.

The Owls finally got on the scoreboard in the 160 pound bout. A look at the score showed North leading the Owls 19-6.

It's been an up and down year for junior **Joe Coates**, but tonight was a definite up. **Joe** was nearly takedown several times in the first period, but managed to fight off the Bensalem's Eric Burkey to eventually score the TD himself. Once on the mat, **Joe** turned his Owl opponent and recorded a fall in 1:36.

The 189 pound match went to Bensalem's Mike Belski. Via a pin which set the team score at North 25 Bensalem 12.

In 1961 a Council Rock wrestler by the name of Bob Good recorded a three second pin against a wrestler from Palisades High School. Last night we got to see the second fastest pin in Council Rock history. In his 215 pound bout, Jayfie **Kascak** preformed, what most would not have believed if they hadn't seen it for themselves, a five second pin. Not a school record, but an amazing, amazing feat. Way to go **Jayfie!!**

Next up, **Nino Romano** walked to mat center and had his hand raised to claim the forfeit at 285. That put the score at CRN 37 BE 12 with what looked on paper to be the five toughest bouts to go. Mathematically the Owls still had a chance to pull this one out.

Bensalem's Mike Pritchard brought a 15-4 record into the 103 pound bout. Touted one of the toughest three pounders in the league, the Indian's **Sean O'Neill** gave him all he wanted, yielding just a 6-3 decision to the Bensalem freshmen. That win moved the Owls three points closer.

North's freshmen, **John Dutrow**, got those points back with a 7-1 decision of his own over the Owl's Justin Cummings. **John** cut Cummings late in the third period in an effort to gain a major, but time expired. None the less, that win iced the match for North.

A pair of Shanes in the 119 pound bout, North's **Shane Longstreth** and the Owl's Shane Hughes. Hughes' season record of 18-5 looked impressive, but it didn't seem to impress **Mr. Longstreth** as he wrestled his way to a convincing 12-0 major decision.

The Owls got three points back in the 125 pound bout setting the score a 44-18.

**Allan Slezak** finished the night out on a high note with a decision win over Bensalem's Nick Lippincott. It was not an easy win. Lippincott, whose season record of 17-5, was a much worthier opponent than that record indicated. **Allan** had to wrestle hard for each and every point. The final score 6-2.

This match tonight was a good tune-up for tomorrow night when North travels to Quakertown for the first leg of the District Team Duals where they will meet either Upper Perkiomen or Harry S Truman.

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